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On Friday, November 11, 2011, it was a date overrun with the number one. Thousands of couples around the world decided to get married on this day.

What was the big idea?

Is it the fascination for this exclusive date or something about daily horoscopes, numerology compatibility?

Yes, the lineup of the digits 11/11/2011 is unique being a one in a hundred years event, but a famous numerologist also says it is a good date for starting new ventures or relationships.

Such appeal for people is not surprising.

Down the ages people were in awe of what a number could predict or influence. Astrologers believe that each number from 0 to 9 is governed by a celestial body in our solar system. This belief has strong foundations even today.

Is number symbolism a myth or veracity?

Numerologists will swear that numerology is a science, and that numbers have the power to influence people and events.

But in this modern world, astrology and numerology is considered a pseudoscience by rationalists and as such is not taken seriously. In addition, rationalists believe that the positions and the movement of the stars and planets do not affect people and events on earth whatsoever.

Yet, faith and belief in astrology and numerology is widespread across the globe, across all religions and faiths, among believers and non-believers alike.

What makes people believe in the apparently inexplicable?

One answer could be people need reassurance about their future, and astrology and numerology are wonderful tools for self-counselling.

In one sense astrology works in an effective way. When a person visits an astrologer, he or she gets comfort and encouragement that the future is known and is someway under control. This is something no astronomer or scientist can do.

These are uncertain times. Our career paths are fickle, relationships are ambiguous, and the modern-day hazards of living are plentiful. Under such circumstances, an astrologer holds hope by making the believer feel connected to the cosmos. It is comforting to believe that the positions of planets and stars will predict events in our lives.

By an estimate nearly a quarter of the people on earth believe in what planetary configurations can do to them.

Come to think of it. There isnâ€™t any harm if people believe in astrology and such stuff. Unless, of course, such belief leads to some sort of immobility in their lives. In other words, any adverse

prediction must not make people stay away from performing their usual or important tasks.

Everybody loves to speculate what is in store for them.

So, it is not surprising that all newspapers and journals display at least one page on daily horoscopes, numerology compatibility. As long as the paranormal will continue to baffle the humans, horoscopes for today, astrology career prediction, and numerology will continue to hold fascination.

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