

**Just for Women
You as a Woman
Astrology Report
For
Kate Winslet**



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Uranus	Scorpio	01°Sc30'	11th	08 05°Ca11'
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Midheaven	Virgo	27°Vi18'		11 25°Li13'
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Planet	Element	Mode	Elemental	Modal
Sun	Air	Cardinal	4 Fire	5 Cardinal
Moon	Air	Cardinal	2 Earth	2 Fixed
Mercury	Air	Cardinal	5 Air	5 Mutable
Venus	Earth	Mutable	1 Water	
Mars	Air	Mutable		
Jupiter	Fire	Cardinal		
Saturn	Fire	Fixed		
Uranus	Water	Fixed		
Neptune	Fire	Mutable		
Pluto	Air	Cardinal		
Midheaven	Earth	Mutable		
Ascendant	Fire	Mutable		

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An Astrological Portrait
Prepared for Kate Winslet

Your astrological chart provides an amazing guidepost to the most important aspect of your life: an understanding of yourself. As a woman today, you face the challenge of discovering yourself within the context of many life experiences. You wear a variety of faces and play many roles, experiences which can both enhance and complicate your feeling of satisfaction with yourself and your life. Your astrological chart provides indicators which help to define who you are, strengthening an understanding of your needs on every level. Each chart is different in its make-up, and the myriad combinations of influences help to underscore the importance of each person as an individual. One thing you must remember when working with astrology: it is through your free will that you make choices. Your "chart" does not make you do anything!

We are finally acknowledging and realizing within today's world, that men and women experience life differently. The workings of your psyche, symbolized by your astrological chart, are likely to be experienced quite differently through your filter as a woman than they would be if you were born male. This report is designed for you, a woman in a world of change, a woman seeking to become whole.

Your natal, or birth, chart is made up of several factors. Drawn upon a circular wheel, your natal chart shows the positions of the planets relative to your place, date and time of birth. Everything is indicated symbolically, with each symbol having specific meanings. The planets, Sun and Moon are placed around the circle, and each is placed within a particular degree of a sign of the zodiac. The planets, Sun and Moon are energy bodies, and the astrological signs indicate how these energies work. Just as you are a complex of feelings, needs, drives and desires - your natal chart maps these qualities. You will also notice that the planetary symbols fall within particular segments of the circle. These segments, called "Houses", indicate the specific environments and relationships which are part of your life. You may find, upon reading your report, that there are a few contradictions. For example, one factor may indicate independence, while another shows strong dependency. It is not unusual to experience contradictions within yourself, and that is just what your chart illustrates about you! But when you reflect upon these qualities within the context in which they are explained, you may discover some self-illuminating facts about yourself. Self-understanding has a marvelous way of emphasizing your personal power!

An Overall Glimpse at Your Astrological Chart

The astrological signs are defined by one of four elements: fire, earth, air or water. The fire and air elements have a yang (masculine polarity) quality, and tend to be more outgoing and assertive in their nature, whereas the earth and water elements have a yin (feminine polarity) quality, and are more receptive by nature. The elemental balance in your chart is determined by the amount of energy within each elemental sign. The factors added together to find this balance of energy include the Sun, Moon, planets and the angles of the Ascendant and Midheaven.

Your chart shows a strong predominance of air energy, indicating that you function very easily on the mental plane. Living in the world of ideas, you may also gain strength when you are connected to others - at least mentally. Your social calendar is important, not because it's frivolous, but because you need to make contact. Most comfortable with others who are intelligent or interesting, you may be a natural in public relations. It's easy for you to stay in your head, which can be wonderful if you're involved in a mental project or study. But if you're stuck worrying, you may find it difficult to break the habit. The elemental balance in your astrological chart shows that water is a weak factor. Emotional situations can be rather uncomfortable for you, although you may be somewhat fascinated by others who display their feelings readily. The world of your inner self, your emotional self, can seem tremendously difficult for you at times, and if you're overwhelmed by emotion, you may find yourself shutting down in order to keep your feelings under control in order to avoid pain. Your best therapy is to deal with your feelings, and to acknowledge them. And you may also need to be more attentive to the feelings of others, or you could be accused of being cold or uncaring. Self-sufficiency is one thing, but total distance can be quite lonely. Stimulate your emotional nature in a positive sense by getting into the water element and enjoying it. Swim, take long soaking baths, or let yourself walk outside in the rain on a warm day. And if you're really feeling brave, rent a tear-jerker movie, make a cup of tea, grab your hankies and close the door.

Another aspect of your basic nature is determined by the balance of the modes in your chart. The modes are also defined by sign, which are grouped together as either cardinal, fixed or mutable. Your strongest mode is Cardinal, indicating that your basic approach to life is one of getting things started. You're an initiator, and are happiest when you're beginning something new. This factor sometimes indicates an enhanced sense of courage and enthusiasm. A strong ability to get things going, maintain your inspiration, carry through with your commitments and complete projects. Your ability to deal with different styles and human diversity enhances your spirit of cooperation, and makes you a good choice for leadership positions. Your strongest mode of energy is mutable, conferring a powerful sense of adaptability to your personality. Your flexibility is your strength, but your distractible nature is your weakness. Sometimes you may feel like a circus juggler with too many objects in the air at one time, and you may need to constantly remind yourself to focus on the task at hand instead of leaving something midstream. Your weakest link is in fixity, which indicates that you sometimes fail to stay with a person, project or situation until you've completed your obligation or task.

When you view your chart as a whole, you'll notice that there is an emphasis of planets on the top half of the chart. This hemisphere strength indicates that you are driven by a need for recognition, and that you can be quite comfortable in the public eye. Career may have a high priority for you, and if you are not employed outside the home, you may be quite busy in community or civic affairs. You are drawn by the world, and your need for validation is most easily satisfied when your achievements are acknowledged and respected in some way. You may be quite influential in the lives of others, and have strong potential as a leader, teacher or mentor. However, you also need to remember that you must allow some "down" time, and that your home and family may provide an important security base.

You may also be concerned with the areas in your chart which appear to be empty. Never fear, these houses are not really vacant! You are just not placing as much emphasis in these relationships or environments, or you may be satisfying these needs through other dimensions of your life.

Projection of Your Real Self

Sometimes showing the world who you really are is not easy, and sometimes the world may not respond as you had hoped! It's helpful to take a look at the differences and similarities between the attitudes, impressions and images you project and the person who resides at the core of your being.

With your Sun in Libra your ego is driven by a need to relate. Now, that doesn't mean that you must be married or in a love relationship. It is through connecting to others that you gain the feedback which allows you to maintain a balance in your life. This can be accomplished through friendships, work relationships and social situations. You may also crave the best of everything (it's your good taste that can be your downfall if you're on a budget!), and you definitely love the most refined elements of life. At heart, you're artistic, but you can be tough to satisfy.

Your Ascendant is the face you present to the world, and shows how others see you. Your Ascendant, or rising sign, is Sagittarius. You're likely to project the image of an adventurer, and may be most comfortable when you're dressed for play or sports. But you can also have an air of classical elegance or wealth about you. Your manner can be quite direct, and others may sometimes see you as loud, boisterous or messy if you've gotten out of control! You prefer to show an attitude of optimism, and may be known for your sense of humor. Others may never know when you're feeling low. Jupiter, the planetary energy associated with your rising sign, is in Aries in your chart. You're quite likely to speak your mind, and may be known for your outspoken opinions and ideas. Developing some athleticism can add a positive dimension to your presence.

With Venus in square aspect to your Ascendant you may continually underestimate your worth or value as a person. You may have fallen victim to the idea that your

appearance is the only key to your beauty and, whether or not you think you are physically attractive, may never be quite satisfied with the way you look. On a deeper level, you may be dealing with a sense of inadequacy which may stem from a feeling that you are not lovable. Being lovable begins with the way you feel about yourself, and by becoming more accepting and loving toward yourself, you nurture the true essence of love - which resides at the core of your inner self. You may also struggle with the experience of putting yourself at risk or putting forth effort in order to achieve the realization of your desires. You may find that you actually appreciate something more if you attain it through your own efforts than if it were simply given to you.

Saturn's trine to your Ascendant provides a quality of positive responsibility and allows you to develop a positive sense of priorities. Although you may be alone in carrying some burdens, you can also be an effective manager, teacher and guide. Your sense of self-respect engenders an attitude of respect from others. You can also be positively realistic, accepting situations which require you to take action or responsibility without becoming excessively depressed. Aging may not be a difficult prospect for you, and you may be able to grow stronger as you grow older. The status, respect and self-reliability which come with maturity are valuable commodities to you.

With Neptune conjunct your Ascendant you may be especially sensitive to your environment and the people within it. Your psychic abilities are intensified through this energy, and your impressions about things may be exceptionally clear. This is a particularly excellent connection if you work in the arts or theater, and can be quite helpful in any healing or counseling work. Your ability to adapt to your surroundings, including adapting to the mood of other people, adds a chameleon like quality to your personality. The primary problem with this placement involves your ability to be seen, or to be seen as you wish to be. Others can project their feelings on you quite readily, and you may respond in such a way as to amplify their projection. Sometimes too, you may feel like the invisible woman. Your vigilance in maintaining your personal boundaries must always be strong, or you may fall into the role of the victim or martyr.

There are many different facets of the Moon in your chart. But when it comes to your identity, your Moon speaks volumes about who you are at the deepest level: the soul of your being. Your Libra Moon is the part of you which feels most alive when you share those special moments in your life with a partner or companion. Somehow, life is better when you have a true, balanced, working partnership. But getting to that point can be a bumpy road. This drive actually stems from the duality which exists within yourself. Your inner self needs as much recognition and support as the part of you which exists in and is validated by the outside world. Herein lies your true partnership. And from this point, a relationship with someone else can become a reasonable reality.

Understanding Your Inner Feminine Self

Although the temptation is to think that just because you are a woman you are in touch with your inner feminine self, this is a much more complicated task than it appears to be! First of all, the model for the true power of femininity has been lost over recent history and is now becoming re-energized. Recovering this power is a personal task for each woman, and learning to use feminine power constructively on a collective level is another challenge for today's woman. This process is the cradle of self-healing, and provides the essence of your personal security.

The primary energies associated with your inner feminine self are the Moon and Venus, but Neptune and Pluto are also significant in your experience and expression of this part of your psyche. The Moon is the energy which filters through your subconscious self, and tells the story of your connection to the part of you which provides nurturing, support, care and comfort. The person who projects the model for your Moon energy is your mother, and you see her through the lens of your own emotional matrix, signified by the Moon. As you mature, you learn to send this energy into the world, but to be truly effective, you must first own this energy and know how to use it to care for yourself!

Your Libra Moon shapes your attitudes of femininity in a very special sense: for you, being a woman is a beautiful experience. You may love the essence of feminine grace, charm and delicate beauty, and your ability to radiate those qualities can be easily developed. Your ideals are quite high, though, and you may have a sense of impatience with yourself when you fail to meet your own ideals, and can be especially dissatisfied when you feel that someone else is unhappy with you. When external standards become too important, even your own faith in your inner beauty and personal worth begins to wane. Once you've fallen into the trap of trying to please, you can lose sense of yourself. But you have a gift: you are capable of regaining your balance and getting everything back into perspective. And you are quite capable of standing your own ground and waging battles when necessary. You may yearn for a partner, someone with whom you can share your life. Feeling like Cinderella, hoping that somewhere there is your dream lover and partner, you may dream that somehow you will be beautiful and lovely enough to have him: the perfect man who will respect your needs and honor your individuality. But fairy tales can be the source of your greatest pain. There is nothing wrong with wanting a partner, but expecting him to be your salvation can set you up for disappointment! You have the power to change the outcome by changing your focus. Creating your inner partner can be your greatest challenge, and it is not until you have accomplished that aim that you will feel like a whole woman. Deep within your soul, you know that you will never have the perfect partner until you accept yourself as perfect. Oh, yes, that includes embracing your shortcomings, and it includes accepting the human foibles of everyone else you love. Then, and only then, will the beauty, peace and harmony you hope to find in the world shine through you. The Universe cannot help but reflect it back to you.

Through the energy connection between your Moon in conjunction with your Sun, your willfulness is expressed in a more sensitive manner. But your emotional sensitivity can get in the way of your need to be direct about your feelings. You can lack objectivity,

and can become overly attached to a situation because of your feelings about it. Instead of trying to act like a man in a man's world, allow yourself to function as a whole woman. You'll be much more effective and may even bring about a change in the way things are done!

The Moon and Mercury conjunct in your chart can bring a positive enhancement to your intuitive sensibilities. But when you're emotionally involved with someone or attached to a particular outcome, your emotional needs can block the clarity of your intuitive self. Your feelings about something can also get in the way of your objectivity when you need to make a rational decision, and sometimes your attempts to be purely rational can block the expression of your deeper needs. Just remember that how you feel about something might be just as important as weighing the "facts" in a situation, although you may have to set your feelings aside in some circumstances. Finding ways to remain emotionally centered can be of great benefit to you.

Your Moon is in opposition to Jupiter, adding a strong sense of optimism and a desire to see life getting better and better. You can also get yourself into trouble if your expectations are not fulfilled, and need to learn the importance of setting reasonable limits. This includes limits on eating, spending and doing things for other people. Now, you don't have to become a miser, in fact, you probably could never carry it off, since somewhere, somehow, your generous nature would spill out. And you've probably learned that excessive restraint is not particularly effective for you either, since you need a few indulgences here and there. Finding the balance point is the key: and that relies upon your setting those limitations. Yes, you can move the limits if you discover that you can handle it; and you really have to remain alert to your expectations about yourself and others. It's easy to feel that you would be happier if only you had more, or if only you could do more, become more or experience more. Finding a positive channel for this need to push the limits is absolutely necessary, or you may discover that you are never satisfied with yourself. As a mother, you can be an amazing and inspiring guide, supporter and teacher. But you need to remember to allow your children to grow at their own rate, and to live their lives in a manner which fulfills their needs for personal expression.

With your Moon conjunct Pluto in your chart your emotional intensity is difficult to miss. You can be quite compulsive, and when you are in a "groove" may find it difficult to get out. Men may be especially intimidated by your sensuality, and if you have control issues, you may even project an aura of power which can overwhelm any man who gets close to you (at least occasionally). You may also be somewhat intimidating to other women, especially if you harbor a mistrust of women. The connection you feel with your mother may be especially strong, and it is quite possible that you felt inundated by her emotional needs in a very powerful way when you were younger. If your mom had difficulty handling her own emotions, you may have some leftover resentment toward her which needs to be released in order to heal that relationship. Conscious awareness of this aspect of your part can make a big difference in the way you relate to others, and if you sense intimidation or blocking, you can back away a little to help diminish the intensity of your own energy - if you really want to let someone into your inner sanctum.

Your Moon is in the first quarter of the lunar phases, indicating that you approach the fulfillment of your desires and needs in an immediate manner. Your impatience with yourself and with everyone else around you can stand in the way for true fulfillment, but it is that same immediacy which is part of your chart. Your impulsiveness can seem quite "unfeminine" at times, since the old myth of femininity had much to do with "waiting for the prince." You are here to form a new quality of relating to life: the quality of fresh expression and spontaneity. You are here to project a powerful sense of identity, and achieving a sense of wholeness between your inner and outer self is an important part of your self development. The archetypal quality of "The Mother" represented by this moon phase elicits your strong connection to the natural rhythms of conception, creation and birth. You may even enjoy a positive element of freshness and new life in your projection of yourself as a woman. You'll not appreciate others trying to shelter you too much, but may need to find a few touchstones which will allow you to rest until you venture out into your next experience with life, love and happiness. Your weakness may be a lack of objectivity, and it can be difficult to find and own your power until you have mastered some skills which add greater objectivity to your sense of self and reality.

Through the energy of Venus you express your feminine wiles, and also locate the part of yourself that needs to be emotionally expressive. Your sense of inner beauty and feelings of personal worth are also functions of Venus. Venusian energy is part of your connection to other women, and the placement of Venus in your chart can tell you a lot about your openness and acceptance of your own femininity. Although your Moon may indicate your basic emotional nature, the manner by which you express your feelings is frequently through Venusian energy.

Through the energy of Venus in Virgo you love the simple things of life. Your delight in the beauty of spring flowers, a kitty's warm purr, a baby's soft skin and the wrinkled smile around your lover's eyes make life worthwhile. Little escapes your eye for detail, and you appreciate excellent workmanship and self-expression. Your own natural beauty radiates best when unencumbered by excess, and you may sparkle in soft colors and elegantly tailored attire. Comfortable, soft, flowing garments may be your preference whenever possible, but you can also look great in a silk suit. You may have little time or tolerance for excess, and although you may enjoy romance, may not go out of your way to create it. However, you do know what you like, and once you've developed trust in a close relationship, may be quite open about your preferences. It's easy for you to be overly critical of yourself and others, partly because you notice everything and have such definitive taste and favorites. You can also be tolerant, although you have to work to develop this skill to its fullest extent. You may find it difficult to experience the love you dream about, especially if the guy who catches your eye turns out to have dirty fingernails. Give him a bar of soap and see how he cleans up before you strike him from your list entirely.

Venus and Mars in sextile aspect add to your attractiveness. You may feel quite confident asserting yourself, especially if the object of your desire is close at hand. You're the type of woman who knows how to send the right signals, but you also know when to take action. Even in competitive situations, you can be charming, which may give you an interesting edge. You have a way of making others feel comfortable when

they're around you and may be quite adept at dealing with situations which require peace-making or intervention.

With Venus and Uranus in sextile aspect, you can be quite provocative. Your unique way of expressing yourself draws attention, and can work to your benefit when you're feeling good about yourself. You're the type of woman who prefers to do things your way and to have a strong level of autonomy in relationship to others. You're quite willing to offer the same to others, and may encourage your friends and family in their efforts to develop themselves. You like being an individual, and enjoy doing things which amplify your uniqueness.

Although the planets Neptune and Pluto move very slowly and are generational in nature, they do have an influence upon your psyche. These energies define much about the collective experience which shapes your inner self. You're experiencing Neptunian energy when you're in the midst of reverie, when you're deep in dreams and when you're feeling compassionate. Neptune drives your imagination, the realm of illusion and your psychic sensibilities. Because Neptune is difficult to grasp on a physical level, there is a lot about this energy that can be problematic, and when you are caught in the negative grasp of Neptune, you can give in to addictive behaviors, escapism and deception manifesting. But you do have a way of channeling this energy. It is through Neptune that you find the heart of compassionate love and understanding. This is the doorway to your inner self.

With Neptune in Sagittarius, you are part of the generation of women born from 1970 to 1984 who are just coming into your maturity. Your influence in the realms of education, government and politics will be immense, and as an individual member of this generation, it is imperative that you discover and employ the things you are learning about truth. You have been born at a time when media has had a profound influence upon society, and you will find ways to use the technologies which are developing to shape the lives of people on the earth. You may grapple with the differences between "truth" and "facts" and can either fall victim to false belief systems or create better ones. Women of your generation may rise above the limitations of their mothers and grandmothers because of their educational opportunities, but also because you and they will not accept the same limitations.

Pluto represents the primordial essence. It is from this level that all transformation occurs: birth, death, illness and healing. It is also here that the powerful kundalini force continually regenerates itself. This is the space of all creation and all power. It is the space of origin: the Great Mother.

You are part of a generation of women born from 1972 through 1984 who have Pluto in Libra and are challenged to break down the barriers within society which inhibit growth and free expression of the human spirit. You may also find that you must tear down old structures which have determined the nature of human relationships in order to heal some of the problems existing among human beings. This can reach from marriage contracts to international relations between governments.

Owning Your Inner Masculine Self

For centuries, women were not allowed to assert themselves in the world, and carefully learned the role of supporter of their "men." Those who failed to respond in this manner were frequently shunned or punished, although there have always been women who defied convention! During this century particularly, women have broken out of their strictly "conventional" roles, and have been making their way in the world. Because of this, women have been successful at fulfilling more of their needs, and owning their own power more readily. As a result, a woman's relationship with the men in her life has also changed. Despite women's collective knowledge about the need to be whole persons, it is still sometimes easier to allow men (fathers, brothers, lovers and husbands) to "own" certain qualities. (They, in turn, prefer that women own certain qualities - like emotions!) But to become truly whole and functional, it is necessary to find and incorporate your inner masculine self into your sense of wholeness, instead of projecting that part of yourself onto others (most usually men) in your life.

Through the process of becoming at home with your ego, you gain a true sense of personal strength and power. To own this power, you must learn to acknowledge that it is okay to be recognized for who and what you are. Your Sun energy is the primary factor in the expression of ego needs. As a young girl, you may have seen your father through the filter of your Sun. His power of getting out into the world, and the manner by which he did it, have shaped your own sense of personal identity. And today, the Sun in your chart may symbolize significant men. But this energy is, in itself, the core of your spirit.

Claiming your sense of individual autonomy may not be an easy task with the influence of your Libra Sun. Since you tend to think in terms of relativity, it's difficult to extract your own assertive self in a confident manner, especially during your early years. You may have learned to place great importance on your physical appearance or upon proper social behavior, learning to behave like a young lady, assuming that if you were pretty and charming enough then all the other things would just fall into place. Stepping out into the world and discovering that you needed to be known for more than your looks may have been your first reality check. Your sense of relativity can be one of your best assets, however. By making harmonious choices of partners - whether they are friends who share your interests, lovers or husbands - you can gain the type of feedback you need to see yourself more clearly. Then, your autonomy and individuality are strengthened through greater objectivity. But if you seek a partner or husband who will take on the tasks you just don't feel prepared to handle, like dealing with the demands of the world, then you will be continually frustrated and will frustrate your partner, too. Additionally, developing social relationships which support and reflect your true values will help you feel more confident about your identity, instead of just seeking situations which increase your social standing or status.

Adding emphasis to your self-expression is your need to be recognized as a thoughtful or intelligent woman which is emphasized through the conjunction of your

Sun and Mercury. The value you place upon learning, knowledge or information can be rather intense. You may also be under the impression that if you're smart enough, you'll get what you want from life. That may be true, but there are many levels of intelligence. One of those levels involves knowing when to stop talking and start listening, so remember that if you feel that you're not really being heard.

It's easy for you to overdo it. The influence of your Sun in opposition to Jupiter stimulates your tendency to over-exaggerate yourself. Sometimes you do have bragging rights, but during the times when you feel rather ordinary, you may stretch the truth just a little. Learning about limitation is one of your tough lessons, since you prefer to think optimistically, and with the sense that there are only horizons without fences. You may also expect too much from others, or feel that they should do more for you - and this can lead to great disappointment. To achieve the balance you seek, you need ample opportunities to move beyond your current circumstances while still maintaining your equilibrium.

Even when you are in a circumstance when you need to take charge or assert yourself, your gentility and compassion radiate through your actions and self-expression. Through the influence of your Sun in sextile aspect to Neptune, you have the capacity to accept yourself and others, and may be very open in your expression of faith in the principle of universal love. Embracing the masculine element of your psyche may be as simple as riding a bike - you just do it. Any other conflicts that you may have within yourself in this regard can be easily resolved through making an effort to integrate your spiritual and physical needs. You may over-idealize just a bit, so do remember that blind trust can be a problem.

You may be tempted to allow your life to be absorbed by the will and expectation of the men you love, from father to lover to husband. You may even have had an experience early in your life which tested your ability to survive. In truth, the conjunction between your Sun and Pluto indicates that you need to know what it is to express the charisma and intrigue which are the essence of your power as a woman. Men may be both fascinated and overwhelmed by your intensity, and you're likely to stir up a bit of controversy with anyone who is uncomfortable with their emotions, including their sexuality. As you fully integrate the essence of your will and drive with your need to create change, you can become an effective healer and powerful catalyst for growth.

Mars energy is assertive, aggressive and combative, and can be angry. These are not "feminine" qualities. In fact, women who possess and project these qualities from within themselves often get bad names, and are called "ball-busters," or other expletives, by the men who are dealing with them. But to become fully whole, you need to accept the manner in which you can utilize your Mars energy so that you are confident and strong with it, and so you can get into the world and make things happen for yourself!

With Mars in Gemini, you can be a bit of a mischief-maker. Sometimes you may not mean to get things stirred up, but you have a knack for igniting action through your words. Getting out into the world is relatively easy for you, and you may be able to connect with your assertive masculine drive by developing an understanding of your psychological nature. You may feel quite at ease in the company of men and women

alike, since you present a generally non-threatening quality.

Your independent spirit works to your advantage with Mars trine Uranus. You've always liked to do things on your own and in your own way, and you are quite adept at most things you attempt. The blending of your intuitive self with your assertive and physical ability also adds a special edge whether you're tackling a project or learning a new aerobics routine. You can project your independence without threatening the men in your life, and will appreciate relationships with men who are self-reliant. You may also expect a lot of yourself as a woman, and have a tendency to hold a super-woman image of yourself because you know you are capable of so many things. But life is much simpler when you allow yourself to be just a woman who is occasionally a super hero.

Developing Your Mind

Education and learning are lifelong processes. Your approach to developing your intellect is multifaceted, but there are special indicators in your astrological chart which help you understand the best ways to develop your mentality. Improving and strengthening communication skills is also part of developing your mind, since connecting to others is certainly improved if you can effectively illustrate your point of view!

Although the energy of Mercury is traditionally considered to be the main indicator of your mentality, there are also other qualities which are part of your mental and intellectual self. First, let's look at Mercury, which is the energy through which you link your thoughts and ideas with others. Developing your intellect is probably a high priority for you with Mercury in Libra. Part of your desire to learn is stimulated by your need to become a better communicator, since you do enjoy socializing and making connections with others. You may love fine literature, and may even express your own talents in writing or public speaking. You can also be an effective counselor because you're quite adept at seeing both sides of any situation. Situations which tolerate and support the development of new ideas stimulate your learning, and you may enjoy group circumstances which have the added benefit of the blending of ideas which arises when several people are exploring together. You also need ample room to develop your own ideas and will appreciate work circumstances and relationships which support your intellectual growth.

Your ability to accomplish the things you set out to do is enhanced with Mercury trine Mars. You may be quite adept at learning new things rather quickly, and are not afraid to investigate new subjects. Mental challenges are positively exciting for you, and you may always be studying or investigating something just because you love the challenge. You may also be quite confident when addressing groups or presenting your ideas, and can stimulate others to follow your leadership.

You may always feel that you want to know more than you do. The influence of

Mercury in opposition to Jupiter stimulates a powerful desire to gain greater understanding and to improve your intellectual abilities. It also stimulates a sense that you will never reach the horizon. In some respects, this influence can be quite helpful, because you will always be seeking new information and inspired by new circumstances. However, the restlessness associated with this influence can lead to a kind of wanderlust, in which you are never quite satisfied with your knowledge or abilities.

The energy of your Moon also has a mental component. The Moon is the realm of thought, the process of subconscious thinking, and plays a strong role in intuitive thinking. The social part of learning is important to you, and your Libra Moon may influence you to develop your social skills more fully. Your love of cultural expressions, such as the arts and literature, is quite evident and you are drawn to refined people and situations. Your learning environment is important, and you'll find that you're more open-minded and mentally focused in a beautiful or serene setting.

Jupiter also plays an important role in learning, stimulating you to look ahead into the realm of possibility, beyond the horizon of the now. Through the energy of Jupiter, you share what you know with others. As a woman, you are likely to feel most at home when you use this energy to encourage and support others, but you can also apply this to yourself! Your quest for knowledge may be like a challenge with Jupiter in Aries. You're like an explorer, ready to go at a moment's notice, looking for the answers to life's mysteries. You'd like to get there quickly because there could be something else more exciting waiting around the bend. Your philosophy may be more "here today, gone tomorrow," and your life experience may have taught you that if you fail to take advantage of opportunity when it knocks, you may not hear it knocking again!

Your expectations of yourself are always high, and this may extend to your need to learn as much as possible with your Sun in opposition to Jupiter. However, you can also overestimate your abilities and may jump into situations ill-prepared or overly-confident. This can lead to a tendency to underachieve because you have not thoroughly prepared yourself. To create the balance in your life which will allow you to grow on every level, you need to determine a reasonable set of goals and then apply yourself to the efforts required to realize them.

The purpose of Saturn is to provide clarity, structure, form and discipline - elements which are certainly important to learning. Saturn functions primarily as your inner teacher. Mothers are the most influential Saturnian models in western society. They provide the structure, guidance and support for their children in the realms of learning, socialization or personal growth. Once you enter society as a child, teachers play the Saturnian role. But the role of mothers and teachers in relationship to Saturn is to help you define the structure upon which you will build your life. Then, you "own" your Saturn, and know how to discipline and focus your own energy.

You may have a strong appreciation for many of your teachers with Saturn in Leo, especially those who have helped to foster your self-expression. Although you can be somewhat reserved and may be reluctant to fully express yourself when you know you're being evaluated, once you get over your stage fright, you can become a very effective communicator. Your mental intensity can be quite strong, and you may gain momentum

when you've accomplished an important goal.

The areas of your chart which are connected most strongly to mental and intellectual development are the 3rd, 9th and 11th Houses. The 3rd House of your chart deals with communication and the development of concepts.

Developing your mind is a very high priority with Aquarius on the cusp of your 3rd House. Although you love to learn, you may not enjoy adhering to a particular structure in your education: you have your own ideas about what is important! However, you can follow the program if necessary, especially if it means you will ultimately be able to become more independent as a result. You can be quite opinionated, although you may like to think of yourself as humanitarian, and frequently take an idealistic stand (at least according to your family). With Uranus ruling this house you are concerned for the welfare of humanity, and you may also enjoy reaching out to make contact with the people on the planet. You're also interested in making contact with beings living beyond the bounds of earth. Here on earth, you may be fascinated by technology, and be a wiz with computers.

There are no planets in your 3rd House, indicating that developing your communicative capacities is not one of your highest priorities. However this does not indicate an impairment in your thinking or a lack of intellectual development. To further understand your approach to communication reflect upon the meaning of the sign on the cusp of this house, explained above, and study the influence of Mercury in its sign and house as indicators of the best ways to develop your intellect.

Your 9th House shows your approach to higher learning, which is usually accomplished through a college or professional degree program. Subjects like philosophy, religion, political science, cultural pursuits and the like are strongly associated with this facet of your development.

The influence of Leo on the cusp of your 9th House adds a powerful sense of confidence in your ability to learn and develop your understanding. Your search for Truth drives you to study a broad range of material, but you also enjoy learning about some things just because you like them! You may have a bit of wanderlust and do love to travel and experience the wide diversity present in life on earth. The Sun's rulership of this house adds a sense of pride to your educational accomplishments. But you can also be quite sensitive to criticism from others about what you know, how you say things or the manner in which you do things.

Educational pursuits, extensive travel and exploring cultural diversity can be among your greatest pleasures with Venus in the 9th House. You may be interested in living abroad and can easily adapt to different cultural and environmental influences, especially if your sense of esthetics is heightened from the new experience. Your appreciation for the art and culture of humankind can be rather powerful, and your own growth and sense of personal artistry and creativity are strengthened through your exposure to a wide variety of options and influences.

Through the 11th House you learn from peers, and connect with your community. The 11th House involves your special interests, too. This is very much the school of life,

because this is also the area which relates to developing your goals.

You may wish that life would just provide the right situations, and that by living a just and harmonious life, that you would get where you're trying to go. With Libra on the cusp of your 11th House, you may not always have definitive goals - like a list of objectives. But when you think about it, you do have preferences, and those preferences frequently act as the anchor for your goals. The influence of the energy of Venus, which is the ruler of this house, adds strong values to your aims and objectives. You may also like the idea of achieving a certain amount of prestige and social status, and may even take these considerations into account when organizing the overall plan of your life. This may function subconsciously, but when you get inside yourself, you can probably see how these needs drive you to make some of your choices.

Your approach to goals is stimulated by a need to express your individuality with Uranus in the 11th House. You may take an unconventional approach to achieving your aims, and operate best in situations which allow you plenty of freedom and room for independent action. Political and community affairs may be of interest to you, and if you become involved in such activities, you may be responsible for stimulating revolutionary change. Your choice of friends and associates, personally and professionally, is likely to be quite diverse.

Your Special Edge

It's true. Women are definitely the intuitive sex. The process of intuitive awareness may be more developed for you as a woman because you are more cyclically aware, thanks to your anatomy and hormonal changes. But there is something more. As a woman, your natural affinity with the energy of the Moon increases your receptivity, an important ingredient in opening to the intuitive process. Intuitive awareness is multifaceted. You can use it when you're dealing with emotional and psychological issues, you can apply it to your creative expression, and you can take advantage of your intuition in your work as part of your decision-making. Developing your intuitive process is like developing any other sensibility - you have to concentrate some time, effort and energy in order to finely hone this element of your psyche. Although some quality of intuition may be there innately, to make the most of it, you must learn to trust, listen and incorporate it into your life.

The parts of your chart which are most strongly associated with intuitive sensibility are the water houses: the 4th House, the 8th House and the 12th House. The 4th House is connected to your soul history. It is here that you seek a sense of home, a connection to your family, and a feeling of safety and comfort. It is here that your soul remembers your past, even if your conscious mind cannot fit the pieces together.

Your sense that your soul has a long and fascinating history is strengthened through the influence of Pisces on the cusp of your 4th House. It's easy to be persuaded by the

needs of others and the beliefs and ideals of your family may be especially powerful for you. Yet you also know that you need to find your own path, and you may hide away a secret side of yourself which is quietly journeying toward the summits of understanding and spiritual awareness. Neptune's energy also influences this house, adding a deep perceptual awareness that you are much more than "merely human." Your yearning to travel home with your soul drives you to discover the reality of your inner self, which is where you are most alive.

You need a lot of space and room to move with Jupiter in your 4th House. This includes interior space - room in your psyche - an open mind! You may wonder how you attract good fortune, since frequently you seem to benefit from the generosity of others. But your soul is a generous one, and you may simply be attracting what you project to others. Your desire to learn, to explore the world and expand your consciousness is powerful. Whether or not you travel physically, you have the capability of journeying with your soul into the realms of truth and wisdom.

The 8th House brings you into your deepest emotional attachments, and is the space where you are alchemically transformed. This is the seat of your magical power: your ability to change yourself in order to become whole. Here is the heart of healing, but here you also hide your greatest vulnerabilities. Most people shy away from dealing with 8th House issues like sex, death and taxes. After all, there can be problems with any of them, and they are not easy to explore out in the open. But there is more. For your intuitive development, this area represents the part of you which holds your power, and you must learn to accept and embrace this side of yourself to feel truly satisfied with your life.

You may have a strong feeling about the experiences of the great changes experienced through life on the physical plane with Cancer on the cusp of your 8th House. This influence strengthens your psychic sensitivity, particularly in the area of clairvoyance, but you can overreact emotionally to your impressions and feelings. Although it's difficult to remain objective, it is necessary to conquer your tendency to let your own emotional responses overwhelm you. The energy of your Moon also influences this house, emphasizing your need to gain an awareness of the manner in which your sensitivity on inner levels can effect your emotional stability. By developing an understanding of the way your inner self operates and learning to clear your energy when you fall into negative emotional states you can experience deep healing in your life.

Saturn's energy in your 8th House encourages you to take a realistic approach to understanding healing and transformational change. You may find that you are fearful of looking beneath the surface, but those fears may be totally unfounded. However, if you've had experiences which have frightened or harmed you, this influence tends to impress them more strongly into your psyche, and it can be more difficult for you to let go. Old feelings of shame and guilt can also be problematic, and can stand in the way of your healing. These feelings can block your intuitive flow and stifle your ability to experience life to its fullest. You may think that you do not want to know about the meaning of death or the true nature of your sexuality, but that, too, may be based upon fear.

The 12th House is the space of your dreams. Here, you surrender your conscious self

and float into the beyond. This is also the place in your psyche which contains your past, and where you are one with all humanity. Your super conscious self rests in this part of your psyche: the part of yourself that transcends your everyday reality.

With Scorpio influencing your 12th House you may have a deep inner struggle in your quest to fully acknowledge and express your true strength. You may have the capacity to develop an intense awareness of the inner planes, and can be strongly connected to the collective unconscious. If you use your enhanced awareness for positive healing and as a catalyst for regeneration, your soul is empowered. But if you direct your energy toward vengeance or become filled with resentment, you can literally destroy yourself through this influence. Pluto's rulership of this house adds a powerful intensity to the force of your subconscious mind, which, if surrendered to the guidance of your super-conscious self, can be transformed.

Since you do not have any planets in your 12th House you may not feel a strong urge to probe into your dreams, and you may not feel extremely tied to your past. However, to fully understand the nature of this house study the meaning of the sign on the cusp, explained above, and look to the planet associated with that sign.

The energy of your Moon plays an important role in your intuitive development. Since your Moon is related to your subconscious mind, it should not surprise you that this is the part of you that contains all knowledge about yourself and your life. Occasionally it's a good idea to purge from your psyche the things you no longer need - much like an internal house cleaning. Your hormonal cycles provide an excellent opportunity to do just that, and by using this natural rhythm to release, you can feel much more open to clearer transmission of intuitive thinking!

Through your Libra Moon, you may discover that your intuition works to your greatest advantage when you're dealing with people. This can be especially true if you're involved in counseling or human relations, since you may be able to use your sensibilities to help you understand the larger picture of what's happening. You can also be quite artistic and have a marvelous intuitive sense of color, style and design. You may be one of those women who knows how to fit into almost any situation, and part of that is because you can sense the most advantageous times to talk, listen or walk away!

There are other points related to the Moon which you'll find in your chart. They are called the Moon's Nodes, and are not planets, but points in space. The influence of the Moon's Nodes is felt on an inner level. From the South Node, you learn about your past and the natural inclinations which may influence many of your subconscious choices. In some ways, the South Node suggests old habits. The North Node of the Moon suggests a spiritual and emotional challenge, and represents the directions you may feel compelled to follow in your evolutionary path.

Your path toward spiritual evolution involves surrendering to the process of complete transformation with your North Node in Scorpio. By participating in experiences which are geared toward healing and regeneration you will not only experience personal growth, but can feel your connection to a higher power more readily. With your South Node in Taurus your tendency may be to pursue avenues which are selfishly possessive or

narrowly stubborn. Each time you fall into the trap of extreme willfulness, you may experience profound inner turmoil, since you are learning to surrender to the power of love to help you resolve crises and achieve true healing.

Uranian intuition is the flash of insight. Sometimes that flash is so brilliant that you change your entire life to follow its glow. This is also the part of you which defies restraint, and certainly your intuitive mind can celebrate that possibility!

Your insights may be highly valued by your friends with Uranus in your 11th House. You can also be quite adept at pinpointing the special talents and gifts of others, which can be quite encouraging when someone is seeking their particular path. Innovative approaches to fulfilling community needs may also give you an excellent opportunity to exercise your ingenuity and intuitive sensibilities.

Neptune's energy takes you into the world of the etheric - the place beyond the physical which is filled with mystical wonder. You surrender to this part of yourself when you meditate, when you give in to your creative muse, and when you give of yourself to others. In developing your intuitive and psychic sensibilities, Neptune provides a primary ingredient: letting go. Through this energy you surrender yourself to the greater truth. But be careful: you can also surrender your will to the power of deception and abuse through another of Neptune's doorways!

Your compassionate sensibilities can be projected through your own actions and words with Neptune in your 1st House. Since you're highly sensitive to the vibrations around you, it is imperative that you live and work in an environment which feels good. Harsh circumstances, negative people and overly intense situations can have a detrimental effect upon your health - on every level. You may be psychically gifted and have a powerful sense of the energy of those with whom you make contact. However, you can be deceived or may deceive yourself by seeing only what you want to see.

Pluto's insight is on the deeper psychic level. Through Plutonian energy you can read between the lines. You see the twitch of an eye that tells the truth, you read the movement of hands, the tone of voice that betrays what words fail to say. Developing your Plutonian energy requires that you reach into the very depths of yourself and become familiar with your entire being. Yes, that includes your shadow self, your darker side - and it also encompasses your passion, your strength of survival and your ability to heal.

As a powerful investigator and researcher, you can apply your penetrating insights through your life work with Pluto in the 10th House. Finding a path which will allow you to uncover the power at the core of yourself may encompass every aspect of your life, and you can become quite influential in your career or within your family or community.

Nurturing and Creating a Home

Nurturing. Mothering. These experiences are associated with womanliness, but are not the sole definers of your womanhood. Although women are the only ones who can become mothers, it is not necessary to be a mother to become an exceptional nurturer! Nurturing is a natural expression for women - but the manner in which it is done is very individualized. Whether with children, lovers, partners, friends - or even with your own parents - you have ample opportunities to nurture others. The person who needs your nurturing most, however, is YOU. Although caring for others can fill a special place in your soul, the way you care for yourself is especially important. You may derive nourishment from developing your talents and skills, or through your work. Study or travel can be nourishing. And something as simple as a long soak in the tub can refill your spirit. Part of nourishing yourself is physical, part emotional and part is definitely environmental: what you create in a home. In exploring these factors together, you can begin to see the link between these different levels of personal fulfillment.

Yet another facet of your Moon beyond what you've already explored, is what your Moon shows about your deepest needs. You can only feel whole when these needs are answered and fulfilled. Although it is tempting to look outside, your wisdom tells you that a great part of the responsibility for nourishment comes from within yourself.

You may adore being pampered. The energy behind your Libra Moon may keep you so involved doing things with others to help them stay happy that you don't always do things which fill your own soul. This is especially true if you have children, since you're likely to do whatever you can to make sure that they have a chance for dancing lessons, school functions, music lessons, sports activities, the best birthday parties, or anything they need to develop their social skills and have a full life. If you're married, you may also do a lot to support your husband's needs. You work, too? Well, then you need lots of time to indulge your every whim! When you stop to think about it, you may wonder what you really do need for yourself. Start by concentrating on your need for inner harmony, and allow a little time each day for peaceful contemplation. You also need to let your hair down sometimes. If that means popping your favorite CD into the stereo and dancing around the room, then go for it! Or take the time to have lunch with an old friend, make a phone call to your college roommate, or go to a movie with your sweetie. Make it a point to regularly visit your beautician and be pampered a little in addition to having your hair done. Find your favorite spot and read a steamy romance novel. Attend a concert or play or go to an art gallery just to be enthralled with the beauty. Filling your soul in these ways fills your heart with joy and adds sparkle to your smile.

Saturn also plays a positive role in nurturance. Despite the bad rap Saturn sometimes receives, this energy is necessary to your stability and growth. Through Saturn, you learn to take responsibility for yourself and your actions. Saturn also seems to be the repository of your fears, and it's important to understand and deal with these emotions in order to be whole. Trying to repress such feelings blocks your ability to feel the positive, supportive energy that life has to offer. In many respects, the energy of Saturn is played out in your life by your experience with authority figures. Your mother and father, extended family and teachers were your primary Saturnian influences when you were a young girl, and

their direction and guidance still whisper in the way you approach establishing your personal security. As an adult woman, you express Saturn through the manner in which you take responsibility for yourself and your needs for stability and security.

You have a definite way you like to do things and function best when you're in charge. Whether in personal relationships or at work, you utilize the energy of Saturn in Leo to bring things into focus and set definitive priorities. You can be rather stubborn and may have trouble getting out of your own way, especially when there might be a better way to do something. But you're also willing to adapt to change if it will make your life function more smoothly and afford you more time to enjoy the things you truly love. You can be a warm and supportive parent or partner, and take commitments quite seriously. Your protection and warmth can be quite steady and strong. And you don't think of yourself as secondary to any man in your life, although you may still be a little intimidated by those you respect!

Your 4th House illuminates what you need in a home environment, where you will feel most comfortable and how you like to live. It is here that you create a feeling of safety, where you can let your hair down and be yourself.

The qualities of Pisces radiate through your personal environment, adding a need for true serenity. Home is your escape, and your need for a place which feels far removed from the pressures of the world can be quite powerful. Neptune's influence of this house may stimulate a desire to live near water. If you have property near the ocean, a lake, stream or pond your comfort and inner peace are enhanced. But if you're stuck in an apartment somewhere, there's no need for despair. A small fountain or fish tank can add this energy. Water in the basement does not count, by the way, but may indicate that you need to bring water into your home more directly! Translucent colors are a wonderful touch to your home space, and you may take extra care in furnishing and decorating your bedroom.

Home can be an uplifting and inspiring place for you with Jupiter's energy in your 4th House. You need room to move and space for expansion and may enjoy living in an area which offers a wide range of options such as cultural activity, education and recreation. You may have a large extended family, although you may not always see them all. Establishing your own family can be rewarding and enjoyable, and being part of and passing on family heritage may be one of your greatest rewards. Your parents may have encouraged you to extend your education or travel, and your influence upon your own children, if you have them, may motivate them to fill their minds with knowledge.

Meeting the World on Your Terms

Career and financial arenas were for many years primarily part of the "man's world." Women stayed at home, cared for children, and took care of the social needs of the family. Now that so many women are in the work place, and with the advent of more open relationships where both partners are likely to share paying bills and making financial decisions, the world is changing. You can define your identity in the world in many ways today, including developing a career. Meeting the world on your own terms involves uncovering the manner in which you might shine most effectively and the way you use your resources, and creating a pathway which allows you to realize your goals.

The Midheaven, which is usually near the top of your astrological chart, is signified by an astrological sign. This point in your chart represents your vocation, your calling in life, and the sign at the Midheaven gives you several clues about your path in the outside world. Just as importantly, the Midheaven signifies your blossoming into wholeness and the manner by which you might best accomplish this experience. Your 10th House also provides information about your career path.

The influence of Virgo on your Midheaven stimulates a desire to achieve a sense of perfection through following the path toward your life purpose. Teaching and guiding your children can be an exceptional experience for you, and you may also feel comfortable in supportive roles in business. If you strive to achieve recognition on your own, you may be most successful in the fields of education, communication, the healing arts or service industries. You may be very industrious and enjoy opportunities to produce something through your efforts. You're quite adept at dealing with the practical concerns of life, and your common sense about your career choices can help assure your success. The energy of Mercury also has a powerful influence on your life path, and adds to your need to utilize your analytical abilities in your work.

With Mercury in Libra your ability to make connections with others is strengthened, and a life path which allows you to build bridges between people can be quite fulfilling. Your diplomatic abilities may stimulate your desire to work in public relations, counseling or business. You may also be a gifted writer and have an easy understanding of law and human relations.

The process of work itself is usually seen through the 6th House in your chart. Through this facet of yourself, you express your approach and attitudes about working, and your ability to cooperate with others is also indicated here. This house is related to your physical health, and it's no surprise that you might hear the complaint (or feel it yourself), "I'm sick of my job." Instead of feeling thrown off balance by the tasks required to get through life, there are ways to use this part of your time and energy to strengthen your life.

You can be a tireless worker with Taurus on your 6th House, although you do love the feeling of time off! It's very important that you gain pleasure from your job, since the rulership of Venus here shows a strong need for your work to reflect your true values. You may work best in situations which allow you to move at your own pace, and can be somewhat stubborn in your attitudes toward coworkers. If you don't like them, they may

not get a second chance with you. You can be a little overbearing and bossy and need to watch your own reactions when faced with orders from your superiors. Working in endeavors which are creative is most satisfying.

You have no planets in your 6th House, but still need to do something productive with your life. This may be an indicator that you do not feel a need to focus all your attention on working. Look to the influences suggested by the sign on this house and to the planet ruling this house for more information about how to best approach fulfilling your needs for productivity and duty.

As a woman, you are innately creative. Although you may not consider yourself an artist, your creative spirit and drive are the mechanisms through which you shape your own life. Creative self-expression is seen strongly in the 5th House of your chart, and by incorporating these elements into your career, you will gain greater satisfaction from your work. If you have the time to concentrate on more recreational forms of creativity, this is the part of your chart which indicates what brings you pleasure. Life itself can certainly be a pleasurable experience - all the time, not just on holidays!

Aries' influence on your 5th House ignites your creative spirit, stimulating a powerful urge to have a life filled with fun and excitement. By incorporating these needs into your life, you increase your productivity. You may be most successful when you have ample room to play, and if your work allows you to use your creativity, then it, too, can become more creative and rewarding. You may prefer to keep work and play somewhat separated - it may make playtime more valuable! However, your vitality is strengthened when your creative spirit is humming. You're likely to have all kinds of recreational outlets, something for each season of the year. In whatever you do artistically or creatively, it will carry your special mark. With Mars ruling this house, you may enjoy a few challenges. You might even find taking time off to get involved in your company or community sports teams or recreational activities can add an excellent dimension to your life.

Just because there are no planetary energies in your 5th House, do not despair. This does not indicate that you are somehow lacking in creativity. As you see from the sign on the cusp of your 5th House, your creative inclinations are driven by particular qualities and needs. Explore the different dimensions of the planet associated with your 5th House to gain insight into your creativity. By following these you'll find that you easily unlock your creative potential.

One of the most powerful creative drives in your chart is your Sun. Since this is the energy which can drive you to be noticed, learning to cultivate this aspect of yourself in a positive manner can amplify your success in life.

You may think you don't care much about success as long as it looks good on you. But you know that your Libra Sun is really driving you to reach a stage of getting things right and having life fit your set of specifications. Finding success through your associations with others may seem to be the easy way out, and you may keep trying to change them to fit your desires until you realize that you really are working on changing yourself. So, look in the mirror and start over. What do you want to see reflected back at you? See that confident smile? That's the look of success. The rest should be easy.

Your individuality is expressed through many different energies in your chart, but the energy which is most closely associated with the unique and individualistic part of yourself is Uranus. Through Uranian energy, you display your ingenuity and make the breakthroughs which allow you to move into new experiences. Uranus also prompts your rebellious nature, and the placement of this energy in your chart shows you where you are staging your own personal revolution.

You have Uranus in Scorpio, bringing about a revolution in your consciousness in regard to matters of healing, psychology, birth, death and human sexuality. Along with other women born from 1974 to 1981, you will be responsible for awakened attitudes in regard to these matters within society. If your career choices center around the health care profession or scientific fields, your methods and approaches can bring a new understanding in these areas. Along with others born with Uranus in Scorpio, you will be part of the revolution concerning women's choices in health matters, including birth and abortion. You may also confront society's needs to allow for greater privacy in decisions regarding birth and death. In your personal life it is crucial that you allow your intuitive self to guide you when facing health related issues, and that you try a wide variety of approaches to achieving optimal health. The areas in your life where you break ground in regard to your deeply held convictions concerning freedom of expression are shown by the house in which Uranus resides in your chart.

With the energy of Uranus in your 11th House you may be involved in work which serves the needs of your community. From social work, to teaching, to consulting, to city planning and beyond - you can be quite comfortable in situations which allow you to bring change into the world by working cooperatively with others who share your ideals.

The energy of Chiron is also a powerful factor for your outreach into the world. Through Chiron, you discover both strength and vulnerability. The vulnerability represented by Chiron is, in many ways, like a doorway which allows you to penetrate a deeper level of personal mastery. This is the process of initiation not unlike that which a Shaman must endure in order to learn how to travel between the worlds. Through Chiron, you learn how to travel between the world of your inner self and the world outside to achieve a sense of true purpose and wisdom.

You have Chiron in Aries, signifying a need to discover your true courage. Your life purpose is centered around your needs for pioneering into unexplored territory, whether physical or idealistic. Your life work may involve breaking ground, cutting through barriers, or blasting through outworn attitudes. Your head and heart need to be in harmony with one another if you are to succeed in achieving this purpose.

With Chiron in your 5th House you're finding ways to use your creativity and self-confidence to help you achieve your life purpose. Right use of your talents and abilities is crucial to your growth, and plays a powerful role in the realization of your true self.

Opening Your Heart

Ah, Love.... Songs, poems, novels, fairy-tales, movies all extol the power and pleasure of love - and for good reason: love is the food of life! There are many opportunities to love, in fact, a love affair with life is not a bad idea. But you also may need to "grow" love by sharing it, and therein is the seed of all relationships.

The planetary energies which are most usually associated with love are Venus and Neptune. Venusian energy radiates directly from your heart, from the center of yourself, where love resides deep within. Loving is an inner experience. The more you open to the love you hold within yourself, the more it grows. Your feelings of worthiness are represented by Venus, and as you grow to understand and appreciate your own value as a woman, it becomes easier to let this love energy flow through your life. Neptunian energy is Divine compassionate love - the love which does not judge and readily forgives. Neptune is the realm of romance, mysticism and heavenly perfection. Truly transcendent Neptunian love arises when you have healthy boundaries of your own, otherwise, you can become a victim of your own illusions!

Sometimes, you may feel that you are not really worthy of the love you need with Venus in Virgo. This feeling stems from that yardstick you use to measure your own perfection. And who says that you have to be perfect in order to be lovable? You can place the same restraints on yourself by feeling that you can only love someone if they meet your detailed list of criteria. All these fancy restrictions may just be your way of assuring that you won't be hurt, because the thought of someone that you care about might reject you is almost unbearable. So, let's start from square one. You do need love, and when you love, you love deeply. You love most easily when you have reached a real understanding and know that you are truly accepted for who you are. You don't have to get that tummy tuck in order to be lovable after all! To keep your heart open, you need to remind yourself that you are whole, perfect and loving. To sustain love, you strive to make life wonderful; that's good. But trouble arises when you start trying to fix somebody because you love them. Oops! Instant opportunity for pain! So before you pull out your doctor kit, think about the situation first. Maybe you, or your sweetheart, are perfect as you are. Imagine that....

Your ability to attract relationships which are good for you is strengthened through the sextile between your Venus and Mars energies. Your timing is also good, in the sense that you are likely to honor your own vulnerabilities and have a sensitivity to the same in the men you attract, allowing a relationship to move toward intimacy at a pace which feels comfortable. These energies also support your confidence in yourself as a woman and lessen your need to compete with the men in your life.

Your originality and ingenuity are quite attractive with Venus in sextile aspect to Uranus. It's easier for you to open your heart to someone who is also more autonomous and self-sufficient. In the process you may find that you cherish the friendships you create more than the passionate bedroom encounters. However, there's nothing wrong with either. It's likely that if you end a relationship with a lover that you will become friends, and it is at this level that you may experience the most profound sense of

unconditional love. You can incorporate that feeling into your intimate relationships too, but it requires a partner who will not feel threatened by your autonomy and occasional emotional distance. You're quite willing to flow with changes and probably even create a few just to keep your energy moving. For your relationship to be successful in the long term, it must be open, allow room for individuality, and encourage free thinking on the part of both partners.

As one of the generation of women born with Neptune in Sagittarius, you may be intimately involved in reshaping the definition of marriage. Laws which reflect the true nature of loving and making commitments may be difficult to initiate, but are important parts of your task as a collective during this lifetime. On a personal level you may find that your primary drive in relationships involves finding a partner who shares your quest for truth and understanding. To open your heart to real compassion, you need to feel a sense of trust which originates from your common ideals and values. Once your vision is focused with that of your partner, you can create amazing changes which will form the basis of the teachings you pass on to your children and future generations.

The influence of your Sun in sextile aspect to Neptune indicates that you need a relationship which embodies many qualities, ranging from physical to emotional to spiritual connections. Integrating the spiritual essence of yourself into your relationships is easy when you have a partner who respects and supports you as a whole woman. You are most drawn to a man whose spirituality is a powerful part of his life.

The houses in your chart which amplify love relationships are the 5th, 7th, and 11th Houses. Through the 5th House, you experience giving love. It is through this facet of yourself that you have love affairs, playful and recreational relationships and where you produce the offspring of loving. The offspring can range from artistic endeavors to children. But when dealing with relationships, this is the space which is usually occupied by loving another in an intimate sense.

There's little doubt when you love someone because you can be quite direct in your expression of love with Aries influencing your 5th House. You need ample freedom for your expression of love, and enjoy spontaneous bursts of passion. Playing the assertive role in relationships, at least occasionally, can feel quite natural to you. It's easier to open your heart when you feel the spark of attraction that challenges you to take action. Those quiet, casual affairs of the heart can be interesting, but will never have the power and intensity of an exciting entanglement. With Mars influencing this house in your chart you will find that you are most enraptured by love experiences which are daring and full of life. You can also be a tease and love to play taunting games which stir a bit of controversy. A fast-paced exchange of sharp wit and funny jabs may be the perfect beginning to a delightful romance. You'll enjoy love relationships which are playful, recreational and filled with activity. You're not likely to appreciate love relationships which inhibit your freedom, and need plenty of room to explore the territory of your heart.

You have no planetary energy in your 5th House. There is no need to be alarmed, because this does not indicate that you will be without love in your life. As you've seen above, you have definite inclinations in love relationships. To further understand what

you need from a lover and how you can become more adept at giving love, study the planet associated with this house.

The 7th House of your chart illustrates what you're seeking from a partner. More importantly, this part of your chart also tells a story about the kind of partner you really want to become. This is also the realm of social contact, and provides information about your approach to socialization. Although marriage agreements are shown through the 7th House, planets here (or a lack of planets here) do not "promise" marriage or its lack. But if your 7th House is highly activated, you may be more motivated to find a partner.

Your 7th House is ruled by Gemini, showing that you appreciate a partnership for the opportunity to develop a true understanding and clear communication. The exchange of ideas is part of the strength in your relationships, and if your marriage or partnership does not provide room for this exchange, you will quickly lose interest. You may also seek a mate whose interests are diverse and whose intelligence is equivalent to your own. Sharing travel, education, and social contacts can be an important ingredient in your partnership. With Mercury's energy influencing your experience of partnership, you will discover that the manner in which you create and attract your relationships depends upon where your own mind is focused. Your life partner's origination is in your ideas, thoughts and visualizations. You can alter or change your experience in partnership through changing your attitudes and re-focusing your thoughts, and if you're in a situation which is working well, can bring improvements in this manner. If you've not yet found your ideal mate, work on what you're creating through your thoughts.

Asserting yourself within your partnership can be a challenging and exciting experience, but you can also experience a great deal of frustration if you are uncomfortable with your self-assertiveness. With Mars in your 7th House, you're most attracted to men who are, themselves, strong, assertive or competitive. As a result, power struggles can arise. Just trying to avoid them will do little good. You need people in your life who enjoy a challenge every now and then, and may channel much of this energy into partnerships. Finding positive outlets for your competitive edge can be fun - games, sports or other recreational activities can smooth rough edges and still keep your juices pumping. Sometimes, arguments are simply the result of pent-up hostility which could be released through some type of physical activity. Men may accuse you of trying to take charge too much of the time if you are expressing your own assertiveness. For this reason, developing techniques which allow you to assert yourself with confidence will help you get past any hostility you may encounter. Just watch for reactions to help you gauge your next move, and go girl!

It is through the 11th House that you learn about unconditional relationships, and where you open to receiving love and support from others. Here you find your friends, your supportive professional allies, and your community. Through this facet of yourself you develop your special interests. And here you set your goals for the future. It's wonderful the way friends can support your aims, provide feedback when you need objectivity, and comfort you when you're facing challenges. Your approach to friendship is also seen through this part of your chart.

With Libra's influence on your 11th house you may have many friends, especially in

the sense of a large social circle. When you're involved in something that has meaning and value in your life, like a special interest, you will discover many friends along the way. During the times you're sharing these experiences, you may feel very warm, supported and appreciated. However, you may not have very many close friends because it's not always easy for you to open your heart and allow love to flow in at a deep level. You may feel that you want to save that experience for someone special. You can also feel a little insecure, especially when you start comparing yourself to those in your circle of friends. Once you learn to avoid establishing your own worth relative to that of others, you'll find that your heart opens much more easily. You may also find your perfect mate through your friendships, and the man you marry or choose as your companion may first be a good friend. This relationship will have established your mutual appreciation and shared interests, an excellent beginning to any relationship.

The dynamic energy of Uranus in your 11th House attracts a broad spectrum of friendships. You can relate to almost anyone, although your closest friends will be those whose aims and ideals are expressed through interests similar to your own. When you were a young girl, you probably had friends from many different backgrounds, and you may have run into some conflict with your parents over some of your more controversial friends. Now that you are a woman, you may still have unusual friends, and will cherish those who are proud to be different. You may even join with them to fight for their rights or champion humanitarian causes. Although the ideal of unconditional love is quite easy for you to understand, you may not always feel satisfied with the give and take of friendship, and will discover a broad gap between the walk and the talk. Your quest is to incorporate a true sense of power within the context of individuality, and to bring revolution into the world of apathy. Of course, you might prefer a revolution of ideas and change in ideologies rather than a revolution of guns, violence and destruction. Therefore, it's imperative that you have some clarity about connecting with others whose aims are truly pure and motivated by positive change for the good of humanity.

Power Issues: Sex, Money and Control

Personal power is an individual expression, and has different meanings for each person. As a woman in the world today, your opportunity to experience and express your personal power is largely dependent upon the manner in which you develop it. Particularly in the Western World, as times have changed and the power base has gradually evolved beyond the patriarchal control of the last centuries, women are seeking to define their place in the world: collectively and individually. Gaining influence in the world through career and financial development, you begin to understand the different levels of power. Within the family, your roles are also evolving. You are also more free to express your sexual needs and desires, and demand that you are respected as a person and not sexually abused. But everything stems from your ability to identify, embrace and assimilate the true nature of your power as an individual woman.

On a personal level, you can begin to identify much about your own power by looking deeply into the meaning of your 1st House: Your Personality Self. Early in your report you read about what you project about yourself as identified by your Ascendant. Your first House further defines that projection of the Self, and is an area where you carve out much about the way you show yourself to the world on your own terms.

Through the qualities of Sagittarius on your Ascendant you can radiate a power which stems from confidence, optimism and a sense of adventure. These qualities attract good fortune, open opportunities and endless possibilities. But you can undermine your power by avoiding the responsibilities which accompany a real sense of freedom. Setting limits is crucial if you are to have the abundance you crave. Certainly life seems to be more fun when you are at play, and if you can arrange your life to find work you truly enjoy and surround yourself with people whose wit and wisdom keep you laughing you will find it easier to develop your personal power. Making the choices which are related to just taking the responsible route without including your need for play will be just as damaging as avoiding responsibility altogether! You cannot afford to sell out: you must follow the high road and continue your search for the ultimate life has to offer. You have to believe in yourself, and every time you make choices which undermine your sense of confidence, you need to take a look at what was motivating you. Finding the balance point is the hard part: knowing when to rush forward into the future and when to stand confidently in the present. Your principles can guide you, but you cannot force those principles onto others; their beliefs and ideals may be different from your own. Yet you can inspire others to find the truth when you've managed to stumble into it yourself!

With the energy of Neptune in your 1st House, your power as an individual may be difficult to grasp at first. You may be an exceptional actress, artist or performer - even if you're not on stage! Sometimes, you may be tempted to take on a role just because it will give you some sense of identity, and your roles may begin to feel like you. Although the roles you play may be a part of who you are, there is a core element to your being which is different from those roles. Finding the core self is your task, and it is through exploring your spirituality and creativity that you will locate the keys to this aspect of yourself. But you can also feel invisible some of the time, and may wonder why nobody seems to see you as you are. First of all, you have to become more aware of what you are projecting, and be willing to alter to your self-projection as you change and grow. You must also realize that you can be especially sensitive to the projections of others, and that this can be both empowering and defeating. If the projection is accurate, then it will support your sense of self. But if the projection is something that has nothing to do with who you really are, you will begin to feel lost, victimized and confused. Your relationships are a crucial means of learning about your personal power, because they will tell you what you are projecting and what others are projecting onto you. Learning about codependency and working to avoid the traps involved in codependent and addictive relationships is a major step in regaining your power and confidence. The rest of the work involves the fun part: making your dreams real. You're the only one who can do it, and you can be successful if those dreams arise from the promptings of your higher nature.

Another power space on your chart is your Midheaven. This point, which is usually at the top of your chart and marks the cusp of the 10th House, is like the crown and torch of

the Statue of Liberty. Here too, are the indicators of the types of people you most admire, and the clues to what you need to develop within yourself to attain unshakable self-respect.

Through your Virgo Midheaven you may feel that power only arises when you've achieved perfection, although your ideals for perfection may be astronomical. Your admiration for perfect performances by anyone from athletes to artists may be unqualified, and you truly appreciate others who are striving to improve themselves. Despite your continual search for the ultimate, you grow into your power when you fully embrace both your strengths and your limitations. You also know the importance of cooperative efforts, and can be especially influential in situations which target improvements. Some of your greatest mentors are your teachers, and when you realize how much you appreciate your teachers for just being themselves you may find that on this level, you can also accept and empower yourself. After all, you are your own ultimate teacher!

With your Moon in the 10th House you may have a powerful need to develop a career path which allows you to express care and concern for others. Nurturant careers have a broad range - from child care, to counseling work, to teaching or even careers in the food industry. But you're also quite adept at understanding the collective and may be drawn to a career in politics, advertising, or artistry which has a broad appeal. Your intuitive sensibilities can be a plus in your career and work which allows you to utilize and develop your intuitive self to its fullest will be most fulfilling. You're capable of enjoying a career which reflect a definite cycle and can adapt to the ebb and flow of these cycles rather nicely. Work which centers on women, their interests and the needs of family can be especially rewarding.

With the Sun in your 10th House you need recognition and you may be highly ambitious. Your sense of identity is strongly tied to your career and it is imperative that you develop a career path which looks good on you! You may excel in careers which allow you to take a position of leadership and where you can direct things in your own way. The nature of work which suits you best is further defined by your Sun's sign and aspects to your Sun, but the sign and ruler of your Midheaven (explained below) are also influences which you will incorporate into your sense of personal fulfillment through career.

Mercury's energy in your 10th House indicates that you can be highly adept in a career which requires you to develop your mind and communicative capacities. Whether you're writing, editing, teaching or researching, you'll enjoy a field which challenges your mind. You'll feel at home in a career centered around young people or work which requires keen manual dexterity.

Pluto's energy in your 10th House suggests a need to express yourself in a life path which centers upon transformational change. The healing arts may be especially important, but you can express your healing energy in many different professions - from cooking meals to hairdressing to music or writing. What you need to acknowledge is that you have a powerful desire and need to see things change. Your touch and artistry can restore something (or someone) to its rightful valuable place. You're an explorer, a

researcher - one who looks beneath the surface to find what lies at the core. You're a natural alchemist and metaphysician. You may bump shoulders with many powerful people, since like attracts like. And once you are comfortable with the true nature of your own strengths, you can move into positions of great influence, which need to be driven through a heart of compassion. The type of work you do may not be as important as the manner in which you choose to do it, and that must reflect a strong conviction in yourself as a woman of compassionate power.

Your drive to accomplish your ambitions can be especially powerful with Mars in square aspect to your Midheaven. Sometimes all you can see is the goal, and you can engender hostile responses or create hurt feelings from others if you fail to recognize the effects of your climb to the top. You're probably most stimulated by opportunities that feel challenging, but need to watch a tendency to try to achieve success at any price.

With Saturn's energy in sextile aspect to your Midheaven you can use your sense of personal responsibility and self discipline to help you manifest your goals. Your desire to achieve success in the world is probably quite strong, and you will probably gain greater recognition for your efforts among your peers and those who can appreciate the quality of your work. You will probably want to establish yourself in a career, and can also be influential in aiding others who seek your counsel or guidance in their own career paths.

Someone once said that money makes the world go around, and from all evidence, it certainly seems to be a powerful force. Money, in fact, symbolizes power. With money, you can have what you want. With more money, you can have more of what you want. Without money, you may want what you cannot have. Your relationship with money is an extremely intimate and seductive force. The way you use your resources - money, time, energy - says a lot about how you perceive your own power and personal worth. This facet of yourself is expressed through the 2nd House of your chart. Here, you express your value systems. The important special link between finances and self-esteem cannot be understated, and is especially important for you as a woman. In order to extract the real value of your talents and services from others in the world (such as what you are paid from your job), you must first value yourself.

The qualities of Capricorn radiate through your 2nd House, adding a sense of responsibility and a need for control in the realm of finances. Although you may think of yourself as generous, you can actually be a bit stingy, especially if you're caught up in your fears about money. You may also be reluctant to share your time or other resources unless your expenditure of energy will get you something in return. At a pure level, this can be okay, but it's not easy to stay at that level. You must maintain an awareness of your sense of personal worth, because when you're feeling low levels of self esteem, you can show too much restraint when it comes to expending your resources. With Saturn's energy influencing this house, you'll learn that responsible use of your personal resources helps you feel more stable and complete. But whenever you take the irresponsible route, your guilt feelings can be extremely tough on your sense of self worth.

Just because your 2nd House is empty do not think that you'll be without money. This can, in fact, be a strong indicator that money matters will not be a primary drive in your life. Self-esteem issues may not be extremely powerful for you either, although you can

strengthen your sense of self-worth by embracing the qualities associated with the sign which is on the cusp of this house.

Resources which you share with others are reflected in the 8th House of your chart. Whether you're considering joint property and finances, inheritance, insurance settlements or tax obligations, this area is not as free and easy as the 2nd House, which seems more like what you want for yourself alone. Another layer of this part of your life deals with your sexuality, and the manner in which you open intimately to others. This is a very personal space, and it is probably one of the most guarded aspects of any woman's psyche. It is here that much wounding has taken place over many centuries, and it is here that the mask of propriety has to be removed in order to openly accept and integrate that fact that you are a person who needs wholeness and healing, and who yearns to bond at the most alchemical level with life itself.

Here you also find your compulsions. It's no wonder that you don't display this part of yourself to just anybody. You have to feel safe to open this facet of yourself, and you realize that this vulnerability can be used against you in power plays. But what you may not always remember is that this is also where you have the power! In true tantric traditions, it is through the vessel of a woman's sexual energy that a couple can ride the wave of sexual ecstasy. This also extends to the other power aspects of any relationship. If your transformational and magical qualities are blocked, the whole of the relationship will suffer.

Cancer's influence in your 8th House adds a need for emotional bonding with your sexual partner. Once you do open up to a partner sexually, you may find that you share your deepest feelings and desires more readily. It is important that you understand the multiple levels of sexual relationships, and you realize the type of bond which is created when you share yourself on this level. Once you experience the path of energy which is created when you open a doorway to another soul, you can feel both vulnerable and ecstatic. Even when you're not together, you may discover that you have emotional responses to what's happening with your mate. When all is well, the energy continues to flow. But if there are problems, you'll sense something like a dam in the flow of energy. And if your relationship ends, you may still feel this connection. For this reason, it's crucial that you release your emotional attachment when a relationship ends, or you may find that you are drained from the loss of energy which occurs when your ex turns his energy toward someone else! In matters of joint finances, you can experience positive rewards from establishing strong financial security, and will need a partner who can plan for the future in addition to handling the present financial requirements of your relationship. If you end a partnership, the most difficult thing will probably be transforming or eliminating the home you've built together.

With Saturn in your 8th House you need to carefully explore your attitudes toward your own sexuality. Your fears can be extremely inhibiting, and if you are too judgmental about your own sexual needs, you may ultimately become so entrenched in guilt that you cannot enjoy a truly intimate relationship. You may not want to give up your power to your partner, sexually or financially, but your desire for financial power may prompt you to commit to a relationship which seems secure. There is a difference between security

and stagnation, and if you are to experience the real power which arises from a trusting, committed relationship, it must be focused on growth in order to move toward the positive end of the spectrum. There can be a lot of control issues in your intimate relationships, and you may be the one who creates them through your own fears. If you are to experience a free flow of energy which leads to true power, you must learn to let go of your attachments and learn to rebuild your security base upon principles which provide stability without guilt and resentment.

Mars energy is about getting what you want by going after it. Mars is drive. Mars is courage. Mars is desire. Mars is unabashed sexuality. Mars is the fuel for personal power. Men do Mars quite effectively, right down to fighting and war. But you also have a warrior spirit, an Amazon Self. This is your Mars. If you fail to own and utilize your own Martian force, you lose power.

With Mars in Gemini, you are empowered when you learn to focus your energy. It's all too easy for you to scatter your life force, and when this happens, you may run out of steam. Your sharp and alert mentality and wit are the juices which keep you going, and may be the qualities you use to entice the men you find attractive. But you may also attract men who just do not want to grow up. You know them - the "Peter Pan" types. If you take the time to look inside, you may find that you are the one who would prefer to remain as free as you felt when you were a young girl, and relationships which allow your little girl self to play will always be more interesting than those which require you to feel all grown up. In sexual relationships, you devote a great deal of energy to communicating what you do and do not enjoy, and can use sex as a means of communication in and of itself! (You know the story: "What do you mean you don't know how I feel? Weren't you in this bed last night?!") When you're angry, you lash out with words, and can use very wounding words indeed if you've been hurt. To maintain your personal power, you need to learn to say "no" more easily, since some commitments simply serve as draining distractions. On a physical level you need to nourish your nervous system. When your nerves are frazzled, you may feel out of control and unmotivated.

Your drive to accomplish your ambitions can be especially powerful with Mars in square aspect to your Midheaven. Sometimes all you can see is the goal, and you can engender hostile responses or create hurt feelings from others if you fail to recognize the effects of your climb to the top. You're probably most stimulated by opportunities that feel challenging, but need to watch a tendency to try to achieve success at any price.

Saturn plays the role of the big controller in your life. Sometimes that control seems to come from outside. You know - all the rules and regulations, the authority figures, the intimidating people who tell you what to do - this is the Saturn of the outside world. But you have the same traffic cop in the back of your own mind, telling you what is right and wrong, chiding you when you make a mistake, holding you back when you're about to do something stupid. Saturn control can be a good thing. This is your energy for self-discipline, clarity and focus. You need Saturn. But you need Saturn in its most productive sense. You do not need the guilt, intimidation and self-limitation that keep you from having what you require from life.

You may feel that power equals control with Saturn in Leo. Although sometimes being in control confers power, sometimes it just means you've gotten into a lot of trouble by taking on responsibilities which do not belong to you. Your pride can drain your vitality, and sometimes just admitting that you do not know something can be a great release. Your greatest obstacle to establishing personal power is a true sense of self love. This is very different from selfishness or self absorption, which arise when you feel insecure or uncertain. Learning to love begins with the way you feel about yourself. Your own worthiness for love may be accomplished by simply telling yourself that you do deserve love. Showing loving kindness to others is also part of the equation, and once this energy is flowing in your life, you will know how to use, maintain and grow your power in the most positive sense.

Sometimes your rebellious attitudes get you into trouble with Saturn in square aspect to Uranus. You can feel your own power dwindling away when you stay stuck in a tired, outworn situation for too long, and if you fail to act, will become more frustrated with each and every passing day. When you learn to identify the restrictions, expectations and problems inherent in any situation before you make a commitment, you can deal with them better. Sometimes you simply have no choice but to take on burdens you just don't want to carry. But you can alter your attitudes and carry them your own way. Embracing your need to change is grow is also part of the equation. Once you've satisfied your responsibilities, you have more freedom. But if you ignore them, shirk them, or pawn them onto some willing man, it may be that man who gets the chance to move ahead while you're stuck in the kitchen washing dishes. Once you learn to blend independent and innovative action with personal responsibility, there is no end to what you can accomplish. Now, that's empowering!

With Saturn's energy in sextile aspect to your Midheaven you can use your sense of personal responsibility and self discipline to help you manifest your goals. Your desire to achieve success in the world is probably quite strong, and you will probably gain greater recognition for your efforts among your peers and those who can appreciate the quality of your work. You will probably want to establish yourself in a career, and can also be influential in aiding others who seek your counsel or guidance in their own career paths.

Plutonian control is sometimes difficult to grasp, but it's definitely there. When you feel this control from outside yourself, it is undermining and extremely intimidating. The force of Pluto is buried deep within your psyche. It is unleashed and grows in a manner like the process of mitosis in a fertilized cell, which is altered, splits off, combines with other cells and ultimately becomes an organism. Through Pluto, you experience the power of life, birth, healing, and the ultimate change of death. If you are trapped in a mire of shame, guilt and self-destructiveness, you may have undergone a Plutonian transformation as a result of trauma earlier in your life. But it is this same force which plants the seeds of change that eventually can lead to the creation of a new self.

With Pluto in your 10th House achieving a sense of power can definitely be among your ambitions. This can be a highly creative position for Pluto, since exercising your ability to bring about transformational change and healing through your career path can be quite a challenge. Even if you decide not to follow a career path, you can still be a

powerful force in your family and may even play an influential matriarchal role as you mature. However, you're likely to run into power issues with others too, since as you become more adept at moving through the chain of command your presence and strength can attract power struggles with others. This is not the only option, since you may also find that you enjoy rubbing shoulders with the movers and shakers. After all, that's where you belong! But before you can achieve the levels of success you deeply desire, you may have to address buried resentments, guilt or shame which have their origins in your past. In essence, you can become a vessel for regeneration and healing, and your own wounds may be the keys to your power to influence change in the lives of others.

Embracing Your Divine Self

In western society today it's okay to admit that women are Goddesses. This, in itself, implies that the power of The Source may not be solely masculine. In essence, this power contains All That Is, but as a woman, you express it through your Goddess Self. This part of yourself is always there when you feel abandoned or alone to give you comfort. Your Goddess Self is standing firmly beside you when you face a major challenge, sharing her strength and support. Your Goddess Self opens the doors to Truth and Understanding. She is the essence of all that is Love. Look in the mirror. Stare deeply into your own eyes and you will see her reflected back at you.

When you need to get in touch with your inner being, an exercise in guided imagery can help you make the transition from your everyday thinking to heightened awareness. Take a few minutes to make this journey. Before you begin, find time to be alone. Sit or lie down in a comfortable position in a place that feels safe to you. Take three deep breaths. With each breath, release the tension from your body as you exhale. As you inhale, fill yourself with energy, light and inner calm. Then, close your eyes, and take one more relaxing breath.

Imagine that you are on a journey, riding in a royal coach drawn by six white horses. You are being taken to a castle, where you are to be honored by the highest royalty in the land on your birthday. When you arrive at the castle, the doors swing open wide and you are greeted immediately by a regal gathering. Everyone is happy to see you, and you are met with hearty laughter and warm embraces. Then you are ushered down a long hallway toward the banquet room. When you enter, the king and queen are standing, and you walk with confidence toward them. You are introduced to the gathering in the hall and are seated next to the royal couple, who shower you with beautiful gifts. As you feast and laugh together, you feel alive and happy. The queen whispers in your ear that she has a special friend you must meet who has come to bring you a gift of great price. You walk quietly out of the banquet feast with the queen, and go into the royal gardens. There you are introduced to a radiantly beautiful woman dressed in rainbow pastel colors. She gestures for you to come to her, and as you walk together, she tells you the story of a prince and princess who found true love. You wonder why she speaks in fairy tales, and,

as though reading your thoughts, she says, "but this is your dream." She then looks into your eyes and tells you that you are creating your own story through your life. Reaching into her bag, she removes a small mirror and tells you to look into it. When you do, you see yourself and all the relationships you've experienced over your lifetime. Then, as you look up, she tells you to look again and see how you would like to resolve your relationships. There the mirror displays the tale of your life, and you begin to find the answers to the peace you've sought. You ask if you can see your perfect relationship in the mirror, and she smiles and says to you, "of course." But when you look, you see only your face, radiant and shining.