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SRAVANA: LISTENING

MEANING: AURAL RECEPTION

SYMBOL: EAR; THREE STEPS

DEITY: SRI VISHNU – THE

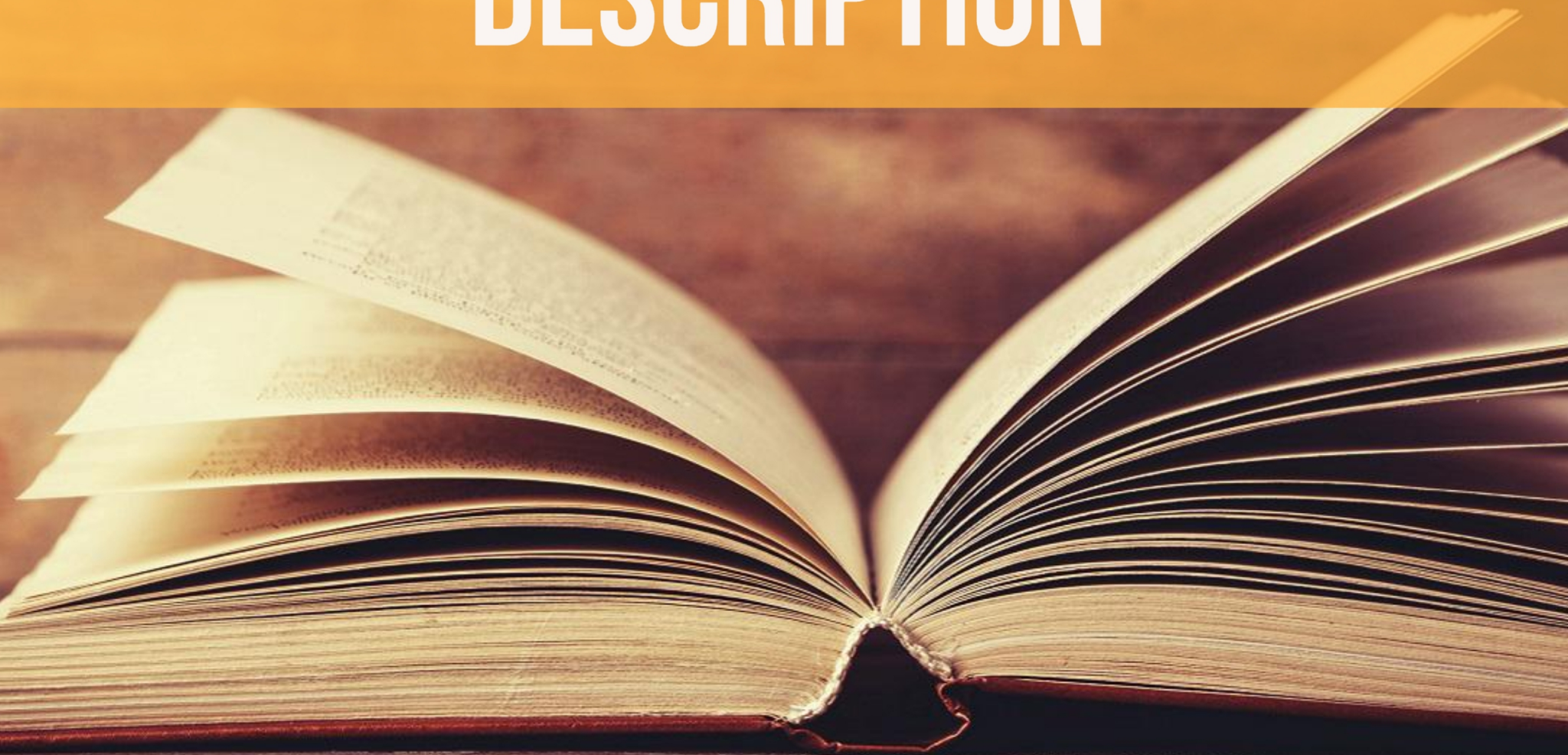
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DESCRIPTION



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People born in Shravana nakshatra are thoughtful, liberal and dignified. They can succeed in business and in learning new things easily. Shravana can be translated as “acquiring knowledge by listening.”



An alternative name for Shrivana is Ashvattha, a term used for the sacred Pipal tree, which Lord Buddha sat underneath during his meditation.



One of the symbols for Shrivavana nakshatra is three steps in a row, which indicates the three steps Vamanadeva (an avatar of Vishnu) begged from Bali Maharaja.



This pastimes reveals key characteristics of Shravana nakshatra. Vishnu coming as Vamanadeva, who appeared as an innocent brahmana boy, relates to the friendly and innocent front projected by this nakshatra to achieve its goals. At the same time, Shravana's also keep to their promises, as Bali Maharaja stuck to his.



Another symbol for this nakshatra is an ear, which indicates the significant communicating abilities associated with Shravana nakshatra. Shravana people should ideally focus more on listening rather than speaking.

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Shravana nakshatra is also directly associated with the preservation of culture and knowledge.



Shravana nakshatra empowers one to ask intelligent questions, listen carefully to answers and seek qualified teachers. Therefore, it is an excellent nakshatra for education and also ideal to acquire knowledge of the Absolute Truth.

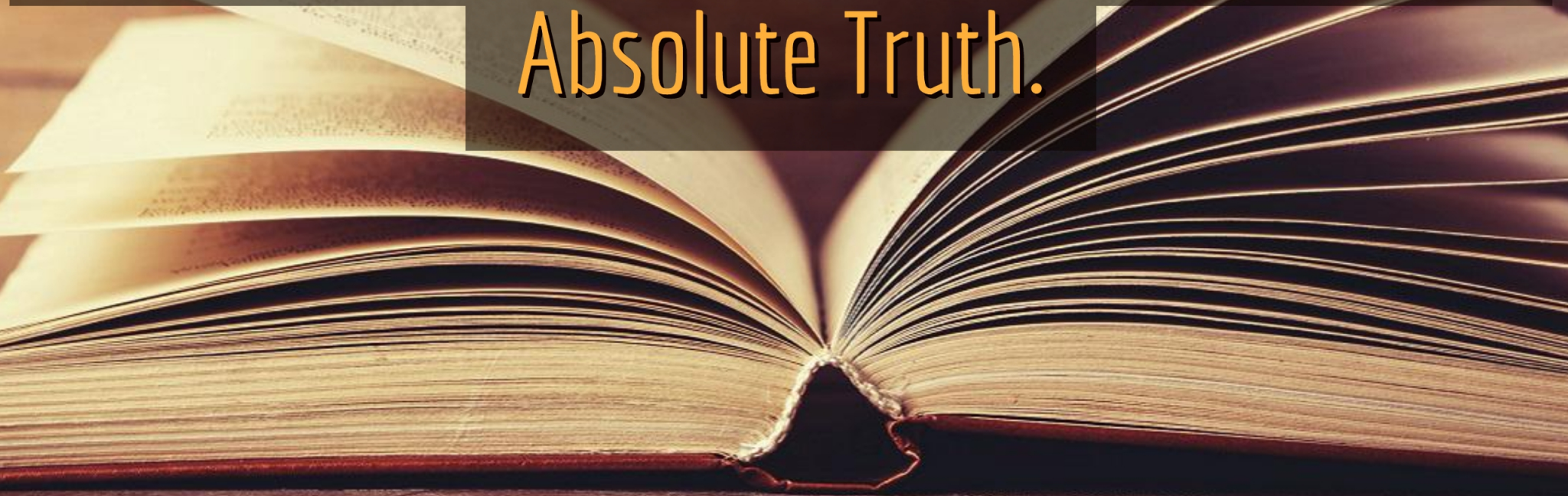
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The highest purpose of Shravana nakshatra people is to uplift the consciousness of the masses through speaking, writing, teaching, counseling and sharing knowledge of the Absolute Truth.





The deity for Shravana is Vishnu, a manifestation of the Supreme Lord. Vishnu has an eternal transcendental form and resides in His spiritual abode far beyond the material realm.



Vishnu can inspire Shravana people to transcend material desires, and to seek spiritual truths, enlightenment and divine love. Vishnu's strongest desire is to bring those who are ready back to the eternal spiritual world, where existence is like nectar.



Sarasvati, the demigoddess of learning, is also strongly associated with this nakshatra. This relationship with Sarasvati connects this nakshatra to speech, languages, communication, music and all aspects of education. Sarasvati also usually gives these people brilliant minds and the capacity to study other cultures and spiritual dimensions.



When Shravana people cultivate higher consciousness, they will be friendly and able to work in harmony with others.

They will use their tendency to be calculative, stubborn and determined to serve a higher purpose.

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If Shravana people fail to cultivate higher consciousness, they may use all their qualities like perseverance, sharpness and knowledge for purely selfish means.

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They may misuse their listening power for gossip and manipulation. They may also become narrow-minded and would therefore benefit from remembering to listen without prejudices.



They should also be careful and selective about the company they keep, as they are prone to fall prey to deception and bad advice. As Shravana people are very goal orientated, it is important that they are dedicated to wholesome goals, and stay far away from any unethical pursuits.



Shravana people are generally social and relish public dealings. They may have a very business-like approach in their dealings with others, yet at the same time it is important for them to show affection to others. They are receptive and take time to listen to others, and they are excellent at dealing with many people.



Shravana nakshatra's special ability is "apradhrishya shakti": the power to give permanent victory. Shravana people have access to immense strength if they align themselves to the divine will, sincerely and wholeheartedly working to establish righteousness over unrighteousness.



Shravana people need to be persevering and organized. They are intimately connected with the ability to influence the mass mentality. Thus their great responsibility is to broadcast only that which is moral, ethical, uplifting or related to universal truths and knowledge.



It will be beneficial for them to learn to distinguish between openness and carelessness when it comes to accepting spiritual principles. Therefore they will be most successful if they find an authentic spiritual path, and faithfully adhere to those particular spiritual practices and principles.



It is explained in scriptures that the most alluring sound in the entire creation is the sound of Krishna's flute. Shravana people are blessed with an extraordinary ability to hear. They will perfect this hearing when they tune their ears to hear Krishna's flute. Once that sweetest sound has entered their ears, they will lose their hearts to Krishna. In losing their hearts to Krishna, they will find the greatest eternal joy.

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Under ignorance, Shravana people tend to ask too many questions and can neither be convinced nor conclude on the essential principles of life. They tend to go around details and argue incessantly, feeling desperate and negative.

Under the mode of passion, Shravana people can be stubborn, calculative and materially inclined. They may use all their qualities like perseverance, sharpness and knowledge for purely selfish means. They may misuse their power to listen to gossip and to manipulate others

Under the mode of goodness, Shravana people are extremely cultured and attentive to what others require or need. They have wholesome goals and always have spirituality as their main interest, and therefore focus on learning from the scriptures.

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“The sound incarnation [i.e., Srimad-Bhagavatam] of Lord Krishna, the Supreme Soul, enters into the heart of a self-realized devotee, sits on the lotus flower of his loving relationship, and thus cleanses the dust of material association, such as lust, anger and hankering. Thus it acts like autumnal rains upon pools of muddy water.” (Srimad-Bhagavatam 2.8.5)

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“Lilies open or close because of the sunshine, and thus the bumblebees enjoy or suffer, but the sunshine and the sun globe are not responsible for the happiness and distress of the bumblebees. Although the Supreme Personality of Godhead is the ultimate doer of everything, in His original transcendental existence He is not responsible for the happiness and distress, or bondage and liberation, of the conditioned souls.” (Srimad-Bhagavatam 6.17.23)

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“That Supreme Personality of Godhead is the only shelter of everyone. Anyone desiring to be protected by others is certainly a great fool who desires to cross the sea by holding the tail of a dog.”

(Srimad-Bhagavatam 6.9.22)

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“As a highly potent drug injected intravenously acts at once on the whole body, the transcendental topics of the Lord injected through the ear by the pure devotee of the Lord can act very efficiently. Aural realization of the transcendental messages implies total realization, just as fructification of one part of a tree implies fructification of all other parts.”

(Srimad-Bhagavatam 2.3.17)

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“For one who remembers Me without deviation, I am easy to obtain, O son of Prtha, because of his constant engagement in devotional service.”

(Bhagavad-Gita 8.14)