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{All-inclusive energy: "Include everything!" – Spaciousness/White}

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{All-enriching energy: “Take care!” – Richness/Yellow}

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[Discriminating-awareness energy: “Be intimate!” – Passion/Red]

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