Most (all) Fortune Cookies seem to insist on a positive and generally bland, if not banal, fortune. And yet the true (original) purpose of seeking one's fortune is not just for positive reinforcement only, but to place oneself at the mercy of the all-seeing fates. This is to place oneself at the mercy of real-world Life.

To remedy the ubiquitous blandness of the prevailing Fortune Cookie market, we propose a more honest range of fortune readings. Our cookie fortunes are not for the faint of heart, nor for those who insist on eternally optimistic support from the forces of fate. No, our cookie fortunes are bolder, more brutally honest for the true seeker. In fact, we categorically state that for any person under age 20 years, the messages of our Fortune Cookies are completely irrelevant. This is for the adult with courage to face his or her fate straight on. To open a fortune cookie, is to ask a question, seeking a statement of fortune. If you’re not ready for an answer, don’t ask - i.e. don’t open it. Or, it’s like leaving the restaurant afterwards, you never know what you’ll run into.

- We figure that about 30% of our fortunes will be obviously positive. Isn’t that enough!
- 40% will have an elements of possible misfortune. Secretly that’s what we want.
- 60% be deliberately ambiguous, containing multiple meanings. Yet at least one meaning will contain a positive promise, likely through the necessity of some deliberate action.
- And there will definitely be a sense of humor, for those who are able to discern it.
- And for the dullards, the cookie itself will still have that delicate sweet almond flavor.

Here are some examples from our cache of grown-up fortune statements:

- **Exciting opportunities await you in the next week.** Perhaps you’ll never understand why you missed them.
- **Be sure your will is up to date - best check it out in the next two weeks.**
- **Tomorrow a wonderful opportunity will present itself to you.** Will you notice it?
- **Play close attention to your sleeping arrangements tonight.** An important lesson or challenge faces you.
There are three areas where relationships with the opposite sex can be dangerous to you. If you are not careful, the second one will burn you in the next few days.

Business and health matters will improve around you. Whether they improve for you is another matter.

It's nice to work with friendly people. Too bad.....

Simplify your life now. Stuff is dragging you down faster than you realize.

Your sexual partner is cheating on you, though maybe not seriously. Best open up lines of communication very soon. If you have no sexual partner, you're doing it to yourself. Attend!

Your children will grow up to be like you. Don't worry, there will be better therapy then.

Good health is coming your way. However, it may pass you by.

A close friend is keeping a secret from you. You probably don't want to know about it.

Good looks don't mean everything.

Best review last year's tax returns. The IRS has just pulled your file for audit.

Remember your Senior Prom Date. Expect a surprise visit soon.

Remember your father's first impression of the person you married? He still does.

When the priest sat down at the table next to you - what were you really thinking about?

Think of your spouse having an affair. Now, what are you going to do?

Your doctor's office will be phoning you in the next few days. Be sure to answer the phone.

Do you remember when you last used your credit card? It's time to check your wallet.

You are in charge of your life. Now drive by a weight loss center.

The last time opportunity came knocking - you weren't home.

Do you know how to check “history” on your computer's Internet browser? Who else in your family does?
♦ No sex therapist will ever fall in love with you. Sorry. Best try another type of therapy.

♦ Yesterday, you failed to notice two situations that would have brought you wealth and happiness. Better luck in the future.

♦ That expensive bottle of wine you have been saving for a special occasion, has turned sour. Learn from this.

♦ It's not whether you win or lose, it's ... Damn, or maybe it really is.

♦ Winning isn't everything. You'd better accept that right now.

♦ Do your pets really love you?

♦ What do your pets say about you when you're away?

♦ Cookie sometimes see great success and happiness ahead for you. Sometimes cookie very stupid.

♦ Stop keeping your sex life a secret from yourself.

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