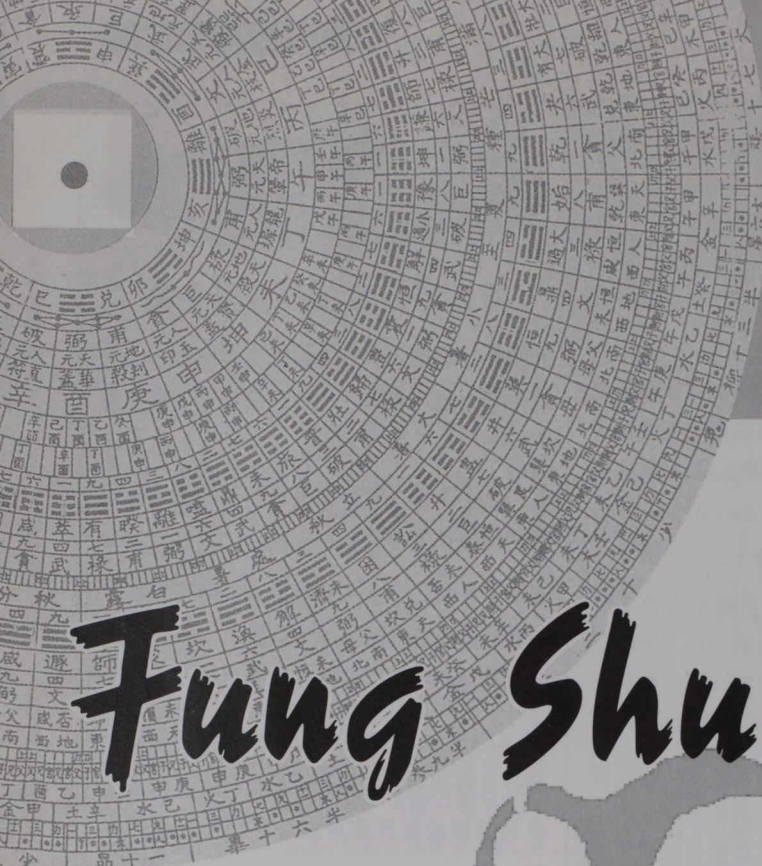


Front entrances should not face the toilet or else money will flush down the drain.

If you are planning new office or moving to a new house, you may want to avoid some of the following examples of bad fung shui:

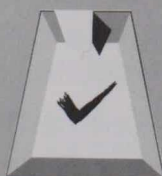
Fung Shui 風水

The traditions of fung shui go back for three thousand years but the ideas are still an important force in today's Hong Kong society. For many people, good fung shui is considered to be essential to good business and offices and homes are willingly adjusted in keeping with the fung shui expert's advice.

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The word fung shui translates to "wind and water". It is one of the oldest Chinese branches of learning that studies the relationship of what is good and what is bad in a given geographical environment. It also involves a technique which aims to ensure all things are in harmony with their surroundings. Fung shui can be applied by anyone, anywhere, whether it be an architect planning an entire city or a home owner deciding where to place a single flower pot in his home.

Fung shui centres round the role of man in relation to nature and the universe. It looks upon nature not as a dead object, but as a living and breathing organism. It doesn't mean that nature has a life of its own, but rather that the universe works in accordance with a set of natural laws that keeps the heavenly bodies revolving, keeps the seasons turning and all things in order. The earth is encircled by currents of good or favourable and negative or unfavourable influence called Ch'i (氣) or cosmic breaths of nature.



Rectangular or square shaped land is preferred. If the office or shop is irregular shaped, the base line should be longer than the front. If the entrance is located at the longer side, it is called a tiger mouth and will generate financial difficulty.



Buildings should not generally be located at a Y junction.

