

儒與道教

DIVINATION

3 types of divination:

(I) Simple Nature Divination (=corresponding to “magic”)

Face- and palm-readings
Astrology (calendrical readings)
Geomancy (*feng shui* 風水)

(II) Personal Divination (=corresponding to “sorcery”)

- (1) Spirit Mediums and spirit possession
 - speaking
 - spirit writing (“planchette”) using divination chairs or palanquins
- (2) Shamans (leave body)

(III) Quasi-Personal Divination (=corresponding to “indirect sorcery”)

Two half-moons blocks
Bamboo sticks (divination slips)
Book of Changes (*I-Ching*) 易經 [Yìjīng]

Magic

- impersonal, reading signs
- manipulation of objects, etc.
- looking at things in nature

Sorcery

- contacting beings
- getting information from them