

Basic Astrology Report

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Astrological Summary

Chart Point Positions: Pamela Denise Anderson

| Planet | Sign | Position | House | Comment |
|----------------|----------|----------|-------|---------|
| The Moon | Aries | 27°Ar15' | 11th | |
| The Sun | Cancer | 8°Cn55' | 1st | |
| Mercury | Cancer | 20°Cn59' | 2nd | |
| Venus | Leo | 23°Le52' | 4th | |
| Mars | Libra | 22°Li11' | 5th | |
| Jupiter | Leo | 7°Le16' | 3rd | |
| Saturn | Aries | 11°Ar59' | 11th | |
| Uranus | Virgo | 20°Vi46' | 5th | |
| Neptune | Scorpio | 21°Sc51' | 6th | |
| Pluto | Virgo | 18°Vi14' | 4th | |
| Chiron | Pisces | 29°Pi49' | 11th | |
| The North Node | Taurus | 4°Ta51' | 12th | |
| The South Node | Scorpio | 4°Sc51' | 6th | |
| The Ascendant | Gemini | 22°Ge13' | 1st | |
| The Midheaven | Aquarius | 19°Aq35' | 10th | |

Chart Point Aspects

| Planet | Aspect | Planet | Orb | App/Sep |
|----------|-------------|----------------|-------|------------|
| The Moon | Trine | Venus | 3°22' | Separating |
| The Moon | Opposition | Mars | 5°03' | Separating |
| The Moon | Conjunction | The North Node | 7°36' | Applying |
| The Moon | Opposition | The South Node | 7°36' | Applying |
| The Sun | Semisquare | Venus | 0°03' | Separating |
| The Sun | Square | Saturn | 3°03' | Applying |
| The Sun | Trine | The South Node | 4°04' | Separating |
| Mercury | Square | Mars | 1°12' | Separating |
| Mercury | Sextile | Uranus | 0°13' | Applying |
| Mercury | Trine | Neptune | 0°52' | Separating |
| Mercury | Sextile | Pluto | 2°44' | Applying |
| Venus | Sextile | Mars | 1°40' | Separating |
| Venus | Square | Neptune | 2°00' | Separating |
| Venus | Sextile | The Ascendant | 1°39' | Separating |
| Venus | Opposition | The Midheaven | 4°17' | Separating |
| Mars | Trine | The Ascendant | 0°01' | Applying |
| Mars | Trine | The Midheaven | 2°36' | Separating |
| Jupiter | Trine | Saturn | 4°42' | Applying |
| Jupiter | Square | The North Node | 2°25' | Separating |
| Jupiter | Square | The South Node | 2°25' | Separating |
| Jupiter | Semisquare | The Ascendant | 0°03' | Separating |

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| Uranus | Sextile | Neptune | 1°05' | Applying |
| Uranus | Conjunction | Pluto | 2°31' | Separating |
| Uranus | Sesquisquare | The North Node | 0°55' | Separating |
| Uranus | Semisquare | The South Node | 0°55' | Separating |
| Uranus | Square | The Ascendant | 1°26' | Applying |
| Neptune | Quincunx | The Ascendant | 0°21' | Separating |
| Neptune | Square | The Midheaven | 2°16' | Applying |
| Pluto | Sesquisquare | The North Node | 1°36' | Applying |
| Pluto | Semisquare | The South Node | 1°36' | Applying |
| Pluto | Square | The Ascendant | 3°58' | Applying |
| The North Node | Semisquare | The Ascendant | 2°21' | Applying |
| The South Node | Sesquisquare | The Ascendant | 2°21' | Applying |
| The Ascendant | Trine | The Midheaven | 2°38' | Applying |

INTRODUCTION

This report has been written to introduce you to the concepts of astrology and how to get started with your natal chart. Astrology is a complex and meaningful science which takes years to study and apply successfully; however, we would like to whet your appetite with this report, and encourage you to deepen your understanding through other means.

Astrology is a study of the connection between planets and life on Earth. It is based on a concept that energy patterns form between other planets and Earth; and that these energies affect our lives as individuals and communities.

An astrological chart, also known as a horoscope, natal chart, or birth chart, records the relationship between the planets and the signs of the Zodiac. Charts can be calculated for the birth of a person, a community, an event or anything that seems momentous. The horoscope is as individual and unique as a fingerprint.

When using these interpretations, please bear in mind that, inevitably, every chart will contain some contradictory influences, and as a result certain interpretations of different items in the same chart may seem difficult to reconcile. However, this may still be an accurate reflection of your chart, as it is likely that you do experience conflicting desires, events and circumstances in your life. Usually it is the responsibility of an astrologer to synthesise these apparent contradictions in order to present a cohesive and meaningful interpretation of the dilemmas of the chart.

Please also be aware of the fact that each person has positive and negative influences in the chart, and therefore in their lives. The challenge is to accept and overcome the negative influences, so that we can successfully focus on the positive traits. This report outlines both influences, and therefore parts may be difficult to accept. Any advice given is meant to be an aid to a person taking responsibility for their own lives. The ultimate decision rests with each individual. The author and publisher accept no liability for any adverse effects of this report.

LIFE GOALS

*If you would hit the mark, you must aim a little above it;
Every arrow that flies feels the attraction of earth.*

Longfellow, *Elegiac Verse* 1880.

Just as the Sun is the centre of the Earth's Solar System, so does the Sun play a vital role in your life on earth. Your life goals are linked to your Sun – its zodiac sign and its position in your chart. Contrary to popular belief, the Sun isn't the only planet to be considered in a person's chart, but it is an important component. The Sun gives you an indication of how you can shine in your life. You will feel truly alive when you're living the traits indicated by your Sun. Therefore it's likely that you will spend much of your life on a journey to self discovery, aiming to incorporate these traits into your life. Understanding the energy of your Sun is a good starting point to understanding yourself and your purpose in life.

Your Sun is in the first house of your birth chart meaning that self-expression is an important aspect of your life, because you believe strongly in the right of the individual. This is because it's so important for you to have the freedom to explore your own personal interests and make your own way in the world. Some would call you arrogant and selfish; however, you're equally determined that others should also have the ability to express themselves. You learn most through your own experiences, rather than relying on the advice of others. You may not realise it, but you also make a strong impression on those around you. They see you as assertive and independent, whether you feel it or not. Of course this does depend on other influences in your chart. You're frank and confident, proud and independent, and can be combative if you're opposed. You like to take the initiative and have the ability to focus on your own goals and methods of doing things, rather than adhering to popular opinion. For these reasons you're likely to be thrust into leadership roles, giving you the opportunity to fully express yourself. In ancient times the Sun was considered particularly strong when in the angular first house of a chart, highlighting your ability to live a hale and hearty life with plenty of energy to ensure that you make an impact on your environment. It also means that you're likely to succeed in your ambitions, and perhaps in rising above your station in life.

Your Sun is in the zodiac sign of Cancer indicating that you're a caring and nurturing individual with a strong need for family and comfort. Like the crab you may appear to have a tough outer shell but you're vulnerable underneath and will withdraw into your shell and home if feeling threatened. This withdrawal can happen quite often as you've strong emotional reactions. These strong emotions can be directed positively into caring for and protecting others, particularly your family and loved ones. When you're feeling an emotional equilibrium you enjoy giving to others, sharing warm and loving moments, and also enjoy your own company. In particular though you yearn to look after those you love, nursing them through illness, cooking a favourite meal or curling up in front of a fireside alongside them with a good book. When upset it is a very different story, you withdraw from company and shield yourself from hurts, either real or imagined. This can feel like a wall has gone up between you and the outside world. You've strong home-making urges and a strong attachment to family members, and your home will be a great source of comfort to your friends and family. Your protective instincts can also be roused by animals, and you may find people or animals in need of comfort arriving unexpectedly on

your front doorstep.

The Sun is making a difficult contact with the planet Saturn in your chart indicating that you have to face some hardships before achieving your life goals. It's possible that you had a difficult childhood, experiencing either emotional or financial troubles. Perhaps your father, or a father figure, was an imposing and restrictive force in your life. As a child you may have felt imprisoned, unable to communicate your innermost thoughts and feelings. You may have been frightened to venture forth in the world. As an adult you may still have difficulty expressing yourself and at times feel that external circumstances are still somewhat onerous. You're fearful, worrying about the outcome of decisions and actions. On a positive note childhood difficulties can become the basis for adult wisdom, particularly if you're able to overcome your fears. As you grow older you learn that your natural reserve stands you in good stead, giving you the ability to stand back and assess situations. Your confidence grows enabling you to achieve your goals through attention to detail and hard work.

The planet Jupiter also tells you about your goals in life, in particular the areas in which you are likely to succeed. Jupiter is the planet of expansion, abundance and wisdom. Ancient astrologers believed that the planet Jupiter had a greatly beneficial effect on a person's life.

Jupiter is also in the third house of your chart signifying that ideas, particularly philosophical ones, abound in your life as you seek to expand your mind through various avenues. Reading, studying, travelling, correspondence courses, newsletters and interest groups all feature in your quest to learn more about yourself and life in general. You're surrounded by books, magazines and other publications that provide plenty of food for thought. You're a great thinker and talker, often delighting yourself and your friends with your inspirational ideas. Always optimistic you enjoy communicating with other people either through conversation or correspondence. You're a thoughtful person, and letter writing is one of the ways that you like to keep in touch with your friends. How you manage to fit it in to your busy schedule continues to amaze your friends. Writing is such an enjoyable pastime that you may decide to extend your talents and write a novel or a professional publication. If so then you're likely to be successful in finding a publisher. While you enjoy your local neighbourhood, it's also likely that you delight in travelling abroad either to study or to teach. You take pleasure in having contact with people from different countries, sharing ideas and striking up new friendships.

You've the planet Jupiter in the zodiac sign of Leo in your birth chart indicating that you are benevolent, generous and fun loving, full of plans and schemes which you hope will make the world a better place. You've the skills and the will power to carry through these plans. You're a sincere and honest person who is attracted to a noble cause, and who isn't afraid to run the gauntlet of difficulties encountered along the way. Your enthusiasm and courage are contagious and you benefit from your associations with other people. They warm to your generous nature and obvious wisdom. You're also full of energy and vitality, generally benefiting from good health. Children also play a large role in your life, whether they be your own children or other people's. Teaching children may be a prominent part of your life. You also have a keen interest in culture, perhaps even displaying talents in the arts. Certainly your sense of grandeur could be put to good use in the theatrical or artistic world.

The planets Jupiter and Saturn are making a beneficial aspect in your birth chart indicating success in achieving your life goals. You're wise and perceptive, with a talent for creative ideas and the ability to put those ideas into action. You're blessed with a wonderful sense of timing, knowing exactly when to make the right moves to achieve a desired result, whether it be for yourself or for a group project. You've just the right blend of optimism and realism. For these reasons you can enjoy success in self-employment or be a valued member of a team. Whether you're self-employed or not, you work well within a structured system and therefore can do well in business. It's likely that both conventional and unorthodox approaches to life appeal, as you understand the advantages in learning from tradition, as well as the benefits of trying new ideas. You've a chance to be very successful as you're neither profligate nor mean, but have a balance. This is a very fortunate aspect. If you don't take your abilities for granted but use them wisely you can gain great success in life.

HOME

*Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.*
Hymn, *The King of love my Shepherd is* 1868.

Astrologers from different schools of thought allocate varying meanings to the Moon in a birth chart. Ancient astrologers say that the Moon changes its nature according to its phases, and merely passes on impressions from other planets rather than directly influencing a person's life. However, modern astrologers tell us that the Moon depicts a person's roots, our home and family. They say the Moon also shows our habitual nature or subconscious patterns of behaviour which stand in the way of achieving our life goals. While the Moon can show us our strengths, it can also depict our weaknesses which need to be overcome in order to be successful in life.

The Moon is placed in the eleventh house of your birth chart suggesting that friends and acquaintances are a major feature of your life, influencing you both positively and negatively. On the one hand your friends can be unreliable and changeable failing to live up to your ideals of true friendship. It may be that your friends change within themselves and move on emotionally, or simply that they move out of town and lose contact. Either way you suffer because you feel a sense of loss when separated from your friends. You seek a sense of security from your relationships with other people, only feeling safe when surrounded by warm and loving friends. This is particularly true of your women friends and groups of women, which are likely to feature prominently. Sudden changes in friendships can be disappointing. On a more positive note you can benefit from your large circle of acquaintances who help you emotionally and financially to achieve your own hopes and wishes. You enjoy popularity in groups, particularly when you feel that you feel a sense of belonging. You may find yourself drawn towards humanitarian groups.

With the Moon in the sign of Aries, you've the ability to thoroughly enjoy your own company. It's not that you don't like to be with others, it's simply that you find comfort in withdrawing from the world occasionally. This is particularly true when you've personal problems which need to be resolved. Under such circumstances you would prefer to be left alone to sort out your problems and sometimes become impatient with anyone who tries to disturb your solitude. This independence can be quite an asset, especially when a situation calls for self-reliance and initiative. However, it can also mean that you've difficulty feeling close to other people, which is important when forming intimate relationships. You need to make sure that your loved ones accept your need for solitude, and make an effort to initiate shared activities. You also enjoy a challenge, often striding into new territory, relying on your own resources and thriving in any situation which requires initiative. Competitive sport may be a particularly positive way for you to let off steam.

The Moon is making a difficult aspect to the planet Mars in your chart indicating that arguments and emotional disputes abound in your home life. These upsets could be caused by another member of your family, but it's more likely that you're quick-tempered and intolerant around your loved ones. Your intentions are good, but you've difficulty containing your anger in certain

situations. At times you feel as though you've been unfairly misjudged and this adds fuel to your already well-lit fire. Unfortunately your impatience and irritability can result in periods of loneliness because others would rather leave you alone than bear the brunt of your bad moods. You may also find that your loved ones are angry at your attitude or it could be that they simply find it impossible to relax in your company, which is a problem if they want peace and quiet at home. You need to find an outlet for your nervous tension. For instance, letting off steam in sports or activities that demand high energy or concentration will help. Finding an absorbing project which can be based in your home could also prove beneficial. You certainly have plenty of energy and this could be directed into new enterprises or working around the house.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION

*There is no such whetstone, to sharpen a good wit
and encourage a will to learning, as is praise.*

Roger Ascham, *The Schoolmaster* 1570.

Our academic schooling and learning through life experience are linked to the planet Mercury. This planet stands for the intellect, common sense, cold reason, commerce and business. It tells us about our communication and learning habits and our modes of thinking.

The planet Mercury in the second house of your chart signifies that you've many ingenious money-making ideas, which you are not afraid to risk testing. Some times these ideas pay big dividends, but at others you've to bail out of a tricky situation. However, you are not one to dwell on past mistakes, nor do you let them deter you from trying out new ideas. You may earn your money by holding down more than one job at a time, juggling your timetable to fit in all of your commitments. Money-making careers could include clerical occupations, distributing information, advertising, accountancy, sales, writing, speaking, travelling, teaching, business and commercial affairs, selling or distributing stationery and books. Whatever your chosen profession your finances are likely to fluctuate unless you've other influences of financial stability in your chart.

The planet Mercury in the zodiac sign of Cancer indicates that when you're in tune with your emotions and thoughts, you're a highly intuitive person capable of communicating with clarity and compassion. However, at times you find it very difficult to find a balance between your head and your heart. Your emotions are telling you one thing, and your intellect is telling you another. During these times you can be quite erratic in your communications with other people, and can benefit from spending time on your own to make a decision. Education can be difficult unless you're thoroughly at home with your subject. Otherwise you've difficulty concentrating. You place importance on keeping the communication lines open with loved ones, particularly within the family, and may even find that you're at the centre of family communications. This is wonderful when you're busy organising a happy family occasion, but not so enjoyable when someone you love is experiencing a crisis. You do worry so much about your friends and family. On the positive side you enjoy collecting information about your family and its background. For instance you may like to collect family photos or study family history.

The planets Mercury and Uranus are connected in your birth chart indicating that you've an incisive and ingenious mind. You enjoy progressive topics in your studies and your communications with other people. In fact you may be ahead of your time in your thoughts, ideas and opinions. You're generally successful in your studies because you're able to communicate your original ideas with ease. Creativity and intuition are second nature. You're an independent thinker, who likes to be given the freedom to express your ideas. In fact woe betide anyone who tries to keep you quiet or change your mind. You make impulsive decisions, some would say rash, but generally speaking you tend to land on your feet. Your projects tend to reflect your individual flair, and stand out from the rest of the class or society. Writing, publishing, advertising, science, astrology and electrical affairs may all be of interest, although any unusual subject will catch your attention.

The planets Mercury and Neptune are making favourable contact in your chart suggesting that you've a fertile imagination which, if encouraged, can lead to success in education, communication and any creative projects. You're receptive to new ideas and have a resourceful mind. You may also be inspired by the beauty of nature and the expanse of the ocean. Although at times you can seem a little vague, it's more likely that you're lost in a world of creative thought. If left to your reflections, then you're likely to express your thoughts in an artistic or creative manner. This could be through art, poetry, literature, story-telling, or music. It's possible that you possess genius in one of these fields. You're also likely to excel in medical or spiritual circles, where your heightened sensitivity to other people can be truly appreciated. You're more likely to follow an unconventional, rather than orthodox, path if you become involved in medicine. This is because you're attracted in psychic and spiritual phenomenon. In fact you may possess psychic gifts in the form of clairvoyance, psychometry, crystal gazing, trance and inspirational speaking and writing, and prophetic dreams.

The planets Mercury and Pluto are combined in your birth chart suggesting that your education and communications are coloured with highs and lows. On the positive side you've a probing mind and the ability to assess situations rapidly, which can lead to success in your studies. You're likely to excel in any education process which requires research and intense work. It's also likely that these gifts will help you excel in any professional or personal situation which involves counselling or crisis work. Your insightful mind proves invaluable in such situations. You enjoy investigating mysteries and probing for hidden truths. Secretive by nature, you find it easy to appreciate other peoples need for privacy. Your gift for being able to keep secrets means that other people often confide in you. It's likely that you've learnt to rely on your own judgement from an early age. Perhaps a threatening environment, at home, in your neighbourhood, or at school, meant that your instincts were a vital means of survival. It could also have been a crisis, ranging from a traumatic change of school or a death, that led to your ability to see situations clearly and honestly. These gifts can be used to benefit your adult life, and other people. However, problems are likely to arise because of your inability to see the lighter side of life, and to accept that occasionally you might be wrong! You are a deep thinker with wonderful powers of concentration, but you can become obsessive, seeing only innuendos and subtleties in communications, rather than the bigger and often brighter picture. This obsessive side of your nature means that you also tend to believe that others are opposed to your thoughts and ideas, when perhaps they're not. You need to battle to overcome your tendency to create conflict and then seek revenge in such situations by finding a positive outlet for your energy. For instance you may benefit from writing down your feelings of anger and resentment, making sure that they don't reach the party involved. If you believe that you're losing sight of the plot, then seek advice from a trusted friend or colleague. You are at your most powerful when using your insights for positive purposes. In particular your honesty and insights can be useful in a counselling situation, but be careful of taking these talents out of the consulting room unless invited to do so. Friends and loved ones may not always appreciate your ability to get straight to the point, particularly if they're feeling vulnerable or emotionally distraught. You need to learn tact and diplomacy and sensitivity to other people's pain. Your gifts, combined with compassion, make you a powerful advocate in any field.

The planets Mercury and Mars are combining in your chart in a manner which suggest that you

and your communications with other people tend to be fiery. This can be positive, particularly if you're a spokesperson for a group or person with a cause. You've good intellectual powers, a shrewd and clever mind. However, you're impulsive and quick-tempered, and it's more likely that you spend much of your life mopping up after misunderstandings. Your own perceptions of yourself may be that you're enthusiastic and perceptive, but others can see you as aggressive and critical. Without realising it you easily create opposition from other people through your impulsive actions or sharp tongue. You're talkative and enjoy a fiery discussion, but inadvertently you're driving others away and forcing them to adopt your opinion. It's also possible that you're quick to take offence, believing that others are criticising you when it's you who need to learn compromise. For these reasons you may have difficulty in your early childhood education and schooling, and indeed until you've learnt restraint and tolerance. This is particularly true of risky ventures, which tend to attract your attention. You need to be more cautious. Otherwise you're likely to suffer loss through a rash of business deals, law suits and dodgy contracts. You may benefit from an interest in sports, the military, and business.

RELATIONSHIPS

*Let me not to the marriage of true minds
Admit impediments. Love isn't love
Which alters when it alteration finds.
Shakespeare Sonnet 116.*

The planet Venus tells about love and relationships. It reveals the type of relationship we value, and what we are seeking from our most intimate relationship, as well as how we like to show our love. It answers questions such as, are we attracted to strong, sensual and intense relationships? Or do we prefer some freedom and independence? This planet also depicts how we like to relate to our environment and other people, not just our primary partner, and how much importance we place on money and resources.

When the planet Venus is placed in the fourth house of your birth chart relationships with your family are important. Your home and family are your refuge from the world. Whether you live on your own or with other members of your family, you like nothing better than to return home to a peaceful environment where you can relax and enjoy comfort and, if applicable, pleasant conversation. While some people might enjoy a boisterous household, you prefer a pleasant and harmonious environment. Your home is a show piece, as you enjoy decorating and entertaining. You seem to have the knack of choosing appealing colours and the right home decorations. You don't set out to impress other people, but rather to decorate your home with all of your favourite things so that you can enjoy your surroundings to the fullest. The end result is usually an attractive and graceful home. Your garden, whether small or large, is also scenic. Depending on other aspects in your chart, you either enjoy creating a picturesque garden yourself or employ a landscape gardener. You can't resist being surrounded by beauty both inside and outside your home. It's not just the building and the garden that's important in your mind, but the atmosphere to be enjoyed by yourself and your loved ones. You like to have a sense of home and family, enjoying the company of your family members, particularly the women. You're likely to benefit in some way through your family, perhaps through an inheritance. The planet Venus is considered to be in a powerful position in the angular fourth house of a birth chart, meaning that you're likely to succeed in your ambitions.

With Venus in the sign of Leo you're affectionate and passionate in your primary relationship, enjoying a sense of play and romance. You're likely to ardently pursue your partner basking in the delights and pleasures of love, particularly in the first romantic stage. Your partner is likely to benefit from your generous and thoughtful nature, enjoying being the recipient of your spontaneous gestures. However, you do like your loved one to show an appropriate amount of appreciation, and your enthusiasm for the relationship is also likely to wane if your loved one doesn't return your affections in full, also showering you with gifts and attention. With the right person you'll take great pride in the relationship, eager to share your happiness with your friends. You enjoy attending social outings where you can take real pleasure in the company of other people. Anything that provides entertainment and fun will suffice, although you may prefer attending arts activities, such as dance, theatre and art galleries. Depending on other aspects in your birth chart, you may be extraverted or introverted in your relationships. Either way it's difficult for others to resist your joyful approach to relationships, and as a result you're likely to

benefit through your relationships with other people, in particular through people holding high places in society. You need to make sure that you don't fritter away the gifts that you receive from others, as you're generous by nature, and also have a tendency to be extravagant.

You enjoy comfortable relationships with other people because of the favourable combination of the Moon and Venus in your birth chart. A charming and prudent person, you enjoy the company of other people, and they respond favourably. You're likely to enjoy success in your primary relationship, choosing someone who feels comfortable and companionable. You're also likely to benefit from your relationships with women.

The planets Venus and Mars are combining in your chart indicating that you seek a stimulating and romantic relationship. You're charming and assertive, passionate and alive, and admire these qualities in a potential intimate partner. You love to share your adventures with your partner, and it's likely that your relationship will inspire both you and your partner to explore new territory. You need only be wary of holding unrealistically high expectations of your partner, as this can lead to difficulties. This is more likely to be the case when you're young and idealistic. You're liable to disappointment, perhaps even angry feelings, when your partner fails to live up to your expectations. You could also feel angry if rejected in love. Fortunately you've an irrepressible side to your nature, on which you can rely in times of relationship trouble. You're a loyal and fun-loving partner with an ability to balance intimacy with independence.

The planets Venus and Neptune are combining in a manner which indicates disappointment in your primary relationship. The problem is that you're idealistic and unrealistic when it comes to personal relationships, lacking the discriminatory powers needed to form a steady and lasting partnership. This applies to both your personal and business partnerships. Consequently you often feel disillusioned and sorry for yourself, blaming others for failing to live up to your expectations. It's possible that your partner is indeed deceiving you in some manner, but it's also possible that you're not being honest. Either way it's likely that you're seeing your primary relationship through rose-coloured glasses, and as a result conflict arises because of your lack of discernment. You're caught in a web of fantasies and romantic illusions, either of your own or your partner's making. Coming to terms with the reality of your relationship helps you obtain a better understanding of your primary relationship, and prevents you from becoming disillusioned. Taking off the rose-coloured glasses means that you can make a proper assessment of your primary relationship. As a result you'll experience fewer feelings of resentment and disappointment, and won't be in danger of overlooking some major flaws such as drug addiction or deceit. With the right partner you'll enjoy a sense of peace and fulfilment. You may also enjoy artistic or spiritual pursuits together. You're ardent and loving, responding quickly to your partner's need. In turn you benefit from acts of kindness, love and appreciation.

MOTIVATION

*Dimidium facti qui coepit habet: sapere aude.
To have begun is half the job: be bold and be sensible.
Horace, Epistles 65- 68BC.*

Mars is the planet that tells us about our assertion and drive. It tells us what motivates us and what desires drive us most powerfully. Are we ambitious for professional power, or do we desire a meaningful relationship? Do we pursue our desires aggressively? Or do we sit back, lacking the confidence to achieve our ambitions? These are the types of questions answered by the qualities of the planet Mars in our chart.

With Mars placed in the fifth house of your birth chart you have a tendency to over-indulge in pleasures of life and can be quite stubborn if anyone tries to point out your excesses. Positively this means that you know how to enjoy the best in life, but it can also indicate a tendency to go overboard in your efforts to enjoy yourself. Rich food, expensive alcohol, or romantic liaisons can be a great source of pleasure. While this in itself is not a problem, you're not one to take heed of the saying "all things in moderation" and therefore you tend to go overboard. In some cases it's possible that your work is your pleasure and that you burn the candle at both ends believing that you can take the pressure because you enjoy your work. Of course you have the ability to direct your love of pleasure into positive pursuits, but this usually comes after the excesses have taken their physical toll. Then it's a hard road back to health and vitality. However, this can be an enjoyable challenge and you could benefit from hard muscular workouts in the gymnasium. Competitive sports and athletics may also appeal. Other influences in your chart may determine the nature of your physical exercise. There's a strong possibility that you decide against having any children of your own, and in a woman's chart the placement of the planet Mars in the fifth house of a chart can indicate difficulties with childbirth. However, it's also possible that one child is born, and perhaps even another with a large age gap in between. If you do break the mould and decide to have several children then they are likely to be very independent leaving you plenty of time and energy for pursuing your own interests, perhaps even involving periods of separation.

The planet Mars in the sign of Libra indicates that you have a strong desire for diplomacy and justice, and these can be major themes in your life. You strive for harmonious relationships and justice in your own life, and yet they often seem elusive. Perhaps this is because you're so sensitive to the injustices of the world that they take on larger proportions than they need, or perhaps it's simply that it's your role to notice and fight against wrongdoings. Either way you're often asked to take on the role of mediator and diplomat even though you may prefer to be pursuing your own creative pursuits rather than solving other people's problems. There are always plenty of people surrounding you, because you pursue friendships with many different people. On the whole you're a courteous person, but you do have a passionate side to your nature which can erupt in bursts of anger. You have a strong creative urge, which may be channelled into artistic or creative activities such as art, theatre, design, writing or dance. You have refined tastes, and seek to share these with other people. Astrologically speaking the planet Mars is considered to be in difficulty when in the sign of Libra which probably explains why you experience some problems in your relationships with others.

CAREER AND AMBITIONS

The road up and the road down are one and the same
Heraclitus, *Die Fragmente der Vorsokratiker* c540-480BC.

The planet Saturn represents responsibility, boundaries and structure; structure that provides a positive framework within which we can build, or structure that limits our development and forces us to reassess our liabilities and assets. This planet is also linked with our ambitions, and how we approach the practical side of life. This planet often represents the professional side of our lives.

The planet Saturn placed in the eleventh house of your birth chart suggests that friendships are a serious component of your life, providing you with little amusement but much support and wise counsel. You would rather have a few true loyal friends than enjoy many wayfaring companions. You like to rely on your friends to be committed, but they don't always live up to your expectations. As a result you're likely to suffer some disappointment in your friendships at some stage of your life. It's also possible that most of your friends are linked to your professional life. In other words your business or professional colleagues are also your friends. In some cases you could be deceived through false friends, losing money and reputation. This, of course, depends on other influences in your birth chart. Nevertheless you would be wise to avoid entering into business deals with friends, or lending money to friends until you're sure that the other influences are positive.

The planet Saturn in the sign of Aries signifies that you're resourceful, and capable of applying new methods of approaching a project or problem in a practical manner. You're ambitious and prefer to carry out tasks on your own rather than in a group. If you do take part in group projects then you're likely to be the leader. You're able to slowly and surely achieve your ambitions, although it's more likely to be later than earlier in life. Your lessons are in patience and self-reliance. Once you've mastered these traits then you can resolutely work towards your objectives. You've good reasoning faculties. You tend to be reserved rather than outgoing, although you're touchy and easily-angered when under pressure. Those who know you well can sometimes feel the brunt of your temper. Astrologically speaking the planet Saturn is in an ill-favoured position in the sign of Aries meaning that you need to beware of your tendency to try to achieve all of your goals on your own without recognising the contribution of other people.

The Midheaven is one of the important angles in a birth chart and is also known by astrologers as the MC or Medium Coeli. This angle tells us of our public life, our profession and social status. In other words how we are viewed by the public, how we want to be viewed by the public and what type of profession we are likely to choose. It's also important to note the house position of the ruling planet of your Midheaven for further information about your career as this can greatly influence the interpretation.

With a Midheaven in the sign of Aquarius and ruled by the planet Uranus, you'll be attracted to any career which gives you the freedom to express your unique talents. You're ingenious and original, and likely to choose a career which reflects these talents. You may also choose an unconventional career path. You don't like routine and may feel trapped in a traditional office

job. You prefer to work in a field where you believe you can make a difference, help humanity in some way. For these reasons it's also possible that you'll change professions at least once in your lifetime. Examples of famous people with the same Midheaven include American zany actor Gene Wilder, jazz musician Miles Davis, Australian green politician Bob Brown and ballet dancer and choreographer Sir Robert Helpmann.

CREATIVITY AND ORIGINALITY

*The artist must be in his work as God is in
creation, invisible and all-powerful; one
must sense him everywhere but never see him.*
Gustav Flaubert, *Correspondence* 1857-64.

The planet Uranus represents originality and unconventionality. This can be both the unusual and brilliant genius or the wilful rebel without a cause. This planet tells us the areas in which we break with convention, become innovative and experiment with new and exciting ways. In some circles of astrology Uranus represents the creative genius which comes directly via our soul or higher self.

The planet Uranus is in the fifth house of your birth chart suggesting that you've unusual, perhaps even unconventional creative abilities. This could be that your artistic talents display quite an unusual sense of taste, or that you're creative in a more scientific or metaphysical sense. Either way you like to be original both in your hobbies and your work. This placement also indicates unusual love affairs, and unconventional relationships with children. Perhaps you're too busy pursuing your creative interests to have time for children, or perhaps an unexpected event has prevented you from having children. If you do have children of your own, then they are likely to be independent, perhaps even unusual in some way. It's also possible that you and your children enjoy daring recreational activities together. In some cases you could suffer through a separation from your children, or could even lose one of them. Scandal is likely to be a part of your life if you indulge in your fascination for love affairs. Gambling, or any kind of speculation, is also likely to be a rocky road, which is best avoided.

The planet Uranus was in the sign of Virgo from 1962 - 1968. It's important to note that Uranus spends a long time in each sign, and therefore the interpretation applies to a generation rather than the individual. For a more individual interpretation you need to look at the house position of Uranus in your chart. Uranus in the sign of Virgo indicates that you belong to a generation which focuses on the practical details of humanity. Medical research, the balance between work and leisure, the links between mind and body come into focus. Your creativity soars when you're tackling these issues.

The planets Uranus and Neptune are combining in your chart suggesting that your creative urges are strong. You enjoy exploring new territory, either through studying or travelling and your talents may lie in writing, healing, social welfare, healing or spiritual fields. You may be keen to explore metaphysical matters, perhaps even belonging to a secret society or a group dedicated to global healing, charity or spirituality. Your psychic abilities and intuition are likely to be heightened, and this may help you explore your creativity.

The planets Uranus and Pluto both move slowly through the zodiac, and therefore any connection between the two planets affects birth charts for a short period of time. You were born in such a time meaning that you feel the urge to bring about revolutionary change in your life and those of your friends, colleagues and society. You've high ideals and the creative energy to implement changes. You may be curious about metaphysical matters, science and global affairs.

Neptune is the planet of creativity and spirituality. It represents both the bliss of spiritual attainment and the heights of creativity. This isn't personal spirituality and creativity which comes at the expense of others, but gifts which can benefit humanity. This planet also represents the confusion that can accompany the road to discovering when we are being selfish, as opposed to when we are generously thinking of how our gifts can benefit others.

The planet Neptune placed in the sixth house of your chart means that your health is likely to be a concern, either aiding or abetting your creative projects. At worst, you may suffer from a chronic disease or from allergies, or from recurring illnesses. It's likely that these illnesses were more prominent when you were a child. The good news is that your adult life is less likely to be plagued by ill-health. However, you may still have a heightened sensitivity to your immediate environment, and must adhere to strict hygiene at all times. You can benefit from clean, pleasant and peaceful surroundings, but you're also likely to suffer in stressful or unpleasant situations. You're likely to be sensitive to foods and alcohol, and need to pay close attention to your diet. You should make sure that all eating utensils are clean, and that you eat only the freshest food obtainable, avoiding too much animal fat. Your acute sensitivity can also be linked with drugs, including medical drugs. You need to avoid narcotic drugs, and take care with prescribed medical drugs. Discuss your sensitivity with your doctor. You may benefit from natural medical therapies, particularly any which include diet and lifestyle in the diagnosis. You're also likely to benefit from moments of seclusion, perhaps time spent with nature. If you're self-employed then you're likely to be able to be in control of your own environment. However, if you work in an office, you should warn your co-workers and employees that you're sensitive to your environment, enlisting their help in keeping your working space clean and hygienic. There's a chance that your workmates may not be supportive, as this placement of the planet Neptune can sometimes indicate that you experience difficulty and loss through the deception of your co-workers or employees. You may also decide to use your own experiences to benefit others, pursuing an avenue of employment which is linked with health and hygiene.

The planet Neptune was in the sign of Scorpio from 1955 - 1970. It's important to note that Neptune takes about 164 years to make a complete cycle, spending about thirteen years in each sign, and therefore the interpretation applies to a generation rather than the individual. For a more individual interpretation you need to look at the house position of Neptune in your chart. Neptune in the sign of Scorpio indicates that you belong to a generation which has the ability to passionately pursue spiritual values. You face a battle between your material desires and the desire for a spiritual way of life. You know the value of regeneration rather than stagnation, and may play a role in changing the world.

CHALLENGES IN LIFE

The spirit of self-help is the root of all genuine growth in the individual.

Samuel Smiles, *Self-Help* 1859.

The planet Pluto challenges us to transform our lives by clearing out our old habits to make way for the new, more rewarding ways of living. The process isn't necessarily an easy one, as most of us cling tenaciously to the comfort offered by habitual patterns, and are rather scared of new paths. Pluto shows us in which areas of our lives we need to grow, and to a certain extent whether we're likely to find the process of growing painful or joyful.

The planet Pluto is in the fourth house of your birth chart indicating that your home environment may be a challenge. It's possible that you've been affected by early childhood traumas, either by one particularly disturbing event in your family life, or by a series of upheavals. Perhaps one of your parents was an overwhelming, powerful figure in your life. As a result your adult home life is likely to reflect your childhood problems. Perhaps you're constantly changing homes, or perhaps you simply struggle to feel at peace in your home. You need to be careful that you don't recreate your childhood traumas in your home environment by living with someone who is abusive. Your challenge is to assert your own rights within your family without resorting to aggression, or without becoming the victim of someone else's aggressive behaviour.

The planet Pluto was in the sign of Virgo from 1957 - 1972. It's important to note that Pluto takes about 248 years to make a complete cycle, spending 12 - 32 years in each sign, and therefore the interpretation applies to a generation rather than the individual. For a more individual interpretation you need to look at the house position of Pluto in your chart. Pluto in the sign of Virgo suggests that you belong to a generation concerned with global health and environment. Your generation possesses the ability to transform the way the world sees health. Medical research, world-wide diseases, medical discoveries, and the links between mind and body are focuses for this generation.

PURPOSE AND JOY

*He who binds to himself a joy
Doth the winged life destroy
But he who kisses the joy as it flies
Lives in Eternity's sunrise*
William Blake, *MS Note-book*.

A sense of purpose can help us overcome the most onerous difficulties in our lives, by taking the focus away from our failings and problems, and shining the light on our strengths and talents. By concentrating on our purpose we can distract ourselves from our troubles, and maintain the forward momentum of our lives. A sense of purpose can also lead to feelings of happiness and joy. Ancient astrologers believed that a person could either identify with their human body and human life, or could focus on a spiritual life. A rewarding spiritual life can help ease human pain and suffering, and inject joy into every day life. A sense of purpose can assist the process of transferring our identification from our human selves to the spiritual sides of our nature, and one of the greatest gifts of astrology is to help us determine our purpose.

The North Node and South Node form an axis in astrology, which is said to represent one's destiny or spiritual quest in life. This axis is also linked with our purpose. The North Node points to a key lesson in our lives. It represents new experiences towards which we must aim during this life. We have already learnt the skills of its opposite point, the South Node, in the past. Now we must grow and stretch ourselves through the North Node.

Your North Node is in the twelfth house and your South Node is in the sixth house of your birth chart indicating that you're destined to spend time on your own, reflecting on the artistic and spiritual aspects of life. You need to see yourself as part of a greater whole, rather than give in to your tendency to be sceptical. Life's daily responsibilities and practicalities must be tended to, but not at the cost of contemplation of life's mysteries. It's possible that you'll spend some time in an institution during your life in order to help you understand your destiny. These could include hospitals, museums, the armed forces, prisons, or the public service.

Your nodal axis has the North Node in Taurus and the South Node in the sign of Scorpio denoting that yours is a quest to overcome distrust of change, to develop creative outlets for your intense emotions and to avoid hitting out at loved ones. These attributes plague you in this life because of suffering and traumatic endings in the past which have left you with deep emotional wounds and a feeling of being cheated. In learning this life's lesson of trusting the process of change you will develop a newfound sense of peace and stability.

The North Node and the Moon are combining to suggest that you're being urged to come to terms with the emotional side of your nature. You may have difficulty expressing your emotions, particularly in groups of people. This is an area which you need to develop throughout your life, so that you can learn to use your intuition. This will better help you to pursue your purpose in life.

The South Node and the Sun are combining in a way that is inhibiting you from expressing your

true potential. You're being challenged to fully express yourself with integrity and with respect for other people's rights. Perhaps you've a tendency to overpower other people, and now you need to do find the right blend of asserting your own rights and listening to other people, in order that you achieve your purpose. You would do well to remember the adage, "There's no time like the present", as you may have a tendency to avoid facing problems and obstacles that stand in the path of your success.

The Ascendant, or Rising Sign as it's sometimes called, is a key to discovering our purpose. Ancient astrologers believed that the Ascendant depicted our primary motivation as individuals. Some believed that it was one of the links to discovering what makes a person happy. When we're accomplishing our primary motivation then we're happy. The more modern Esoteric astrologers believe that this sensitive chart point reveals our soul's purpose. When we're carrying out our soul's purpose then we're joyful. They believe that acceptance of our purpose, or fate, can help us achieve success and satisfaction, and that meditation on the qualities of the Ascendant can help us focus on our life's purpose.

The sign of Gemini is considered to be "masculine" by Ancient astrologers suggesting that you're more likely to actively seek your purpose in life, taking the initiative rather than waiting until circumstances are comfortable. Gemini is also a Mutable sign denoting versatility, flexibility, adaptability, sensitivity, restlessness, indecision and anxiety.

You're clever, cunning, intuitive and restless. Enjoying life at a fast pace you certainly live up to the mutable side of the sign of Gemini. You delight in taking a flexible and adaptable approach to life, preferring to keep all of your options open rather than committing to one course of action. Your primary motivation is stimulation, because you hate to be bored. For this reason you're rarely settled in one place for long. You enjoy exchanging ideas with other people, whether it be through the spoken or written word. Your inability to concentrate, combined with your hectic pace of life, can sometimes get in your way in pursuing your true purpose. You've so many ideas and projects that you can't be relied on to complete anything. This is more likely to concern other people than you because of your ambivalence. Sooner or later you're forced to listen to the advice of those around you, telling you to select a course of action. Or perhaps your curiosity leads you to find a satisfying intellectual pursuit. It's likely you'll excel in educational pursuits, such as academic studies. Communication is vital, and you soon develop a strong desire for knowledge and expression to help you overcome the dualities in your life.

In Esoteric astrology the sign of Gemini is linked with bridging duality. In other words your purpose is linked creating links between two forces whether this is simply the ability to mediate between two opposing parties, or the ability to educate others about the links between heaven and earth. Your purpose is connected with recognising and working with the differences between material and spiritual values.
