



*I often travel with a Virgo friend. When we arrive at a hotel, she pulls out bags of herbal tea, exotic little coffees, and packages of nuts, in addition to which she gives me high-end little bottles of shampoo, lotions, and whatnot that are superior to whatever the hotel offers. It's her way of wanting to bring an added special touch to our trip.*

*And, when things go wrong, Virgos know how to survive! They have a snow shovel in their trunk along with jumper cables and tire chains, plus their flashlights work! (And they have backup batteries.) Of course, they also have all the right tools for the job.*

*I recall showing a Virgo friend a book with a spine that had come loose. It was a beautiful book about Tibet and I wanted to keep it. He said, "That's no problem." He opened a cupboard door. On the shelf were four or five little cosmetic train cases from the 1950s — those lunchbox-style cases that zip, with little handles on top. "I pick these up at garage sales for fifty cents," he said. Then he reached for one of the train cases, saying, "This one has all my glues related to paper products."*

*Meanwhile, I'm thinking, Whaaat? I have to scramble to find glue, let alone a train case devoted exclusively to glues related solely to paper products! That's Virgo.*



**"A useless life is an early death."**

**JOHANN WOLFGANG VON GOETHE**

**German Writer, Playwright, Poet, and Philosopher**

*Faust*

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