

Theory of Everything:

What Stephen J Hawking and other physicists hope to achieve/find which will bind together particle physics, relativity and string theory into one cohesive whole.

Tree of Life:

In this case a diagram from the Kabala, adopted by the Rosicrucian's, alchemists and many others. It is most striking as it functions on a macro level as an explanation of the origins of the universe, as well as on a micro level as a meditation on the development process of individual life. The "prayer" comes from a rosary from a Rosicrucian text. The image/name of the "Tree of Life" appears again and again in differing contexts throughout world mythology, religion and origin stories, it is also related to evolutionary diagrams, family trees and other sorts of lineage tracing documents, as it records both familial relationships and the implied passage of time.

About Hopscotch:

A very old game played throughout the world to differing names and rules, our version comes from the ancient Romans and was first used as a military exercise, much the way obstacles are used in contemporary football training. Hop is obvious; Scotch refers to escotche or scratch, as one does to make the diagram.

T.O.E/T.A.L Game

(Theory of Everything/Tree of Life)

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RULES

Rules:

Similar to hopscotch, one or more players.

Each player takes a turn until they miss.

When they miss, they let the next player go.

Whoever gets through the whole series forwards and back first is the winner.

To play: toss a gem into the first round and then hop onto that round, toss the next gem and proceed.

It is recommended that each player reads about each round as they land on it...

Infinity: starting place. Ain Soph Aur (literally: without/end/light) an infinite light-filled nothingness before time or matter- the beginning before the beginning.

(1.) One:
Gem: transparent quartz, name: Kether (crown). This is the product of the event of Ain Soph Aur's contraction which creates an out-pouring of pure primordial energy. Kether is the birth of the first THING, as before there was nothing, and is the Aleph, the beginning.

(2.) Two:
Gem: silver obsidian, name: Hokmah (wisdom) the stage where infinitely hot, liquid expands forth into space -which comes into being here- meaning there is now a UNIVERSE or UNIVERSES for things to exude into. It is pure dynamic energy of infinite intensity pouring out at a speed faster than light. Associated with planet and substance Mercury and symbolized by the zodiac. (Hokmah is otherwise known as the temple of stars) Hokmah

marks start of consciousness and being a force in the universe.

(3.) Three:
Gem: Onyx. Name: Binah (understanding) a feminine energy associated with cohesion and a sense of loss as each becomes an individual thing separated from the entire whole flow of matter. Cooling, nourishing and separating into multitudinous forms. Associated with infinite mercy. Marks the beginning of "time", and could be described as the mirror stage- the awareness that you are separate from others. Planet: associated with Saturn (Binah is otherwise known as the temple of the black sea)

(4.) Four:
Gem: Lapis Lazuli Name: Chesen Greatness and love. This signifies the feeling of well-being that is reflected outward after interaction with Binah. Chesen exemplifies a paternal affection and is the stage at which the sense of self and being externalizes interiority with other elements/beings/things in the world. Chesen is the demonstrating of individual

feeling/thought /care. Associated with planet Jupiter (Chesen is otherwise known as the temple of love)

(5.) Five:
Gem: garnet. Name: Geburah, which stands for rigor, discipline, justice, and fear. Geburah is the state in which the construction of rules, laws, principles and consequences are created. This stage is one where now truly separate and alone one gains individual strength, and has the knowledge of that strength and its limits. Associated with planet Mars (Geburah is otherwise known as the temple of power)

(6.) Six:
Gem: citrine. Name: Tiphareth, which stands for beauty and shining glory. Literally, she is the heart of the universe, offering redemption, warmth, and interior satisfaction, Tiphareth is the truth and the heart of hearts. An endlessly burning furnace, Tiphareth is associated with the sun.

(7.) Seven:
Gem: Coral. Name: Hod. Arcane knowledge and secrecy, Hod is about internal changeability and external assuredness. This is deception as a tool, confidence and the ability to withhold information and power. Molten, secret and internal, Hod is the magma that lies under the visible crust. Depth and substance provided by knowledge of beauty and empowerment. Hod is otherwise known as the temple of spells.

(8.) Eight:
Gem: Jade Name: Netzach, stands for victory and empowerment, mastery of the game. Cool and assured, Netzach combines Hod's self-interest and Tiphareth's warmth and truth, offering a self-completion with hidden and visible assets, growing and thriving. Netzach is associated with planet Venus, and likened to a garden, warmed by Tiphareth's sun.

(9.) Nine:
Gem: Amethyst. Name: Yesod which stands for bedrock- the

solid foundation of understanding. Almost complete in the cycle of becoming, Yesod is a cool, solidified basic substance, hardened and formed. Calm, rational and dispassionate. Very much a thing looking out at other things with a view or perspective, a history- retention of the memory of past stages- Yesod is associated with the moon and often likened to a valley.

(10.) Ten:

Gem: Tiger's eye. Name: Malkuth, which is Sovereignty. Associated with the planet earth. The final completion, internally and externally of all matter into complex organisms and structures, all with commonality of

origin (carbon-based life). There is an above and a below here, and a separation and oneness to all matter. Life still flows and progresses, moving through space and time, but it has achieved singularity, evolutionary stage, and understanding between same and different.

At once fluid and solid, physical and mental, developing along a trajectory of its own logic Malkuth is knowledge of the basics combined with infinite variation and complexity.

Here one hops around and goes back, on the "serpents trail". One recites the prayer below, marking each round as it is landed on:

"Grounded in eternity, I am at peace in the Kingdom, standing on the firm Foundation of my soul, surrounded by Splendor, knowing life is my Victory, seeing the Beauty of harmony, the truth of Severity, the grace of Mercy, climbing through the heights of Understanding to touch the power of Wisdom, focused through my Heart of Hearts on the simple light of the Crown of Spirit, which is my journey's end."

You may or may not land on Da'at. on the way back:

(11.) Eleven:

Name: Da'at. Da'at lives on a different plane -the abyss- and is Total All-Seeing Understanding-

the developed soul. Both empty and eternally shining with light, Da'at is invisible to some visible to those with enlightenment, it is all of the other stages combined and rests alone on another plane. This station is ignored on the way up, and only hopped on at the return, in between 6 and 5. Associated with the star Sirius and the substance of sulfur. *Any gem may be used to land on this round.* Da'at is the summation of everything and a full version of the nothingness offered by Ain Soph Aur.

Yes, this game goes all the way up to 11