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27 Job Seeking Feng Shui Tips

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Tip #1

Feng Shui dictates tell us that it's very important, while searching for the right and perfect job, to leave our outside lights on (the lights outside of our front entryway) and to leave them "illuminating," or, calling in opportunities for at least three hours a day. I like to leave these lights on whenever I have career prospect(s) and will often do so for more than the requisite three hours.

Go ahead and light your own way to opportunity.

Tip #2

In Feng Shui, WATER is the element associated with how well everything in your job world is "flowing." If there is struggle in this area and things aren't exactly coursing steadily along, then you should place a fountain just inside the front door of your living space.

Water represents money in Feng Shui, as well as career opportunities and advantage. Energetically, and, literally, invite water into the house (and place it just inside the front entry) and influence a positive movement in your job sector. Water also brings in new and helpful contacts as well as, ultimately, job fulfillment.

Be sure that the water is flowing into and NOT out the front door. Otherwise, that's where your opportunities could go too!

I once had a roiling fountain inside my front door, but found I was trying too hard to keep up with a rapidly growing work pace. I replaced the fountain with another water feature (TIP #3...stay tuned) and soon I found the right and perfect flow.

Tip #3

So, okay, now that we know that water is the element associated with 'career' energies in Feng Shui, and we've also learned that to put a fountain right inside our front door brings activity and opportunity to our personal job sector, what other water features can we "employ" to do same?

Fish.

That's right.

A live and healthy beta fish, swimming contentedly in it's own bowl, can both effect and entertain (mirror) those very same energies in our workspace.

But one of the common concerns I hear is...what if my apartment entryway has limited space, or what if the space inside the door to my dorm room can't accommodate a table with a fountain or a fish?

Or, what if I just don't like either on of those ideas?

Then, says Feng Shui, a photo, a painting or any other depiction of moving water can accomplish the same intention. That's right, a picture of waves rolling towards the shore (with our without Gisele in it, but, if you're not looking for a job as a Victoria's Secret

model, I'd just go with plain moving water) or a painting of a cascading waterfall... well...you get it.

Hang something like that near the front entryway and look to get some career (read: networking) help from the ocean of people that we swim in.

When I was first studying Feng Shui, a million years ago, well, twelve really, I learned that to hang a picture of nine fish near the entrance to the home (inside) is one of the most positive ways in the world of Shui to win jobs and influence employers...(the number 9 is thought to be exceedingly beneficial in this philosophy, while a healthy, swimming fish equates to movement and growth.)

I still have my little live beta fish though. Some days (no, not only when I haven't fed him yet) when I see him swimming seemingly excitedly around, I just know that soon some expansive opportunity will come knocking at my door.

Just try it...before you throw this baby out with the bath water.

Tip #4

So, it's really important that not only your job search but also in your life, that you make sure that you don't have any "leaks" or "outages."

What does this mean?

It means this...(and believe me, as the LEAST handy woman you'll ever find around the home...it's a good thing I create my own good luck because I can get some really lucky breaks when the guys across the street will help me...)

Walk around your living space and see if there are any leaks from any of the faucets (or, conversely, clogged or stuffed up drains...arteries...) and then look to see if you have any light bulbs that have blown and need to be replaced.

You know, we call Feng Shui acupuncture for the home because our homes or living environments mirror what goes on inside our own bodies or selves.

So for that reason alone, if we were to buy into the idea that what goes on around us can, on a very subtle, but very strong level, INFLUENCE us (and, consequently our behaviors and choices), then, it makes perfect sense to be sure to fix leaky faucets and flickering lights.

Get it?

Once you do that inventory, however, and you take charge to create a more functioning environment, you WILL find the same happening in the circumstances "outside" your life as well.

Fix leaks, Unclog drains, Replace faulty or broken lights.

You will IMMEDIATELY...IMMEDIATELY...change your energy and your life!
Now, wait 'till you hear what the doorbell and welcome mat can do...

Tip #5

This “Tip” will deviate slightly from some of the other tips in so much that it does really address what happens at the office...

This is some Feng Shui advice for meetings, interviews, well, really anytime at all that you find yourself in a room where you might want/need to have the “energetic advantage”...

Okay, here goes:

If possible, always try to choose a seat that is furthest away from the door to the room. Never, ever (you know, if possible) sit with YOUR back to the door...especially an OPEN door. YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO ‘SEE’ THE DOOR FROM WHERE YOU SIT.

THIS IS CRITICALLY IMPORTANT IN NEGOTIATING SCENARIOS!!

Also try to avoid sitting directly underneath large or heavy ceiling beams or ceiling designs. Just move your chair slightly if you end up in this disadvantageous position. If you are allowed to choose, pick a chair that has a high back and, even, possibly an armrest. This will give you support (and, according to Feng Shui...balance as well) during the interview/meeting/negotiations.

If you notice during any of the above scenarios that the seat you are sitting in has your feet positioned or pointed out the door, shift either your chair OR your feet so they are ‘back in’ the room.

Finally, feel like you have support in back of you...try to position yourself to that you have something solid and supportive directly in back of you (like a wall..or..if a window is your only choice, try and make it a window that has another building facing it...that’s considered ‘solid backing’ in Feng Shui.)

Okay, that’s this little tip with BIG implications, for now.

Most of this stuff we do automatically, but, just in case...

Tip #6

Something a bit easier than last...but equally powerful and effective...(or, even, maybe, more so??)

THE PROSPERITY SIGNATURE!!!!

Okay, according to Feng Shui...

Your signature is said to attract great prosperity and success if you can sign it beginning with a firm upward stroke and ending with the same thing...another firm UPWARD stroke.

Now, Bunzo and Die and Lightyear, I know you guys are going to challenge this. So, before, you even begin...let me just challenge you to check out the signatures of the most successful people in business (or, even, that you personally know) and, then when you are sure this might have some credence, begin to practice your new one.

I started this a long time ago and even I forget to do this sometimes. I don't have a name that lends itself to UPWARD strokes.

But, you can be sure, when it's important...a contract or a plan that I need to sign... I ALWAYS remember...

Firm first letter up (in my case the E in Ellen and firm last letter same way...for me, the T in Whitehurst...)

This is good stuff, please avail.

Tip #7

Okay, guys, Feng Shui in the work spaces is today's agenda.

Specifically...files!

(But, remember this is also applicable to home life as well...so...)

Feng Shui maintains that you should never let your files be "stepped on"...OR...in other words NEVER PUT YOUR FILES ON THE FLOOR! This pertains no matter how many files you have, how busy you get or how much stuff in 'filing' up. According to these ancient rules of order, if your files get stepped on, it creates extremely negative energy that affects your work or job "luck."

Try to not place important files under your desk or tables either...likewise, staircases. As well, in the case of stairs, this applies even if the paperwork is filed away in a cabinet.

You should just never have files under a staircase at home or at work. Period. Bad luck.

Important files should always be kept to the left of the desk (if they CAN be) and should be kept in some sort of order.

In this day of technology, there should, theoretically, be less paperwork competing for our time and attention, but just in case...thought I'd share the sense.

(And, by the way, you'd never know there even was such a thing as technology if you saw the files in my office and on my desk!)

Tip #8

Music...

That's right, now it's back to drive-thru Shui or "Mc"Shui and how best to use the stuff around us to harness and move the energies to support our goals.

Or...How To...

Find a Job/Network/Improve the existing career...

With Music.

Okay, here's the drive-by Shui...anything...ANYTHING that engages any one of the five senses, also engages or traps or harnesses the energies around us.

So, that means that music will attract energy because it engages the sense of hearing. See? Um, I mean, hear?

Put music in your career area (the 'Career' area is the center front part of your home/office) and let it blast. Move those energies. Get 'em dancing.

If you find that your job search has dried up or that you want to change professions and you don't know where or how to start the new networking or you just want to shake up the energies at the place where you are currently working...

PLAY SOME MUSIC IN YOUR CAREER AREA...of home OR office. We have a special favorite that we play around here.

Particularly on those days when everything "seems" to be going wrong. Or the ones when I'm tired. Or nervous. Or both.

Then it's time to bring out the "introducing Giorgi" CD. (www.cdbaby.com/cd/giorgi)

We actually have the CD player in the fame area of our office (back middle wall) but whether in 'Fame' or in 'Career', the idea is simply to get movement in those specific arenas and music does that quickly and easily and, most importantly, SUCCESSFULLY!

(And that Giorgi CD gets us all up and moving around here...WE LOVE HER!...and that we put aside any worries we have for the time...well, THAT'S GOOD FENG SHUI...)

Music, that's right, it moves the energy right to the space where we want to create opportunities.

A good (luck) thing.

Tip #9

Wind Chimes...

I know, I know, here comes the 'woo woo' again.

But, remember how in the last post (Tip 8) we talked about how anything that appeals to ANY one of the five senses also appeals to energy and how music (SOUND) is a part of that pantheon too?

Okay, so then it stands to reason that wind chimes would fall under the category of energy activators.

When placed with intent, wind chimes can help control movement within your career (and your life.)

Hang metal chimes just outside your front door to auger job opportunity and career connections.

If you don't have the wherewithal to hang a wind chimes outside the front door (common space in a hallway...or for whatever reason) then get a small metal wind chime and hang it just inside the front door in such a way that the clapper actually lightly touches the top of the door and creates a soft tinkling of the chimes every time the door opens and closes.

See what you're doing there?

You're creating energy or movement...in the Career area of your space.

Oh, this is so much "FUN" (Shui) and it really and truly aids the efforts.

Tip #10

For gaining a promotion at work...

We keep talking about putting flowers on your desk at work to bring in fresh, vibrant chi (energy) and to call forth luck and fortune.

Here's more of same with some specificity attached...

Okay, there's a specific Feng Shui adjustment that calls in that promotion you've been deserving but maybe hasn't quite found its way into your life yet...

Feng Shui says to put chrysanthemums in the "Fame" area of home or OFFICE or desk (and remember, if you are in a cubicle, you still have this arena, but probably NOT the space to put a plant/mum...so, get a picture on one, or draw a picture of one...or get a packet of seeds with a picture on the packet...and put THAT in the 'Fame' area) to increase the likelihood of being promoted at your job.

Okay 'Fame' is back center wall or space. Top middle square on the tic tac toe board. Feng Shui says that to put mums in the 'Fame' area will bring riches and laughter to the office.

And promotion.

Now who can't use that?

(ppppssstttt...the real 'woo woo' says...to pick or buy a yellow mum on the 9th of October and keep in a vase in 'Fame' area on desk or in office or home, for 27 days will bring you prestigious position of high ranking.)

Indeed.

And, please, don't shoot the messenger...okay?

Tip #11

CLOTHES!

On the interview...or new job...or even in a crucial meeting, Feng Shui says to wear on of two colors predominantly...

Either navy blue or red.

Then filter that with white of some kind.

There is no mistake why red, white and blue are the three colors mentioned in this tip. But for now, let's stick to Shui.

Red="Fame" or what we all now equates to recognition, respect and reward. Fire.

Navy Blue="Career" or what we now know equates to job, self respect and our journey. Water.

And White="Creativity"...haven't really done a lot on that yet, so you'll just have to trust me on this.

BONUS...even though I am the girl who wears black ALL the time...NOT a good color (and, remember, we're talking 'propensity of' here) to wear for any of those occasions...interview, first day of new job, or critical meeting.

Red, White, Blue...SUCCESS!

Tip #12

Let's chat, just for a second, before I offer this next tip, about exactly what "Career" Feng Shui is...

We say that to use Feng Shui to enhance "Career" efforts brings opportunities not only to find a job, but also to advance within the company that you are already working at. It can, as well, increase business and expand business for those in ownership positions. Feng Shui can bring elevation in rank or promotion. If practiced properly it can prevent you from being stabbed in the back or betrayed and can even go so far as to ensure your position when there are firings going on or company cuts being made. It is not about getting rich as much as it is about owning your own power and becoming "heard" or influential.

It is, in a word, about LUCK not money.

But, all that said, auspicious "Career" Luck will always result in an improvement in your standard of living and your lifestyle.

Now, isn't that enough to at least think about it?

Let's go to Tip 12 then...

One VERY effective Feng Shui way to stimulate creativity and to increase the influence of your communicative skills is to place a small brass bell in the center right section of your desk. This is called the "Children Creativity" area in Feng Shui and relates to how well you are recognized ('heard') while additionally giving your own creativity a big boost.

If you are in process of looking for a job, every time you send a resume or accept an interview, ring the bell.

This will move those particular energies to support your intention.

If you don't have a desk at home, just place the bell anywhere in the same center right hand region of the main floor and proceed to ring it when you are sending cover letters, resumes or making appointments for interviews.

This is easy AND influential.

And, even though some may think every time you ring this an angel will get it's wings, I happen to know that it will also aid in helping your career take flight!

Tip #13

Speaking of expanding your thinking, your creativity and your opportunities...well, there is an adjustment in Feng Shui that will help you do just that.

Now, you know, in this modality we call mirrors the 'aspirin' of Feng Shui right?

We use mirrors for almost every occasion, but, we consider them particularly effective in the world of business.

They have so many uses, and are very seriously considered one of the prime Feng Shui tools that we have at our disposal.

One of the ways that we use mirrors to open up lines of communication, expand lateral thinking and create opportunity is to install a pair of mirrors on both sides of your entry at home (inside the entryway) so that you must pass between them as you enter. This is particularly efficacious when your front hallway is narrow, but, works not matter.

Remember that each time you pass between them you will be reminded how they are working to open up or create new avenues of employment/expansion for you and then watch as your thinking and your new and excellent ideas bring you to that same places as well.

GOOD Shui...very good Shui.

Tip #14

Let's concentrate, in these next few tips, on creating opportunities...okay?

And let's look, in this specific Tip at what might prevent opportunistic circumstances from marching right to your front door...OR...the dreaded...

HIDDEN Front Door....

Remember how we spoke about the importance of the front entryway in creating job/work opportunities? Well, as might be expected, the outside of this area, the front door and surrounding area, hold great import to this intention as well.

Let's literally look at the front door.

It is speculated, in the world of Shui, that if your front door is hard to locate, that opportunities and income have an equally hard time getting to you.

The situation know as “Hidden Front Door” can negatively affect not only your ‘career’ opportunities, but networking ones, prosperity ones and health ones as well...uh oh.

All good reasons then to talk now about what should be happening right outside your pad...

The adjustment says to “lead” the energy or Chi to your front door, or what we call, using the “Hansel and Gretel effect”.

You “lead” the energy by placing lights or mobile objects (flags, windsocks, chimes, RED FLOWERS...) up the front path right to the entrance.

Remember too, that once at the entrance, the outside lights should be cleaned of all debris and in working order so that you might illuminate them while you are planning your great new job.

We’ll talk about the doorbell in the next ‘Tip’.

Feng Shui 101 says that you should place a red flowering plant to the left of the front entrance, (looking at the front door from street side) and that will help “pull” the energy up to the front door too.

If you live in common area and cannot enact any of these adjustments, the panacea to that problem is to take some red paint or even red nail polish and to paint a small red circle, at YOUR eye level, to the left of the front door, somewhere on the outside molding.

Remember, we want to harness FRESH energy, bring it to your door and get it inside the house, to push the stagnant stuff out and to give new life to possibilities and potentials.

This will all help that endeavor.

Tip #15

Short and sweet...The Doorbell.

Okay, this might sound like a no brainer, but, I’ve been doing this for 12+ years and you cannot believe how often I see this situation, so, bear with OR take heed...

The door bell at the front door should WORK.

No, really, it should not only work, but you should be able to hear it ring throughout the home or business.

If this is a business situation, you might additionally ADD a brass bell to the door handle on the OUTSIDE of the business door.

In home or in business, we mentioned this idea before, you might want to hand a small wind chime just inside the front door and hang it so the clapper just lightly touches the top of the door each time it opens.

This will bring in enormously helpful and fresh energies (read jobs, customers, money.) And, one last, (again...no shooting the messenger...or doubtin’ her either...see THIS one all the time, too...)

There should only be ONE bell... 1!!!...that's right... 1 bell!

Not two.

There shouldn't be the 'old' doorbell that no one's gotten around to taking out/ replacing/fixing/whatever yet.

You know, with a piece of tape or a band aid or putty OR anything else covering it! There should only be on bell. Period. Clear?

And it should work.

Because, sometimes, just sometimes, opportunity DOESN'T knock...

Tip #16

This is going to sound trite and pedantic too, but truly guys, its unbeatable info from the world of McShui...

And, again, the applications here are universal, whether at home, in a business or inside an office...

Unstick the energies by unsticking the door. No kidding. You can open a world of possibilities by simply freely opening the front/main/office door.

If the door sticks, scrapes or pulls on a floor covering like a rug, or even, on the floor itself OR if it opens only part way (because of boxes waiting for pick up from the UPS guy that stacked and left right there, or ,well, you provide the scenario, you get what I mean...)

If it sticks, even a little bit, this will represent hidden obstacles and agendas and will create stuck energy in your business and in your life.

I know is sounds so simple, but really, if you cannot open your door, freely and COMPLETELY, without it sticking somewhere, then figure the cause and eliminate it. Even if it means you need to shave a little off the bottom of the door so it can swing. WIDE.

When the path to the door is clear, and the conditions present around it are unencumbered...so, too. will your life and your business be.

Really.

Tip #17

This one involves mirrors again but THIS time they're in your bedroom...

No, these mirrors in your bedroom will actually help only your work life, and not, I'm afraid, offer anything more titillating than that (except, perhaps that titillating word...) So, to increase not only opportunities to get more work, but, also to get a better job or to get noticed for the job that you already do so well;

Get two small round mirrors. You can find these at any crafts stores like Michaels or A.C. Moore or Kmart or any auto parts place (the small round mirrors that you put on the side view mirrors of cars will work just fine...)

In the bedroom locate what would be the 'Career' area and the 'Fame' area if you were to Feng Shui ONLY this room. So stand at your bedroom door, and make the room, as much as possible, into a perfect square or rectangle. Tic tac to board. Hollywood Squares. The doorway/opening to your bedroom will be on the same wall as the 'Career' area.

Now locate the bottom center square (Career) and top center square (Fame) and these are the two areas that the mirrors will be placed in.

Here's the enhancement:

Three inches from the crown molding or from the ceiling itself hand the 'Career' mirror...okay, got it? You are in the career square, you climb up to the ceiling, you measure three inches down from the ceiling and you stick the mirror there. Now, walk across the room to the Fame area and do the same thing. As much as is humanly possible, TRY to get these two mirrors to line up with one another. I say 'TRY'.

This is a VERY powerful "JOB" adjustment in Feng Shui and I would very much like to see that those of you who are struggling to find full time employment at lease consider doing this one thing...

Now, I won't go into how much I believe that every little thing that you do to find the job of your dreams ALL-WAYS feeds that result and how Feng Shui alone will not bring that job to your door unless you have done all the work you need to do (clarity, intention, Shui), but, I will say that this one little mirror advise packs a pretty powerful punch.

Just sayin'...

Tip #18

I'm just goin' here because, well, I can.

This works, it's real and I'm all about sharing the knowledge...and, again, if you were to come into my house, today, at this very moment, this very same thing would be in place...so, that being said...

We're going hunting...that's right...hunting...JOB hunting and we're using an elephant on this safari.

Elephants derive most of their strength from their trunk and represent power and energy (and strength, prudence and sagacity...)

Feng Shui lore holds that the elephant is the bearer of the "wish granting" gem and that, if you put whatever wish you want on the back of the elephant, your wish will come true.

This means, a coin for more money, a stone for a new baby or a CRYSTAL TO IMPROVE YOUR CAREER!

Always keep the elephant near a window or your front door.

I have a wooden elephant with a big crystal on his back, on the floor by my front door...walking into the house, soon, when my own career is COMPLETELY WHERE I WANT IT TO BE, Brad Pitt will be on his back.

Game On Angelina.

Tip #19

White vase...blue flowers...front door.

Easy AND effective.

Also a proven adjustment for anyone suffering from kidney or bone weakness or illness.

White vase...blue flowers...front door.

Tip #20

An empty bowl or vase will bring new beginnings to your life, including new jobs, interviews and networking opportunities.

Place one or two bowls (vessels), preferably made from pottery, outside the front door IF you are looking for new beginnings in the workplace.

THIS IS NOT an adjustment to use if you are already employed but are looking to increase your name recognition and reward at your current place of employment. This includes salary, bonuses and title.

But, if you are currently interviewing and looking to CREATE and SOLIDIFY new beginnings, use this cure.

Again, from the personal files...I have two things outside my front door (beside the standard red, flowering plant to the left of the door and wind chime also on the same side...)

But I had two other things that both blew down in high winds one night and both broke.

The next morning I momentarily mourned the loss (one was a sign I've had outside my front door forever that said "Peace To All Who Enter Here"...and it was nailed to the brick front of my house...I really can't understand how wind could blow that down...but it did AND it broke...a WOODEN sign...broke???)

The other was a replica of a spiritual icon (and that's as far as I'll personally go) and it broke as well with ceramic pieces all over the place.

Instead of lingering on the fact that these two things I greatly loved both blew over and broke in the same night, I thought about this cure...to put an empty bowl, jug, jar or vase at the front door..."For New Beginnings..."

That's the first thing that came to mind and so, tomorrow, I'll get right to it.
I hope I have some company.

Tip #21

Okay...In the "Fame" area...(back center or top center)...

An ordinary large framed mirror (convex is always better) will help you plant firmly in the future. The idea here is that the mirror will capture light (representing sun, FIRE, transcendence (and, then, will expand your future plans, opportunities and ideas.

If you want to become truly famous or you're looking for a HUGE boost in this arena (fighting for promotion, need to be recognized) then Feng Shui says to hang either a sunburst mirror here or a star shaped one.

(If you are looking for fame as a writer or to be published, represent ANY symbol of the Sun here and that will aid those efforts.)

Remember, as much as we enhance the career area, we are looking to achieve balance, so, we want to be sure to activate LUCK in the Fame area as well.

Tip #22

A brief little background on this next topic...

The use of aromas/smells to vitalize spatial arenas has been universally recognized AND embraced by many, many cultures.

And, when you are working with energies, as Feng Shui does, you will find that using aromas is one of the fastest and most effective ways to permeate the consciousness of a space.

We have been talking, these last few tips, about the 'Fame' area (top middle or top center space) because when we 'heavy' up in one space, like 'Career', (while looking for a job, networking or improving our current office conditions,) we should also BALANCE that out by adjusting or enhancing the reciprocal space (if any of this is confusing, please go back and read some of the other tips as reference).

But, back to smells...

There is an enhancement in Feng Shui that some refer to as "Happy Incense" or "The Happy Cure" and it does relieve anxiety, depression and is best used when despair or dejection is present...BUT...we use I around here ALL the time and it works just to simply cheer a space...

Besides engaging the FIRE element that is so critical to our own "ME" recognition factor.

Violet incense, burned in the 'Fame' area will bring happiness into a space. Period.
There, I said it. Because it really does work.

Violet Incense. Burned in the 'Fame' area. Happy.

And, in the next tip, we're going to talk about essential oils, particularly ones that can give you a sense of courage and strength when going for that interview, first day new job, or maybe having to face the boss for that bonus due you...

(Iffff I were kkkkkkkKing of the FFFFFFF...feng...)

Tip #23

We've been exploring the sense of smell and how that sense, along with applicable aromas, plays into the energetic of your space and then how THAT plays into your job search or interviews, networking or asking for a raise etc.

And, I've talked about how certain smells or aromas actually have a medicinal effect on you and can actually enlist a physiological response from within you.

So, now I want to talk about using essential oils as a Feng Shui adjustment.

Remember how we said if it engages any one of the five senses than it moves the energy?

There is certain essential oil combination that will help to elevate sense of self esteem (through sense of smell) while also giving an extra shot of courage along the way.

As with any essential oils, we are talking about only 100% essential oils here (no synthetics) as well as leaving it up to you how to diffuse (a few drops in a bowl of steaming water...through a diffuser...a couple of drops on a handkerchief or cotton ball kept inside your pocket...)

What this little concoction will conjure is recognition of your own potential and worth, trust in your own judgment and security in self. And some quick essential courage.

What's not to like on that menu?

Most essential oils are offered at any health food store.

Here's the menu for the "Today's My Lucky Day" blend;

Ylang Ylang 9 drops

Bergamot 4 drops

Melissa 2 drops

Sandalwood 9 drops

You blend these oils with what's called a 'carrier' oil (something like vegetable or peanut or, personal favorite, grape seed) and it's like a half cup of carrier to these dosage drops.

Store the leftover in a container in the back of the fridge and use when you need it. Personally, when I have a meeting that's making/giving me the heebies, I just pretty much soak a cotton ball with this and keep in a plastic baggie inside my purse and then, whenever I need to I just open the bag, breathe really deeply two or three times and then bravely stick my stiletto through whatever door I can push open a crack. This really does work. Really. Don't drink it though. Ever.

Tip #24

I know that we talked about brass bells before and how to “ring out your reputation” so you can garner the opportunities that will bring forth a job that will make you look forward to getting up every morning.

It's because, symbolically, the sound of the bell heralds both prosperity and good news. Which brings us to this next tip...

One or two small (smallllll) bells hung on the outside of the office doorknob, with red ribbon or string, will encourage good fortune and luck to enter that space.

Don't use large bells.

If you don't have an office either at work or at home, this tip is N/A.

But, if you do...go ahead and extend the invite.

Tip #25

I wanted to talk about Feng Shui inside the business environment for anybody lurking out there who may have some questions regarding that particular space/arena.

So, even though this says Tip 25...it's jam packed for the office-er...

To keep a position of power and control, try to sit as far as possible into the room and have a commanding view (the 'Emperor's Position') of the doorway and all who walk through it.

There is an ancient Feng Shui adjustment that says if you want to increase your odds at a healthy promotion or raise, then, RAISE the level of your desk and your chair by a few inches.

That's right. Bring in some small blocks of wood and place them under the legs of your desk, discreetly raising the height of that piece of furniture by a few inches.

Then raise the level of your chair to compensate.

Don't forget that chair thing.

Or you'll look silly.

Put an illuminated globe, one that shows the countries of the world, in the Fame area of the office (back center wall from main entryway) or, even in your home.

This will not only encourage business with bigger markets but will also bring future opportunities and clients.

And, lastly, NEVER...ever, ever, ever, ever, if you are in a managerial position, sit with your back to your office door.

Ever.

This is BAAAAAAAAD Shui.

And rude to the people who work for you.

Turn the desk around and then give it lifts.

Tip #26

Before I post this second to the last Tip, I want to be sure to quickly offer, one more time, a brief explanation of what Feng Shui is as we are nearing a full circle round turn and I think it may be an auspicious or appropriate time to look at this definition one more time.

And, yet, for all the mystery surrounding it, Feng Shui is only this...it is a philosophy, a tool to use that has evolved from the extraordinarily simple observation that all people are affected, for good or for bad, by their immediate surroundings. Be that in the home, the office or the car...**YOU ARE IMPACTED BY THE ENVIRONMENT THAT YOU CONSTANTLY SURROUND YOURSELF WITH.**

Feng Shui creates new solutions to old obstacles, issues and problems and is always moving your life in a more positive direction.

And, when you become a believer in the elements and the energies and the part that they play in your lives and **HOW WELL YOU** can manipulate both of them to support you, then paths that you never dreamed existed will open for you and life will become in balance and in flow.

It cannot be any other way.

Okay, so on Tip 26 where we will, once again, deal with small mirrors...the kind that you get in a crafts store or in an auto parts store...small little mirrors.

On any day between an 11 and 1 (AM to PM) time period, place in your bedroom two one sided mirrors on the walls, three inches below the ceiling in both the Career and the Fame area of **THAT** room.

Remember, you are standing at the door to your bedroom and as you look in you are then making the room as close to a perfect square or rectangle as you can. The idea is to make it a tic tac toe board or a replica of The Hollywood Squares. The bottom center is Career and the back or top center one is Fame. (See the Bagua Board on my website www.ellenwhitehurst.com)

Place one small mirror each, three inches from the ceiling in each of the areas. These mirrors **SHOULD** align with one another (the idea is to produce a 'doubling' of the images of each other.)

It is said the installation of these mirrors will create opportunities and recognition in the job and/or career area. Hence, the greater the opportunities the greater the recognition and the more improved your reputation then becomes...and around and around this energy goes spiraling you ever upward with it.

These mirrors are small and unobtrusive. No one will see them but you. So, there is no need to worry about the thoughts or opinions of others.

This is not decoration. This is proactively and creation.

Everyone living in the home will benefit from the shift in these energies, not just the person in whose room the cure is performed.

Okay, one more left...

Tip #27

Here it is guys....our last tip...

It's simple and easy and pertains to the most asked questions of employment Feng Shui...

A clear, glass paperweight (a crystal ball perhaps?) placed anywhere in your front hallway (home or office) will help you to always make good life decisions.

I saved this for last because I'm hoping that, if anyone reading these Tips, does nothing else, not one of any of the other tips, that they do this one.

It brings luck to your decisions...and, like I always say...

Who can't use a little more luck?

Affirm: TODAY...YOU CHOOSE WISELY...YOU CHOOSE LUCK!

Opportunity: Is what I wish for each and every one of you.

I know these Tips will provide exactly that.