

	Mental	Mythic	Magic
Instinctual/ Subconscious	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You have been given conceptual models/maps. You react based off these maps. Logical responses tend toward Yes/No, Good/Bad, Black/White solutions. Responses typically focus on self instead of the whole. Effort is put in to avoid suffering and make others conform to your maps when in disagreement. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A story that has been provided to you or arises up unconsciously. Believing in things that are greater than everyday life. Appeals to a very basic need and drives wonderment, awe, and terror. Connects us to our past. The desire is to get to a form of titillation or control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The wonderment when things that happen that cannot be explained. A deep connection to both positive and negative elements that arise in our lives. The felt-sense that somethings happen by other forces which are beyond your control or ability to grasp mentally or mythically. Magic happens to us.
Intentional/ Awareness/ Consciousness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand we each may have different maps. You realize that you can change your response to your maps. Begin to find best solutions are based off multiple maps and or parts of maps. Solutions begin to be focused on the betterment of Self and the Whole. Understanding that you and others are suffering, and your response should address that collective suffering. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beginning to understand that people all have stories and are always telling stories. Knowing that people's stories are not your stories. Stories can link mental thought and magical experiences. Stories help address key success elements that basic mental thought will miss. Using stories can help enhance understanding when there are disconnects between mental maps. Using stories to hold and explain suffering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You begin to sense the magic around/in you. You sense that magic happens not by outside forces but from the engagement of the self and the whole. Magic appears to arise through the alignment of many iterations of effort. You begin to sense that you, as well as others, are involved in allowing this magic to arise. Initial awareness that joy and suffering simultaneously exist.
Integral/ Self-Awareness/ Meta-Cognitive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seeing the spaces between the maps. Solutions are there that are not on anyone's maps. Betterment of the whole is betterment of the self. Best solutions are generated from integration of the spaces between magic/mythic/mental. Suffering is a positive part of life and the ability to grow, and suffering needs to be accounted in the solution. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You realize that there are stories that have yet to be told. It is the crossing between the things we do not know and the things we do know. Finding a new story to potentially find a new solution. Stories are a pathway to explaining magical events and creating better mental understandings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is a glimpse into the unknown, a beacon, a grounding. The beautiful alignment of 1000s of uncontrollable variables that can provide an insight into other worlds/feelings/dimensions/solutions. Helps you dream up / develop more and better stories. Helps you imagine greater mental insights. It happens for you (and everyone who is paying attention).

Three by Three Matrix of Geber's Structures of Consciousness and May May's Metacognitive Levels/Perspectives.

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