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***The World is Your Oracle* is an invitation to ancient and contemporary divination. You will learn techniques from around the world which suit each individual's intuitive style.**

The World is Your Oracle will enable you to craft your own questions, delve into your inner wisdom, and find the answers you have been searching for. This innovative divination book presents multicultural techniques from around the world--**both ancient and contemporary**--designed for each individual's unique situation, desire, or intuitive style.

Author Nancy Vedder-Shults, Ph.D., presents you with all the information you will need to **select the most effective technique for you** based on what appeals to them in the moment; whether it be a technique that dovetails with your intuitive strength (kinesthetic, auditory, visual), or simply work your way through all the techniques for fun and self-awareness.

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Molly says

The World is Your Oracle begins by looking at three types of diviners/divinatory experiences and also the science of divination. The remainder of the book is organized into three sections, once for each broad category of divination: visual, auditory, and kinesthetic. This form of organization makes the book read like a delightful "buffet" of possibilities, offering a snapshot overview of each method, steps to take to experience it, and suggestions for further study. I did wish there had been a bit more time spent on the how's, whys, and purposes of divination in general as well as possibly information about cultivating, developing, and enriching one's oracular skill.

This book is impeccably organized and very clear. It is also easy to simply flip through the book and arrive spontaneously on a technique to try. Thanks to the clear organizational style, consistent format, and extensive cross-referencing with companion page numbers, you will have no problem jumping into an experience wherever the pages happen to open! Due to the broad topic and many subjects covered, the sections are brief, meaning that someone desiring to study a particular method in depth will need to seek out additional resources in order to do so.

This is not specifically pagan book, but instead is markedly (and enjoyably!) interfaith in approach, which also being culturally respectful.

The illustrations are gorgeous. They are full color throughout which is an unusual treat in a book and each oracular method described has a companion illustration, rich in symbolism and opportunity for contemplation in and of themselves. I found myself wishing they would publish a companion oracle deck of all the beautiful images from this book!

Marianne Mullen says

I did enjoy learning about all the different ways to explore divination, oracles, and connecting with intuition. However, the book really needed a much better introduction and ending. I did absolutely love the artwork though and how the oracles were categorized.

Wisconsin Alumni says

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From the author:

This innovative book offers 40 multicultural techniques for out-of-the-box thinking using the primary intuitive senses — the visual, auditory, or kinesthetic. Readers connect with their own deeper knowing, unlike tarot or runes which rely on generic answers. The oracular practices gathered here come from a wide variety of ancient, indigenous, and modern traditions and range from basic to advanced.

This kind of intuitive thinking and the insights it elicits are exactly what we need today. We live in an environment of rapid change where analytical thinking no longer suffices. And contemporary life is full of noise. We're bombarded by advertising messages, expert advice, campaign promises, and opinions of every sort. Sometimes it's hard to hear yourself think.

To make successful decisions for your highest good, you need to listen to what Steve Jobs called “the whisperings” of intuition. The divination methods gathered in this book are designed to quiet the clamor in your mind, so you can hear those “whisperings” from your deeper knowing, see with your inner vision, or connect with your bodily wisdom.

The World is Your Oracle also differs from most divination manuals by describing how best to craft oracular questions, prepare for an oracle, and interpret the answers you receive. It includes a chapter on the science of divination based on the most recent brain imaging research. These studies show that flashes of insight occur when a person's brain is in a particular state — exactly the same state of mind that seers and sages have known for millennia.

In 2013, the author was named one of the Wisdom Keepers of the Goddess Spirituality Movement by the prestigious *SageWoman* magazine alongside such luminaries as Alice Walker, Starhawk, Lynn Andrews, and Sue Monk Kidd.

Sherri says

I really like that this book gets right to the point, and it lays out what you need to perform each form of divination. She gives a little history of each form, the level (beginner/advanced), you need, steps, and ways to continue that journey.

I already use some of these methods, but I was pleasantly surprised by some that I had never thought of using.
