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If the dragon is your Chinese year sign or the Chinese sign of your child, you'll be glad to know that dragons are often good humoured and excellent company. They tend to see the larger picture and have a dislike of detail. Born leaders and original thinkers, Dragons can be very successful, although they have a tendency to plough on regardless and are reluctant to admit mistakes. People born under the sign of the Dragon love action and excitement and find it difficult to relax. They will expend a lot of effort on a project if they think it worthwhile.

Dragons love to be the centre of attraction and are susceptible to flattery. Beneath the confident exterior the Dragon is sentimental and trusting, and can become depressed when things go wrong.

People born under this sign are frank, quick thinking and adventurous, but are often misunderstood. They should guard against upsetting others with their directness. Dragons don't understand how to dress up their opinions and can upset others unintentionally. Tact is definitely not their strong point.

There are twelve Chinese year signs in the Chinese Zodiac. Unlike in our western astrology, in Chinese astrology each sign lasts for a year. Legend has it that as Buddha was about to depart the earth he summoned all the animals to say goodbye. Only twelve turned up so, to show his appreciation of their loyalty, he vowed that from then on each year would bear the name of one of the animals.

Chinese astrology is based on the Lunar Calendar. This means the Chinese New Year does not fall on the same day each year and can vary by as much as 3 weeks. So for babies born in late January/early February it is necessary to consult the charts to determine the correct sign.

January 22, 2004 – February 8, 2005: Monkey

February 1, 2003 – January 21, 2004: Goat

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February 12, 2002 – January 31, 2003: Horse

January 24, 2001 – February 11, 2002: Snake

February 5, 2000 – January 23, 2001: Dragon

February 6, 1999 – February 4, 2000: Rabbit

January 28, 1998 – February 5, 1999: Tiger

February 8, 1997 – January 27, 1998: Ox

February 19, 1996 – February 7, 1997: Rat

January 31, 1995 – February 18, 1996: Pig

February 10, 1994 – January 30, 1995: Dog

January 23, 1993 – February 9, 1994: Rooster

February 4, 1992 – January 22, 1993: Monkey

February 15, 1991 – February 3, 1992: Goat

January 27, 1990 – February 14, 1991: Horse

February 6, 1989 – January 26, 1990: Snake

February 17, 1988 – February 5, 1989: Dragon

January 29, 1987 – February 16, 1988: Rabbit

February 9, 1986 – January 28, 1987: Tiger

February 20, 1985 – February 8, 1986: Ox

February 2, 1984 – February 19, 1985: Rat

February 13, 1983 – February 1, 1984: Pig

February 25, 1982 – February 12, 1983: Dog

February 5, 1981 – January 24, 1982: Rooster

February 16, 1980 – February 4, 1981: Monkey

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January 28, 1979 – February 15, 1980: Goat

February 7, 1978 – January 27, 1979: Horse

February 18, 1977 – February 6, 1978: Snake

January 31, 1976 – February 17, 1977: Dragon

February 11, 1975 – January 30, 1976: Rabbit

January 23, 1974 – February 10, 1975: Tiger

February 3, 1973 – January 22, 1974: Ox

February 15, 1972 – February 2, 1973: Rat

January 27, 1971 – February 14, 1972: Pig

February 6, 1970 – January 26, 1971: Dog

February 17, 1969 – February 5, 1970: Rooster

January 30, 1968 – February 16, 1969: Monkey

February 9, 1967 – January 29, 1968: Goat

January 21, 1966 – February 8, 1967: Horse

February 2, 1965 – January 20, 1966: Snake

Tony Luck runs a site with advice for moms-to-be and new moms. Included is the fascinating which is supposed to tell you whether the baby you are expecting will be a boy or girl, and a to tell you when baby is expected.

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One day, Tian Di (The God Above) wanted to manage all animals on earth. He took out 12 chairs and told the cat to tell 11 other animals to go to the sky palace.

When the cat told the ox about it, the rat overheard the news. The rat was very angry and he ran as fast as he could to the palace. As a result he got there before the ox. Tian Di then let him sit on the first chair. The ox took the second seat. Then the tiger, the rabbit all came and settled on the chairs. From then onwards, the rat comes the first in the zodiac cycle. The cat was not in the cycle because he went to tell other animals. Ever since, the cat is not in the zodiac cycle.

The truth is that cats are not originated from China but just imported from overseas. That is another reason why cats are not included in the animals zodiac.

In fact, different countries consist of different animals. India has lions whilst Egypt has cats.

In the Chinese animal zodiac, different animals have different characteristics.

Rat – Though it has nature of stealing. It is smart and has good

Ox – It is hard-working and ask for little.

Tiger – It is brave, strong, and is the king of all animals.

Rabbit – It is cute and loved by children. It runs very fast.

Dragon – The only imaginary animal. Only kings can be referred to as dragon. After all these years, people have come up with this description of a dragon: deer horn, fish scales, snake body, chicken feet and phoenix tail. And all Chinese people are the offspring of dragon.

Snake – Also known as little dragon. Snakes are known to be devilish because of its poisonous nature. However, snakes are very useful, particularly its gall bladder, which is a very healthy medicine in China.

Horse – The fastest running animal. Before people invented vehicles, horses were the only transportation tool.

Ram – An animal symbolizes submissiveness and good luck.

Monkey – Clever, like humans. It is often used to describe smart and clever children.

Cock – Hens are very protective to their chicks.

Dog – Although dogs are highly respected in the west and loyal to their masters, in China, they are rude and not respectful. Chinese consider them not a cute animal.

Pig – The last one in the cycle. It is slow and lazy though they are clever.

It is believed that people born in different animal years would carry their characteristics and this would affect the person's life. That is why the year of the dragon is highly favoured since people want their children to be as respectful as a dragon.

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