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# Alchemy and Magic

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He has supplied the following explanatory comments.

- The Headings contain the names of the Alchemical Processes, their corresponding Signs of the Zodiac and corresponding Roman and Greek Gods ;
- The Definitions are brief notes on the processes in alchemy and magic;
- The Sacred Letters are Hebrew. Readers should consult magical texts for their correspondences in other alphabets.
- The Magical implements are both physical and psychological in nature.
- The names of the Geniuses [or *Daimons* - Editor] were never explained.

## Calcination

Aries - Mars - Ares

### Definitions:

Alchemically, Calcination is to heat the Matter to a high temperature, in order to drive off volatile substances.

Magically, it is the fervour with which the Magus undertakes the initial stages of the Great Work.

Magical Jewel: Ruby  
Sacred Letter: Heh  
Magical Implement: Horns  
Genius or Daimon: Papus

## Congelation

Taurus - Bacchus - Dionysius

### Definitions:

Alchemically, Congelation is to change the Matter from fluid to solid state by cooling it.

Magically, it is the determination with which the Magus pursues the Great Work after the initial enthusiasm has cooled.

Magical Jewel: Topaz

Sacred Letter: Wav  
Magical Implement: Labour, effort  
Genius or Daimon: Cisera

## Fixation

Gemini - Mercury - Hermes

### Definitions:

Alchemically, Fixation is the process of fixing the Matter, at this stage inclined to be fugitive, so that its essence will be preserved through all succeeding processes.

Magically, it is fixing the basic principles of the Great Work in the Inner Being of the Magus, so that they cannot be destroyed whatever the changes and chances of this world might bring.

Magical Jewel: Tourmaline  
Sacred Letter: Zayin  
Magical Implement: Tripod  
Genius or Daimon: Hanabi



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### Dissolution

Cancer - Diana - Artemis

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, Dissolution is to dissolve the metals, allowing time and nature to do the work.

Magically, this is the long period of probation during which the principles of the Great Work are dissolved within the inner being of the Magus so that they might be combined and re-combined to produce new and more all-embracing principles.

Magical Jewel: Moonstone  
Sacred Letter: Cheyth  
Magical Implement: Furnace  
Genius or Daimon: Phalvus

### Digestion

Leo - Apollo - Apollon

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, this is the process known by some as Putrefaction, in which the first significant changes in the Matter are seen.

Magically, in this stage, the Magus begins to experience strange inner events and experiences. Foolish people regard these as some kind of revelation, when they are only the processes of decay and digestion within the stomach of the soul as the acids of the higher worlds are applied to the principles and ideals of the Magus.

Magical Jewel: Cat's Eye  
Sacred Letter: Teyth  
Magical Implement: Discipline  
Genius or Daimon: Zeirna

### Distillation

Virgo - Ceres - Demeter

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, this is the beginning of process whereby the dissolved and digested Matter [Water] is subjected again to heat

[Fire] so that the volatile substances are converted to their gaseous state. This stage is followed immediately by Sublimation and Separation.

Magically, this is that stage when the Magus recognizes the need for a partner or partners in the Great Work and is also spiritually mature enough for them to be available spontaneously without the need for arduous seeking.

Magical Jewel: Peridot  
Sacred Letter: Yodh  
Magical Implement: Lamp and Wind  
Genius or Daimon: Tabris

### Sublimation

Libra - Venus - Aphrodite

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, the gaseous Matter [Air] is cooled by the distilling apparatus and in the receiving chamber again becomes fluid or solid [Earth].

Magically, this is the combination of the Feminine and Masculine principles so that the Great Work might be accomplished. The seed of the Emperor [Fire] and of the Empress [Water] together bring about the beginning [Air] of the foetus in the womb [Earth].

Magical Jewel: Emerald  
Sacred Letter: Lamedh  
Magical Implement: Cross  
Genius or Daimon: Sialul

### Separation

Scorpio - Vulcan - Hephaistos

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, this means to separate the light parts of the Matter from the heavy parts.

Magically, this means to separate the soul from the body, as when the body dies;

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or when the Magus has an out-of-the-body experience.

Magical Jewel: Turquoise  
Sacred Letter: Nun  
Magical Implement: Ability to persevere  
Genius or Daimon: Nantor

### Incineration

Sagittarius - Minerva - Athene

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, the used of prolonged natural heat to bring the Matter to maturity in the athanor.

Magically, the sustained practice of simple magical exercises to bring the Magus to maturity, as in "Invoke often." or "Twenty minutes twice a day."

Magical Jewel: Jacinth  
Sacred letter: Samek  
Magical Implement: Arrow  
Genius or Daimon: Rishuch

### Fermentation

Capricorn - Jupiter - Zeus

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, adding to the required precious metal a yeast to empower the powder or stone

Magically, the need for even the most solitary of Magi to work with another for the achievement of the whole process.

Magical Jewel: Jet  
Sacred letter: "Ayin  
Magical Implement: Wand and Cup  
Genius or Daimon: Sezorbil

### Multiplication

Aquarius - Uranus - Ouranos

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, raising both the quantity and the quality of the Powder, Stone or Elixir.

Magically, as any Magus matures, the increasing effectiveness of their Work signals their growth.

Magical Jewel: Glass  
Sacred letter: Tsaddi  
Magical Implement: Thurible  
Genius or Daimon: Aiglun

### Projection

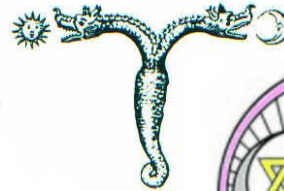
Pisces - Neptune - Poseidon

#### Definitions:

Alchemically, the final work of transmutation into Gold and Silver.

Magically, the transformation of the Magus to achieve the Inner Gold of the Centre of Being.

Magical Jewel: Pearl  
Sacred Letter: Qof  
Magical Implement: Mirror  
Genius or Daimon: Tarab



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