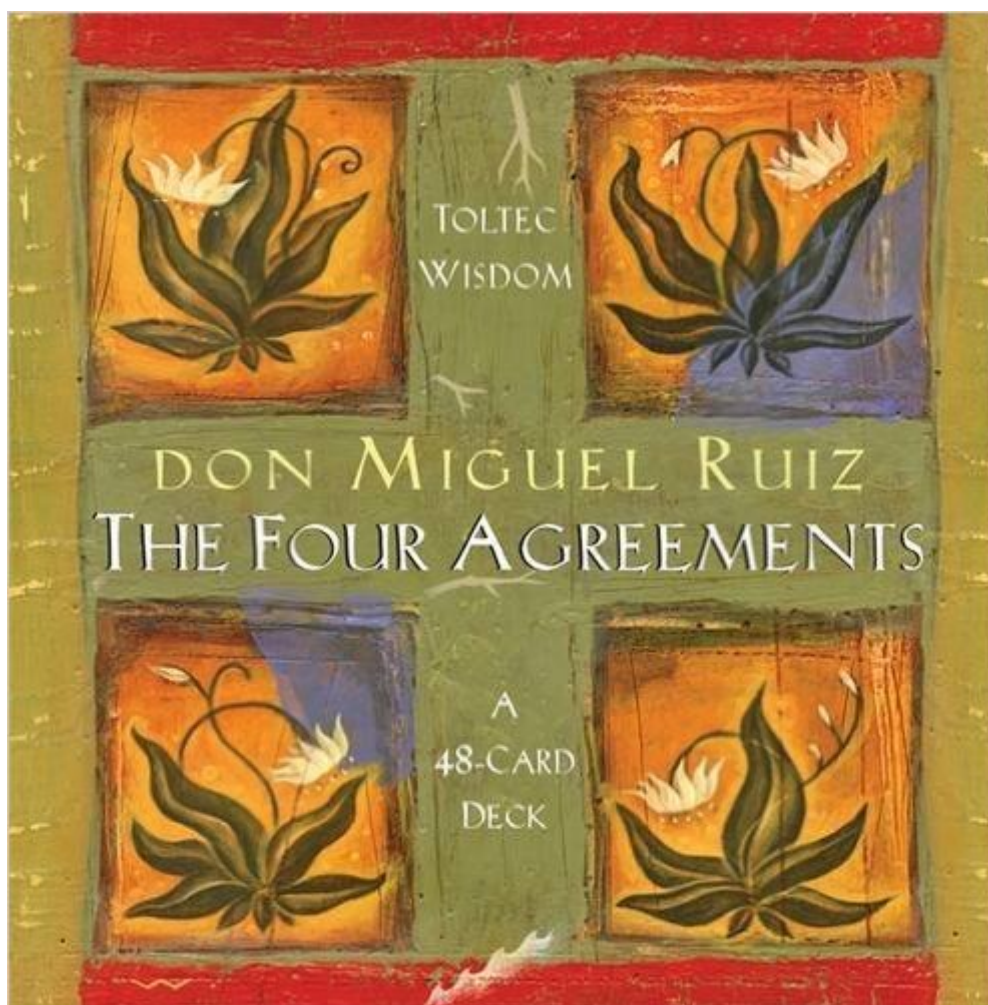


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# The Four Agreements: A 48-Card Deck



## Synopsis

Based on don Miguel Ruiz's New York Times bestselling book, *The Four Agreements*, the 48 cards in this deck provide a simple yet powerful code of conduct for attaining personal freedom and true happiness. There are 12 cards corresponding to each of the four agreements: be impeccable with your word; don't take anything personally; don't make assumptions; and always do your best. These cards will help you transform your life as you recover the awareness and wisdom of your authentic self!

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## Customer Reviews

The Four Agreements Cards are a stunningly beautiful deck of 48 high-gloss cards of sturdy stock. Five artists illustrated this deck, so there is a lot of creative diversity to the lush images and scripts on each card. There are 12 cards dedicated to each of the four agreements. On each, the main agreement is printed at the top of the card, and a whimsical, flowing phrase is weaved throughout the image. On the back of each card are insights about that particular phrase and agreement. Some insights are only one sentence, and others are several sentences. The cards come in a square box that features the same image that is on front of the book. What is great about the container is that it's a matte finished, flip top box constructed of sturdy cardboard. Thus, it's easy to take the deck in and out of the box when wanting to look at the cards, or just drawing one to meditate upon for awhile. Some examples from the deck: One card about Always do your best features a woman with an enormous beehive hair-style. She is adorned with gold jewelry, and different shades of blue and

green swirl about her. There is a golden hue that seems to emanate from behind her hair, while 2 birds have made a nest therein. The phrase? Don't Overdo. The back of this card says Always do your best, but don't overdo! When you overdo, you deplete your body and go against yourself, and it will take you longer to accomplish your goal. A card about Don't take anything personally features a man with his eyes closed, orange and yellow hues and clouds surrounding him. Several small objects seem to swirl around his head, including a hand, a planet that looks like Saturn, several tiny stars, an eye, an open book, a ribbon, etc. The phrase on the front says Everyone lives in their own dream. On the back, the card says all people live in their own dream, in their own mind. They are in a completely different world from the one we live in. Another card, dealing with Don't make assumptions, features a woman with a lampshade on her head that has flowers dangling from it. Peach and pink tones surround her as she wears a black dress with pink flowers. On the back of this card, it says The biggest assumption that humans make is that everyone sees life the way we do. We assume that others think the way we think, feel the way we feel, judge the way we judge, and abuse the way we abuse. We are afraid to be ourselves around others because we think others will judge us, victimize us, abuse us, and blame us as we do ourselves. A dark-skinned man wearing a hat strums a guitar while four birds surround him. The phrase Create a beautiful dream graces the front, and speaks of Be impeccable with your word. The back of the card says Your word can create the most beautiful dream, or your word can destroy everything around you. Impeccability of the word only creates beauty, love, and heaven on earth. What stands out about this deck is the rich colors. Both sides contain colorful images that differ from the front of the card--and the rest of the cards. Vibrant and alive are two words that come to mind when I see and feel this deck. It is not necessary to have read The Four Agreements book to enjoy this deck, but the cards are a beautiful and gentle reminder of the truths laid out in the book. The Four Agreements Cards would make a wonderful addition to mindfulness and meditation practice, as well as a cheerful and profound reminder that we can choose heaven over hell at any time. (To see 6 card images from this deck, visit the Reviews--Decks section at [...])

Whether or not you've read the Four Agreements, you'll find these cards a wonderful tool to help you find personal freedom and happiness. The benefit is much greater if you've read the book as well but I wouldn't say that you can't have one without the other. Everyday, I take one card from the box, put it on my desk at work and use it as a reminder to think about the message of the particular "agreement." The teachings of the book and the reminders on the cards have made me feel like sandbags have been lifted off my back!

I love the artwork on them. They are highly usable. Even if you didn't read the book, they are an excellent pack, just to have around. Each card can be used as a stand-alone card that you can display. They are just a beautiful deck of inspiring messages and I highly recommend them to anyone who likes cards.

Miguel Ruiz has an alluring introduction that mixes myths, with ancient Mexican wisdom. After the enchantment of the introduction the core of the book becomes totally practical, step by step his words made me make my own commitment. To remember the main facts After I read it I wrote on my mirror: 1. Be irreproachable with my words, no more bad thoughts and gossips towards others I thought " My life is so interesting (and if it's not I'll make it interesting) that I don't want to waste my time in others' businesses" 2. Do not take anything personal. When Miguel Ruiz wrote "Nobody does things because of others, we do things because of our selves..." I got an epiphany!! I understood that my soured past was not created by others on purpose is just that we are trying to survive in this world that is human to be selfish and only look for us. 3. Do not make any assumptions: Ask! This sounds very simple, but for me had an extraordinary meaning. I usually spend a lot of time dreaming with my eyes wide open.. what I imagine are only illusions suppositions of situations that did not happen or would never happen. These images come to my mind trying to be solved towards a happy ending based on suppositions of others' attitudes, thoughts or behaviors. I am living in dreams this is not reality. What I fool I've been! 4. Do your best: This chapter challenges us, but at the same time protects our soul from being damaged in this demanding world, it creates the healthy environment facing our possibilities with our capabilities. Finally the book gives us again a hint of spirituality, and mentions the importance of living the moment, of finding the meaning of life which can either be interpreted as inner peace or eternal happiness. Of easy reading this substantial book will maintain your attention till the end.

I thoroughly love this book. Briefly, The Four Agreements are: 1. Be impeccable with your word. 2. Don't take anything personally. 3. Don't make assumptions. 4. Always do your best. This is such a moving book because it is the real truth. You will 'feel' that as you read. Don Miguel Ruiz explains that we (humans) have become mired in others' 'black magic', others' 'mitote.' That we have been domesticated by others from birth. We have chosen to believe what we have been programmed to believe .... that we are imperfect, we are bad, that we are separate, etc. He explains that we can create a Heaven on Earth by reclaiming ourselves, our happiness, that is our birth right, by not

believing all the lies we've been given. I don't want to give too much of this book away because it is so wonderful. The words of an incredibly wise Shaman. With each reading, the meaning becomes greater. If everyone read this book, the world would be tremendously better off.

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