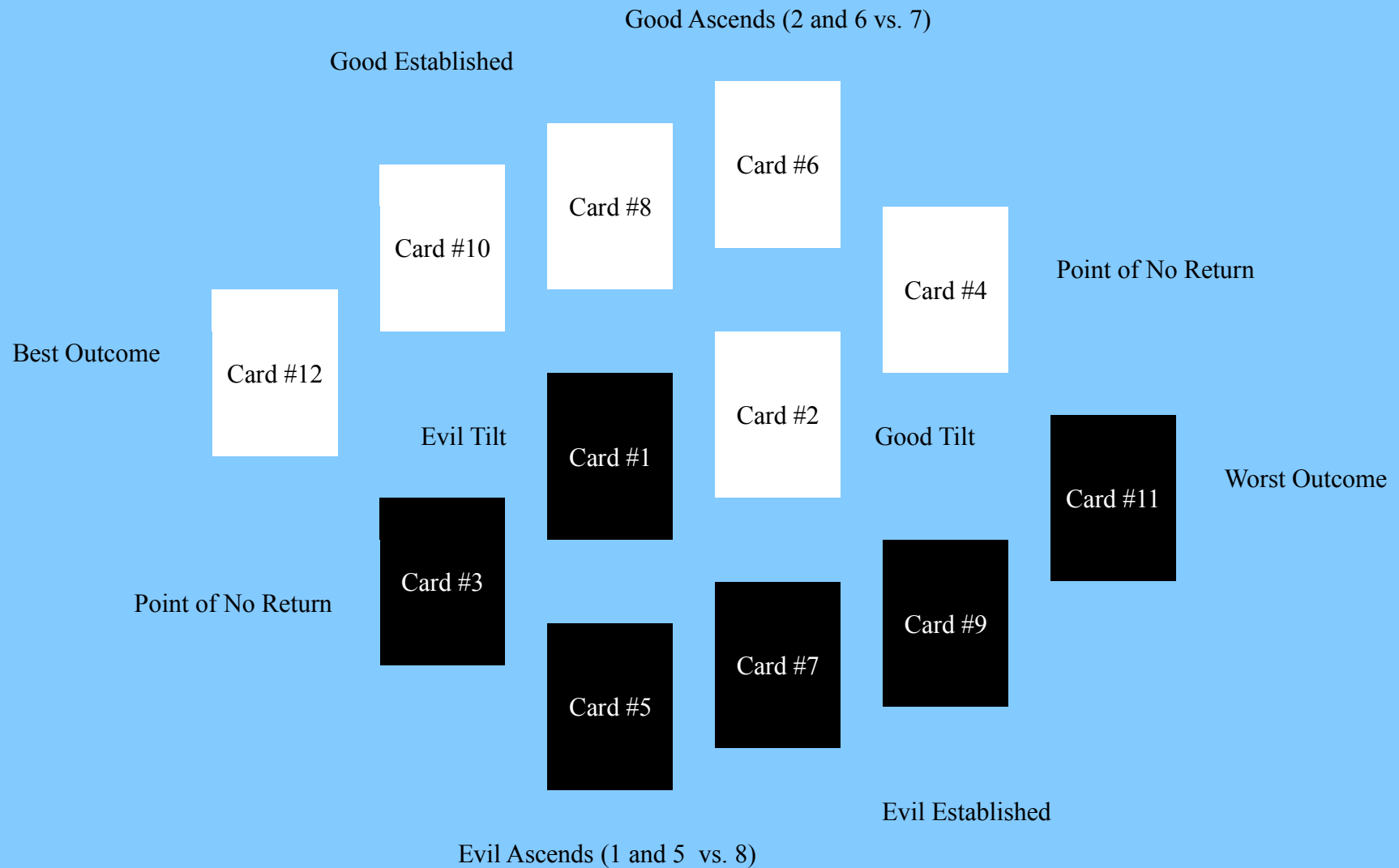


“Galaxy of Good & Evil” Tipping-Point Spread



This “Yin/Yang” spread is intended for use in situations where a delicate balance or “tipping point” exists between the possibility for a situation to end in perfect happiness or to turn out entirely unfortunate. One example might be a rehab scenario for substance abuse or criminal behavior, while others could be treatment of a serious illness or behavioral intervention for a dysfunctional relationship. In short, any situation where the risk of backsliding or regression is present. It takes much of its emphasis from the theory that even numbers are balanced and whole while odd numbers are unbalanced and deficient.

The cards are dealt alternately into the “good” and “evil” arms of the “galaxy” structure. One interesting innovation might be to deal all of the even-numbered cards from the top of the deck and all of the odd-numbered cards from the bottom. The relative strength and collateral reinforcement of the cards in each arm will determine which way the situation is likely to tip. A sufficient number of well-placed “good” cards in the “evil” arm can mitigate negative effects, and several “bad” cards critically aligned in the “good” arm can diminish positive influences, producing a marginally beneficial or “lukewarm” outcome in either case. Ideally, one series will dominate the other, offering clear testimony of superiority. A comparatively equal distribution will yield an inconclusive result. “Good” and “bad” in this context should be understood as influences which either encourage or discourage a swing toward the positive end of the spectrum. Reversals and/or Elemental Dignities can add further nuances to the interpretation.