

The New Hermetics

Level 1 - The Initiate



Welcome to the first level of the New Hermetics, the Initiate. The New Hermetics has ten levels of instruction that correspond to the ten grades of the ancient Rosicrucian brotherhood. Each of the levels of the New Hermetics introduces us to greater and greater internal resources that allow us to evolve with incredible speed and precision. The levels of the New Hermetics, with a glimpse at the nature of instruction are:

1. Initiate Level- Earth, mastery of behavior and visualization in the Æther
2. Zealot Level- Water, mastery of emotions, breathing and Ætheric "energy"
3. Practitioner Level- Air, mastery of mind, beliefs and projecting Ætheric "energy"
4. Philosopher Level- Fire, mastering creativity, values, directing Ætheric "energy"
5. Adept Level- Spirit, development of relationship with cosmic consciousness
6. Advanced Adept Level- power to direct forces of cosmic consciousness
7. Perfect Adept Level- wisdom and ability to share these forces with others
8. Master- mastery of cosmic consciousness.
9. Mage- mastery of universal power.
10. Ultimate Master- mastery of universal self.

The New Hermetics is a complete system for getting in touch with cosmic, universal consciousness, and experiencing transcendental, ecstatic union with this consciousness, as well as the ability to influence the world around you in a positive way. Through the thoughtful exploration of these technologies, you will form a personal and transformational link with the source of consciousness, the creative intelligence that forms the universe.

People from any background can enjoy the benefits of the New Hermetics in their lives. All that is required is an open mind and an open heart. The magical and mystical quest for enlightenment is an entirely personal and intimate journey. I cannot say for certain what your enlightenment will be like any more than you could say the same for mine. The wonderful thing about the New Hermetics is that it is entirely based on process rather than dogma, so you will be free to experience your personal illumination in exactly the manner that is correct for you.

In order to become a New Hermeticist, it is necessary to adopt several new models of behavior. These will help you to fully actualize your powers in the most helpful and positive possible way. You are about to go into uncharted territory, and without these guideposts, it would be easy to become lost in the morass of your own fears, illusions and bad habits. We are all limited beings, and even our most profound insights are limited by our human imperfections.

The basic guideposts of the New Hermeticist are simple. It is necessary to cultivate a natural, cheerful skepticism, a sense of possibility, knowledge that truth is entirely subjective, an awareness and cultivation of the basic mystical states, and an endless pursuit of equilibrium.

By moving consciousness through specific processes, certain results always follow. Because each person is unique, the specific content of experiences may be different, but the process can be predictable and constant. I've discovered that there are specific tools for directing subjective thought, which cause predictable changes in consciousness and cause changes in the way we view ourselves.

Throughout the New Hermetics Program, you will experience out of body states, communion with gods and other nonhuman intelligence, and produce the experience of enlightenment and ecstasy, simply by understanding that all experience is subjective.

You see, in life, even when you are “just pretending,” you are still experiencing anything that you pretend on a subjective level. To most of your brain, things that you pretend are “reality.” This is because your brain does not differentiate between inner and outer experience. If you imagine yourself licking a lemon for long enough, your salivary glands will start to produce saliva. You will soon begin to pucker your lips and salivate. By consciously directing your thoughts, your unconscious responds. Your brain does not differentiate between thoughts and things, because thoughts are things. The universe is mental.

On an experiential level, the more you pretend, the more real your experiences become in your mind, and the more unexplainable the practical results you will get in your exterior life. If we change things in our minds, this eventually changes things in the outer world, because it is all one thing in the end.

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The Initiate level of the New Hermetics is a set of tools based upon the physical plane of reality, the world of the elements (the sephirah Malkuth in Qabala), and the gateway to the Astral world, your own imagination and subconscious (the path of the Hebrew letter ט [tau]). The programs in this level will introduce you to the basics of exploring your inner world. With these programs you will begin to look within yourself and to balance the elements of your personality. You will improve your ability to visualize and your ability to understand and manage your internal and your external world. The focus in this level is the development of a foundation in the physical world, the actions necessary to develop your inner power, the reframing of the pain/pleasure principle, and the balancing of the four elements in the personality so that you have the greatest power of choice over your actions. You will be introduced to the Æthyr, or astral plane, through visualization, astral projection and communicating with your inner teacher, or inner sage. These patterns are about getting the mind used to looking inward. They will teach you to enter the altered state of consciousness, and how to work in that state. The programs in this level:

1. The Power of Goals
2. Power Visualization in the Æthyr
3. New Hermetics Grounding and Centering
4. The Four Elements
5. Balancing the Elements
6. The Power of Earth: Pain into Pleasure
7. Astral Traveling
8. Meeting with Your Inner Teacher

Each of these programs is a technology designed to move your mind in specific directions. Find a quiet place to sit or lie down where you will be comfortable and able to devote your full attention to the programs. Each program is about a half hour. DO NOT listen to these programs while you are engaged in other activities, particularly driving or working on anything that requires your full concentration. You

should always have this workbook nearby so that you can complete the written work immediately at the end of each program. This work is usually fairly small and can be completed in less than five additional minutes. Please fill out the workbook as you proceed, completing each section in order to the best of your abilities. You may skip around to a certain degree, but try to keep relatively in order.

Session 1 - Your Initiation into New Hermetics

Please listen to the program **Initiation into the New Hermetics**. This is your New Hermetics initiation. You will begin by setting up your inner temple in the altered state and then you will move into darkness. From there you will be introduced progressively to the light. You will be asked to visualize several things in this program. Do not worry if your visualization skills are imperfect. Merely attempt to visualize and follow along vividly in your mind. The most important thing is to be relaxed and receptive. Seeing things vividly is totally unnecessary. Merely "pretending" to see will be equally effective.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Please describe your experience:

Were you able to have a significant experience of the Light? _____

If no, *please listen to the program again*, allowing yourself to become more relaxed and receptive. If you are having trouble letting go, you may wish to listen to this tape in the evening, just before bed. In this case you may want to listen to it sitting in a comfortable chair so that you're less likely to drift off into sleep.

How did the Light affect you?

Session 2 - The Power of Goals

Please listen to this program now **The Power of Goals**, and then complete the exercise below.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

The New Hermetics separates goals into 5 categories, corresponding with the four elements, and the fifth element of Aethyr or Spirit. These five categories can be separated roughly as follows:

AETHYR- Spiritual goals, your life's work

FIRE- Goals for your Will, Personal power, desires, creativity and sexuality

WATER- Emotional goals, feelings and relationships

AIR- Intellectual goals, goals about your ability to communicate

EARTH- Financial goals, physical appearance

Please immediately set four goals in each of these areas. Set the goal in the positive future tense for now, beginning each statement with, "I will..." As you set goals, please think about what you really want. Please list the goals that will really make you happy and fulfilled. Make sure that your goals are so exciting that you will want to do everything in your power to make them happen. If you set goals that you don't care about, you won't be helping yourself at all. You may always change your goals whenever you want, so just write down what's important to you at the moment. As you grow in all areas of your life your goals will change and grow as well. You will review your goals often, so you will constantly have the opportunity to change and improve them. Please leave the short lines on the right side of the page blank for the moment.

Aethyr:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Fire:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Water:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Air:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Earth:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Now, please go back and set a time frame for each of your goals. Decide for each goal whether you want to accomplish it in six months, a year, two years, five years, ten years etc. and write this time frame in the small line to the right of each of your goals above.

Please choose your top five goals and write them down in any order. They can be from any categories.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

For each of these top five goals, state specifically what you want. The amounts, environment, what it will feel like in sensory terms, what it will look like, what people around you will say, right down to the detail.

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Now, some of your goals may be fairly large, and complicated. Please take a moment to chunk down your goals into several increments or steps. What will the intervening phases between now and the complete accomplishment of your goals be like. In other words, if your goal is to become president of a large corporation you might chunk it down something like this: learn about corporate America, get a job at corporation, get MBA, move into executive position, perform amazingly in position, innovate company, take over. You may create as many steps or chunks as you like for each goal.

1.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____
- f. _____

2.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____
- f. _____

3.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____
- f. _____

4.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____
- f. _____

5.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____
- f. _____

Once you have done this, think of one little easy thing that you could do right now to begin the process of accomplishing each of these five goals. It doesn't have to be a big thing. If you want to learn Japanese, you could get a book or look into a continuing education class. If you want to buy a corvette, you could send away for a brochure. Don't worry about whether these goals are financially or emotionally out of reach for now. Simply begin the process, and you will discover the way to accomplish your goals as you progress in the New Hermetics. Please write below something you can do to begin the process of accomplishing your top five goals.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Within the next week, please be sure to do these five small things. You will set in motion massive forces in the universe.

Now, choose your number one goal for now, the thing that is absolutely most pressing for you to accomplish. If it is a big goal, then write down the very first simple part or chunk of it.

1. _____

Please make sure that you accomplish this in the next two weeks. This will really begin to move the forces necessary to accomplish all of your goals.

Throughout the New Hermetics, you will return again and again to your goals, and you will make changes in yourself and the world around you with the practices of the New Hermetics that will make it possible to accomplish anything you can dream of. This simple exercise has changed your entire destiny.

Session 3 - Action, the Gateway to Transformation

There are several actions you can take in your day-to-day life that will help you immeasurably to awaken to your own spiritual power and wisdom. These actions are based on things that you do anyway, but by becoming conscious of them and imbuing them with power, they can immediately increase your personal power and connection to the universe.

There are five different related actions. They are very easy to accomplish, and will only take you a few seconds to perform.

Conscious Eating

With this tool you become conscious of what you are eating, increasing your awareness of the immense power in your food. You will then imbue this powerful food with specific intention so that it fortifies you in whatever way you can conceive. The three following tools will follow similar procedures with water and breathing.

1. As you sit down to eat a meal, observe the food that is in front of you. Be present with the food and really look at it.
2. Think to yourself about all that has gone into bringing this food to your table- the work of all the people that cultivated, packaged, transported and provided this food for you. Even more importantly, think for a moment about the energy from the nutrients in the soil, the sunlight, oxygen and water that worked together to produce the food, and also the hands that prepared the food, whether yours or someone else's.
3. As you contemplate this, become aware of all the potential power that you will receive when you eat this food. This is a tremendous gift of power from the universe.
4. Now that you are becoming fully aware of the potential power that is in your food, you may consciously decide how you would like this power to be used. With the simple use of your mind,

You may charge your food with the task of increasing your vitality, energy, ability to communicate, losing weight, overcoming anxiety, grief or anger, or any other change or empowerment that you can conceive of and desire for your body/mind.

5. Hold your dominant hand over your food momentarily, and act as if you have the ability to direct the energy of your food. You may make a picture in your mind of a glow or flow of energy, picture a desired outcome, sense a feeling that the energy is moving in the direction you have conceived, just simply tell it to do so verbally in your mind, or some combination. The only important criterion is that you make it as real for you as possible. Create for yourself what it would be like if you had this quality. Imagine what you would see, how you would stand and feel, what you would be saying to yourself.
6. As you eat your food, feel that this transformational energy is flowing into your body and beginning to fill you.
7. When you have completed your meal, thank the universe for the powerful energy that you have received.

Conscious Drinking of Water

1. When you are about to drink a glass of water, become aware of the nature of water, which is cleansing and purifying. Imagine that this water has the magnetic power to remove toxicity and the negative energy from both the body and the environment.
2. Imagine that the water is going to purify your body both physically and spiritually as you drink it. Imagine what it would be like if you were purified. Imagine what you would SEE, how you would stand and FEEL, what you might be SAYING to yourself.
3. As you begin to drink the water, FEEL it flowing through you, drawing toxicity away from you, to remove it from your body as it passes through.
4. When you have finished your glass of water, thank the universe for this cleansing.

Conscious Bathing

Just as water cleanses your insides when you drink it, it draws toxins away from the outside when you bathe. You may want to bathe in cool water, because it is said that the purifying effect of water is reduced when it is hot.

1. As you prepare to bathe, whether showering, taking a bath, or simply washing, become conscious of the purifying power of water.
2. Imagine the water is going to purify you as you bathe. Imagine what it would be like if you were purified. Imagine what you would SEE, how you would stand and FEEL, what you would be SAYING to yourself.
3. As you feel the water running over your skin, imagine all of your physical and spiritual toxins draining away.
4. VISUALIZE, FEEL, or DESCRIBE to yourself verbally (or some combination) that toxins are flowing away from you throughout your cleansing.
5. As you dry yourself off, thank the universe for cleansing you so fully.

Conscious Breathing

Breathing is one of our greatest sources of energy and power, but most of us do not even breathe effectively, let alone consciously. By breathing intentionally and deeply, you can quickly give yourself the gift of vitality, energy, tranquility and any other qualities that you desire. In later tools you will learn specific, powerful breathing techniques, but for now you will simply learn to breathe with intention, filling your body with power by carrying it on the breath.

1. Become aware of your breathing. FEEL it.
2. Breathe slowly and deeply down into your belly, completely filling your lungs. Allow your stomach to expand with your breath.
3. VISUALIZE that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. For instance, you could imagine that the air is filled with vitality, courage, strength, intelligence, patience or whatever you are most in need of at the time.

VISUALIZE, FEEL, or DESCRIBE to yourself what it would be like if you had this quality. Imagine what you would SEE, how you would stand and FEEL, what you would be SAYING to yourself.

4. With each breath you breathe in, FEEL this energy entering your lungs and going out into your body through your bloodstream.
5. As you breathe out, FEEL that the energy is staying behind. Only the breath is going out.
6. Breathe about ten to twenty breaths, VISUALIZING and FEELING this desired energy filling your whole body.
7. Thank the universe for the gift of this energy.

Pore Breathing

This tool expands upon the previous tool for conscious breathing, enhancing your breathing through the use of the altered state to enable you to experience all your pores in breathing. This will enhance your ability to draw in transformative qualities through your breathing.

1. Breathe slowly and deeply.
2. FEEL the SENSATIONS on the surface of your skin, as it covers your whole body.
3. VISUALIZE the pores of your skin opening, FEELING tingles all over your skin.
4. As you breathe in, VISUALIZE and FEEL the air entering into all of your pores, as well as your lungs, and leaving out your pores as you breathe out.
5. Now, VISUALIZE that the air around your body is filled with some desired quality (vitality, healing energy, elemental energy, etc.) You may also FEEL, HEAR or even SMELL this quality.
6. As you breathe in, FEEL your whole body filling with this quality through all of your pores.
7. As you breathe out, hold onto the quality inside of you, just letting go of the air.
8. Breathe in nine or so more times, filling yourself, charging up like a battery.
9. Continue to breathe normally, FEELING the built up energy inside of you.
10. Return to normal consciousness.

You may increase the number of breaths to intensify the experience. If you want to release the energy, just let it go while exhaling with the same number of breaths as you breathed it in. Later on, you will learn to use this energy accumulation in other ways, such as creating artificial elementals, charging spaces or healing.

You may use these tools as often as you like. The more often you use them, the more quickly you will grow as a human being and a New Hermeticist. You may want to concentrate on specific qualities and energies that will help you to accomplish the goals you have set for yourself. Concentrating on the same energy repeatedly will help you to manifest it very quickly.

Please dedicate your next three meals to conscious eating and drinking water. As you go through the next day, please set aside a few moments for conscious breathing and bathing as well.

MEAL 1

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 1

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 1

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

MEAL 2

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 2

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 2

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

MEAL 3

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 3

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 3

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

BATHING

Please consciously cleanse and detoxify as you next bathe

Date and Time _____

Describe your experience.

Session 4 - Power Visualization

In this program you will enhance your abilities to sense things on the inner planes, by learning to see, smell, taste, hear and feel in your inner world. Please listen to the program.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

1. How have your visualization skills improved as a result of listening to this program?

2. What things were easiest for you to visualize?

3. What things did you have trouble with?

4. What sense is easiest for you to work with, the best developed inner sense?

5. Which is the next best?

6. Which is your least developed inner sense?

In the future, you may want to “lead” with your strongest inner sense. In other words, you may want to start developing inner experiences with this sense, and add the others in order of strength, ending with your weakest sense. The next time you listen to this program you may want to try out this order of preference, and adjust it as necessary.

Also, you may want to try experimenting with eye accessing, moving your eyes up to the right when visualizing, right and to the side when hearing, and down to the left when feeling. Again however, each of us is wired differently, so you may have to adjust these directions to make the best use of this.

You will practice with this program two more times in this workbook but you may use it as much as you'd like until you are capable of imagining objects very vividly.

Session 5 - New Hermetics Grounding and Centering

Although the short form of this program is at the beginning and end of many of the New Hermetics programs, you will listen to this longer form three times to really learn to connect to the subtle energies of this grounding and centering pattern.

Please listen to this program now, and then complete the question below.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Describe your experience.

Session 6 - Action, the Gateway to Transformation

Please review the instructions for the actions again now, and then complete the exercises below over the next day or two.

Please dedicate your next three meals to conscious eating and drinking water. As you go through the next day, please set aside a few moments for conscious breathing and bathing as well.

MEAL 1

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 1

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 1

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

MEAL 2

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 2

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 2

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

MEAL 3

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 3

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 3

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

BATHING

Please consciously cleanse and detoxify as you next bathe

Date and Time _____

Describe your experience.

Session 7 - Action, the Gateway to Transformation

Please carefully review the instructions for these actions, and then complete the exercises below over the next day or two.

Please dedicate your next three meals to conscious eating and drinking water. As you go through the next day, please set aside a few moments for conscious breathing and bathing as well.

MEAL 1

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 1

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 1

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

MEAL 2

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 2

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 2

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

MEAL 3

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your food with _____

Please describe how consciously eating changed your experience of the food.

How did charging your food with intent make you feel about your food?

Do you feel the power you charged your food with? _____ How So? _____

WATER 3

How did it feel to consciously cleanse and detoxify while drinking water?

BREATHING 3

Take five minutes for some conscious breathing. Imagine that the air around you is filled with potentiality for some desired quality that you would like to manifest in your life. With each breath you breathe in, feel this energy entering your lungs and going into your body through your bloodstream.

Date and Time _____

Please record the intention you are charging your breath with _____

Do you feel the power you charged your breath with? _____ How So? _____

BATHING

Please consciously cleanse and detoxify as you next bathe

Date and Time _____

Describe your experience.

Session 8 - Power Visualization

Please listen to the program a second time to continue building your skills.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program again _____

How have your visualization skills improved as a result of listening to this program?

Session 9 - New Hermetics Grounding and Centering

Please listen to this program now, and then complete the question below.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Describe your experience.

Session 10 - Power Visualization

Please listen to the program one more time to really strengthen your skills.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program again _____

How have your visualization skills improved as a result of listening to this program?

Session 11 - New Hermetics Grounding and Centering

Please listen to this program now, and then complete the question below.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Describe your experience.

Session 12 - The Four Elements

The four ancient elements correspond very well with certain tendencies of human character. In medieval times, these character traits were called the four humors: the Phlegmatic, the Sanguine, the Melancholic and the Choleric. Even though modern psychology has abandoned this simple model, we all do still possess these character elements within ourselves. In the next two programs you will begin to become acquainted with these four elements and to understand how they shape your personality.

Please listen to this program now, and then complete the exercise below.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Describe your experience of EARTH.

Describe your experience of AIR.

Describe your experience of WATER.

Describe your experience of FIRE.

When you begin to understand these subtle forces as they apply to your own personality, you will begin to see imbalances in yourself. These elemental imbalances cause you to act uncontrollably, to be compelled by unconscious forces outside yourself. In the next program you will learn a simple method for addressing these imbalances and returning yourself to a healthy state of equilibrium and free choice. In order to succeed in the New Hermetics it is necessary to balance your personality so that you are capable of expressing all of the positive traits of each element and are not obsessed by any of the negative ones. In the following charts you can see personality traits applied to the four elements. Please take a look at these charts and begin to see where your imbalances are. Please check off all character traits below that apply to you. Be complete and honest. This is for you and no one else, so be truthful.

△ Fire- Choleric

Positive

- High Self Esteem
- Vigorous
- Enthusiastic/Excitable
- Courageous
- Passionate
- Leader
- Productive
- Self Respecting
- Creative and Original
- Resourceful

Negative

- Egotistical
- Irritable, Quick to Anger
- Monomaniacal
- Macho
- Obsessive and Jealous
- Domineering
- Workaholic
- Snobbish and Self-satisfied
- Critical of Others' Work
- Gluttonous and Consuming

▽ Water- Melancholic

Positive

- Self Aware
- Tranquil
- Adaptive
- Modest
- Empathetic, Unpossessive
- Devoted
- Reflective
- Authentic
- Integrating
- Cooperative
-
-
-
-

Negative

- Low Self Esteem
- Stagnant
- Apathetic
- Cowardly
- Jaded, Sexually Addicted
- Credulous, Follower
- Lazy
- Self-Doubting
- Imitative
- Needy and Dependent
-
-
-
-

△ Air- Sanguine

Positive

- Unconventional
- Big Picture Oriented
- Flexible
- Lenient
- Curious, Penetrating
- Independent
- Casual
- Interpretive
- Unpredictable
- Intellectual
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Negative

- Antisocial
- Sloppy, slipshod
- Lacking Endurance
- Uncaring
- Gossiping
- Undependable
- Fickle
- Dishonest
- Flaky, Tardy
- Stuck in Head
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▽ Earth- Phlegmatic

Positive

- Respectable
- Thorough, Detail-Oriented
- Stable
- Tenacious
- Cautious
- Reliable
- Serious
- Objective
- Punctual
- Practical
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Negative

- Overly Conventional, Superficial
- Perfectionist
- Restrictive
- Stubborn
- Unable to Take Action
- Boring
- Compulsive
- Uncreative
- Predictable
- Mentally Dull
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▽ Earth- Phlegmatic

Session 13 - Balancing the Elements

Please choose from the negative character traits that you want to be rid of most, and write 5 in the first column below.

Next to them, write the positive character traits from the complimentary element (Air/Earth, Fire/Water). You will listen to the program at least once for each negative quality you'd like to replace with a positive quality in your character. Ideally, you should be able to resist all of the negative qualities and manifest all of the positive qualities. This would take a good deal of work. You will work with at least the above five in this workbook. You can continue balancing character traits on your own as much as you like. You may also wish to periodically re-condition these new qualities to get the full benefit of transformation.

Now please listen to the **Balancing the Elements** program to balance the first character traits.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

First qualities _____

How do you feel about your new positive quality?

How will having this new quality help you toward your goals?

Session 14 - Balancing the Elements

Please listen to the **Balancing the Elements** program to balance the second character traits.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Second character traits _____

How do you feel about your new positive character trait?

How will having this new character trait help you toward your goals?

Session 15 - Balancing the Elements

Please listen to the **Balancing the Elements** program to balance the third character traits.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Third character traits _____

How do you feel about your new positive character trait?

How will having this new character trait help you toward your goals?

Session 16 - Balancing the Elements

Please listen to the **Balancing the Elements** program to balance the fourth character traits.

Fourth character traits _____

How do you feel about your new positive character trait?

How will having this new character trait help you toward your goals?

Session 17 - Balancing the Elements

Please listen to the **Balancing the Elements** program to balance the fifth character traits.

Fifth character traits _____

How do you feel about your new positive character trait?

How will having this new character trait help you toward your goals?

Session 18- Reframing Pain into Pleasure

There are experiences in life that we find painful or difficult to deal with. We may retreat from taking action in various parts of our lives because of these pain signals that we receive. These pain signals can be totally crippling. However, you can consciously take control of your internal pain and pleasure signals with the use of this program.

Simply choose a situation that you experience in your life that currently seems painful or difficult, that you would like to become pleasurable or at least neutral so that you will be able to handle the situation more effectively. Please write this situation below.

Listen to the program.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

How do you feel about this situation now?

Session 19 - Reframing Pain into Pleasure

Choose a situation in your life that currently seems difficult or unpleasant, but which you would like to be able to handle more effectively.

Listen to the program.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

How do you feel about this situation now?

Session 20 - Reframing Pain into Pleasure

Choose a situation in your life that currently seems difficult or unpleasant, but which you would like to be able to handle more effectively.

Listen to the program.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

How do you feel about this situation now?

Session 21 - Astral Traveling

By using this program a few times, you will be startled to realize that you've really had an "out of body experience." In this program you will go through the steps of leaving your body and traveling around outside of it. This may seem to be imaginary at first, but by repeatedly performing this practice you will discover that you are really leaving your body into the subtle planes. For most of the New Hermetics techniques this tool is unnecessary because you begin in your Inner Temple, but this tool may be helpful to you in exploring the true potentialities of your consciousness. Please listen to this program and do not worry if it seems like you are just imagining things as you proceed.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Describe your experiences:

Session 22 - Meeting With Your Inner Teacher

This program will provide you with a powerful internal resource for giving you advice on any subject, helping you to understand your internal experiences and assisting you to remove blocks and end conflicts inside your own inner temple.

Your inner teacher is all knowing, because this teacher is an astral representation of your own connection to cosmic consciousness. You have always had this inner teacher; it is the inner voice that gives you sound advice when you are troubled, but now you will have a tool for making contact anytime. Simply listen to the program and answer the questions below.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Please describe your inner teacher

Did you work on any issues? Describe your experiences:

Session 23 - Astral Traveling

This time go someplace you are familiar with and explore in detail. Listen to the program.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Describe your experiences:

Session 24 - Meeting With Your Inner Teacher

Please work on a conflict within yourself with your inner teacher this time. Listen to the program.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

What was your conflict?

How do you feel about this situation now?

Session 25 - Astral Traveling

This time go someplace you've never been. Listen to the program.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

Describe your experiences:

Session 26 - Meeting With Your Inner Teacher

Please work on a conflict with someone else with your inner teacher this time. Listen to the program.

Date and Time You Listened to This Program _____

What was your conflict?

How do you feel about this situation now?
