

AstroScope

Astrological Report for
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Introduction

Astrology is as old as measured time. Although there are many different approaches to astrology, all astrologers appear united in the idea that there is a connection between the heavens and the Earth -- they share one common space. For centuries there has been a misunderstanding concerning the nature of astrology to the effect that the heavens somehow "influence" events here on Earth. This theory of celestial influence has penetrated into the modern world until today it is the main concept or idea of astrology supported by the public -- the lay astrological audience.

Professional astrologers do not hold with theories of celestial influence. Instead, the modern astrologer conceives of the heavens and Earth as united, interpenetrating, and sharing a common space and time. The great cosmic or celestial events happening around and beyond the Earth (eclipses, lineups, and so on) are not seen as CAUSING events to occur on Earth, but as great signatures of events ALSO happening here on Earth. In other words, there is no "cause" in the heavens followed by an "effect" here on Earth. Instead, both planetary and earthly events happen simultaneously and are mutually reflective. Neither is the cause of the other; both are the product of the moment, one acted out in the heavens above, the other here on the Earth below.

While astrologers don't feel that heavenly events are the cause of events here on Earth, they do feel that specific heavenly events are enacted here on the Earth too -- at the same moment. In other words, there is only one grand "play." The great drama enacted in the sky is also acted out (in exact detail) here on Earth in the same instant. Another way to say this is that the Earth is part of the cosmos and shares in that cosmic moment. Scientists have been discovering (for example) that sunspots, solar flares, and solar activity have a very definite (and almost immediate) effect here on Earth. Astrologers tend to feel that all major cosmic events such as eclipses are interactive; they represent an activity also taking place within us and our consciousness.

In summary, astrology is a study of heavenly cycles and cosmic events as they are reflected in our earthly environment and vice-versa -- a vast cosmic clock. Astrologers find the cosmic patterns revealed in the rhythmic motions of the planets a great help in shedding light on the seeming helter-skelter of everyday life. Astrologers may have their heads in the heavens, but only to better guide their feet here on Earth.

We hope you enjoy your AstroScope profile. It has been calculated using sophisticated astronomical formulae to ensure high accuracy. On the next page you will find a list of the zodiac positions of your natal planets along with the house cusps for your birth moment.

Your Rising Sign

First let's take a quick look at your ascendant, or rising sign. Astrologers want to know what zodiac sign is rising at birth, since this gives a picture of the way you appear or come across to others.

You are all things to all people, always responding in a way to please and flatter -- a social being. You are so diplomatic and polite that one wonders if you have a viewpoint of your own. You have a natural ability to reflect and mirror others.

Libra Rising

Your Chart Data

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<u>Planet</u>	<u>Sign</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>House</u>	<u>House</u>
Sun	Leo	02°Le37'	10th	01 23°Li27'
Moon	Taurus	29°Ta57'	08th	02 19°Sc59'
Mercury	Leo	11°Le51'	10th	03 23°Sg03'
Venus	Virgo	13°Vi51'	11th	04 01°Aq05'
Mars	Taurus	12°Ta31'	07th	05 05°Pi32'
Jupiter	Leo	05°Le35'	10th	06 02°Ar39'
Saturn	Gemini	22°Ge01'	08th	07 23°Ar27'
Uranus	Gemini	07°Ge49'	08th	08 19°Ta59'
Neptune	Virgo	29°Vi49'	11th	09 23°Ge03'
Pluto	Leo	06°Le43'	10th	10 01°Le05'
Midheaven	Leo	01°Le05'		11 05°Vi32'
Ascendant	Libra	23°Li27'		12 02°Li39'

Planet Aspects

The Lights: The Sun and Moon

At the time of our birth, the planets (through their configurations and relationships) tell us something about how things were when we were born. Each planet points to special qualities within us. Yet, of all the planets, the two most important planets to astrologers are the "lights," the Sun and the Moon. From where we stand here on Earth, the great shining Sun by day and the reflecting Moon at night are our constant companions. They have much to tell us as to where we have been and where we are headed.

The Sun: Your Self and Future

From the Sun comes light, that which draws us into life. The Sun represents all the changes we have not yet taken, that part of us that we have not yet experienced but are headed toward. The Sun represents our identity, or self, in that it is toward these that we are moving and developing. Thus, it also represents that which we will become: older people, authorities -- those we look toward, or up to. Our essence, or future. Teachers, gurus, and older (more experienced) people are represented by the Sun. The Sun is "hot stuff," those further up the road of life experience.

You are outgoing, overflowing, and very generous. Always the leader, if not the center of any group, you seldom fail to exhibit strong emotions. You are proud of yourself and of your accomplishments. Dramatic and just plain happy to be here, you are warm of heart, gregarious, outspoken, and independent.

Sun in Leo

You are very fortunate in being able to grow and progress throughout your life without major difficulties. You can always find the resources you require at hand plus the necessary instruction in how to use them. An inner vision, coupled with the ability to see the "Big" picture, often finds you working as a go-between with others. You could even have a special gift for spanning the generation gap, bringing older and younger spirits together. A love of animals, children, older people, and the needy and downtrodden in general, is a lifelong trait.

Moon Sextile Sun

You communicate with consummate skill, and it is stimulating just being with you. Your high degree of mental concentration makes you an excellent student, able to excel in speaking, writing, and all types of communication skills. Your ambitions go hand-in-hand with communication and using the mind, and the two should never be far apart.

Sun Conjunction Mercury

You push hard, but much energy is wasted because you tend to lack direction and planning. You often work against the way things are: authorities or the status quo. It may be difficult for you to coordinate your ambitions with your actual actions and feelings.

You tend to hobble yourself emotionally. Your drive and passions put you at odds with authority figures time and again. This tendency towards clashes and emotional confrontation does exist, and at these times you can be your own worst enemy.

Sun Square Mars

You are your own vocation, and the best way for you to get ahead in the world is just to be yourself. Your optimum job is just being you, which often indicates a career in front of the public (politics, sales, whatever). Lucky by nature, others sense this and like to be with you. Your general outlook on life is attractive, and people seek you out to help them with their problems. You are a natural guide and counselor. Very successful.

Sun Conjunction Jupiter

You work well with those in authority who are independent and original. You could find yourself engaged in nonconformist causes, always ready to promote what is independent and innovative. You like radical approaches, and find yourself in support of whatever new-wave product or breakthrough advance is next in line. Communication, computers, electronics, and everything new-wave excites you and you excel here. You discover new ways of working with traditional materials.

Sun Sextile Uranus

You have a natural ability to grasp spiritual and visionary matters and to put them to work. You can perform with the imagination and metaphysical thoughts like others work with durable things. This is because you understand what is behind and connecting things. Much of your own self-image is wrapped up with your ability to work with images -- dreams and the imagination. You would make a good teacher in areas of music, philosophy, and all that is mystical.

Sun Sextile Neptune

You come on strong and may tend to intimidate those around you. It's nothing you have done so much as something you are. Your presence and obvious concentration are very forceful, and you like to get down to essentials right off. This intensity tends to put others through a lot of changes. You are not afraid of a good confrontation, and you seldom pull any punches. You would be great at research or any work that requires digging, searching, investigating, and getting beneath the surface.

Sun Conjunction Pluto

Expressing yourself and your relations with others are not always smooth and may tend to get explosive. You could be preoccupied with job and family to the exclusion of a social life. You may have trouble getting your ideas and thoughts across to others.

Sun Square Ascendant

You naturally gravitate toward positions of power and authority. Others see in you great practical ability and accept you as a leader or authority figure very easily. Your career may be very important to you, even at the expense of home life.

Sun Conjunction Midheaven

The Moon: The Support System

Here is information about the kind of environment we create around us, our support system. It is not only the surroundings that we set up today, but the Moon also represents our past, the particular history and social background out of which we grew. Aside from

our social background, the Moon governs all of the old habits that we have grown beyond. We tend to look down on, or back on, our Moon. It represents those experiences out of which we have come, all those younger souls who are unconscious, or "sub" conscious to our own level. This is why it is said that the Moon is a mystery planet, for it is both our parent and our child: our parent in that out of it we were born, our child in that we can't but respond to others who are now living as we once did.

You have strong, stable emotions and tend to draw around you the perfect environment for your upbringing. The thing you need is always at hand. In addition, you get much support and good fortune from friends and relatives. You value constancy and security in all things and possess a good business sense. You are, by nature, very domestic and enjoy nice surroundings.

Moon in Taurus

A special affinity for old people and for children, plus an innate love of animals, the helpless, and the underdog. An inner vision coupled with the ability to see the "Big" picture often finds you working as a go-between with others.

Moon Sextile Sun

You have a knack for always finding assistance in whatever career moves you decide to make. In fact, your ability to rally support makes a public career of one kind or another quite probable. Success is indicated in education, politics, or the law. You know how to attack and solve problems, whether personal or public. Chances are, your social skills mean that you are popular with almost everyone.

Moon Sextile Jupiter

You are very much involved with all that is traditional, but with this special twist: you are a revolutionary when it comes to the domestic scene and have very special insights into home, family, and surroundings. Others find you original (certainly very different) and perhaps unpredictable, especially when it comes to emotional reactions. Your approach to feelings, moods, and the whole psychological gambit is novel. You tend to show emotions suddenly and/or in unusual ways. You like unconventional friends and are a nonconformist yourself. Independent women may be important to you.

Moon Conjunction Uranus

You have a built-in sense of what the public wants and can always come up with just the right image. You find it easy to work with the emotions and feelings of others, and with great imagination. Your sense of the ideal springs to life whenever other people are involved. A born arranger of atmospheres, you enjoy working with groups of people. You are also very creative when it comes to your home and surroundings.

Moon Trine Neptune

Your career always seems to get the support you need, and this is one area of life that runs smoothly. You seem to understand what the public wants, and mass marketing is a natural for you.

Moon Sextile Midheaven

The Inner Planets: Mercury and Venus

The planets Mercury and Venus have more to do with our internal and personal life

than with life outside us. These inner planets are located between the orbit of the Earth and the Sun. We can look to qualities that are inside us. Venus indicates how we appreciate and measure our experience, how we value life. Mercury tells us something about how our mind works, how we think and communicate -- our intrinsic brightness.

Mercury: The Mind and Communication

Mercury is the light in our eyes, the ever-changing consciousness within us that moves from idea to idea. Thus Mercury has always represented thoughts, ideas, and the mental process in general. It governs not only ideas, but communications, too. Communications -- by phone, letter, spoken, or however -- are ruled by Mercury. Also thoughts, connections, phone wires, and everything that connects and conveys -- even conversations.

You are dynamic and always expressive in thought and speech -- dramatic. You appreciate your own ideas, and tend to be outgoing in speech and manner. Fresh. Warm. You put forth strong views and are hard to influence or change. Emotional and a good entertainer, you are louder than average and tend to exaggerate. You are a lover. There are always plenty of tears and laughter.

Mercury in Leo

You are very bright, and you may be very proud of your mind and all that it can do. You have a high degree of concentration that makes you an excellent student and able to excel in speaking, writing, and all types of communication skills.

Sun Conjunction Mercury

You have a hair-trigger temper and it takes little to set it off. Your sharp-tongue is well-known and you use it before you have time to think, resulting in little mental and verbal explosions that you regret later. The sad part is that half the time you don't even mean what you may have said in anger. What is clear to those around you is that you communicate as much with your feelings as with words. People learn to look at what you do, rather than what you say. Your mind is very, very sharp. The less said the better.

Mercury Square Mars

You have the mind of a lawyer, always able to size up a problem and come up with a solution. Using your mind to negotiate obstacles and handle dilemmas (your own or those of others), is a great talent. You have an innate ability to guide and lead others through the hurdles and hassles of life. You could be very much in demand as a counselor. You are a problem-solver.

Mercury Conjunction Jupiter

You enjoy working with your mind, and your sharp perceptions make finding new solutions easy. You always bring an unexpected twist or insight to anything you set your mind to. You are able to teach or help others to be more original when it comes to the words or thoughts they use. You can use the mind in original ways and probably have excellent eye-hand coordination. Your laser-like mind makes conversations fast-paced and illuminating. A ready wit.

Mercury Sextile Uranus

Anyone who tries to get you to play with words is in for a big surprise. Your mind

cuts right through all the window dressing and gets right down to the quick. Before anyone knows it, you have the heart of the matter out front for everyone to see. You would make a great investigator, either in scientific research or undercover work. It makes no difference. Your ability to get to the point is all but phenomenal. You can talk and put into words areas of the psychological that others wouldn't touch with a ten-foot pole.

Mercury Conjunction Pluto

Venus: Values and Discrimination

Venus rules our values and sense of appreciation. When we appraise or appreciate something, whether that be another person or a new car, this is Venus -- the sense of love and compassion we may feel. By the same token, this planet rules enjoyment too. Whether it be self-appreciation or just plain old decadent self-enjoyment by having a good time, this is Venus. When we go shopping or are on a spending spree, it is Venus that allows us to appreciate and value all the good things of life.

Finely wrought or overwrought? You have a fine sense of appreciation and are very attentive. You love to help out and take care of others, expressing a first-rate sense of compassion. You possess an almost infinite ability to respond to the needs and demands of others. Fragile, refined, you are perhaps too prudish.

Venus in Virgo

You love to work with younger people and would make a superb teacher or coach. You appreciate a heart-felt approach and are an enthusiast if there ever was one. You understand and encourage emotions, feelings and creativity and find it easy to work in these areas. You value drive and the ability to get things done. Matters of the heart, marriage, and the like are areas where you can help others.

Venus Trine Mars

Your conservative values clash with whatever is unconventional and different. You don't value novelty and do your best to ignore changes. You appreciate tradition and regularity, and your value system is dead set against anything new or out of the ordinary. Despite your feigned ignorance to the contrary, you suffer regular infusions of change, which you find very disturbing. New things threaten to overpower you.

Venus Square Uranus

The External Planets: Mars, Jupiter, Saturn

The major planets outside the Earth's orbit (external to us) are Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn. These are the planets of the outer world -- life as we find it outside ourselves. Mars tells us something about the drive and energy we have, Jupiter shows us how to best channel that energy, and Saturn decrees what sort of material or territory we will be passing through. Again: Saturn tells us about the territory we will be going through, Jupiter the way or path through it, and Mars what kind of push or drive we can count on to keep going.

Mars: Drive and Emotions

Mars is the planet of emotion and inner motivation or drive. When we search for the

meaning of something, life or whatever, it is Mars that urges us on, keeps us searching. Mars also drives us against things, too and sends us into war and combat. The urgency of Mars, the search for meaning, is identical to the need for union, yoga, and marriage. Mars is the planet of union, and marriage is the most common form of yoga. When we have questions about the opposite sex, we are looking at the planet Mars.

You have great staying power, a drive for security and stability, and can withstand almost anything. You are very dependable, somewhat emotional but stable. You have a natural need to build solid foundations. You are stubborn, but patient and slow to anger. Once angry, watch out!

Mars in Taurus

Your drive to succeed is strong, but you often push yourself in a direction against your own best interests. Your ambitions may find you at odds with authority figures again and again. A tendency towards arguments and emotional drama exists.

Sun Square Mars

You are sharp-tongued. Arguments and debates are probably life-long companions. You communicate with your emotions and sheer drive as much as by words and thoughts. Your verbal and mental presence (by sheer insistence) is something to behold.

Mercury Square Mars

All heart! Feelings are always out front and entirely natural. Love of action, motion (sports, physical, sex, and the like). An expert at matters of the heart. Children, animals, and all creative work get top billing. Always act on instinct, feelings.

Venus Trine Mars

You may lack coordination, in particular in relation to making career moves. Your emotions, led by your temper, can send you off in a direction that is anything but where you really want to go. There is a basic struggle between your feelings and your livelihood; therefore, it is important to find work that does not deny your feelings, or they will explode. Acting only on your feelings and doing "whatever you want" with no thought for a plan is also not helpful. Advice from a trusted friend is in order to help coordinate your job and your emotional life.

Mars Square Jupiter

There could be a lot of emotional tension with this combination. You tend to set yourself against whatever forces of change manage to rear their heads around you. This is never more true than where your feelings are concerned. Your attempt to remain untouched and impersonal seems doomed to failure. Everything intrudes, gets too personal, and threatens to hurt your feelings. Your insistence on being an emotional island is probably interspersed with bursts of anger, even fits of rage.

Mars Square Pluto

Jupiter: Career and Life Path

Jupiter is the planet of success and simple survival, the way we have to solve the problems that confront us. Thus Jupiter has to do with the way in which we can be successful, our vocation. The Hindu word for Jupiter is Guru. Jupiter is the guru and guide, the way we go through life, our life path or vocation. Jupiter is the method each of

us has for dealing with the laws of life, our Saturn, or limitations. Jupiter is the light or path. Jupiter provides us with our sense of direction, the path we are on, the way we handle life. It affects how we approach life's problems. It has always been an indicator of how successful we may be, our vocation.

You would love a career that is creative and expressive. Always dramatic, you are a born entertainer and salesman -- warm, loud, and gregarious. Proud, you have an inner need to express feelings and emotions to others. You can be self-centered and are driven to leadership positions by a sense of your own inner worth.

Jupiter in Leo

Probably always popular with others and at home in the crowd, you tend to radiate success. Others may value the fact that you can always manage to unravel even the worst problems for them. You could benefit from older people or those in authority.

Sun Conjunction Jupiter

Like a fish in water when in the limelight or in a group, you have an innate social charm. Political and lucky too! A natural sense of what's right or of the way to get things done brings great popularity, even renown. Law, education. Could be lazy.

Moon Sextile Jupiter

You have an eye for legal matters, and are probably great at solving puzzles and finding solutions as well as communicating them to others. A good counselor. Your mind is expert at problems, finding a way through or beyond any roadblock or obstacle.

Mercury Conjunction Jupiter

You tend to have trouble coordinating your drive with good career moves. You rush into things, often against your own best interests. You have to be careful selecting a life path, so you don't ignore feelings and emotions.

Mars Square Jupiter

You are independent and value freedom and nonconformity. A great problem-solver, you enjoy working out new solutions, trying new things. Your career will be anything but ordinary, and leave it to you to find unusual ways of supporting yourself. You bring a lot of mental skill and understanding to whatever you do, and could teach or help others to take a more independent approach to their life or career. You pursue electronics, computers, and the like.

Jupiter Sextile Uranus

A career in psychology, areas of the mind and self that are vulnerable and sensitive, is indicated. You not only like change and transforming experiences, you pursue them for their own sake. You head straight for whatever challenges your sense of identity and puts you through changes. This life path could also carry you into subjects like reincarnation, psychic experiences, and all that is occult or hidden from common view. You plunge right in, dig through the whole mess, and leave not a secret unturned. Yours is a career deep in change, transformation, and metamorphosis.

Jupiter Conjunction Pluto

Career is very important, and you have superb management abilities. You are expert at manipulating a situation to the benefit of all concerned.

Jupiter Conjunction Midheaven

Saturn: Responsibilities

The process of finding out who we are (self-discovery) starts when we come to grips with whatever problems life presents to us and begin to get a handle on them. In other words, if we have not dealt with Saturn, or time (that is, if we don't have some control of time), there is little opportunity for other questions. Saturn rules the laws and limitations of this material world we all live in. Saturn indicates where we are bound to learn, the narrowness that makes our way felt, the walls that make homes possible. Saturn holds us together as much as apart. Saturn is said to be the great teacher, the planet that keeps us from getting carried away in one direction or another. Although it always seeks to limit and determine any thought, word, or action, it also defines and clarifies. Saturn is called the prince of the material world.

You tend to avoid superficiality, hating small talk and communication in general. You may have difficulty making connections and linking up to others. You need to learn how to investigate, search out answers and explore possibilities. Basic communication skills are required.

Saturn in Gemini

The more disciplined side of you has no time for dreams, visions, and other-worldly stuff. You ignore anything that is not tied down and practical. And yet, all this spiritual stuff has a way of intruding into your real world. You come up against it again and again. You can't live with it, and you can't live without it. It seems you feel that dreams and a more "ideal" life must take a back seat to reality and the (sometimes) drudgery of routine. You keep finding yourself looking out the window.

Saturn Square Neptune

You express yourself deliberately and don't waste your words. You have a natural sense of organization and come across as disciplined and careful, perhaps a little too sober.

Saturn Trine Ascendant

The Outer Planets

In the previous sections, we have dealt with planets that we can see with our naked eyes. In general, these planets refer to life as we know and live it and are the so-called historical or classic planets. Beyond these are three planets that are not visible in the sky and which have cycles longer than the average human life span. Since they are beyond Saturn or time, astrologers call them the trans-personal or transcendental planets -- the planets beyond the physical. One of the ways astrologers learn something about our life beyond time (eternal life) is through these three outer planets: Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. Here we find information on how we discover ourselves (Uranus), how we understand and accept these discoveries (Neptune), and, in time, how we depend and identify with them (Pluto).

Uranus: Break-Throughs & Insights

Our responsibilities can tend to weigh us down, and we each have our particular ways of getting around (or breaking through) the mass of obstructions that tends to congeal around us. The planet that has to do with how we get beyond the difficulties and

problems life presents us is Uranus. Here is the way insights come to us, how we discover or come to know and understand ourselves. It has to do with finding new uses for old things, and it rules inventions and sudden insights into our life -- everything that is unusual, eccentric, and out of the ordinary. It is the reverse of the status quo and is always unconventional and heretical. Uranus is, in many ways, the opposite, or undoing of Saturn.

You have brilliant insights into communications of all kinds -- computers, radio, T.V., the press, writing, and speaking. You are inventive and also have deep insights into research and investigations. You like to relax in conversations, telephone, puzzles, and making connections.

Uranus in Gemini

Breakthrough flashes of insight with tremendous originality and independence are typical. A natural sense of invention and a love of all things electrical and of communication in general. A born traveler, not afraid to be alone. You go your own way.

Sun Sextile Uranus

You may have an unconventional family life and tend to surround yourself with a group of independent and even eccentric friends. You tend to show emotions suddenly or in unusual ways. Your approach to psychology, history, and groups is novel, unusual.

Moon Conjunction Uranus

Sharp, nimble mind with ready wit. Quick to get insights and to see new solutions. Approaching genius when it comes to communication skills. Natural physical dexterity. Good hands too. The life of the party when it comes to spontaneity.

Mercury Sextile Uranus

You may not be able to let yourself appreciate much that is not conventional for fear of going on some kind of a binge. A strong sense of the novel and unusual rears its head every so often and upsets your whole value system.

Venus Square Uranus

Unusual occupations. Hate the everyday and the rut. Instead, always finding ways to break through or away from what hems you in. Value independence, personal freedom; insist upon and exist on the wildfire at the fringe or very front edge of life.

Jupiter Sextile Uranus

Your insight and vision into what unites people and into the dreams and mystical regions of our mind is profound. You have an enchanting way of working and communicating with others in these matters and with music and the arts. New paths to world or personal unity are a major interest, and you have a very practical sense of how to make your dreams real.

Uranus Trine Neptune

You have great insights into what motivates the public, crowds, and the mind in general. You can work with sensitive and vulnerable psychological areas without batting an eye, and would be good at instructing others in these areas. Your keen mind and great analytical powers always manage to get at whatever motivation is beyond apparent behavior. You can see what is behind touchy and very personal matters.

Uranus Sextile Pluto

Neptune: Ideals & Imagination

Even the most hard-nosed of us have moments of real understanding, when things are seen as linked together and one piece. We stop getting the idea in little flashes and just get the whole thing. It dawns on us. We each have our own way of letting go, having communion, and (as the poet wrote) letting "the dewdrop slip into the shining sea." These moments and this state of mind are, in fact, the source for all our imagination. There are many ways of seeing through the separateness in the world to the unity behind it.

Practical salvation is the idea, saving the physical. You do this via exercise, diet, vitamins, life-extension aids, and such, and right livelihood is as important as right food. Song lyrics. You love to restore and redeem the physical world. A great love of details or trivia.

Neptune in Virgo

A born mother to any and all forms of life. Very compassionate and attentive (aware of) the needs of others. Spiritual ideas and concepts are a way of life here. There is deep appreciation, even love for, movies, big ideas, themes. Visionary director.

Sun Sextile Neptune

A born director and orchestrator of the moods and emotions of a group. A sharp sense of drama and a feeling for spiritual ideas and for art in general. Dreamy. Able to understand the public's mood and what is required to please. Could be deceptive.

Moon Trine Neptune

Your sense of responsibility and discipline often are at odds with your dreams and visions, a possible source of depression. You may find yourself escaping routine in flights of fancy and imagination. You soon swing back and grind on.

Saturn Square Neptune

A new and waking vision of unity. A powerful sense of music and a faith in making the ideal a reality--for reality to be as we dreamed it and our dreams to become as real. New concepts in group work. The dewdrop slips into the shining sea.

Uranus Trine Neptune

You prefer a career that accents your own devotion to the dreams and ideals you stand for. Working with groups in a spirit of cooperation and communion is a natural.

Neptune Sextile Midheaven

Pluto: Inner Change and Growth

Pluto is the planet of profound change, starting deep within us and moving toward the surface. It often touches upon the most sensitive psychological areas inside us. Once touched, we have no choice but to change and grow. The most sensitive of experiences, the times of greatest vulnerability, are times of complete identification with an experience, a person, or a thing. We know in these instants that we are looking at our self, what we are. The most personal of experiences is one of complete identification with a person, moment, or idea. Perhaps this is only possible for most of us when we look into our child's eyes, and then only infrequently. Love is not the experience here, but total identification. This is very sensitive stuff. To touch upon this material is to go through deep inner change and transformation -- inner alchemy. Identification and experiencing

that life is our own creation and that, in fact, you are I and I am you. This experience breaks us down and humbles. When we touch upon this experience, we cannot but die to what we have been thinking and doing up to now. It reduces us to our most sensitive because -- in a flash -- we see or remember that it all is us, our life.

You are very sensitive (even vulnerable) when it comes to expressing yourself, getting it out. Periods of intense creativity enable you to go through changes and inner growth. This creative intensity is good for music, poetry, art, and such.

Pluto in Leo

Others may find you very intense and too personal. You are very direct and manage to get to the heart of most matters without thinking. Power struggles are not unknown to you, and you may work in politics or with authorities -- those older than you.

Sun Conjunction Pluto

Your intense and probing mind has no trouble getting at the heart of any question. Woe to anyone who tries to argue with you or hide things from you. A natural mind for research, detective work, and any undercover operations. Always curious.

Mercury Conjunction Pluto

Your ambition and drive is often at the expense of your inner self and sensitivities. You may find yourself ignoring signals that indicate a need for change, transformation, and vulnerability in general. Bursts of intense anger are possible.

Mars Square Pluto

Your life-course takes you straight through depth psychology, transformation, regeneration, and all that is vulnerable within us. You may function as a guide or teacher in these realms. You work with areas of the human psyche that are too hot to handle.

Jupiter Conjunction Pluto

Spiritual or psychological insight of the first order. Social and/or political revelation. Looking into the inner workings of the mind and psyche. New and fresh viewpoints into the social scene, mass psychology. Intense light.

Uranus Sextile Pluto

You have a natural aptitude for describing the most sensitive areas of the human psyche, a practical psychologist of the first order. You can manage and work with touchy issues that others wouldn't touch with a ten-foot pole.

Pluto Conjunction Midheaven

Challenges and Abilities

Focus

These are areas of life where we show intense focus and activity. For better or worse, these qualities stand out and are obvious to all those who come to know us. They are very clear parts of our character.

A career in psychology, areas of the mind and self that are vulnerable and sensitive, is indicated. You not only like change and transforming experiences, you pursue them for their own sake. You head straight for whatever challenges your sense of identity and puts you through changes. This life path could also carry you into subjects like reincarnation, psychic experiences, and all that is occult or hidden from common view. You plunge right in, dig through the whole mess, and leave not a secret unturned. Yours is a career deep in change, transformation, and metamorphosis.

Jupiter Conjunction Pluto 01°07'

You naturally gravitate toward positions of power and authority. Others see in you great practical ability and accept you as a leader or authority figure very easily. Your career may be very important to you, even at the expense of home life.

Sun Conjunction Midheaven 01°32'

You are your own vocation, and the best way for you to get ahead in the world is just to be yourself. Your optimum job is just being you, which often indicates a career in front of the public (politics, sales, whatever). Lucky by nature, others sense this and like to be with you. Your general outlook on life is attractive, and people seek you out to help them with their problems. You are a natural guide and counselor. Very successful.

Sun Conjunction Jupiter 02°58'

You come on strong and may tend to intimidate those around you. It's nothing you have done so much as something you are. Your presence and obvious concentration are very forceful, and you like to get down to essentials right off. This intensity tends to put others through a lot of changes. You are not afraid of a good confrontation, and you seldom pull any punches. You would be great at research or any work that requires digging, searching, investigating, and getting beneath the surface.

Sun Conjunction Pluto 04°05'

Career is very important, and you have superb management abilities. You are expert at manipulating a situation to the benefit of all concerned.

Jupiter Conjunction Midheaven 04°30'

Anyone who tries to get you to play with words is in for a big surprise. Your mind cuts right through all the window dressing and gets right down to the quick. Before anyone knows it, you have the heart of the matter out front for everyone to see. You would make a great investigator, either in scientific research or undercover work. It makes no difference. Your ability to get to the point is all but phenomenal. You can talk and put into words areas of the psychological that others wouldn't touch with a ten-foot pole.

Mercury Conjunction Pluto 05°08'

You have a natural aptitude for describing the most sensitive areas of the human psyche, a practical psychologist of the first order. You can manage and work with touchy issues that others wouldn't touch with a ten-foot pole.

Pluto Conjunction Midheaven 05°38'

You have the mind of a lawyer, always able to size up a problem and come up with a solution. Using your mind to negotiate obstacles and handle dilemmas (your own or those of others), is a great talent. You have an innate ability to guide and lead others through

the hurdles and hassles of life. You could be very much in demand as a counselor. You are a problem-solver.

Mercury Conjunction Jupiter 06°16'

You are very much involved with all that is traditional, but with this special twist: you are a revolutionary when it comes to the domestic scene and have very special insights into home, family, and surroundings. Others find you original (certainly very different) and perhaps unpredictable, especially when it comes to emotional reactions. Your approach to feelings, moods, and the whole psychological gambit is novel. You tend to show emotions suddenly and/or in unusual ways. You like unconventional friends and are a nonconformist yourself. Independent women may be important to you.

Moon Conjunction Uranus 07°51'

You communicate with consummate skill, and it is stimulating just being with you. Your high degree of mental concentration makes you an excellent student, able to excel in speaking, writing, and all types of communication skills. Your ambitions go hand-in-hand with communication and using the mind, and the two should never be far apart.

Sun Conjunction Mercury 09°14'

Challenges

Life can be challenging, and things are not always easy. The major challenges in a natal chart are where we can expect increased activity and personal involvement -- ready or not. These critical areas of life can be difficult, and the resulting confusion and possible obscuration often makes it hard for us to see and act with normal clarity. Therefore, when it comes to the following factors you may wish to exercise caution and extra patience.

You have a hair-trigger temper and it takes little to set it off. Your sharp-tongue is well-known and you use it before you have time to think, resulting in little mental and verbal explosions that you regret later. The sad part is that half the time you don't even mean what you may have said in anger. What is clear to those around you is that you communicate as much with your feelings as with words. People learn to look at what you do, rather than what you say. Your mind is very, very sharp. The less said the better.

Mercury Square Mars 00°40'

There could be a lot of emotional tension with this combination. You tend to set yourself against whatever forces of change manage to rear their heads around you. This is never more true than where your feelings are concerned. Your attempt to remain untouched and impersonal seems doomed to failure. Everything intrudes, gets too personal, and threatens to hurt your feelings. Your insistence on being an emotional island is probably interspersed with bursts of anger, even fits of rage.

Mars Square Pluto 05°48'

Your conservative values clash with whatever is unconventional and different. You don't value novelty and do your best to ignore changes. You appreciate tradition and regularity, and your value system is dead set against anything new or out of the ordinary. Despite your feigned ignorance to the contrary, you suffer regular infusions of change, which you find very disturbing. New things threaten to overpower you.

Venus Square Uranus 06°03'

You may lack coordination, in particular in relation to making career moves. Your emotions, led by your temper, can send you off in a direction that is anything but where you really want to go. There is a basic struggle between your feelings and your livelihood; therefore, it is important to find work that does not deny your feelings, or they will explode. Acting only on your feelings and doing "whatever you want" with no thought for a plan is also not helpful. Advice from a trusted friend is in order to help coordinate your job and your emotional life.

Mars Square Jupiter 06°56'

The more disciplined side of you has no time for dreams, visions, and other-worldly stuff. You ignore anything that is not tied down and practical. And yet, all this spiritual stuff has a way of intruding into your real world. You come up against it again and again. You can't live with it, and you can't live without it. It seems you feel that dreams and a more "ideal" life must take a back seat to reality and the (sometimes) drudgery of routine. You keep finding yourself looking out the window.

Saturn Square Neptune 07°48'

Expressing yourself and your relations with others are not always smooth and may tend to get explosive. You could be preoccupied with job and family to the exclusion of a social life. You may have trouble getting your ideas and thoughts across to others.

Sun Square Ascendant 09°10'

You push hard, but much energy is wasted because you tend to lack direction and planning. You often work against the way things are: authorities or the status quo. It may be difficult for you to coordinate your ambitions with your actual actions and feelings. You tend to hobble yourself emotionally. Your drive and passions put you at odds with authority figures time and again. This tendency towards clashes and emotional confrontation does exist, and at these times you can be your own worst enemy.

Sun Square Mars 09°54'

Talents and Abilities

Despite whatever problems we may have, there are areas of life where we have clear insight and real talent -- natural ability. When it comes to these matters, our judgment is sharp and we always manage to take charge. We have the knack. It may be as simple as the ability to work hard and accomplish things without something going wrong. An innate sense of the workings of these parts of life makes it easy for us to learn and accomplish things where they are concerned.

You have a built-in sense of what the public wants and can always come up with just the right image. You find it easy to work with the emotions and feelings of others, and with great imagination. Your sense of the ideal springs to life whenever other people are involved. A born arranger of atmospheres, you enjoy working with groups of people. You are also very creative when it comes to your home and surroundings.

Moon Trine Neptune 00°08'

You have great insights into what motivates the public, crowds, and the mind in general. You can work with sensitive and vulnerable psychological areas without batting an eye, and would be good at instructing others in these areas. Your keen mind and great analytical powers always manage to get at whatever motivation is beyond apparent

behavior. You can see what is behind touchy and very personal matters.

Uranus Sextile Pluto 01°06'

Your career always seems to get the support you need, and this is one area of life that runs smoothly. You seem to understand what the public wants, and mass marketing is a natural for you.

Moon Sextile Midheaven 01°08'

You prefer a career that accents your own devotion to the dreams and ideals you stand for. Working with groups in a spirit of cooperation and communion is a natural.

Neptune Sextile Midheaven 01°16'

You love to work with younger people and would make a superb teacher or coach. You appreciate a heart-felt approach and are an enthusiast if there ever was one. You understand and encourage emotions, feelings and creativity and find it easy to work in these areas. You value drive and the ability to get things done. Matters of the heart, marriage, and the like are areas where you can help others.

Venus Trine Mars 01°20'

You express yourself deliberately and don't waste your words. You have a natural sense of organization and come across as disciplined and careful, perhaps a little too sober.

Saturn Trine Ascendant 01°26'

You are independent and value freedom and nonconformity. A great problem-solver, you enjoy working out new solutions, trying new things. Your career will be anything but ordinary, and leave it to you to find unusual ways of supporting yourself. You bring a lot of mental skill and understanding to whatever you do, and could teach or help others to take a more independent approach to their life or career. You pursue electronics, computers, and the like.

Jupiter Sextile Uranus 02°13'

You are very fortunate in being able to grow and progress throughout your life without major difficulties. You can always find the resources you require at hand plus the necessary instruction in how to use them. An inner vision, coupled with the ability to see the "Big" picture, often finds you working as a go-between with others. You could even have a special gift for spanning the generation gap, bringing older and younger spirits together. A love of animals, children, older people, and the needy and downtrodden in general, is a lifelong trait.

Moon Sextile Sun 02°40'

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Sun Sextile Moon 02°40'

You have a natural ability to grasp spiritual and visionary matters and to put them to

work. You can perform with the imagination and metaphysical thoughts like others work with durable things. This is because you understand what is behind and connecting things. Much of your own self-image is wrapped up with your ability to work with images -- dreams and the imagination. You would make a good teacher in areas of music, philosophy, and all that is mystical.

Sun Sextile Neptune 02°48'

You enjoy working with your mind, and your sharp perceptions make finding new solutions easy. You always bring an unexpected twist or insight to anything you set your mind to. You are able to teach or help others to be more original when it comes to the words or thoughts they use. You can use the mind in original ways and probably have excellent eye-hand coordination. Your laser-like mind makes conversations fast-paced and illuminating. A ready wit.

Mercury Sextile Uranus 04°02'

You work well with those in authority who are independent and original. You could find yourself engaged in nonconformist causes, always ready to promote what is independent and innovative. You like radical approaches, and find yourself in support of whatever new-wave product or breakthrough advance is next in line. Communication, computers, electronics, and everything new-wave excites you and you excel here. You discover new ways of working with traditional materials.

Sun Sextile Uranus 05°11'

You have a knack for always finding assistance in whatever career moves you decide to make. In fact, your ability to rally support makes a public career of one kind or another quite probable. Success is indicated in education, politics, or the law. You know how to attack and solve problems, whether personal or public. Chances are, your social skills mean that you are popular with almost everyone.

Moon Sextile Jupiter 05°38'

Your insight and vision into what unites people and into the dreams and mystical regions of our mind is profound. You have an enchanting way of working and communicating with others in these matters and with music and the arts. New paths to world or personal unity are a major interest, and you have a very practical sense of how to make your dreams real.

Uranus Trine Neptune 07°59'

Landscape: Major Life Periods

What follows amounts to a brief overview of the first thirty years or so of your life -- a road map of the years to come. Since childhood, adolescence, and early adult life are so crucial to each of us, an attempt has been made to describe these formative years. Based on the gradual movement of the planet Saturn, this is one of the most tested of all astrological techniques. It is used by almost every professional astrologer as part of any personal consultation. Provided that your time of birth is more or less accurate, you will

find this information both accurate and informative. Here is a general life overview, followed by a close-up on your current changes -- what is happening right now. First the overview:

Your Personal Background

A fairly easy childhood up until around the 11-12th year, at which time you will begin to become more subjective and inner-directed. This could mean that your adolescence is somewhat more lonely and less socially oriented than the average. This inner time of exploration lasts until you are about 18-19 years of age. At that time, you will proceed to take hold, discover yourself, and become more outward -- in a rather short time. Your sense of confidence will take hold and build, and the years of introspection will pay off as you begin to reach out. The years from 18 through 25 or 26 will be ones of hard work and continued gains in self-confidence. From the 26th year, your real climb to fame and fortune will commence. Your 30s and 40s will be very good and successful years.

Your Current Situation

Now for a close-up of recent years: while landscape was quite general, the dates given in this close-up should be much more precise. Life is composed of sections of time, each devoted to one kind of activity or another. We go along for a while in one direction until something changes within (or outside) us and we head off in a new course. Some of our earlier activities dry up and new ones spring up in their place. What follows is an analysis of the time period in which you find yourself now. Don't look here for a day-to-day account of life but rather to get a picture of this stretch of time, "these years."

Apr 19, 1998 1st Pass D> (Age 54 8m)

The above dates mark the end of a number of years of hard work on your part, sort of an apprenticeship. Now you will begin to come into your own. Opportunities will present themselves. Now is the time to make that outward push and ride the crest of the wave into fame and fortune. This is the best time you will have (for many years) to make progress, push forward, and rise to prominence. It will be hard for you to do wrong, for all the cycles are working in your favor. This is also a time when you may marry or take on a new role in the community or with other people. You will be in demand, and recognition will be forthcoming. Go for it. These next 6-7 years will find circumstances working to help you and raise you up, push you forward. In summary, this marks a more outward and enjoyable series of years, during which things will come to you easily. Friends and a social life are in order and, in general, an easy and untroubled life. These are good years to grow up, be social, recognized, and so on.

Saturn in 03rd Quadrant

The Elements, Modalities and Angularity

Elements, modalities, and house quadrants. These are all techniques used by astrologers to gain a general picture of how a person measures up. How do your planets and houses total up? Which do you have in abundance, and which do you lack, if any? Those with high totals show what we can or must do in life. These are qualities we have. However, most people are more interested by what they lack or want -- their lowest totals. They tend to study their "wants," imitate, and even pretend to have them. The old adage is: we become what we want (or lack), while we do what we can (or have to do). Here are your totals:

Your positivism lets you get right to the point, and you have little patience with those who shilly-shally. You've plenty of enthusiasm and warm up to things and people quickly. You have an inner self-confidence which burns with its own light.

Have Fire

You're concerned with preserving the status quo and are stable and methodical in your ways of going on. You resist change and may have trouble getting started, but once on the move are indomitable. You mistrust that which is new or untried.

Have Earth

You may have trouble understanding those who seem emotional or sentimental, yet your own practicality and factuality may attract just such types into your life. You may try to balance your lack of intuitiveness with logic and common sense.

Want Water

A solid supporter, always gravitating to the heart of things. You may have trouble getting moving, but once rolling, others better watch out. You have a stick-to-itiveness that always finds you in the thick of things, toughing it out.

Have Fixed

Not a great starter, you may have trouble initiating things and getting them moving. You may need help from friends or others in learning how to be more aggressive and outgoing.

Want Cardinal

You may complain of never having any privacy or time to think -- your pattern seems to throw you much in contact with people and the outer world. Being an extrovert, you may have difficulty understanding reclusive types.

Want Cadent

Your Burn Rate

We all change, but the question is: At what rate? Some of us tear through change after change, one phase following another, year after year, while others move at a more serene

pace. Or, one area of our lives may be hectic and forever changing, while other areas are quite tranquil. Why do some people seem to live lifetimes within lifetimes? Here is an analysis of your particular rate of change or "burn rate," including the particular areas of your life (planets) where you can expect continued change and growth. Areas where there is a very low index of change (indicating clear and easy use of the qualities involved) will also be pointed out. If you have sometimes wondered about the areas of your life where the candles burn at both ends, here are the details.

You have a high burn rate (index of change) and tend to run hot and fast. It is almost like having many lifetimes within this single one. Things are always fast and furious with you, and you seldom remain calm for long. Your thirst for experience and growth keeps you always on the move. You work through an enormous amount of change compared to an average person. In particular, the following qualities are areas where you have experienced and will continue to experience much change. These areas of life persist in presenting themselves to you, so you may already have become very experienced in them. On the other hand, they could be arenas in which you struggle but have not yet attained mastery.

A majority of your planets in the PRESENT suggests that right here and now is where you like to be and operate, tending neither to spend much time in procrastinating about the future or reminiscing about the past. You like to BE in the moment, of the day.

Planets in High Focus

You will go through a lot of change regarding personal values -- your ability to appreciate, measure, and appraise things. You may find yourself preoccupied with possessions and the way you feel about them. All matters of value, valuing, and ownership will be the source of continuous learning. Issues of compassion, love, and care are areas that will require learning.

Venus

A real guide or pathfinder, your sense of truth and direction is very clear. You already know the way to accomplish things and solve problems, and you need no education to success. You have a low burn rate when it comes to career and vocational matters.

Jupiter

An innate and true sense of psychology. Able to penetrate and get to the heart of any matter, without hesitation or wavering. This gift is full-blown and requires no training. Your low burn rate here means that you are always direct and to the point.

Pluto

Patterns: Your Inner and Outer Self

Here we are examining your basic attitude or approach to life, what is called by some the archetype or soul-type. If you know something about your particular soul-type, this

can provide valuable information as to the general direction and purpose of your life. In particular, it is important to note the difference, if any, between our outer personality (the way we appear to others) and our real inner self; how are we, in fact, as people get to know us? Not all people are as they seem.

Appearances can be deceiving, and here is a case in point. Your appearance (the way you come on) and personality suggest that you may be inward, quiet, and concerned about what other people think. This, in truth, is not the case. Although gentle-mannered, conservative, and sensitive on the outside, you are tough as nails on the inside -- as anyone can testify who gets to know you very well. The fact is that you like attention and have a real need to be at the center of any group. Your more sensitive style hides a strong, aggressive, and quite confident nature. You are at home in a crowd and enjoy the attentions of others. You expect them to come to you. Your mild mannered smoke-screen hides a real tiger. Appearances aside, let's take a look at the real or inner you.

Geo: Trine Helio: Square

Your Soul Type

You are very gifted, having great magnetism and warmth and also a keen and powerful mind. You can do anything you want to do in this life, if you can manage to get moving in one direction and keep at it. This is a very fortunate chart, but one that may result in laziness. You may find it more convenient to neglect your mental, conceptual, and organizational abilities in favor of your social agility and animal warmth. People will value you for your warmth and dynamic qualities as much as for your ideas, and you may find it easier to acquiesce with your animal warmth than to develop your mind. You can relate to almost all types of people with equal ease.

Square Type

The Key to your Inner Life

Each person has one or more key qualities. Here we are not referring to our appearance or personality, but rather to our inner nature, how we are when someone really gets to know us.

At the deepest level, you are a high floater, very much at home in the realm of visions and dreams -- a seer. Your inner ideals are pure and spiritual in the true sense of the word. You always see beyond that which is divisive to the unity that binds it all together. You grasp the theme or thread that connects things. There may well be the ability to entrance, either with words or music, and to overcome any objections with a flood of concord. When it comes to images, you are a smoothie. This tendency to see unity in the world around you sets the tone for your character.

Neptune

The Key to your Personality

You are driven and passionate in your pursuit of change and inner growth. You possess, at the core, an intensity that burns through superficialities, searching for opportunities to face the truth and render the evident to view. This ceaseless analytical activity, while central to your nature, may be the source of discomfort to others.

The Personal Hot Spot

You tend to take everything with great intensesness. Your drive to get at the heart and truth of things is constantly invoked, and serves as a common theme in your life.

Pluto

Your career, sense of judgment, and problem-solving ability are at the top of the list as the key components to look out for whenever you are stroked or stressed.

Jupiter

Interface: Innermost qualities

This feature is based on an intricate analysis of the position of a particular planet in relation to the orbital planes of the other planets. The resulting series of crossings, or nodes, tells us something about the nature of our innermost inclinations (Inc) and disinclinations (Dis). These indicators are not to be considered at the level of our personality, but rather are deep-seated parts of our innermost character -- our internal biases. These pros and cons are not apt to change in the course of our lifetime.

You enjoy life yourself and value gusto and enthusiasm in those around you. Feelings are something you express with ease, and you appreciate others doing the same. Emotional drama is valued rather than avoided. Your appetite for action is probably well known, and well noted. Sports, outdoor activities, and everything physical are high on your list of favorites. Sex is, no doubt, also important.

Venus Inc Mars

You don't spend a lot of time thinking out your problems, considering solutions, and the like. Your thoughts are most often elsewhere, and tend to be impractical much of the time. You can't seem to figure out the right course of action. This is most true when it comes to your career or vocation. Not a good counselor yourself, you are well advised to seek the advice of someone you trust when it comes to matters of your career.

Jupiter Dis Mercury

Unusual vocations. Your career or life path, the way you make your living or get through life, will be very different, perhaps unique. You always take the road less traveled by and, skirting the crowd and the commonplace, head for parts unknown. Your approach to any problem is always original and you could invent things or discover new places or develop new ways of doing things. Communications, computers, and the whole electronic revolution are a perfect career choice for you.

Jupiter Inc Uranus

You are very "bearish" when it comes to security and seldom make a move that does not strengthen your position. You pursue responsibilities the way others pursue pleasure, and you even invite obligations. Career moves are always solid, based on sound principles, and may be tied in with the law or authorities -- all that is solid and well-reasoned. You don't invest in anything that is not tried and tested. Truth, religion, and

philosophy are subjects of great interest.

Jupiter Inc Saturn

You may have difficulty letting go and being imaginative. Your no-nonsense, practical approach makes subjects like the unity of life, ideals, and dreamy stuff hard for you to take. However, your dreams and ideals are very important to you, and you methodically go about putting them into practice. You have little interest in the spirituality and psyches that are rampant today. You see through that and value the essential unity behind all religions. You could bring imagination and religious understanding to physical and scientific studies.

Saturn Inc Neptune

The rebel in you likes to ignore your dreams and ideals and just let come what may. You relish your freedom and independence and pursue it even at the expense of what you know you really want. You can take delight in ruining your own deep-rooted dreams. The romantic in you struggles against the frontier spirit that often moves you to action.

Uranus Dis Neptune

A desire for unity and atonement. You have an urge to put out to sea and to somehow get past what separates and into that which unites or ties things together. Your drive to make dreams real keeps you working for your vision. The ideal should be made real. You put your whole heart into making your dreams and ideals a reality.

Neptune Inc Mars

Major Transits Happening Now

Astrologers use the term "transits" to mean the positions of the major planets that are overhead (in the sky) right now and their relationship to our birth chart. Transits are very important indicators of the current situation in which we find ourselves. They can provide insight into what we are now going through. Here are the dates when the next major transits for the planets Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto are exact in your chart. Some dates will have already passed and some are still to come. Remember, with these large planets transits don't just happen on the day when they are exact. They cover a wide span of days, weeks, months, and sometimes years, depending on which planet is involved.

In general, transits of Jupiter take from several days to a week or two to complete, while those of Saturn take from two weeks to a month to play themselves out. With the outer planets, the period of activity is even longer: transits of Uranus take about two months, Neptune three or four months, and Pluto takes about a year. Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto move so slowly that the complete transit experience may take a year or two to complete itself. So be prepared to work with these situations.

Sep 24, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 61 2m)

You will prosper by pursuing your ideals and most deep-seated dreams of how life could be. Don't be afraid to project that image, make those dreams real. Ideas of group cooperation and communion (mass images) could further your career.

Jupiter Conjunction Neptune

Sep 24, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 61 2m)

Your home environment, friends, and surroundings in general get facilitated and receive encouragement. Your work or career is in real harmony with the rest of your life. You could gain from subordinates or younger people during this time.

Jupiter Trine Moon

Oct 07, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 61 2m)

Everything may be pouring in at once, and it's all good news. Your career direction gets some encouragement, and life's problems should find easy solutions. You may benefit from an older person or one in authority. Life could assume a dreamlike stance.

Jupiter Sextile Sun

Oct 07, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 61 2m)

Self-sacrifice and an understanding attitude on your part could have far-reaching effects on your own life-path and career during this time period. A little long-suffering and restraint just now could really pay off.

Jupiter in Twelfth House

Oct 21, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 61 2m)

A time of good fortune when things open up in a very natural way for you. Situations are almost tailor-made, and it is easy to see which path is the one to take. Opportunities abound, and you may find yourself wanting (and able) to do almost everything.

Jupiter Sextile Jupiter

Oct 26, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 61 3m)

You may find that both your personal growth and your career may depend upon how you can handle the very sensitive psychological material that may be coming up now. You will benefit from analytical insights, getting to the heart of things. Penetrating.

Jupiter Sextile Pluto

Nov 01, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 61 3m)

A time to take risks and dare to be a little unconventional. You will prosper through new insights, inventions, and an independent point of view. Your career could open up by taking the road less traveled by, daring to be the oddball... new approaches.

Jupiter Trine Uranus

Nov 22, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 61 3m)
Apr 21, 2005 2nd Pass R< (Age 61 8m)

You find that you can really use your mind to make clear choices and think things through. Career decisions are straightforward and easy to make. You make your way through ideas, concepts, and your ability to communicate and express them to others.

Jupiter Sextile Mercury

Apr 15, 2004 1st Pass D> (Age 60 8m)
Aug 09, 2004 2nd Pass R< (Age 61 0m)
Feb 03, 2005 3rd Pass D> (Age 61 6m)

Insights and breakthroughs regarding emotions and methods of self-expression. You may find yourself pursuing unconventional ways of enjoying yourself -- different approaches to the arts, theater, or sports.

Uranus in Fifth House

Mar 16, 2005 1st Pass D> (Age 61 7m)

A period of pressure and tension relating to your sense of independence and freedom. You may find yourself curbing a tendency within to rebel and actually finding freedom this time by pursuing more established routes.

Uranus Square Uranus

Apr 22, 2004 2nd Pass R< (Age 60 8m)
Dec 13, 2004 3rd Pass D> (Age 61 4m)

Inner searching and a sense of being vulnerable and exposed could tempt you to drop your responsibilities and spend more time on personal growth. It may be difficult to concentrate on your duties during this time of psychological sensitivity.

Pluto Opposition Saturn

Jan 10, 2005 1st Pass D> (Age 61 5m)
Jun 19, 2005 2nd Pass R< (Age 61 10m)

You become very expert at search and inquiry into the nature of a subject, be it life, scientific research, or what-have-you. A passion for searching, finding out, and communicating takes hold. Intense pursuit of limits.

Pluto in Third House

House Activity and Emphasis

The twelve houses of the horoscope, particularly when they are occupied by a planet,

provide a clue to areas of special activity and use. Here is an analysis of house activity based on planet emphasis:

First House: Appearance, Approach

The first house has to do with how we appear or the way we come across, thus our appearance and personality. This is the essential stuff that bubbles up in us spontaneously and that is obvious to others as our trademark or activity. It is what makes us each so personally different. This house rules our personal self and everything about us that draws a reaction from our surroundings or others.

First House

Libra energy is always facilitating and responsive, assuming the appropriate reaction or response to any question or statement. What is sometimes seen as two-faced is only Libra's facility at responding to each in kind. This is certainly the social sign, par excellence. Impersonal and impartial, this sign doles out only what is demanded, never overdoing things.

Libra

Second House: Possessions, Reactions

The second house is concerned with how we respond to or field whatever impulses or unique and personal qualities we manifest via our first house. This is how we hold or "have" things (possessions, material goods, money, and the like). The second house always refers to how we secure ourselves, the kind of response we get from life and those around us.

Second House

Scorpio is the most famous sign. Intense, passionate, and very personal, Scorpio rushes past superficialities and right to the heart of any matter. A loyal friend but a fanatic foe, this sign does well in politics and all areas where someone who dares is rewarded. Often associated with sexual energy, perhaps due to its tendency to strip away veneer, laying bare anything that is there.

Scorpio

Third House: Inquiries, Communications

The third house is concerned with explorations, investigations, and inquiry and research of all kinds. It also rules connections, communications, wires, tubes -- anything that we can get through with our body, mind, voice, letters, what-have-you. It is here that we explore and search for the limits of our life, whatever we are working with at the moment. A very mental house, concerned with finding, furthering, peering, and all manner of questioning. Traditionally rules short journeys, siblings.

Third House

Sagittarius is nothing if not direct, candid, and to the point. Sometimes harsh, this energy always is concerned with the absolute truth of the subject at hand. Associated with philosophy, religion, and all things that last, Sagittarius energy is always welcome in politics as well as social and community endeavors, where its basic fairness and evenhandedness is helpful.

Sagittarius

Fourth House: Home, Family, Security

The fourth house is where we send down roots, find our limits, and generally secure ourselves. It is the end of any searching we might have done in the third house. Here we find or end our search, settle down, and manage to get in possession of the whole situation. This is our home and the base from which we can work, feel, and experience. This is the root of our experience, the core or thick of it.

Fourth House

Aquarius, the sign of humanitarian goals and altruism. Always impartial and nonsectarian, Aquarian energy is communal (even global). The focus is on the goal, and the goal is always one that is for the many and not the few. Thus this sign is connected to far-seeing visions, world views, and group work of all kinds. This sign tends towards coolness, independence.

Aquarius

Fifth House: Expression, Creativity

The fifth house has to do with awareness, emotion (to move out), and expression (to press out). Here there is always a growing sense of self-confidence and even a pride of ownership, since we begin to recognize and own our experience. We know that we have had or are having an experience. All forms of expression and offspring are connected to this house -- children, animals, creative expression, and so on. A sense of direction and ownership takes hold at this point in our experience.

Fifth House

Pisces energy runs deep and toward the psychological -- whatever is beneath the surface. This sign is understanding, patient, and long-suffering. Pisces tend to absorb all the little barbs and digs coming from outside. They always have their mind on an inner goal, something more important. They are very forgiving and accepting -- giving of themselves for the sake of more important issues.

Pisces

Sixth House: Responsibility, Work, Health

The sixth house has to do with salvaging and preserving what is good and healthy in our experience. Here we separate the wheat from the chaff. We begin to care for ourselves and our experience and thus health, nutrition. The idea here is that we are able to analyze our experience and have thoughts about what is pure and what is not. The sixth house is an attempt to save the heart of an experience, one that already by that attempt is beginning to pass or not cohere.

Sixth House

Aries is the sign of the pioneer and leader. It is always impulsive, concentrated, and spontaneous. Act first and think about what you have done later. Rushing in where others fear to tread, the Aries energy is attention-getting. It always provokes a response from the surroundings, from others. There is something essential and instigative that starts or causes something else to happen -- a reaction or response.

Aries

Seventh House: Relationships, Other People

The seventh house is the house of partnerships, relationships, social life, and all that carries us beyond our personal self into an awareness of other people, community, and the like. This includes spiritual awakening and the discovery that we are more than just our personality. Here we begin to respond to our personal needs (and those of others) for the first time. We can see what is going on and are committed to it; thus, marriage and yoga, or union, is indicated in this house.

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Aries

You are highly motivated when it comes to relationships (social or private) and strive to rise above personalities. An urge to see unity in everything, to marry or join all disparities, may find you going overboard now and again.

Mars in Seventh House

Eighth House: Business Savvy, Elimination

The eighth house, traditionally the house of death, is concerned with getting rid of excess parts of ourselves that we see we no longer need. Thus this house also covers initiation and any activities where we are transforming toward a more integral position, getting to the heart of things. The no-nonsense quality of the eighth house makes it good for business ventures since here we are stripping away the dross to reveal the truth or essence of the subject.

Eighth House

Taurus manages to respond, possess, and "have" just about everything possible. This is a nurturing and fertile sign in that any seed or impulse is cradled, bringing forth growth and development. Taurus is the way we "have" things, how we possess and acquire things. There is something gentle, regular, steadfast, and determined about Taurus. Always accepting, mothering, providing a base for... a matrix or womb where growth takes place.

Taurus

Your keen business sense is never sharper than when you are working with or for others -- a group, corporation, and so on. You are great at finding excess and rooting it out, and your actions receive support from those around you. Initiating others.

Moon in Eighth House

You can be very demanding when it comes to what is essential or central to a situation. You are exacting when it comes to getting down to the nitty-gritty. This is excellent for business or quality control. You like nothing but the best.

Saturn in Eighth House

Lightning fast when it comes to the business deal, you seem to have direct insight into what is worthwhile and worthless in a situation. You have new and unconventional ways to cut through the red tape and get at what is important.

Ninth House: Religions, Philosophy, Ideas

The ninth house covers long journeys and religion (the longest journey of all). Here is what remains of the purification that takes place in the eighth house -- the seed, or essence, of an entire cycle of experience. Religion comes from a Latin word that means to bind back, and thus refers to all things that last or endure, such as the truth. Essential ideas, philosophy, and all that is the very heart of things belong here.

Ninth House

Gemini is concerned with connections and communication of all kinds -- letters, wires, telephones, voice, thoughts, writing, and mental processes in general. Gemini is the gadfly, the communicator, the gossip of the zodiac. Searching conversations, scientific inquiry, research, and so on belong here. Gemini energy is unattached, independent, and inquisitive.

Gemini

Tenth House: Practical Vision, Vocation

The 10th house is a house of practical vision and clairvoyance, for here we can see clearly what is. Reputation and career are often connected to this house, since the areas where we can see with greatest clarity are those we most often can put to use to make a living. In summary, this house is where we have real vision and can see to do and work. Planets transiting this house may provide moments of insight and clear-seeing as well.

Tenth House

Leo energy is expressive, emotive, and concerned with awareness and a sense of pride and ownership. Here is always a sense of home base or confidence from which the aggressive and outgoing Leo energy operates. Often very artistic, and always theatrical and expressive, this sign is good for creativity and the arts. Warm and big-hearted, this sign belongs to love of animals, sports, children.

Leo

You are very career-oriented, and your personal reputation and honor are of the utmost importance. You possess a natural sense of organization and practical insight and may excel at managing or supervising others.

Sun in Tenth House

When it comes to business and career, you have a mind that just can't help but taking care of business. Your thoughts and ideas are nothing if not practical, and your clear-sightedness makes some form of management or supervision almost unavoidable.

Mercury in Tenth House

It is natural for you to put your practical and managerial abilities to work. You can make a career out of your keen organizational skills and clear insight into how things work. Supervision and taking charge are your trademarks.

Jupiter in Tenth House

A tremendous practical sense and drive cuts through all the red tape and exposes the right decisions every time. You may have an ability to organize and manage all that is vulnerable and sensitive in the human psyche... the public mind.

Pluto in Tenth House

Eleventh House: Dreams & Visions, Community

The 11th house has to do with putting our visions and dreams to work. We have been on the mountain and had a vision (10th house). Here we take our vows never to forget what we have seen and to work hard to make these dreams into reality. Thus this house has always been connected with altruistic and humanitarian goals and trying to set them in motion. It is the house of friends and community, because when we are powered by a real insight or vision we share with all -- irrespective of differences.

Eleventh House

Virgo energy is analytical and precise, always separating what is worthwhile and worth supporting from that which is outmoded and of no further use. A mental sign, where thinking and examining are in high focus. Also, a different kind of mother, here an endless caring and worrying (fussing) about just about everything. Always compassionate and responsive, Virgo energy is service-oriented above all, often thinking and caring more about what others are doing and thinking than for self.

Virgo

You love community projects and group work of any kind. Your sense of values finds you on the side of altruism and humanism at every turn. You appreciate goals and efforts at the global level.

Venus in Eleventh House

You dream of a world where unity and harmony are a reality. Group or community work with high aims (great altruism) would be ideal for you. Your imagination drives you to make your dreams and inner vision a reality.

Neptune in Eleventh House

Twelfth House: Sacrifice, Psychology, Acceptance

The 12th house is about all that we go through in order to make our dreams into reality and manifest them in the world around us. It covers what we are willing to put up with, the sacrifices we will make in order to bring across what is really important. This is connected to prisons, institutions, betrayal, self-undoing, and the like, because it is here that we must choose to take some possible abuse for the sake of the message we are carrying, or blow it all away with a negative reaction.

Twelfth House

Libra energy is always facilitating and responsive, assuming the appropriate reaction or response to any question or statement. What is sometimes seen as two-faced is only Libra's facility at responding to each in kind. This is certainly the social sign, par excellence. Impersonal and impartial, this sign doles out only what is demanded, never overdoing things.

Libra

Notes on Astrological Terms

Creating the Natal Chart

The astrological, or natal, chart is a method of mapping the space surrounding our Earth for a birth moment. A natal chart is simply a snapshot of the cosmos at the time of birth -- a cosmic portrait. We know that all things are in motion. Not only do the planets move slowly at different speeds in great elongated orbits around the Sun, but the Earth itself turns on its axis once in 24 hours. As the Earth turns during a day, each one of us is exposed to the entire 360 degrees of the zodiac. The natal chart is a diagram or picture that stops the cosmic clock and captures the universe as it exists at a particular moment.

A natal chart is your individual cosmic portrait or mandala. It is what the universe has to say about who you are and what you may become. The seeds of the future are always sown in the present, but can we read them? This is what the study of astrology is all about: reading the signs of the times and listening to what they have to say about ourselves, now and in the future. Your cosmic portrait is ready any time you are.

The Sun sign interpretations that we find in most newspapers are a far cry from the work of professional astrologers. For one, the sign the Sun was in on the day of your birth (for example Aries, Taurus, or Gemini) is only one of many factors that are looked at by professionals. In addition to the day and year of birth, most professionals use the time and place of birth as well. Birthdate, year, time and place are all needed to pinpoint your place in time and space. Given this information, an astrologer creates what is called a natal or birth chart (erroneously called a horoscope by some).

Each natal chart includes the exact position of the Sun, Moon, and the planets: Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. These planets are then placed in a circular diagram called a chart wheel. This wheel is a miniature diagram of what the sky looked like at the moment of birth as seen from the birthplace.

The very top of the chart, or MC (Medium Coeli -- short for midheaven) is that part of the zodiac directly overhead, while the bottom of the chart, or IC (Imum Coeli, or lower heaven) is the part beneath your feet and on the other side of the Earth from you. At the extreme left-hand side of the wheel is the ascendant, or rising sign -- the part of the zodiac that is on the horizon or rising at the birth moment. Conversely, the descendant is on the right-hand side of the chart. This is the part of the zodiac that is setting. These four points, the ascendant, descendant, midheaven, and IC are very important to astrologers. They are sensitive points.

What follows is a brief introduction to some of the terms and concepts used in astrology. Reading through this material may make your AstroScope report more useful and understandable.

Elements and Modalities

The 12 zodiac signs have different qualities. Certain groups of signs share similar qualities. The two most popular methods for sign grouping are elements and modalities. Astrologers like to see which of the groups their natal planets fall in and add them up to produce counts, or totals. It's fun to tally up your Sun, Moon, and planets and check out your elemental and modality balance. The basic thing to keep in mind while doing this is that we become what we want (or lack) and we do what we can (or have to do). Our highest totals, which show what we can or have to do, are often not held dear. Most people are obsessed by what they lack or want -- their lowest totals. They tend to study their wants, imitate, and even fake them. They become or turn towards what they want or lack.

Elements. A very popular grouping of the signs is that of the four elements -- fire, earth, air, and water.

Fire Signs: Aries, Leo, Sagittarius. People with lots of fire in their chart are very active and involved and "can do" all kinds of things. Those with little fire can't get started and may need someone to light a fire under them.

Earth Signs: Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn. People with lots of earth are very practical. They can see how to do and use things. Those with little earth can't be objective, aren't grounded or practical.

Air Signs: Gemini, Libra, Aquarius. People with lots of air are analytical; they are able to resolve and draw conclusions. Those with little air have trouble with abstractions and ideas -- getting the "big picture."

Water Signs: Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces. People with lots of water are very feeling and "sense"-ative. Those with little water can't get a feel for things; they run cool.

Modalities. Another popular way of grouping the zodiac signs is by cardinal, fixed, and mutable.

Cardinal Signs: Aries, Cancer, Libra, Capricorn. People with a heavy emphasis in cardinal signs are self-starters, doers. They initiate and get things moving. Folks with few planets in cardinal signs may have trouble getting the ball rolling.

Fixed Signs: Taurus, Leo, Scorpio, Aquarius. People with a heavy emphasis in fixed signs hang onto and preserve life. They are at the center of things and are hard to budge. Folks with few planets in fixed signs may have trouble persevering and lack stick-to-it-ive-ness.

Mutable Signs: Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius, Pisces. People with a heavy emphasis in mutable signs are on the move and transformative. They communicate and assist things to change. Folks with few planets in mutable signs may have trouble adapting or being flexible.

Aspects

Aspects are an important part of modern astrology. As the planets move in their elongated orbits around the Sun, they form various angular relationships with one another, using the Sun (or Earth) as the center. These are called aspects. The most popular aspects result from dividing the circle by numbers like 1, 2, 3, 4, resulting in aspects such as the conjunction (0 degrees), opposition (180 degrees), trine (120 degrees), square (90 degrees), and so forth. When two planets form an aspect with one another, their energies and natures are said to combine and work in harmony or discord. For example, when two planets are exactly on opposite sides of the Sun (Earth), they are in opposition.

The most popular aspects can be divided into three main categories:

The **"emphatic" aspects**: The emphatic aspects are those that emphasize or align two planetary energies with one another.

Conjunction (0 degrees) Two planets at the same point in the zodiac are said to be in conjunction. Their natures are fused or blended into one.

Opposition (180 degrees) Two planets at opposite sides of the zodiac. The energies are in alignment with each other. They can pull together or apart, depending upon the nature of the planets involved.

The **"hard" aspects**: square (90 degrees) and semi-square (45 degrees). These represent challenge, obstacles, and substance. They provide meat and potatoes in our life. Too many can block or obstruct the life flow, yet too few can cause life to be weak or thin.

The **"soft" aspects**: trine (120 degrees) and sextile (60 degrees). The soft aspects bring ease, clarity, and vision to our lives. We can see, grasp, and understand what is happening. Too few of the soft aspects means we don't know what we are doing or what is happening in our lives, while too many soft aspects make for a life that runs cool, is overly mental, and lacking in substance.

"Exact" aspects and aspect's "orbs" Aspects between planets gradually form, become exact, and separate. When an aspect is exact, it has its greatest impact. Yet, the effect of most aspects can be felt for some time before and after the moment when it is exact. The range within which an aspect is in operation is called its "orb of influence," or simply its orb. An orb of one or two degrees of arc on either side of the exact aspect is considered a close or tight orb, while an orb of 10 degrees is loose.

Also worthy of consideration when looking at aspects are the planets involved. Aspects to the Sun and Moon (the lights) are most important, followed by the planetary aspects involving Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. If your natal chart has an accurate birth time, then aspects to the chart angles (ascendant and midheaven) are also important. The particular combination can make a difference too. Aspects between planets such as Saturn and Mars (traditional malefics) are obviously more potentially explosive than the same aspect between Venus and Jupiter (traditional benefics).

The Planets

In astrology, the larger life of our solar system as a whole tells us something about our own personal Earth life. The interplay and relationship of the planets with one another as they circle the Sun is carefully studied. Of particular interest to astrologers are the Sun, the Moon, and the planets Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. These are the celestial bodies used most often by modern astrologers for natal interpretation. Each of these planets represents or refers to a part of our life and self. Here are some of the concepts and key words associated with each planet:

Sun. The heart and center of it all. The father, guru, teacher or figure of authority. Anyone older or living in an experience more disciplined than our own. That which we look up to and receive light from. That which we may become.

Moon. Our surroundings, the environment out of which we came. Our past and childhood. Our formative years and self. The background. That out of which we emerged.

Mercury. Communication at light speed. Linkage. Thought. Ideas. The light of the mind. Logos, direct voice.

Venus. How we respond, appreciate, cherish or value something. The way we love. Love, but not attraction. Compassion.

Mars. Energy. What drives or moves us. Our emotions. Urge to unify or become one, therefore yoga, union, or marriage.

Jupiter. The way through or on. Continuing, continuity, succession, success. The pathfinder or lamp through the trials of time. Luck.

Saturn. The giver of laws or rules. The prince of time and the material world. Satan. Laws. Sometimes obstacles, authority.

Uranus. Insight, invention, breakthrough. Good uses for Saturn. "To see eternity in a grain of sand."

Neptune. Cherish, solve, compassion. "The dewdrop slips into the shining sea". Unity, solution, one.

Pluto. Transformation. Sensitivity to the impermanence of life. Intimations of mortality.

Lunar north node. Vocation or application point. Right-of-way.

The Lights

The Sun and Moon (or lights, as they are called) are the two most important bodies. It is sometimes easier to understand what they represent in astrology if we consider how they interrelate with the Earth.

A good analogy is the following. Each of us is on Earth. The bright and shining Sun represents someone older, someone we look up to -- whether that be a teacher or guru.

The Moon represents someone younger, especially the groups that we used to belong to. That is the analogy. Here is how we might think about it:

We can't live either on the Sun or Moon. We have grown out of and beyond the younger generation (Moon). Out of it we once came or were born. This is why the Moon is said to be a mystery. It is both our parent and our child. Regardless, we no longer are alive to what moves the younger generation. The same kind of reasoning is true of those older than us, who have taken more degrees of experience. We are still too young... not yet ready to live in the solar environment. We receive light from the Sun, and it makes life grow.

We each have both a Sun and a Moon. In the course of a month, these two bodies take up various positions in relation to where we are on Earth. At the Full Moon, the Moon is beyond the orbit of the Earth (farther out) and reflecting sunlight back on us. At the New Moon, the Moon is within the Earth's orbit and lost in the Sun. Tradition suggests that we start (or may receive) an impulse at the New Moon, build and develop it for two weeks until the Full Moon, and then gradually understand or draw some conclusions from the experience during the two weeks after the moon is full.

The Planets (esoteric meaning)

The key to the planets, or the chakras: Here is a planetary key to personal natal chart interpretation that any beginning astrological student can use with confidence. The natural ordering of the planets that can be seen easily with the naked eye can serve as a key to their interpretation. As we know, the planetary order out from the Sun is Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn. These are the naked-eye planets. Beyond Saturn are the planets Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto.

We will start with Saturn and work our way in towards the Sun. The key thought necessary in order to use these planets in your own horoscope is this: the inner planet is always the key to the outer. In every case, in order to reveal, open, and use the outer, we go within. In other words, each inner planet is the meaning and key to the planet beyond its orbit. For example, we live on Earth. The next planet inside the orbit of the Earth is Venus. Therefore, Venus will be the key to the Earth experience. If we stop and think about it, Venus (or love) has been held up as the key to life on this Earth throughout the ages. If we have obstacles and problems in our life (Saturn), then studying one's Jupiter will give us the key to the planet Saturn in our natal chart... Mars will be the key to Jupiter, and so on. Let's begin.

Saturn, or law:

Almost every astrologer wants to know where Saturn is in the chart because here we are sure to gain insight into some of the major obstacles and challenges of life. Saturn, or Satan (as it is sometimes called), is the prince of time and of the material world. We don't break nature's laws, they break us. The laws of Saturn are much feared, for it is here that we are bound to learn. The laws of Saturn are often seen as standing between us and an easy life. But Saturn also provides the walls that make homes possible. Gravity is an

example -- the law that holds things in place. We come across the influence of Saturn every time we break nature's law. We are subjected and tested by these laws until such time as we learn to use them. Saturn is so important in the chart because it shows us where we must be disciplined and where we are bound to learn something; therefore, everyone always wants to know how to come to grips with Saturn in the natal chart. The key to the realm of Saturn in our chart can be found by studying our natal Jupiter.

Jupiter, or life path:

If Saturn is our life's test, then Jupiter is the key, guide, and light that sees us through the darkness of time (or Saturn). It is the straight and narrow path by which we pass through Saturn's test. Jupiter is the particular way we go or continue in life -- continuity. It is our "luck" or solution to time's test. In astrology, Jupiter is the great benefic as it shows us how to find our way through Saturn and the tests of time -- how to use Saturn. Jupiter is our key to succession through time, to success. It is the way through or on. Jupiter is the key, or antidote, to Saturn; therefore, Jupiter has to do with how we are to be successful in life in our particular battle against the forces of time (Saturn). Jupiter often describes our vocation or the way we must go through life, since that through which we have to pass (Saturn) dictates the way we must go through life (our vocation). We have mastered our Jupiter when we are a physical success.

Once we have learned to master our Saturn, to be successful, our mind is free to explore our situation. The freedom of Jupiter is eternal vigilance toward the law or rules of Saturn. We go from victory to victory over time, or Saturn, which translates into day-to-day success. We make a living.

Now that we are free within time, or Saturn, our mind begins to wonder what it all means. What's the purpose of all this? We begin to penetrate into the next chakra, that of Mars. The key to our success (Jupiter) will be the planet Mars -- how we feel about our life.

Mars, or the marriage:

Mars is the energy that moves us, the way we feel -- our emotions. It is what drives us and the way we are driven. And it is the kind of energy or drive that we have which determines our personal atmosphere or aura: the kind of room or space in which we have to live -- our living room. The kind of room we have determines how we feel about our life, comfortable or cramped. After Jupiter fades to an easy repetition, our mind turns to thoughts of unity, oneness -- marriage.

We are driven to marriage, or yoga, of one kind or another. It is the way the two become one. Everyone chooses a form of yoga, union, or marriage... some way to join or yoke the two opposing parts of ourselves together and to perceive them as one life -- ours.

We master each planet or chakra, maintain it, and move on or penetrate into the next, inner one. The Jupiter chakra is a tremendous war between us and them. Dichotomy. When we seek to understand the secret of "us" and "them," we penetrate into the Mars chakra -- what it all means. Meaning drives us across the Earth until we can see the end

of all difference, that it is all one.

We are free at last from the bonds of Saturn (Satan). We have learned what we must do to survive or to succeed in life. Yet the world we live in is not a unity. It is us against them. And still this somehow does not feel right.

Our life becomes a process of gathering meanings and hints of a possible unity between the opposing parties. This is the yoga, union, or marriage that each must negotiate. The entire Mars chakra has to do with dealing with all the motion, emotion, and meanings of life. Following them out, understanding them. Mars, therefore, is the sphere of all things meaningful, everything that moves us: music, poetry, drama, movies - the works. Anything that gets a rise out of us. We are working with our Mars as long as we have not completed our yoga, or marriage, as long as the two have not become one. As long as we are intrigued and drawn hither and yon, we are working on our Mars. This mysterious person beckons, that piece of music or poem captures our attention, moves us.

Mars is our marriage or union. It is the systematic making friends with everything that is foreign (other than us). At some point in this journey, we get the message. We cease to be blown hither and yon by every passing emotion. We discover that life is its own meaning. We have penetrated to the Earth, or heart chakra.

Earth, or the heart:

We ourselves are the meaning. "I AM THAT I AM," and for no other reason. We take refuge in life itself with no referrals. This is it!

"I am in it to the end, and that's all, And the 'ever' it's coming to be. And in me is out, the shadow of doubt, And the 'in' that is 'out', Well, that's me!"

Earth/Sun represent the end of meaning, the heart of it all. The two are one. The marriage is consummated, the child is born. The Earth is us as we are in our oneness. The Sun is the essence of what it all means.

The planets inside the orbit of the Earth, Venus and Mercury, are very misunderstood in modern astrology. Both are beyond any physical depiction.

Venus, or compassion:

Inside Earth. Compassion. Infinite response and attention. Cherishing. How we respond to life. How we find ourselves in response to life. Love, in the sense of responding or attending to.

Mercury, or light:

Messenger truth. First out from the Sun. The light of knowing or seeing in our eyes. Communication itself. Essence of communication.

Sun, or system:

The Sun is not a planet. The description for the Earth given above is the traditional meaning for the Sun. The true Sun is the whole solar system.

The Signs of the Zodiac

Aries. The Ram. Spring. The pioneer, adventurer. Courage, daring, boldness. The fountainhead or source. The word of Logos. Impulse, energetic, start, beginning, manifestation.

Taurus. The Bull. The universe's response, reaction to the new impulse at Aries. Aries draws forth in Taurus a body or environment to match the impulse. Every new thought or impulse draws forth a response from the universe. Taurus is the body that comes forth. It is all kinds of having, fielding, response. The field. The ear. Taurus is the steady, deliberate, determined response of life to new ideas, impulses, and so on -- possessing them, embodying them.

Gemini: The Twins. The endless search for experience, substance, and limits. Always in motion, communicating, inquiring, investigating, exploring. "Getting to know you, getting to know all about you." Nervous, versatile, inventive, curious, linking, reasoning, making connections.

Cancer: The Crab. The experience, vehicle, or body itself. The house and home -- The Chariot. The experience as in feeling, living, and sensing life. Protective, domestic, sympathetic.

Leo: The Lion. Self-awareness, ownership, pride. Discovery. Emotion (emote: to move out from, migrate), expression. Acting, creative, children, sports. Fullness, power, pride of ownership. I have lived, I live! Regal.

Virgo: The Virgin. Concern, care for. Conservation of life. Salvage, harvesting, repair, maintenance. The drive to conserve and maintain life -- salvage, salvation. Attention to details, repair, craftsmanship. Busy, concerned, careful. Worrying. Practical, analytical, discriminating.

Libra. The Scale. Marriage and union. (Yoga: to join, or yoke.) Marriage is the most common form of yoga. Unconditional acceptance or response. Diplomatic. Compassionate, attentive.

Scorpio. The Scorpion. Purgatory, the furnace, phoenix. The adjustments of marriage or union. Responsibility. Removing excess, purification. Reduction of personality to essentials. Intense, penetrating, elimination, metamorphosis, genuine.

Sagittarius. The Archer. What remains after the furnace of Scorpio. The remains, relics, embers. That which cannot be further reduced. Thus the truth, religion, philosophy. Enthusiastic, profound, generous, frank. Projection.

Capricorn: The Goat. The purified essence bursts into light. Clairvoyance, clear-seeing. Practical vision. Unemotional. Sober, orderly, control, manipulating, power.

Aquarius: The Water Bearer. Carrying the spiritual light of Capricorn into actuality. "For spirit must be made to matter." The resolve to implement our clearest vision. The will to do it. Impersonal, willing to work with anyone and any vehicle, thus, group or team work. Aspiring, unconventional, humane associations.

Pisces. The Fishes. Intuitive. Accepting, understanding, willing to sacrifice. Accepting what is for the sake of what could be made of it.

The Chartwheel and the Zodiac

The astrological wheel, or mandala, is a map of the space surrounding us at the time of our birth. The wheel is divided into twelve sections called houses -- six houses in the sky above, six beneath the Earth below. These houses are numbered counterclockwise, starting with the 1st house and the direction east, on the left-hand side of the wheel. Planets in the heavens are placed on the chart wheel in the houses that correspond to where they actually are in the sky. Of the 12 houses, astrologers find the four most important are the one directly above our heads (10th), the one under our feet (4th), the one on the left and to the east (1st), and the one on the right and to the west (7th). These four are called angular, because they mark the corners of the chart: south, north, east, and west.

Life continues after the birth moment. Astrologers watch the planets (as they continue on in the sky after a birth) move through the houses of the natal chart. Their movement is counterclockwise as they go from the upper hemisphere (houses 7-12), across the ascendant, (1st house cusp) into the lower hemisphere (houses 1-6), and on around.

In the chart wheel, the planets are placed in their zodiac positions. The zodiac stretches in a circle through all 360 degrees of the surrounding sky, and this circle is divided into sections of 30 degrees -- the familiar 12 signs. Planet positions are measured within signs by degrees, minutes, and seconds of circular arc. Each degree contains 60 minutes of arc and each minute of arc contains 60 seconds of arc. For example, I might tell you that my Moon (Moon at birth) is in the sign Taurus (2nd sign). More exactly it is in the 23rd degree of Taurus. It is actually at 23 degrees and 28 minutes of the sign Taurus.

The chart wheel is usually divided into 12 sections called houses. The houses are numbered (counterclockwise) from 1 to 12. The pie-like lines that divide one house from the next are called house cusps. For example, the cusp of the 1st house is the horizontal line on the left-hand (east) side of the wheel.

Keep in mind that our Earth makes a complete turn on its axis once in 24 hours. The chart wheel represents the space surrounding where we were born. It is as if we were standing outside with the sky above us (upper part of chart) and the Earth beneath our feet (lower hemisphere). As the Earth turns, it brings each of the 360 degrees of the zodiac overhead (or to any part of the wheel) once in 24 hours -- a new degree of the zodiac every four minutes.

As you can see, the symbols for the planets have been placed in the part of the sky (the house) in which they were at the time of your birth. For example, if you were born in the daytime, then the symbol for the Sun will be somewhere in the upper half of the wheel. If you were born at noon, the sun would be almost right overhead or at the top of the chart, while if you were born at midnight it would be at the bottom (4th house) of the

chart.

The wheel is also seen as two hemispheres -- a top and a bottom. The upper part of the chart (houses 7-12) represents that part of the sky that was overhead and above the horizon at the time of our birth. It has to do with the world of thoughts, ideas, ideals, and planning. The lower hemisphere (houses 1-6) marks that part of the heavens that we have under us -- and cannot see -- below the horizon and on the other side of the Earth from us. It has to do with experiences, embodiments, incarnation, and so forth. In other word, the sky above and the Earth below.

The Wheel of Houses

The chart wheel or mandala of 12 houses can be seen as a circle, or cycle, with each house leading to the next house, and so on, in a counterclockwise direction. Let's start at the very top of the wheel, the MC and the cusp of the 10th house.

10th House. The 10th house at the peak of the chart, represents the most ideal or out-of-the-body part of the wheel. It is directly overhead, up-there, and to the south. It is the house of clear, practical vision (clairvoyance). Ideas can take their start here as planets pass through the 10th house. In the natal chart, the 10th house represents where we have our head above water and can see what to do -- clear practical vision. It is therefore associated with career, vocation, and the like. The tenth house holds a clear idea about something -- what is often called an out-of-the-body vision or experience, a time when we really get an insight in its totality.

11th House. The 11th house is a movement away from the 10th and down towards the lower hemisphere of the chart. The 11th house takes the clear idea seen in the 10th and resolves to put it to work, to keep it in mind or make it "matter." We make a commitment to carry the idea into our daily life; that is, carry it across the ascendant (1st house cusp) and into the lower part of the chart, our personal life. The 11th house has to do with plans for action, group goals, cooperation.

12th House. The 12th house is even closer to the ascendant and the sphere of action. The bright idea that we had in the 10th, and the resolve to do something about it that we made in the 11th, is coming up against the status quo of the ascendant in the 12th -- our day-to-day reality. In the 12th house we are faced with a choice. We are about to cross over from the more impersonal realm of ideas and planning into our actual day-to-day circumstances. In the 12th, we begin to face the difference between our idea and our reality. We can either forget the whole thing and let the idea go, or we can care enough about making the idea matter in our life to buckle down and accept the way things are (status quo) and try to overcome them... to bring our new idea through and get it across the ascendant.

The 1st house marks the division between the upper and lower houses, between the mind and the body. If the upper houses show what is going on in our minds, the lower houses refer to our bodies -- the experience of life.

1st House. The 1st house shows the result of what we managed to bring across from the world of ideas, plans, and commitments. It's what remains when our new idea and impulse meet our reality. It is what overflows the status quo. It is a direct indication of how much we are able to accept.

2nd House. The 2nd house is the reaction of our life and environment to whatever was new in the 1st. It has to do with how our life changes because of, or in response to, this new energy. It has to do with how we adapt to, possess, or have something.

3rd House. The 3rd house continues the drama set forth in the 1st and 2nd. The 1st is the new start, the 2nd is the new body or what is drawn forth in response to the 1st, and the 3rd is how the situation develops to its fullness. It has to do with the working out and exploring of all the details and ramifications of what is forming.

4th House. The 4th house marks the extent to which this body develops its limits. It is also one of the angular houses and starts a new series of three. The 4th house has to do with fullness of experience -- the body or meat of it. Development has reached its physical peak and can go no further. Instead, we can feel or move within the experience.

5th House. The 5th house signals the end of the simple feeling of the experience and the beginning of consciousness of what it is that we have experienced. We are pouring forth or leaving the body. Emote, emotions. Offspring, self-consciousness, pride, and the like.

6th House. The 6th house signals the end of the vitality of the body and marks attempts to prolong, conserve, and take care of the experience or body. The experience or "party" is over.

7th House. The 7th house, another angular house, marks the beginning of a new series of three houses. Here we cross over from the personal houses to the impersonal houses. The personal experience of the first 6 houses is finished. It falls away from us and we see it as a complete stage in our development or whole. We leave the body and start into the mind. A turning away from the attempt for personal salvation toward a concern for others. Marriage.

8th House. The 8th house results from our fully grasping the nature of the completed personal experience in the first six houses... what was right about it and what was wrong. Here we strip away and can do without what was wrong. The extra baggage is unloaded.

9th House. The 9th house has to do with what remains when all extra is stripped away. It is what remains or is enduring from the entire episode. The seed essence. It becomes the light for a new idea in the 10th, where the whole cycle repeats itself.

The Chart Wheel, or Mandala:

Here are some brief descriptions of the 12 houses and what they mean to astrologers. We will start with the 10th house -- the house of clear, practical vision.

Tenth house. Career. Practical talents. Ideals. Where you see most clearly,

clairvoyance. Thus your particular management, practical vision, and supervisory skills. Where you can see to do.

Eleventh house. Larger goals. Putting ideas to work. Impersonal drive to realize your ideals. Working with others in groups, organization, friends. Planning. Humanitarian, community to improve.

Twelfth house. Limits, confines, hidden faults. Therefore confinement, prisons, dues, karma. Attitude, psychology, acceptance, sacrifice, forbearance.

First house. News, impulse, start. Live action, what's "happening" or fresh. The way you come across, thus appearance, persona, head, identity.

Second house. Possessions, money. How you receive, have, value, or embody things.

Third house. Searches, investigations, inquiries, explorations. Communications -- thinking, writing, letters, gossip, media.

Fourth house. Home and property. Environment, sensate body, experience, heart of the matter. Prime of life or center of an experience -- body, incarnation. Finding.

Fifth house. Awareness, pride, self-discovery. Self-expression, emotions, stepping-out. Offspring, creations, teaching, acting, playing. Sports.

Sixth house. Maintenance, salvage, conservation, purity, harvesting, service, repair. Working for others. Analytical skills. Health and sickness. Detailed work, crafts.

Seventh house. Your marriage, partner, union, and yoga. Compassion, response. Spirit of cooperation.

Eighth house. Obligations, debts and assets, excess, death. Initiation, purification, purgatory. Dross, furnace.

Ninth house. Seed essence, bare facts, relics, religion, philosophy. Enduring thoughts, ideas. Long thoughts, long journeys.

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