

Let's take it TWO steps further. It can work to a person's advantage if the hour and the month of the year are also in harmony with the person's earthly branch. I must stress that this is only a general way of making the best of the situation with the limited information that is provided here. A more complete and precise analysis of a person's best timing requires a much more in-depth interpretation of the individual's "Bà Zi" (Four Pillars).

So let's say, if you are born in the year of a Dog, check with the table below to see if the day in question is compatible to your yearly earthly branch. If it is not, I advise against taking any action that particular day.

December 2004 MONTH OF BING ZI (Yang Fire Rat Month)																																	
ALMANAC FOR SELECTING GOOD AND BAD DAYS ACCORDING TO YOUR EARTHLY BRANCH																																	
G (Good) = COMPATIBLE DAYS WITH YOUR EARTHLY BRANCH																																	
A (Average) = NEUTRAL DAYS																																	
B (Bad) = TAKE NO RISKS (STAY LOW)																																	
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Your Earthly Branch	T	W	TH	F	S	SU	M	T	W	TH	F	S	SU	M	T	W	TH	F	S	SU	M	T	W	TH	F	S	SU	M	T	T			
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	4	7			
v Rat	B	A	A	A	G	G	G	A	A	G	B	A	G	G	A	G	G	G	A	G	B	A	B	G	G	G	G	A	A	G			
π Ox	G	A	A	A	G	G	A	A	G	B	G	B	G	G	G	G	G	A	G	B	G	G	G	B	G	G	A	G	G	B			
ρ Tiger	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B		
τ Rabbit	A	B	G	G	A	G	G	B	G	A	A	G	G	B	G	G	A	B	G	G	A	A	G	G	A	B	G	B	G	G			
Ϙ Dragon	G	G	B	G	G	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	G	G	B	A	B	A	G	A	G	A	A	A	A	G	G	B	A	B	A		
ξ Snake	G	G	G	B	A	B	A	A	G	A	A	G	G	G	G	B	G	G	G	A	G	G	G	G	G	B	G	B	G	G			
β Horse	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B		
δ Sheep	G	A	G	B	G	B	A	G	G	G	G	A	G	B	G	G	A	B	G	G	G	G	G	B	G	A	A	G	A	B			
φ Monkey	G	A	B	A	G	G	B	A	G	G	G	G	B	G	A	G	A	A	B	A	A	A	B	A	G	G	G	A	G	G			
η Rooster	A	B	A	A	A	G	G	B	G	A	G	B	G	A	A	A	G	G	A	B	A	B	A	A	G	G	G	G	G	G			
φ Dog	B	A	G	G	A	A	A	A	B	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	G	A	A	A	B	G	A	G	A	A	G	G	A	A			
λ Boar	A	A	G	G	A	A	A	G	A	B	A	A	A	A	A	A	G	G	A	B	G	B	G	A	A	A	G	G	A	B			

Now say that the day is an auspicious one for you and you want to start a new business, you would choose the good days to open a business from this almanac, you may want the door opening ceremony conducted or sign contract on the hours that are compatible to you and they are the hours of (5am – 7am), (11am – 1pm) and (3am – 5am). Now, even if it is not a good day, at least try to use the good hours for important things. Below is a table that offers the corresponding compatibility of the twelve earthly branches. If you do not know your Chinese animal use the chart below, it is also worth double-checking.

Animal	-	Best times of day (Compatible branches hours)
Rat	子	11:00pm - 12:59am 01:00am - 02:59am 07:00am - 08:59am 03:00pm - 04:59pm
Ox	丑	01:00am - 02:59am 09:00am - 10:59am 05:00pm - 06:59pm 11:00pm - 12:59am
Tiger	寅	03:00am - 04:59am 11:00am - 12: 59pm 07:00pm - 08:59pm 09:00pm - 10:59pm
Rabbit	卯	05:00am - 06:59am 01:00pm - 02:59pm 07:00pm - 08:59pm 09:00pm - 10:59pm
Dragon	辰	07:00am - 08:59am 11:00pm - 12:59am 03:00pm - 04:59pm 05:00pm - 06:59pm
Snake	巳	01:00am - 02:59am 09:00am - 10:59am 03:00pm - 04:59pm 05:00pm - 06:59pm
Horse	午	03:00am - 04:59am 11:00am - 12:59pm 01:00pm - 02:59pm 07:00pm - 08:59pm
Goat/Sheep	未	05:00am - 06:59am 11:00am - 12:59pm 01:00pm - 02:59pm 09:00pm - 10:59pm
Monkey	申	11:00pm - 12:59am 07:00am - 08:59am 09:00am - 10:59am 03:00pm - 04:59pm
Rooster	酉	01:00am - 02:59am 07:00am - 08:59am 09:00am - 10:59am 05:00pm - 06:59pm
Dog	戌	03:00am - 04:59am 05:00am - 06:59am 11:00am - 12:59pm 07:00pm - 08:59pm
Pig	亥	03:00am - 04:59am 05:00am - 06:59am 01:00pm - 02:59pm 09:00pm - 10:59pm

Calculate your Chinese animal below.

<p align="center">Monkey 申</p> <p>20 February 1920 - 7 February 1921 6 February 1932 - 25 January 1933 25 January 1944 - 12 February 1945 12 February 1956 - 30 January 1957 30 January 1968 - 16 February 1969 16 February 1980 - 4 February 1981 4 February 1992 - 22 January 1993 22 January 2004 - 8 February 2005</p>	<p align="center">Rooster 酉</p> <p>8 February 1921 - 27 January 1922 26 January 1933 - 13 February 1934 13 February 1945 - 1 February 1946 31 January 1957 - 17 February 1958 17 January 1969 - 5 February 1970 5 February 1981 - 24 January 1982 23 January 1993 - 9 February 1994 9 February 2005 - 28 January 2006</p>	<p align="center">Dog 戌</p> <p>28 January 1922 - 15 February 1923 14 February 1934 - 3 February 1935 2 February 1946 - 21 January 1947 18 February 1958 - 7 February 1959 6 February 1970 - 26 January 1971 25 January 1982 - 12 February 1983 10 February 1994 - 30 January 1995 29 January 2006 - 17 February 2007</p>
<p align="center">Pig 亥</p> <p>16 February 1923 - 4 February 1924 4 February 1935 - 23 January 1936 22 January 1947 - 9 February 1948 8 February 1959 - 27 January 1960 27 January 1971 - 15 February 1972 13 February 1983 - 1 February 1984 31 January 1995 - 18 February 1996 18 February 2007 - 6 February 2008</p>	<p align="center">Rat 子</p> <p>5 February 1924 - 24 January 1925 24 January 1936 - 10 February 1937 10 February 1948 - 28 January 1949 28 January 1960 - 14 February 1961 16 February 1972 - 2 February 1973 2 February 1984 - 19 February 1985 19 February 1996 - 6 February 1997 7 February 2008 - 25 January 2009</p>	<p align="center">Ox 丑</p> <p>25 January 1925 - 12 February 1926 11 February 1937 - 30 January 1938 29 January 1949 - 16 February 1950 15 February 1961 - 4 February 1962 3 February 1973 - 22 January 1974 20 February 1985 - 8 February 1986 7 February 1997 - 27 January 1998 26 January 2009 - 13 February 2010</p>
<p align="center">Tiger 寅</p> <p>13 February 1926 - 1 February 1927 31 January 1938 - 18 February 1939 17 February 1950 - 5 February 1951 5 February 1962 - 24 January 1963 23 January 1974 - 10 February 1975 9 February 1986 - 28 January 1987 28 January 1998 - 15 February 1999 14 February 2010 - 2 February 2011</p>	<p align="center">Rabbit 卯</p> <p>2 February 1927 - 22 January 1928 19 February 1939 - 7 February 1940 6 February 1951 - 26 January 1952 25 January 1963 - 12 February 1964 11 February 1975 - 30 January 1976 29 January 1987 - 16 February 1988 16 February 1999 - 4 February 2000 3 February 2011 - 22 January 2012</p>	<p align="center">Dragon 辰</p> <p>23 January 1928 - 9 February 1929 8 February 1940 - 26 January 1941 27 January 1952 - 13 February 1953 13 February 1964 - 1 February 1965 31 January 1976 - 17 February 1977 17 February 1988 - 5 February 1989 5 February 2000 - 23 January 2001 23 January 2012 - 9 February 2013</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">Snake 巳</p> <p>10 February 1929 - 29 January 1930 27 January 1941 - 14 February 1942 14 February 1953 - 2 February 1954 2 February 1965 - 20 January 1966 18 February 1977 - 6 February 1978 6 February 1989 - 26 January 1990 24 January 2001 - 11 February 2002 10 February 2013 - 30 January 2014</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Horse 午</p> <p>30 January 1930 - 16 February 1931 15 February 1942 - 4 February 1943 3 February 1954 - 23 January 1955 21 January 1966 - 8 February 1967 7 February 1978 - 27 January 1979 27 January 1990 - 14 February 1991 12 February 2002 - 31 January 2003</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Goat 未</p> <p>17 February 1931 - 5 February 1932 5 February 1943 - 24 January 1944 24 January 1955 - 11 February 1956 9 February 1967 - 29 January 1968 28 January 1979 - 15 February 1980 15 February 1991 - 3 February 1992 1 February 2003 - 21 January 2004</p>
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