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**Astrological Profile**

**for**

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Planet	Sign	Position	House	House
Sun	Scorpio	04°Sc33'	10th	01 29°Sg10'
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Mercury	Scorpio	13°Sc22'	10th	03 13°Pi08'
Venus	Virgo	18°Vi31'	09th	04 17°Ar17'
Mars	Capricorn	04°Cp07'	01st	05 14°Ta40'
Jupiter	Virgo	01°Vi27'	08th	06 07°Ge31'
Saturn	Aries	07°Ar07'	03rd	07 29°Ge10'
Uranus	Virgo	27°Vi14'	09th	08 04°Le41'
Neptune	Scorpio	23°Sc22'	11th	09 13°Vi08'
Pluto	Virgo	21°Vi57'	09th	10 17°Li17'
Midheaven	Libra	17°Li17'	10th	11 14°Sc40'
Ascendant	Sagittarius	29°Sg10'	01st	12 07°Sg31'

Planet	Element	Mode	Elemental	Modal
Sun	Water	Fixed	2 Fire	3 Cardinal
Moon	Earth	Mutable	6 Earth	3 Fixed
Mercury	Water	Fixed	1 Air	6 Mutable
Venus	Earth	Mutable	3 Water	
Mars	Earth	Cardinal		
Jupiter	Earth	Mutable		
Saturn	Fire	Cardinal		
Uranus	Earth	Mutable		
Neptune	Water	Fixed		
Pluto	Earth	Mutable		
Midheaven	Air	Cardinal		
Ascendant	Fire	Mutable		

# **An Astrological Portrait**

## **Prepared for Julia Fionna Roberts**

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 earth energy, indicating that you are a "show me," kind of person. A practical, common sense approach to life feels most comfortable, and you'll most enjoy life when you have your feet on the ground. You're the earth mother type - with a natural inclination toward sensuality, practicality and conservation. In any situation, you prefer to build strength and stability and you may be oriented toward producing: at the end of the day, you're much happier if you have something to show for your efforts. But be very careful of a tendency to narrow your vision to the dimension of the physical plane. There are multiple levels of reality! The elemental balance in your astrological chart indicates that air is a weak factor. With little or no air in your chart, you may have little use for the purely abstract. Your preference for things you can touch, taste or feel extends even to your choices in relationships and career, and long distance relationships can be difficult. Sometimes it can be difficult for you to adjust to new ideas or new people, and you may have trouble with objectivity. Even though you may be comfortable staying inside yourself for periods of time, you do need to connect and let others know what you think and feel. In fact, once a connection is made, you may even feel enlivened by sharing and opening up. But idle chatter can get on your nerves.

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 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.

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 Scorpio your ego is driven by a need to be almost enigmatic. You're more comfortable when at least a little mystery surrounds you, and you can exude a strong level of sensual charm. You're rarely halfway about anything, and your intensity can be daunting to those who are uncomfortable with confrontation. Since your Sun speaks of "who you think you are," you may think that you're more mysterious than you are in actuality! No bother - you're still a mystery to most, so you're safe!

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 Virgo in your chart. Your matter of fact attitude and common sense approach to doing things is a plus in situations where you are called upon to teach or train others. But your expectations need to be geared toward what is realistically possible.

With your Moon in trine aspect to your Ascendant you can have good feelings about yourself and your needs. This translates into a projection of confidence, and others may trust you more readily. Your awareness of your own needs makes it easier to create a sense of safety and security in the world, and your guidance and support of others can help them accomplish similar goals. You may also find it easier to embrace your womanliness - the power of being a woman looks great on you!

With your Sun in sextile aspect to your Ascendant, you can be quite effective in meeting life on your own terms. Positions of respect and authority feel natural to you, and you can be an excellent leader. Applying your natural talents and abilities is easy for you, so easy, in fact, that you may not take full advantage of your personal resources.

Mercury is in semi-square aspect to your Ascendant, indicating that you may not display full confidence or trust in your own intellectual abilities. One of the best ways to deal with this dilemma is to develop your communication skills more fully and effectively. You may even find it helpful to take a few risks by entering into conversations with people you may not know very well. Challenge your mind by reading or studying material which is outside your everyday interests in order to expand your thinking. But most of all, make an effort to listen carefully or think through things before you automatically react to them.

With Mars in conjunction with your Ascendant, you are driven to accomplish what you set out to do. You're likely to be seen as active and energetic, and you are also unlikely to back down from a challenge. In order to achieve greater harmony with others in the world, you may need to pay more attention to the way others respond to you, your actions and attitudes. You can be abrasive, or others may think you're pushy, even though that may not be your intent. Assertiveness is different from aggression, and you may be much happier when you feel confident in your assertive abilities. Driving yourself to the point of exhaustion is a temptation since you may not know when and where to stop.

With Jupiter in a trine aspect to your Ascendant, your jovial attitude can win a lot of friends. You prefer to laugh, and can be counted on to see the optimism in most situations. By developing your sense of humor, you'll go further toward achieving your personal aims. You may also enjoy circumstances which give you a chance to inspire others. You can be an excellent promoter.

With Uranus in square aspect to your Ascendant you can be quite rebellious and certainly have little interest in trying to be like everybody else. Granted there are times you may feel rather alone, but you'll take freedom any day before you'll join the herd. You may not like playing the traditional roles which have been set forth for women. However, you may have some conflict about this. You might like the idea of home or family, but just do not want to be tied to being the only caretaker. Other people can be a bit uncomfortable with some of your eccentricities (or what they perceive as such), simply because you challenge them to break out of their ruts. In order to satisfy your own internal conflict, you may need to develop an unusual occupation or work in fields which give you greater amounts of freedom. You may also be more comfortable living away from your roots.

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 Virgo Moon strengthens your sense of discrimination, and underscores your need for perfection. The problem can be the yardstick you use to measure that perfection, and you may be frustrated with your own humanity and vulnerabilities as a result. You may be more sensitive to criticism, but can also be highly critical of yourself and others as a part of this desire to have your life exactly as you feel it should be. By directing your need to make improvements toward positive ends, you'll feel much happier with yourself and with others. That means you may have to let go of the idea that everyone (including yourself) and everything will meet your high standards all of the time.

## **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 Virgo Moon strengthens your sense of connection to your feminine self, and adds a steadiness to your emotions. Your instincts about the best ways to do things are usually right on the mark, which can be a little irritating to those who would take a more haphazard approach. As a woman of discriminating taste with an eye for quality, you're not likely to settle for anything that falls below your standards - including a mate. The high standards you set for others are nothing compared to the standards you hold for yourself. In fact, you might gain a great relief by simply giving yourself a break from time to time and letting your hair down. Otherwise, you can become nagging and hypercritical, just because you are concerned about getting everything done in the best possible manner. You may have a particularly powerful sense of body awareness and may go out of your way to maintain your physical health. Eating a natural foods diet which centers on simple nutritional balance may even help you maintain your emotional balance. For you, the mind-body connection is especially crucial, and taking steps to keep your spirit, soul and body in healthy condition will definitely improve the quality of your life. Although you can accept most physical limitations with a matter-of-fact kind of attitude, you are not likely to appreciate being sick since you are oriented toward producing something by the end of the day. But you can also adapt when necessary. Striking a few requirements from your list of expectations may have a marvelous healing effect on your life as a whole. And finding a reasonable outlet for your critical sensibilities is necessary to help you maintain your sanity. Developing greater tolerance for yourself and for others is your key to finding greater joy.

With your Moon in supportive sextile aspect to your Sun, you may enjoy a positive blending of the masculine and feminine elements of your psyche. As a result your ability to enjoy and relate comfortably to both men and women can function more easily. With your subconscious emotional nature in harmony with your willpower, you can also be much more confident about seeking out experiences and relationships which fulfill your needs. You're less likely to allow the needs and demands of others to overwhelm your sense of self.

With your Moon in trine aspect to Mars, you can be quite confident about expressing your feelings and asserting yourself in a positive manner. Your knack for dealing with people is excellent, and you can be quite effective dealing with men on your own terms. You are likely to find the male-female dance quite interesting and enjoyable, and the differences between men and women are more intriguing to you than they are perplexing. As a mother, you can be especially supportive, since you enjoy dealing with your children on their level and generate an atmosphere of safe support, creativity and fun. In relationships, you are not likely to hesitate about expressing the way you feel, and can show all your emotions, including anger, without worrying

if they are "acceptable." Since you take yourself at face value, you may also have the same approach to dealing with others, which makes for a great ingredient in any relationship.

With your Moon conjunct Jupiter, you are a die-hard optimist, and your energy can inspire and encourage others, too. More likely to think about conquering the horizon ahead than staying in the present moment, you are also quite independent and don't like to think about setting personal limitations. Consequently, it's easy to overdo it. Whether you make promises which are later difficult to fulfill or indulge yourself too frequently, you can get in over your head before you know it. Try to stay in the present moment some of the time. You can be difficult to pin down, and your adventurous spirit may be more at home when you're on the move than when you're in the kitchen.

Your Moon is in the Last Quarter Moon Phase of the Lunation Cycle, symbolizing an element of conflict which is at the core of your personal growth and understanding. This cycle has often been described as a crisis in consciousness, since you may feel that you are turning away from the old and moving toward a new level of inspiration and understanding. The archetypal quality associated with this moon phase is that of the Warrior, stimulating a passion for existence which allows you to develop clarity, liberation and self-confidence. Through "The Warrior Woman," you learn about fervent sensuality, courage and sexual freedom. Your experience of this ideological conflict may arise through your need to break away from false ideals and to reorient yourself to a new way of being, thinking and living. What you learned from your mother and her generation about being a woman may not fit with what you are experiencing, although some aspects of your experience from her may ring true. The tricky part is finding your own way without totally destroying the path you've been taught. You are a revolutionary, and although revolutions can be radical and extreme in their outcome, they do not have to be entirely bloody! It is as though you have a fragile egg which needs to be moved to a different nest. First, you must create the new nest, then you must make the journey without breaking the egg, then you must settle in for a time. After that, it's up to the egg.

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 Neptune are in sextile aspect to one another, adding a sense of mystical imagination to your expression of love and beauty. You are an enticing and romantic woman, and love indulging in your favorite fantasies. Your creative and artistic sensibilities may be especially important, and you may be artistically gifted. Employing these qualities within your relationships and career allows you to rise above the everyday and mundane.

With Venus and Pluto in conjunction, your expression of love and desire to be loved take on a powerful intensity. This adds an amazing dimension to your feminine essence. Your charisma can be intriguing, and your aura of mystery, enticing. Your embrace of the strength of being a woman gives you a special edge, and when you are focused on giving energy and love, can be the catalyst for true miracles of transformation, including your own. Comfortable with your sexuality and sensuality, your relationships allow you an opportunity to express deep levels of love and passion. And your creative energies are just as potent.

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 Scorpio, you are part of the generation of women, born from 1955 to 1970 who are forging new frontiers in the sexual revolution. This is not only in terms of human sexuality, but also extends to the roles men and women play in regenerating society. You are the generation who will grapple with issues of control and whose influence in the arenas of human rights will cover the entire spectrum from conception, to birth, to sexual lifestyles, to choices in death. As you are maturing and making these choices, you may resist the idea that some belief system or government should dictate the choices you make in these intimate situations. But you must also create a vision which goes beyond these old systems and which encompasses a true compassion for the experience of life and the pain and joy of choice on every level.

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 1957 through 1972 who have Pluto in Virgo. It has been your challenge to develop a true awareness of the relationship between mind, body and environment. You've blasted through many of the mysteries of the way humans

function - at physical, psychological and sociological levels. Additionally, you may be seeking a way to improve the quality of life and are likely to be dealing with repairing mistakes and fixing things as much as you are creating new options. At an individual level, this energy prompts you to determine ways to improve yourself.

## **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.

Your deep craving for power which you feel but others may not see accompanies the energy of your Sun in Scorpio. Your father may have seemed somewhat omnipotent when you were young, and he may also have been difficult to understand at times. You have a greater respect for men who can stand up to their own power, and who can respect the unique power of women, too. There is a part of you that will always be fascinated by super heroes and super heroines which stems from your fascination with alterations in energy and transformational change. Throughout your life you may be drawn into situations which need to change and in which you provide the catalyst for these transformations. In many ways you are a natural healer, and you can bring this quality of regeneration into your relationships, your work and your creativity. Embrace the fact that you are a Goddess! Live to create, and own your ability to use the magical ingredients which bring power into your own life, and which effects dynamic shifts in the world around you.

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.

The ease of expressing your will power and assertiveness is enhanced through the energetic sextile between your Sun and Mars. Your comfort with the need to make your own way may be quite apparent in the manner in which you approach everyday matters, but you can shine when you're faced with a challenge. In fact, challenges which ignite your desire for achievement or recognition can stimulate you to go the extra mile. You may not find it necessary to compete with men, since you can be quite comfortable with yourself and your abilities. And it is likely that you will feel quite capable of pursuing the fulfillment of your desires for a satisfying career and healthy personal life. In the face of competition, regardless of who or what is on the other side, you are quite capable of holding your own.

Your confident, optimistic attitude supports your ability to express your personal assertiveness. The energy of the Sun in sextile to Jupiter strengthens your ability to act with conviction and hopefulness. You may also be quite accessible - comfortable with yourself, radiating a friendly, easygoing attitude. Both men and women may find you easy to be around, although you may be more interested in some of the pursuits considered "masculine," like politics, sales or sports. You like your masculine side, and that works to your benefit.

You may underestimate yourself and your abilities, especially if you feel that you are being judged by those in superior positions. Your ego self is sensitive to being tested with your Sun in quincunx aspect to Saturn, but you know that you need to tests in order to become stronger. Allowing yourself to be noticed can be especially anxiety-provoking, and you might gain great benefit from developing your ability to be comfortable in front of other people.

You need to know what it's like to feel a sense of strength and influence. With your Sun in semisquare to Pluto, you may attract men who have major control issues, and until you learn how to be in control of yourself more positively, you may feel abused, abandoned or wounded through your relationships with men. Your inner relationship with your psychological masculine self may be stuck in old patterns which you learned from your early childhood experiences, believing that men are somehow more powerful or that you don't really deserve to live life fully and well. You can harness the power necessary to leap beyond these old messages into a brighter sense of yourself, transforming your life, and consequently healing your relationships.

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!

If you've been accused of being too controlling, it was probably true! With Mars in Capricorn, you may be at your best when you're in charge of something. But trying to take charge of someone else's life will only get you into trouble! This is NOT the positive expression of your masculine psyche asserting itself. You can be a wonderful teacher and guide and will find that you prefer a life filled with people who are learning or who know how to take care of

themselves. Taking control of your life is a result of accepting and fulfilling your personal responsibilities. It is this fulfillment which helps to strengthen your assertive self in the most positive manner.

You may wonder what you've done to deserve some of the breaks you've experienced: just when you're in hot water, you find a way to get out. With Mars trine Jupiter, you definitely get into a few circumstances which are over your head, but you can make the most of them, and somehow can come out smelling like a rose. Your confidence and enthusiasm attract many opportunities, although you may not take advantage of all of them. You can be a little lazy with this aspect, particularly if you have access to sources of support which make it easy for you to coast through life. Through applying yourself, you can go further and make an amazing difference in the lives of others who may truly need and appreciate your generosity or spirit.

You can hold yourself back by giving into your fears and anxieties. The influence of Mars in square aspect to Saturn prompts you to distrust your own abilities, and you may feel frustrated by your personal limitations. Getting stuck in your personal limitations can be virtually paralyzing, but you do have options. If there is something you really want, you can break the inertia and move gradually and steadily toward achieving it. But first, you must release yourself from the fear which is blocking your path. It may be the result of feeling too limited by the men who've controlled your life, whether they were father, brother, teacher or lover. Learning to satisfy yourself is not easy, but it is a strong desire. That desire alone can blast through the wall of fear which has penned in your energy. Memories of failure are the past. You're creating the present and future!

## **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. Ever-curious about what lies beneath the surface, you are prompted to become a deep thinker with Mercury in Scorpio. You may enjoy studying nature, and your fascination with the mysteries of life can also prompt a keen interest in fields like medicine or metaphysics. It's not likely that you have ever been satisfied with simple explanations, and with your ability to grasp hidden meanings and to develop a broad perspective you can gain an understanding which is much more gratifying. You can also be rather stubborn and may hold to your ideas with an emotional fervor that makes it difficult for you to get out of some of your ruts! When faced with the challenge of learning something entirely new or different, your first response may be to balk.

If you're given time to a learning experience, you're likely to seek out every detail.

You've always liked to do things your own way, and your approach to problem-solving may be outside the realm of the traditional. With Mercury in semi-square to Uranus your manner of communicating is one of the expressions of your individuality. You learn best when you have a good balance between structure and freedom, and in your career you'll function at the highest level when given opportunities to demonstrate your independence. Staying focused on anything for a long period of time can be difficult for you.

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. Since you appreciate well-educated individuals, you are likely to make an effort to improve your own understanding and knowledge. The influence of your Virgo Moon in your intellectual development is quite strong, and you may always be reading or studying something just because you want to know how things work. You may also be open to new ideas, although you'll probably test them before you accept them.

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 philosophical approach to life has a practical leaning influenced by your Jupiter in Virgo, and you are likely to learn easily and function best in an environment which has a sense of organization or pattern. You are naturally inclined to teach others, but need to watch for a tendency to expect others to move at your pace. Learning tolerance can be quite helpful if you are to achieve the success you desire (and that includes tolerance for yourself!).

Confidence in your ability to learn is stimulated through the energy of the Sun in sextile aspect to Jupiter. This can also indicate a positive relationship with your teachers, and may stimulate your own desire to share what you know with others. You enjoy the feeling of reaching beyond your limitations through developing your understanding.

Your enthusiasm and confidence help you tackle most any task and accomplish your aims. The influence of Mars in trine aspect to Jupiter adds a special spark to your desire to reach beyond your limitations, and can spur you to follow many pathways in your search for excellence. You may also have good luck, seeming to be in the right place at the right time. Part of this arises from your ability to trust your own sense of vision for the future: you can see the path and then you take action and follow it.

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.

With Saturn in Aries, your ability to reason can be quite strong. You may have good powers of concentration, and enjoy a stimulating debate. In learning situations, you may have had

trouble dealing with your teachers when you were a little girl. Your desire to be accepted can overwhelm your need to express yourself, resulting in an inner conflict. Once you determine your own direction, it is important that you follow your path with confidence and courage.

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.

You have a very insightful and creative mind with Pisces on the cusp of your 3rd House. Your imagination may work overtime, and when you're involved in a creative project, may become totally absorbed in it. You may be somewhat sensitive to criticism, although you can usually keep it in perspective, especially if you can use it to shape your personal expression more clearly. You're also likely to show sensitivity to the feelings and needs of others in your manner speech and action. With Neptune ruling this house your vision can be far-reaching and your psychic sensitivities may also be especially powerful.

You may be quite serious about developing your mind with Saturn in the 3rd House, although you may not like being tested. When you're prepared, you usually perform quite admirably on any type of examination, including the tests of life. You need to be attentive to a tendency toward worry and negative thinking which can sap your vitality and weaken your ability to think clearly. This influence adds a strong ability to discipline your mind, and you can certainly study when necessary. Regardless of your experiences in school, you are likely to be a lifelong student of the things you love and enjoy.

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.

Your approach to higher education is quite practical with Virgo on the cusp of your 9th House, and you appreciate learning experiences which allow you to apply what you know. In matters of religion and philosophy you prefer a path which makes a difference in the quality of your everyday life, although you probably do appreciate the experience of ritual as a means of focusing your energy. The rulership of Mercury in this house indicates a strong mental objectivity about belief systems, and you may try to understand everything through a purely mental frame of reference. Some things, like faith, may not fit into this framework and can be difficult for you to understand, and you may simply have to learn to accept them!

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.

You're a trail blazer with Uranus in the 9th House, and can have a life filled with unusual experiences and rare treasures. Drawn to unorthodox philosophies and eccentric ideas, your views of life can encompass a true sense of unconditional acceptance. Your unique ideas and unusual manner of expressing them can be quite beneficial to your success in writing, speaking, broadcasting, publishing, teaching, diplomatic relations and ventures not yet tested. You may

have an unusual education, and may not follow traditional methods of learning, but you can still develop your own special genius as long as you remain mentally active and experimental. Your ideas about education can stimulate revolutionary changes, and you may be quite active in doing just that through your local school board or participation in the field of teaching itself. Travel on the physical plane and within the inner realms can open new vistas of awareness. You may even have some connection to the aerospace industry, a fascination with life on other planets and a wonderful ability to envision alternate realities.

With Pluto in the 9th House you can be quite dogmatic in your ideals and beliefs, but you are also likely to completely transform those belief systems at least once during this lifetime. You understand the power of the mind and the importance of educational excellence. You may pursue educational endeavors which will allow you to strengthen your own understanding. An avid researcher and careful investigator, you are more likely to expose corruption and abuse, and can create powerful changes through sharing your discoveries.

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.

Although you probably have rather well-defined goals, you don't always let other people know about them with Scorpio's influence on the cusp of your 11th House. You have a lot invested in achieving your aims and may not welcome the emotional input others have to offer, particularly if it undermines your plan of action. So, you've learned to give only so much information about where you're going and to keep the rest to yourself. Pluto's energy rules this house, adding an intensity to your focus when you're on the path toward realizing your accomplishments. Sometimes you can be so obsessed with getting there that you miss something else along the way. It's probably a good idea to step back and alter your perspective from time to time.

The influence of Neptune in your 11th House can create a lack of direction. You may not be sure of your goals, although you do like to dream about possibilities. Setting goals can seem like a waste of time because you can also lose track of your aims and then feel that you have somehow failed. But if you apply this energy in its fullest strength, you can use your inner vision to manifest changes in your life. Your ability to visualize what you want can be exceptional. The problems you encounter may concern whether or not your dreams are within the realm of possibility, and if you can put the necessary action behind your vision to make it a reality.

## **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.

You are striving to complete the mission of your soul and with Aries on the cusp of the 4th House. Your struggle to create the security you need may sometimes test your inner courage, and you may feel that you are doing battle with the physical plane. In many respects, you are a spiritual pioneer, venturing forward into the life driven by the deep needs your soul remembers, but which you may not consciously recall. With Mars ruling this house you can allow feelings of anger or frustration to block your ability to surrender to the peace you work so hard to achieve. You need to take an active approach toward fulfilling your soul's destiny while still allowing your creative mind to listen more carefully to your inner voice.

There are no planets in your 4th House indicating that you may not assert a strong level of conscious energy in building a connection to your soul. This does not mean that you cannot achieve an inner sense of recall regarding your soul's history or your deeper needs, but indicates instead that you may find the doorway through other activities or experiences beyond your connection to your family of origin or their traditions. To further understand this gateway to your soul, study the sign on the cusp of this house explained above for the influences which will help you remember your spiritual past.

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.

With Leo on the cusp of your 8th House, you may have a lot invested in trying to understand the deeper mysteries and questions which surround birth, death, sexuality and personal alchemy. You may feel that the importance of developing a connection to these levels will strengthen your personal power, but must safeguard against trying to control the outcome of things you cannot influence. The influence of the Sun on this house adds a desire to employ your willpower to deal with these ultimate life experiences. Although you do know that your energy is responsible for creating your life circumstances to a certain extent, you may not like the times when you have to surrender to a higher power. Yet, there is some comfort in knowing that if you release your attachment to your own will as the ultimate and allow a higher will to guide you, that you can

create an even more rewarding experience of life which affords true healing and regeneration of your spirit.

The energy of your Moon in the 8th House draws your emotional focus to the areas of personal transformation and regeneration. Your ability to flow with the inevitable changes you experience throughout your life is continually tested. If you are flexible in your attitudes, you may find that you welcome the processes of release as a means of strengthening your soul. You may be strongly clairvoyant through this influence, although you can have difficulty dealing with your feelings when you do sense or see things that can be happening elsewhere or in the future. Because of your capacity to probe beneath the surface, you may be sought after by others who need your insight or expertise. Learning to maintain your emotional objectivity is crucial if you are to become an effective healer.

Jupiter's energy in your 8th House stimulates an intense desire to uncover the meaning of life. Your reasons behind delving into the alchemical experiences of life may be centered in a true spiritual quest, and you may be willing to try a number of approaches to finding out what lies beneath the surface. Whether you're attempting to understand how the higher laws work in the experiences of healing, sexuality or dying or if you simply want to know what they all mean, you need to look! What you learn may provide exceptional insight, for yourself and for those who learn from your teachings.

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 superconscious self rests in this part of your psyche: the part of yourself that transcends your everyday reality.

Underneath it all, you have a deep faith in the natural order of things with Sagittarius influencing your 12th House. Although other elements in your personality may prompt you to fight against your sense of a higher power, when you surrender to life's flowing energy, the struggle becomes much easier. Your ability to look back into history, human history and your own, and learn from your trials and errors can give you a remarkable edge in your determination to transcend the ordinary. The energy of Jupiter rules this house in your chart, adding a capacity for vision and broad-minded confidence to your subconscious self. You intuitively know that when you are focused upon Truth, everything else pales in its light.

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!

You have a marvelous intuition about the way things work with your Moon in Virgo. This can be quite useful in practical matters, like knowing how to repair something. But you may also

be quite intuitive about your own body, sensing when something is out of harmony. However, your tendency can be to overreact to what you feel (is a headache caused by a brain tumor?!), so you need to work on maintaining a strong sense of emotional balance in order to deal with your impressions about your health most positively. When you have a chance to be more objective, like working on an important project or designing something, your intuition guides you to do things which adds special details and high levels of definition. This finesse can be quite intriguing, and may provide a level of fascination to you, as well.

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 North Node in Aries challenges you to develop your courage, independence and assertiveness as part of your spiritual growth and self-discovery. You may be drawn into situations which require you to stand up for yourself or to fight for your position, and although your preference might be to just allow situations to resolve themselves, it is important to take action. Finding yourself involves finding your convictions and creating your own path. With the South Node in Libra your tendency to rely upon others to take care of you or forge the pathways for your development has to be abandoned in favor of self-confidence and free thought and action if you are to grow into wholeness. Self-determination is your key to fulfillment.

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

Your unique philosophies and ideals are stimulated by the energy of Uranus in your 9th House. You may feel quite strongly drawn toward a spiritual path which is somewhat experimental and non traditional, since you feel most connected to your higher self when you know that you've gotten there on your own! The development of your super-conscious self may include a desire to travel on the inner planes or to learn about and experience astral projection.

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 vision of what you hope to achieve can be the key to realizing success with Neptune in your 11th House. But you have to learn the difference between dreaming and doing. Your intuitive sensibilities can be used to your benefit when you're focusing on your goals. You're the perfect candidate to utilize creative visualization and affirmation techniques to help you achieve success.

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.

You may feel close to the power which emanates from the Source of All Life with Pluto in your 9th House. Whether you achieve this connection through religious practice, academic study or personal investigation is not as important as your need to find a direction and philosophy which allow you to exercise high ethical and moral judgment in your own life. This can lead to your personal evolution and spiritual growth.

## **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.

Even though you may not like to admit it, you do enjoy just sitting back and taking it easy from time to time. Your Virgo Moon keeps you busy, though. There is always something to do, things to fix or a situation that needs your attention. Your efficiency helps you manage your time, but you have trouble relaxing if you know that there's a project waiting to be finished or someone needing your help. You nourish others by attending to all the details, and many of your efforts may seem to go unappreciated. After all, you make it look too easy. When you need to refuel your soul, the first thing you may have to get past is your guilt about not producing something. Once that's out of the way, you might make to time for your favorite crafts as a means to relax, and you may thoroughly enjoy getting lost in a good book. Doing something good for your body also feels great, and you can really benefit from regular massage therapy, foot reflexology treatments or may love the feel of an herbal body wrap or facial. By indulging yourself a little from time to time, you are rejuvenated, and your efficiency improves in every

area. That alone should be ample reason to take care of yourself!

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.

With Saturn in Aries you may prefer to take on the role of guide and supporter to your children and those in your care in a rather independent manner. You believe in personal autonomy, and will work to be sure that anyone you influence develops it. A competitive spirit may drive you to try to be on the top, first or the best, and you're not likely to be afraid of starting something new. But you can lose your drive if a situation seems to grow stale, and it's important to clear barriers from your path on a regular basis. Then you'll avoid the traps of repeating the same mistakes or staying in a rut. Either of these concepts just simply does not fit with your model of who you want to become. As a result, you may be tempted to jump into something new or different just for a change of pace. But if you still have unfinished business elsewhere, you may just have jumped from the proverbial frying pan into the fire! Creating your own traditions within your family may satisfy your yearning to establish a difference between the way you're doing things and the way mom did it.

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.

Your home may be one of your favorite playgrounds. Although you may also think of your home as a protection from the rest of the world, you need space in your home environment for playful activities. You might enjoy living in a community or complex which affords such amenities as tennis, swimming, golf or sports clubs, since having these options readily available would be quite convenient. You may also be on the go a lot, and are quite capable of enjoying the places you're in temporarily. In your personal environment, you'll enjoy having space around you, and may not appreciate cramped quarters. Shades of red will be appealing accent colors, and you'll add your personal touch to your decor. With Mars ruling this house there may be lots of activity at home. You may also remember a sense of turmoil or unrest from your early upbringing. When you're unhappy, you're most likely to lash out at your family, but there are other avenues if you want to avoid strife at home.

Just because you don't have planets in your 4th House don't think that you will not have a home! The sign on the cusp of this house, explained above, gives you clear information about your approach to building your nest, and the planet associated with that sign indicates the energy you use to accomplish that task.

## 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.

Libra's influence at your Midheaven adds a sense of social grace to the manner in which you pursue your ambitions. Your sense of fairness may drive you toward particular aims in pursuit of your right livelihood, and you may be quite adept in situations which require objectivity and fair-mindedness. A career path which allows you to employ your sense of refinement and good taste will be satisfying. Your people skills can open the doors to careers which involve public or diplomatic relations and consulting, and you may have an interest in the law or politics. The energy of Venus plays an important role in satisfying your needs for personal fulfillment. It is crucial that you find a vocation which supports your values and allows you to develop your artistry. The way you utilize Venusian energy has a lot to do with your ability to achieve personal fulfillment.

With Venus in Virgo your attention to detail needs to be employed in your career, too. You have an excellent sense of quality, and may enjoy a career in design, planning, teaching, medicine or nursing.

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 may actually enjoy and look forward to work which stimulates your mind with Gemini ruling your 6th House. You may have good manual dexterity and can be adept working with your hands, writing, and communicating. In fact, your people skills may give you the edge you need to achieve success. You have great versatility and will perform best in jobs which allow

you to exercise it. Mercury's influence in this area adds a high capacity for learning, interaction and diplomacy.

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!

Taurus' influence on your 5th House brings a love of the good life. Your enjoyment of the arts, theater, fine dining and comfort can actually inspire your own creativity, not to mention filling your senses! Creative outlets which allow you to get your hands into something may feel best, since just watching may never be quite enough. You may have a special knack for sculpting, pottery, carving, gardening, wood-working, flower-arranging, or related areas. You may even enjoy building houses, doing landscaping or other grand-scale projects. It's also possible that you are recognized for your voice, which you can use quite effectively in either singing or speaking. Venus influences your 5th House, adding a need to extend your creativity into areas which truly fill your heart.

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.

Even though you can be somewhat enigmatic with the Sun in Scorpio, you are also driven to attain the realization of your desires. For anything to be successful in your life, it must be personally meaningful to you, and you must have a strong feeling about it. You simply do not care to waste your energy. But you have to know when to back off because with your intensity, you can set the world on fire. Be gentle. Just remember that after all, as long as you know how to function in a crisis, there's no problem.

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.

Uranus is in Virgo in your chart, stirring your need for awakening in regard to issues which affect the quality of your life. Along with other women born from 1961 to 1969, you've grown up with an awareness of the importance of the connection between mind and body. You also feel the need to use your analytical mind to bring about revolutionary change. Your revolution is being staged within the context of health, science, discrimination and prejudicial attitudes and will continue in its effect upon society for quite some time to come. The insights you share with other women with Uranus in Virgo are connected to the importance of individual awareness in achieving a truly functional society. You've broken ground in your own ability to see clearly where you need to bring about revolutionary changes in your own life in the areas signified by the house in which Uranus resides in your chart.

Uranian energy in your 9th House adds a special interest in the fields of education, travel, language, religion and philosophy and you may integrate your unique abilities and talents into these areas with great success. However, you're also likely to run into some resistance from those who enjoy maintaining the status quo. That's okay, it only makes you more determined to break ground and accomplish innovative change!

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 Pisces, pulling you toward a need for a life purpose which revolves around developing your spirituality and strengthening your capacity for compassion. Whatever you're doing, your sensibilities about what's happening on an inner level enhances your attunement to the person or situation. If you're working in the capacity of healer, you may be most noted for your caring and gentleness. You can extend your compassionate outreach in any field, however. Those areas which require you to utilize your imagination and talents will be the most rewarding.

With Chiron in your 3rd House your words and manner of communicating have a significant impact upon your ability to accomplish your purpose and aims. Learning about the power of mind is one of your primary lessons, and directing your thoughts toward positive, uplifting possibilities will open many more doors than worrying or complaining.

## **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....

You can be a bit frustrated by your love experiences with your Sun in semi-square aspect to Venus. Part of the problem resides in your impatience. When you have a strong attraction to someone, you may want resolution about the outcome immediately. If you can work toward maintaining a bit more objectivity when your heart begins to open to a loving relationship, you'll be more satisfied with the end results.

When you love, you love deeply and completely. With Venus in sextile aspect to Neptune, you have the capability of surrendering totally to the essence of Love. Your gentle, caring manner attracts a partner who will desire to love and protect you. You know when you've found your true love, because something deep inside you opens up and transports you. Although you have some tendency to hold unrealistic expectations of those you love, you do it in such a caring manner that people are surprised by apparently miraculous changes. You may know when it's time to forgive and move on, which allows you to remain open to feelings of joy even in the midst of change. Your devotion to high ideals also plays a part in your love relationships, and you are capable of sustaining a love which originates at a very powerful level and which will last through eternity.

You love with intensity and can experience absolute transformation through loving with the energy of Venus in conjunction to Pluto. For you loving is the ultimate healer, and you seek relationships which will allow you to open to your true power. Just dabbling in a relationship is rarely enough: you prefer to immerse yourself in the experience of loving, totally. Your refusal to compromise concerning your needs requires that you find a special relationship that is based

upon healthy, honest interaction and support. You can become obsessive in your relationships, and need to learn to back away from your intense involvement from time to time just to get a different perspective. Enhanced sensuality is part of your expression of love, and you may find that you need a relationship which allows you to explore your sexual needs as fully as possible. Although you may not be open with just anyone about your deeper needs, your lover probably knows many of your secrets. For this reason it is crucial that you choose your relationships wisely, basing them upon mutual trust and honesty. You are seeking a love which can bond you with your partner, on as many levels as possible.

As one of the generation of women born with Neptune in Scorpio, you are seeking relationships which involve total connection. When you finally open your heart to love in an intimate relationship, you need to feel that you can create a true bond with your lover and mate. Halfway connections don't quite cut it, and if you're the one resisting, it's crucial that you discover the root of your fears or blocks. Your experience of passionate love involves surrender to the processes of transformation, and that transformation may involve getting to the core of why you need intimacy in your life. Sexuality is certainly a part of the drive, but it is not for pure pleasure alone, nor is it for simple regeneration of the species. There is a link of energy formed during the process of intimacy which leads to the alchemy of loving, and it is that link which you are learning to understand more fully.

You were born with Uranus in sextile aspect to Neptune, an aspect which occurs about once each century. As a generational influence, this aspect shows increased idealism and new approaches to religion, philosophy and personal ideals. You will be happiest in a relationship with a man who gives you plenty of room to find and follow your own spiritual path.

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.

Your sensuality takes center stage when you're in love. The influence of Taurus on your 5th House adds an earthy nature to your experience and expression of the pleasure of loving. When you open your heart, you can become strongly attached and prefer to love fully and completely. You need plenty of time and space to explore the physical side of your love relationships, and enjoy sharing quiet time in comfortable surroundings with your lover. Since Venus influences this house, you may prefer to play the role of enticer in your love relationships, and can send very well defined signals to your intended target. For you, it's safer to let the man be the pursuer, although you can become impatient if he takes too long. The connections you make through opening your heart are powerful enough to sustain through time. If a love affair ends, you may have trouble letting go, since you feel that you invest so much of yourself in loving. You may also struggle with changes within your relationships, but need to recognize the importance of changes which stimulate growth. The experience of loving will never leave you, even if your lovers do change.

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.

The lack of planetary energy in your 7th House does NOT indicate that you will be without a partner, or that marriage is not suitable. There are millions of married women with no planets in their 7th Houses! To better understand how you approach finding a partner and the type of partner you wish to be, study the meaning of the sign on the cusp of this house and the planet associated with that sign, noted above.

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.

You have Scorpio influencing your 11th House, signifying that you tend to shy away from friendships until you know you can trust someone. You may spend a great deal of time observing the way a potential friend behaves, and will certainly notice whether or not she can keep a secret. You're not likely to open your heart to anyone who would divulge your confidential information. You'll probably approach special interest groups or political situations with a bit of skepticism in the beginning, but if you do have a strong interest or cause, once you're involved you can be extremely influential. With Pluto's energy connected to this area you may find that more people confide in you than you confide in them. This is good if you work as a counselor or advisor, by the way. For those few special friendships you do develop, you will have a deep connection and hold them in a special place in your heart. It's simply not easy for you to allow love to flow into your heart - receiving love can be a challenge. That may seem strange, but when you take a careful look, you'll find that you find it much easier to give than to receive. But you do want to feel supported, tenderness and care. You just don't like feeling vulnerable!

Through the energy of Neptune in your 11th House, you seek friends whose ideology and beliefs echo your own. Your closest friendships may be forged when you discover your shared ideals, and you will appreciate a friend whose spirituality is genuine and pure. You may be quite determined to do things with your life which will make a difference in the quality of life for others, and are likely to find friends who are also participating in these experiences. Whether through the arts, charitable efforts, spiritual paths, humanitarian service or public institutions, as long as the motivation is to uplift the spirit of humankind, you can find very dear and special friends. But you are also vulnerable when it comes to friendships. If you choose friends indiscriminately, you can be deceived by them. You like to think the best of your friends, and may give them the benefit of the doubt when they do not deserve it. Listen to your intuitive and psychic sensibilities regarding your friends. If something does not feel right, don't get involved. It's difficult to do, especially if you begin to feel guilty because you've said no. But sometimes, you have to draw the line.

### **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!

You like to win with Mars in your 1st House and may prove your power through competitive or challenging ventures. Whether you're running a marathon or climbing the ladder in your profession, you like to feel that you can conquer anything. You may have amazing courage which is exceptionally empowering. In the process of meeting some of life's challenges, you can be a bit abrasive, and must be aware of the way others are responding to your assertive nature if you are to avoid generating hostility. You will fight for yourself when necessary, but you can also be belligerent in a negative sense unless you're aware of the impact of your actions. Just reacting spontaneously to every situation can get you into trouble and may weaken your effectiveness. If you are accident-prone, part of the problem may be the result of jumping into situations without thinking or moving too quickly for the circumstances. To be really powerful, you need to establish your independence and autonomy without creating extreme disruption or destruction in your path.

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 Libra Midheaven you experience power in the form of justice and fairness and may strive to find a career expression which will allow you to work toward these ends. You may admire those whose work in the law or politics affords greater opportunity to a broad range of people and may yourself feel that your real power will manifest when you make an impact upon society in some manner, and you don't have to be a judge or politician to do it, either!

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.

With your Moon in semisquare aspect to your Midheaven, you need to be aware of your subconscious feelings about achieving success. If you are afraid of success or if you fear failure, it's important to find out why. Then you can work on your inner dragons and change your approach to accomplishing a sense of self-fulfillment.

Your talents and abilities may have been obvious in your youth, although you may have made choices which seem to have altered your use of them with Venus in semisextile to your Midheaven. But when you look at it, you'll realize that activities like those piano or dance lessons have extended benefits in other areas of your life as an adult woman, even if you are not on the concert stage! Anything which develops your self esteem improves your opportunities for success, and that is as true now as it was when you were a young girl. Your life work may involve the arts in some way and may also extend into avenues which are particularly appealing to women. Cultivating social skills and using your grace and refinement to your advantage can strengthen your standing in the world.

You're likely to jump right into situations, even if they're a little over your head, with Jupiter's energy in semisquare to your Midheaven. If you find yourself treading water, you won't like the feeling of not getting anywhere. You like to feel forward motion toward achieving your ambitions, and those times which require you to slow down can be a little frustrating. Continually re-evaluating your goals will help you maintain a sense of personal power within your profession or in your efforts within your community.

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 Aquarius radiate through your 2nd House, adding a need to use your personal resources to accomplish change in the world around you. You may have difficulty sustaining a steady source of income, but will ultimately learn how to create an approach to using your time, money and energy in a more efficient manner. This arises from developing an understanding of the real nature of material resources and the power which accompanies a sound financial base. With Uranus ruling this house, you may experience sudden changes in your finances, and the way you respond to those changes will determine how you feel about yourself. Since your self esteem is tied to your need for freedom, you may find that learning to manage your time and money provides the basis you require to manifest your dreams. You cannot afford to be selfish with your energy, and need to work toward achieving a balance between spending and saving what you have.

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.

The influence of Leo on your 8th House adds strong creative needs to your sexuality. Your experience of sexual sharing can be one of the keys to opening to a full experience of loving, although you may be more concentrated on your own satisfaction than that of your partner. Now, that's not to say that you don't enjoy providing satisfaction to your partner, but you may find it difficult unless you're satisfied, too. On a deeper level, you need an intimate relationship which will strengthen you spiritually and emotionally. You will not feel that you can open up completely unless you have the respect of your partner. From this point, you can share yourself fully and completely. Your loyalty to the relationship can be very strong, and you will expect that same deep commitment from your mate. In matters of the resources you share and create together, you will probably want to have an influence in these matters. Even if you're not managing the finances of your relationship, you'll need to know what's going on. Your controlling nature emerges when you feel that you're not appreciated, but it's equally important that you show your appreciation for and to your partner.

Your Moon's energy in the 8th House signifies the experience of soul level transformation as part of the process of establishing a real awareness of your power as a woman. This may arise through childbirth, the loss of a dear friend, illness or death of your mother, severe illness of your own, or working in a field which encourages and supports transformation and healing. You need to confront the nature of total regeneration on an emotional and spiritual level in order to feel powerful, whole and complete. These are not easy tasks and may result in deep wounds, feelings of inadequacy or fears of loss or abandonment. Although any of these may be justified, staying stuck in the wound is not your ultimate goal. Learning to extract yourself and to experience rebirth allows your soul to evolve. And that's why you're here.

Jupiter's energy in your 8th House stimulates strong sexual appetites. In your quest for the ultimate orgasm, you may jump into sexual relationships which become emotionally overwhelming before you're ready. This can create quite a bit of internal conflict, particularly since you like to feel free in your relationships. If you've thought to yourself that you're more spiritual than this, you may be ignoring a very important part of your psyche. You can be spiritual and sexual at the same time; it's all a matter of your focus! But you can also discover the price of sexually irresponsibility if you do get into intimacy too quickly. On the financial side of things, Jupiter's energy here can attract inheritance, and if you are to use these resources to

their ultimate benefit, you need to eliminate any guilt you have about them.

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.

Your earthy sensuality radiates through your Mars in Capricorn. Even though you may think you have yourself under control, you have an amazing sensual appetite. That's okay because when you indulge those needs within a safe and trusting relationship, you may actually feel better about yourself. It's when you try to repress your needs that you get yourself into trouble. Playful sexual activity may not be easy for you, especially if you're worried about whether or not you're doing everything in the proper way. Well, that's a matter of what you need at the moment, not some test of your abilities. You may actually find that sexual play which involves some type of restraints is quite appealing for you, whether you're the restrainer or restrainee! You strengthen your sense of power in the world by working hard to achieve your goals, and can be strongly self-reliant. You'll probably resist outside restraints, and will always perform better when you can do things your way. Establishing the difference between self-control and excessive controlling behavior and attitudes are among your primary lessons in life.

Sometimes you just do not handle restraint very well, especially when it feels defeating. With Mars in square aspect to Saturn, you are struggling with the lessons of right use of power, and have to deal with this experience both through your own actions and those of others. Developing positive self-restraint - not total inhibition - is the key to working with this energy properly. If you've experienced limitations which seem to be beyond your control, remember that you always have control over at least one factor: your response! Learning to use the blocks, frustrations and limitations in your life as stabilizing forces can make a huge difference in your sense of personal power. But if you're continually bumping into the same old barriers, or if you're stuck in the same fear of your own desires, you will never know the power you so deeply crave. You are the perfect candidate for passive-aggressive behavior in which you project your own frustrations and insecurities onto others or blame others for your mistakes. Taking charge of yourself is your major responsibility; trying to control others can be an exercise in futility.

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.

Your power is confirmed when you have joined your needs for freedom with personal responsibility for your actions. With Saturn in Aries, you may resist taking control of your own life, even though that's what you want most of all. Your resistance can stem from a fear of growing up. After all, life is much easier when somebody else takes the fall for you, and that may be why you're subconsciously looking for a man to take on a father-role. You may just be afraid of stepping out into the world on your own, even though there are no real reasons for your

fear. But when you are not taking responsibility for yourself, you run headlong into situations which inhibit your freedom and squelch your power. Learning to be more conscious of your own life force and allowing that energy to spontaneously flow through you brings exceptional power. But self centered immaturity and a lack of trust quickly diminish the stability and power you need.

You may feel uncertain about your abilities with your Sun in quincunx to Saturn, and that lack of confidence can weaken your sense of personal power. Setting goals is not particularly easy for you, since you tend to be dissatisfied when you attain them. Part of that dissatisfaction arises from your tendency to always be looking on the other side of the fence, and feeling that you would have been better off if you had made different decisions. Accepting where you are is actually the beginning of establishing a real sense of personal power, because until you are operating from the "be here now" perspective, you will never have the foundation you need to build a solid security in your life. You can benefit from programs which are designed to create self-improvement. Deciding what you want from life is step one. Step two is allowing enough flexibility to alter your objectives or the manner in which you get there without undermining your security.

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.

You learn about power through your spiritual and religious teaching with Pluto in the 9th House. Your need to connect to the Power of the Universal Mind is behind many of your deepest aspirations. You will be dissatisfied if you give your spiritual power to another human being. It belongs to you and to the direction of the Teacher within your higher consciousness. But it's tempting to hold onto religious ideals with a fervent dedication which is almost impossible to release. By separating your emotional attachment to your beliefs from the truth of your spiritual awareness, you will become empowered at the highest level.

You were born when Uranus and Pluto were in conjunction. This aspect occurs only rarely (about once in a century) and influences an entire generation. If you were born in the 1960's, you're among a generation of women whose impact upon social change can be very strong if you are united in your focus. As an individual, you may relish change for its own sake, and if you are to use the power of these energies to their highest benefits, need to develop an awareness of the impacts of the changes you are about to create. You may be challenged by the task of setting new trends for the uses of technology and the power of the mind, but may also become a voice for true social conscience and join together with others to champion the value of human rights and positive social transformation. However, you must also learn to develop fulfilling outlets for your individual self-expression if you are to know the true power that these energies can bring into your life.

## **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 in a beautiful woodland garden, walking alone on a warm morning. There are wonderful creatures running freely around you. Squirrels, birds, shy foxes dance around you. As you walk further into the garden, you reach a tree. From the tree hangs a swing suspended by a strong garland of ivy and flowers. You cannot help but sit in the swing, and gently push off, flying through the air and then touching down. You let yourself fly a bit higher, close your eyes, and enjoy the full pleasure of the garden, the warm sun on your face, and the serenity which surrounds you. Then, quite naturally, the tree lifts a branch like a comforting arm around you and perches you on its shoulder. From your viewpoint and within the safe embrace of the tree, you can see everything around you. When you look down at the base of the tree, a gentle deer is standing as though she is waiting for you. You easily climb from the tree and follow the deer. She leads you into a clearing, and you follow her with great anticipation. You are met by a woman dressed in soft, flowing robes of muted colors. She carries with her a journal, closed with a clasp of pure platinum. She invites you to sit with her, and as you sit together, she opens her journal. You see that her hands are beautifully radiant. She begins to write and allows you to see what she is writing. Her words are your thoughts. There is the question you pondered yesterday. And following the question, is the answer, so simple and easy to understand. Then, she stands, places the journal in your hands and bids you good-bye. Your experience with her reminds you that you have perfect knowledge and understanding if you will but stop to listen to your inner voice.