

# Astrology Profile for Women

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## Your Chart Data

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Planet	Sign	Position	House	House Cusps
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Saturn	Aries	10°Ar05'	01st	07 03°Li22'
Uranus	Virgo	24°Vi51'	06th	08 15°Sc08'
Neptune	Scorpio	22°Sc09'	08th	09 10°Sg59'
Pluto	Virgo	20°Vi38'	06th	10 01°Cp40'
Midheaven	Capricorn	01°Cp40'		11 22°Cp38'
Ascendant	Aries	03°Ar22'		12 19°Aq33'

Planet	Element	Mode	Elemental Balance	Modal Balance
Sun	Earth	Mutable	5 Fire	4 Cardinal
Moon	Water	Mutable	4 Earth	3 Fixed
Mercury	Air	Cardinal	1 Air	5 Mutable
Venus	Fire	Fixed	2 Water	
Mars	Fire	Mutable		
Jupiter	Fire	Fixed		
Saturn	Fire	Cardinal		
Uranus	Earth	Mutable		
Neptune	Water	Fixed		
Pluto	Earth	Mutable		
Midheaven	Earth	Cardinal		
Ascendant	Fire	Cardinal		

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## **Just for Women**

### An Astrological Portrait

Prepared for Annie

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 fiery energy, adding a special intensity to your personality and a strong level of vitality. You may be more action oriented than some of your friends, and your adventurous enthusiasm may make you the topic of conversation among your friends. Your intuition and instincts are effective allies. Watch a tendency to push yourself too hard, since it's easy to burnout once you've gone beyond your limits. In relationships with others, you prefer to be around those who love the adventure of life and who appreciate your active inspirational nature. 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. However, you also have a strong level of cardinality, which is expressed through your motivational spirit and your ability to initiate new situations or relationships.

When you look at the picture of your chart as a whole, you might notice that there is an emphasis of planets on the right side of your chart. This hemisphere strength indicates that you are driven by a need for connection to others, and you may seek validation from others as a means of confirming your sense of identity. It can be tempting to define your sense of self through your relationships, which can be a dangerous precedent if you have

not yet determined what you really need and want from your life on your own terms. However, you also have a strength through this emphasis, and that is an ability to honor and understand the needs and demands of others. Just watch your tendency to put your needs at the bottom of the heap!

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 Virgo your ego is driven by a powerful need to do things well. Although you may not ask for recognition, and may act uncomfortable when it comes your way, you crave the confirmation it brings. Yes, you are a perfectionist and you definitely have opinions. Yet you can be flexible when necessary. Just be sure that flexibility doesn't turn you into a doormat when you run into those people who are the controllers. It's okay to have things your way some of the time, too.

Your Ascendant is the face you present to the world, and shows how others see you. Your Ascendant, or rising sign, is Aries. You may give the appearance of assertive independence, and can be quite competitive when necessary. Your attitude toward life is generally adventurous, and you may love to take on challenges. Although you may not realize it sometimes, you can be abrasive, even though you may have simply been blazing the trail along the path toward reaching your destination. Mars, the planetary energy associated with your rising sign, is in Sagittarius in your chart. You may have a high level of athleticism, and are likely to feel better if you adopt an active lifestyle. Your sometimes sassy attitude can be quite fascinating.

The Moon is conjunct your Ascendant, adding a special emotional sensibility to your personality. Even your friends may call you "Mom," because they feel your support and care. Others are definitely likely to know how you feel, since you may wear your feelings in your expression and demeanor. In many situations, this can be a plus, particularly in creative self-expression. This emphasis can indicate increased moodiness and emotional sensitivity. You are especially sensitive to the cyclical nature of life on the physical plane, including your own physical cycles which manifest through your menstrual

phases. By watching yourself and becoming more attentive to your natural cyclical rhythms, you can actually enhance your personal awareness and creativity. These cycles are, of course, much more than physical, and have dimensions which connect to your emotional, mental and spiritual sensibilities. You may also be seen by others as a nurturing type, and in your relationships you may take on the role of nurturer. Just be sure you remember that you need some tender loving care, too.

With your Sun in opposition to your Ascendant, you may feel a need for more attention, especially if you are in a relationship with someone who demands a lot of attention. You may also find that it can be easy to become too self-involved, particularly if you're feeling ignored. Others may resent it if you turn the conversation or attention toward yourself, especially if someone else actually needs the spotlight. And watch for your tendency to reluctantly step aside, and then resent it later! Honesty about your real desires in relationships is absolutely crucial, or you will feel that you are living on a battlefield.

With Mars in supportive trine aspect to your Ascendant you can develop positive ways to assert yourself and achieve the realization of your desires. You may feel quite comfortable in competitive situations and are likely to have the ability to relate to men. Your physical vitality may be strong, and you may feel that you have a good energy reserve which can be further enhanced by staying physically fit and active. In positions of leadership you're likely to take an equally active part with those who follow your direction.

The influence of Saturn in conjunction to your Ascendant can be especially powerful. You may project a conservative, stable energy and can be practical in your approach to life. Taking responsibility for yourself seems reasonable and natural, although you may sometimes get tired of feeling that you are the only grown-up among a crowd of perpetual children. Yet the power of self-control has been evident to you throughout your life, and you would much prefer to have control than to have others control you! Sometimes you may take yourself a bit too seriously, so remember to keep your sense of humor on call to avoid getting stuck in an attitude of depression or defeat when times are difficult.

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 Moon in Pisces feels everything. The joy of a child petting a puppy, the thrill of a ballet dancer in a perfect spin, and the despair of the lonely and abandoned street person. It's difficult for you to turn off your feelings, because they tell you so much. But sometimes you would just love to escape their intensity. To accomplish this, you can retreat into your creativity and imagination, but you can also lose yourself in addictive behaviors. Developing your compassion for others is wonderful, but so, too, is developing a real compassion for yourself and your spiritual essence. By integrating your spirituality into your everyday life, you become whole. And somehow, in the process, the

world is a much more comfortable place.

## **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!

Through your Pisces Moon you express a profound sense of Divine Feminine energy. The Source of All Power definitely has a feminine side, and you are quite capable of harnessing that power. It flows through your imagination and creativity. It sings through your love and compassion. It dances through your joy. You know that power for you is not about controlling, but instead is about surrendering. You surrender to divine compassion, and your heart fills with love. You surrender your fears, and your imagination takes you on a journey into the spaces of pure beauty. But surrender does not mean that you give up your own needs and feelings. Nor does it mean that you have to place everyone else (including "The World,") above your own needs. Selfless compassion is one thing. Martyrdom is another. To avoid becoming victimized, you must learn to recognize abuse of power when you see (or feel) it. Although you may want to provide help and rescue to others, you may not be adept at sheltering yourself from being victimized by those you're helping. In psychological terms you need to learn to set some personal boundaries. You are especially prone to co-dependent behaviors: situations where answering the needs of others completely overtakes your own needs. You may also fall into the trap of addictive behaviors as a means of escaping the pain of life in the real world. Ultimately, either of these options can lead to your becoming the victim once again. But here, you may actually victimize yourself. Suffering needlessly is highly self-destructive. In truth, you are seeking to return to the Source from which you came; and



when you go inside yourself, you may discover that you've never lost contact after all. You just have to wake up to an expanded reality and renewed vision.

Your Moon is in opposition aspect to your Sun, adding emotional intensity to your personality and stimulating a strong sensitivity to your environment and those within it. You are also face to face with yourself and may struggle to remain aware of who you are and what you need, especially in your relationships. Sometimes, it may seem that you are always striving to achieve some type of balance between what you want and what others want from you, but if you are connected to the center of yourself, this task becomes much easier. Even though you may think life might be simpler if you did not have to consider how you feel about things, removing this sensitivity would diminish a powerful level of awareness. You have the capacity to develop high levels of objectivity, since your intuitive insightfulness can work to your benefit. Your emotional sensitivity can also get in your way if you get out of balance or if you allow someone else's needs to overwhelm your own. This aspect indicates conflict between the masculine and feminine elements of your psyche, and this can be played out in your relationships until you gain an awareness of how you work on the "inside". You may even find that you play the roles of both father and mother to your children, although your mothering nature does usually overwhelm your more assertive side. In intimate relationships, you may attract men who want a mother, but you want, most of all, to be a true partner. Certainly there is a level of nurturing which occurs in close relationships, and there's nothing wrong with becoming "mommy" and "daddy" in your roles. Caretaking is part of your identity as a woman, but the levels at which you accomplish expressing this tenderness are up to you.

With your Moon in quincunx aspect to Venus, your sense of your own worth and beauty fluctuate. Once you get used to the idea that your changeability is a part of something positive, you can reflect a more positive level of self-esteem. It's like remembering to avoid trying on a swimsuit when it's two days before you start your period. You know you'll look and feel better about yourself in another week! This same energy is at work in your relationships. A healthy relationship is not the same from day to day, and if you expect that everything, including your feelings about someone, will always be the same, then you will never be satisfied. Once you realize that you may appreciate yourself, someone else, or your life situation in a cyclical or changeable manner, then you can make the adjustment, and your happiness is much more consistent!

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.

Your Moon is in opposition aspect to Uranus, adding a high level of unpredictability to your emotional nature and a need for personal independence. You need excitement, change and distraction, but at levels you can tolerate without totally disrupting your life. You may also be more comfortable when you're independent, instead of being tied to a set schedule, a certain role or a particular list of demands. As an independent woman, you are more likely to tolerate commitments. If you're expected or demanded to do certain things, you may just rebel for the sake of rebellion. After all, you're an individual! There may be other planetary aspects in your chart which add a level of focus and stability to your life, but this influence alone can disrupt even the best laid plans! At the level of your soul you cry out to be seen and accepted for who you are, unconditionally. That acceptance must first come from within yourself. This influence also indicates the possibility of higher than normal fluctuations in hormonal levels, which can also stimulate more profound emotional changeability. Those who are close to you probably recognize a cyclical level to your alterations in mood, and you can probably tie them to a cycle yourself if you pay attention. You may or may not decide to choose motherhood as an option, and may be more comfortable in non-traditional relationships. To maintain a relationship you need plenty of room to be yourself. And to be the kind of mother you want to be, you need to develop a supportive relationship with your children which has some levels of consistency. You may relate to teen-agers more easily than to small children.

Through the trine aspect between your Moon and Neptune, you are capable of developing an exceptional level of compassion. Your sensibilities are quite remarkable, and this awareness is likely to extend into the realm of strong psychic sensitivity. You may "feel" something long before you get the physical evidence! Your imagination and sense or artistry may be quite evident in your life, and your hypnotic qualities can be quite alluring. Since you may also be quite sensitive to the feelings of others, you may be continually drawn into situations where others pour out their hearts to you, and you have the ability to accept and support them in a special manner. Becoming aware of your emotional boundaries is important, and you may naturally do this by seeking out time alone, periods of meditation, or a comfortable quiet space to relax. You may be quite adept in caring for others, but also have developed a strong awareness of your inner self and needs. You may even find that using the changes in awareness associated with your menstrual cycle helps you enhance your strength, creativity and emotional resilience. As a mother, you may be especially sensitive to the needs and emotions of your children, and can provide a heavenly sense of comfort. Because you innately know these things, you may also tend to do too much. You cherish relationships of all types - friends, family and lovers - and you may feel that your life is incomplete without an opportunity to share the deep compassion you have for the sanctity of life. You are definitely capable of expressing the true power and energy of the Goddess: the feminine aspect of All That Is.

Anyone who looks carefully can see it reflected within your eyes.

With your Moon in opposition to Pluto, you feel everything at a deep, intense level. You rarely wade in the shallows, since immersing yourself in whatever you're doing is much more gratifying. Your intensity can also stimulate compulsive or obsessive levels of behavior. You can also be an intimidating woman, especially when you're focused on something (or someone!), and can become completely absorbed in your own feelings. This energy is wonderful for healing, since you have the capability of penetrating into the depths and releasing blocks; although it may be easier to direct this energy toward someone else than it is to direct toward yourself. Men who are uncomfortable with their emotional nature and their own vulnerabilities may feel exposed when they are around you. Even though you may not intend to overwhelm them, you sometimes do. In your close relationships, it is crucial to allow others to be themselves, warts and all. Your tendency might be to transform them, and that could be dangerous. However, if a person is working towards change, you can certainly be helpful, and you may be the catalyst for change in the lives of many people. As a mother, you can be extremely attentive and aware. You can also be overly protective and can create an atmosphere of claustrophobia for your kids if you go too far. Use your sensibilities to determine how your children are responding, and allow yourself to back off when necessary. Otherwise, you may reach a point where it feels that you are abandoning ship in the midst of a storm.

Your Moon is in the Full Moon Phase of the Lunation Cycle, signifying that you are in pursuit of illumined consciousness. This phase stimulates a quality of idealism, and you may feel most alive when you are somehow connected to the world around you in some way. Your objectivity may be one of your strongest qualities. The archetypal quality associated with this phase of the moon is that of "The Lover," the part of you which knows and shows the power of attraction, sensuality and desire. Through these qualities, you can create a level of eroticism and high romance. This sense of relatedness can stimulate a powerful desire to find your soul mate, and you may be more driven than many women to make that connection. But it goes beyond a singular relationship, since you are also capable of becoming intimately connected to the world in some manner. Communal experiences are quite empowering for you. Whether you're participating in rituals in church, sharing a group consciousness experience at a retreat, or caught in the thrill of cheering for your favorite team - you can ride the wave of energy, and add your own vitality and strength to carry it further. The process of evolution and growth are extremely important, and despite your biological age, you will be most satisfied when your days and nights create a rhythm of continuity, completion, objectivity and connection.

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 Leo you radiate a powerful, attractive energy. Your flair for the dramatic may be seen in your elegant manner and sense of style. Although you can be at home in casual attire, you can wear the most luxurious evening attire in grand fashion, and certainly look marvelous in jewels. Your warm smile lights up your face, and you may also enjoy being in the spotlight. Certainly in your close relationships you like being the center of attention, and may pout if you are ignored. It's unlikely that such a situation will last long, since you love life, and live to enjoy yourself. Indulging in your favorite forms of entertainment (and you may be quite entertaining yourself!) adds energy and power to your life. You are quite capable of standing up for yourself, and probably have a high level of self-esteem. Even if other factors in your chart diminish your self-worth, you can rise above them through tapping into the source of love which burns deep in your soul. However, you can be a bit lazy and self-indulgent, and if you're feeling hurt can go a bit overboard in this regard. Although you may take your time opening your heart, once you allow yourself to love, you are not likely to change your feelings. Even if a relationship ends, you may still hang onto it, although some of this can be a matter of pride. Anyone who has been the recipient of your warm hugs is not likely to forget you, since you do have a big heart and generous spirit.

The conjunction of Venus and Jupiter stimulates your generosity and ability to attract high levels of abundance. It may appear that you are quite lucky, and, at the very least, these qualities attract good fortune. Yet if you direct all this energy toward yourself, you can become quite spoiled. Your sense of "I want" can become rather self-indulgent, especially if you take people or situations for granted and expect that you will always have everything without having to assert much effort. If you allow this energy to flow in and out, giving and receiving, you'll discover that you not only experience greater satisfaction, but that you know the true essence of an abundant life.

The energy of Venus in square aspect to Neptune stimulates your imagination and romantic spirit. You love delving into fantasy and can be quite dramatic. You may also be tempted to wear a mask in order to cover your feelings of vulnerability. This mask can be in the form of make-up, manner of dress, or different forms of escape. You are sensitive and have such idealism that you may feel true pain when reality slaps you in the face. The problem you may face in creating your true expression as a woman is discovering what it is you truly want and need. The vague sense that it's out there somewhere is not very convincing that you'll ultimately land on the right image or step into the magical spotlight. You need to find a way to allow romance and imagination to blend with what is truly possible. Using this energy to envision yourself as the woman you want to become, and then gradually altering your life to "test" your vision, can allow you to determine the differences between what you do and do not really need. Keeping your emotional boundaries intact is one of your greatest challenges, especially once you fall in love. But you can accomplish it by remaining mindful.

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.

You may be glad you're a woman. In fact, some of the more brutish aspects of manhood may hold absolutely no enticement to you whatsoever. As a Virgo woman, you're not interested in expressing your masculine side as a man might - you would prefer to own your identity and express it just the way you want it! Face it, you can be intimidated by men, and may have given away some of your power because you don't really feel very comfortable tooting your own horn. There is a difference between appreciating yourself and standing up for the recognition and advancement you deserve, and letting someone take advantage of you. Unfortunately, you may not really want to do battle and may prefer to just do your job or attend to your duties and let the blowhards have their fun. You may also get in your own way by being too critical of yourself, or feeling that you are not really "perfect enough," to have all the glory. It's possible that you felt a strong sense of judgment or criticism from your father, and learned to be Little Miss Perfect in order to gain his approval. But that was when you were a little girl. By applying your powerful sense of discrimination and critical judgment to determine if you're getting what you need from your relationship, your job or your family, you can make an honest assessment of your life situation. Then, you can forge a plan of action which will assure that you can achieve a better pathway for your personal fulfillment.

The influence of your Sun conjunct Uranus stimulates an immense need to develop your self-assertiveness and individuality. Finding yourself may involve taking a path which is out of the ordinary, but that's to be expected since you're an extraordinary woman! You may wonder why you seem to attract men into your life who are unattainable or distant, and it could just be that the root of the problem is that you do not

want to be tied down. Part of owning the masculine element of your psyche is the experience to allowing yourself to be a woman on your own terms.

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

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

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

You can be a bit sassy with Mars in Sagittarius and certainly have no trouble at all setting out on your adventures. Even as a little girl you were probably on the go, and now that you're a woman, you may have a restless energy which is only satisfied when you're on a quest. Your confidence and optimism may be radiant when you're in pursuit. You can become frustrated if you have to stay in one place too long.

Getting things done is usually not a problem for you. With Mars trine Saturn, you like to accomplish what you set out to do, and may do it with room to spare. This aspect symbolizes a positive, supportive connection between yourself and the men in your life, since it also shows that you can be self-reliant when necessary, something anyone else will appreciate. You may also have excellent timing, but have to exercise it if you're going to make the most of it!

## **Developing Your Mind**

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

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

Your need to be socially correct can get in the way of saying what you really want to say with Mercury in semi-square aspect to Venus. You may also be too sensitive to the way others communicate with you, and if confronted with harsh or abrasive behavior, may have difficulty dealing with the person or situation. However, this influence does stimulate an interest in developing your communicative and social skills.

You can be strongly focused and disciplined in your thinking with Mercury in opposition to Saturn. You can also be too judgmental or restrictive in your thinking. It's easy to get stuck in the rut of approaching things the same way all the time, or you may think that your ideas and opinions are the only way to do things. Okay, so you acknowledge that there are other ways to do things, but that your way is best. By consciously working to maintain an open mind, you may even improve upon yourself. Imagine that!

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. Although you may not enjoy the structure of academia, you love to open your mind to the realm of possibility. Your Pisces Moon functions much like a mental sponge: you take in everything! When you're emotionally drained or upset, you're likely to



function less clearly on a mental level. When you're centered, your perceptions are amazing. It's important that you give yourself time and room to process your feelings about something before you dive into it, since your own reticence can block your ability to learn.

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 and learning involves experiencing the true essence self-expression with Jupiter in Leo. You may take great pride in your educational accomplishments, and may like to be noticed. Your generous spirit extends into all areas of your life, and you may feel that giving of yourself by sharing your talents and abilities is important to your personal development. You can be very attached to your beliefs and ideals, and may not appreciate others who find fault or who disagree with them. It's not likely that you will change your idealistic viewpoints unless you are personally motivated to do so.

There are no major aspects to Jupiter in your chart. To a large extent, this indicates that the energy of Jupiter is empowered, because it operates without undue influence from others energies in your chart. Your personal philosophies, ideals and beliefs form a major cornerstone of your identity. The qualities of this energy may be an outstanding force in your life, and this is the energy which people frequently associate with your identity.

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.

Your insightful intelligence is influenced by Gemini's rulership of your 3rd House. Your multifaceted way of thinking is quite an asset when problems need to be solved or people need to be contacted. An exceptional negotiator, your ability to bring people together through opening lines of communication is one of your greatest assets. Mercury's rulership of your 3rd House adds a special ability to get along with others on an everyday basis, since reaching out and making contact is also self-confirming for you. You like to get to the point, and prefer to deal with factual evidence when making important decisions. Learning may be rather enjoyable for you, throughout your lifetime.

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

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

The influence of Sagittarius on the cusp of your 9th House stimulates a strong desire to open your mind and find the truth. Your quest may lead you to travel, study, converse, write, read and explore. Nature is fascinating to you, as is human nature. You may enjoy the experience of competition at the philosophical level: something like the Olympics is quite appealing to you, where people from all parts of the world come together to strive for excellence. Jupiter's rulership of this house stimulates a prophetic and visionary ability and encourages you to reach beyond your current limitations toward horizons which are yet undiscovered.

There are no planets in your 9th House, indicating that extended education in a formal setting may not be your highest priority. Although you may be quite philosophical or approach life itself as a learning experience, you may have interruptions in formal education or may find that you learn in different ways than those found in more academic settings. To further understand your approach to education study the meaning of the sign on the cusp of the 9th House explained above, and reflect on the energy of Jupiter and its sign and house placement as indicators of the development of your higher mind.

Through the 11th House you learn from peers, and connect with your community. The 11th House involves your special interests, too. This is very much the school of life, because this is also the area which relates to developing your goals.

You're quite capable of putting a strong foundation underneath your dreams with Capricorn's influence in your 11th House. You may find it easier to accomplish your aims when you have a well-defined path, and that path can be clarified by setting goals. You

need long-term and short-term goals, since you can become discouraged if you're just aiming for something that will happen many years in the future. Those short-term goals will also act as stepping stones toward the summit! Saturn's rulership of this house shows that you need clarity when working toward your aims and that you might appreciate guidance or support from a friend or mentor to help you maintain your focus.

There are no planets in your 11th House, indicating that you may not find it necessary or important to develop a strict set of goals, and that you may not seek out confirmation and support from others in order to reach a sense of fulfillment. To further understand your special interests look to the sign on the cusp of this house explained in the section above, and study the placement of Uranus in your chart to determine where you find your best allies.

## **Your Special Edge**

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

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

Your connection to your soul may be centered in your sense of being rooted to your family with Cancer on the cusp of your 4th House. You may feel an urge to explore family history or genealogy, and in the process, may discover some exceptional information about yourself which seems to ring a very deep chord. You have a very compelling sense of knowing when things are right, which is more like a "feeling" than a thought. With your Moon influencing this house through its connection to the sign of

Cancer, your need to establish the right home environment may go deeper than just wanting to live in the right neighborhood. You need a place where you feel connected at the most profound levels.

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 Scorpio on the cusp of your 8th House, you have experienced the effects of true regeneration of yourself. Your views of birth, death, sexuality and healing may be quite matter of fact - that's just the way things are. And although you can be quite passionate, you may be capable of working with the processes of change which would redirect the focus of your passion. You may have a strong flow of energy which can aid your own healing. You can also be an effective healing channel for others. Additionally, you may be quite sensitive to the undercurrents of your relationships, although you may not like having the deal with them directly. The influence of Pluto as the ruler of this house strengthens your ability to welcome the inevitable changes and to use them as an empowering opportunity. But if you're too intent upon trying to direct the outcome as you would have it, you may be waging war on yourself.

Through the energy of Mars in your 8th House, you are stimulated to dive into the depths of life. Your courageous approach to exploring the nature of personal transformation may lead you into a profound understanding of your own inner psyche. It can also play a role in your ability to help others who are in need of healing, change and personal growth. Active forms of inner strengthening, such as martial arts, hatha yoga, chi gong, or dance can help you to use your body as a means of discovering your personal power and lead to total healing.

Your psychic impressions can be quite powerful with Neptune in your 8th House. Your sensitivity can be quite strong in matters which involve health or death, but you may also be aware of the potential for destructive or transformational changes in your environment. If undeveloped, you may just "sense" that things are happening, or your

visions may come through your dreams. If you wish to further develop this sensibility, it is important to learn how to create a strong filter so that you can become a better "viewer" instead of feeling these things on a personal emotional level.

The 12th House is the space of your dreams. Here, you surrender your conscious self and float into the beyond. This is also the place in your psyche which contains your past, and where you are one with all humanity. Your super conscious self rests in this part of your psyche: the part of yourself that transcends your everyday reality.

The influence of Aquarius on your 12th House stimulates a powerful urge to break free of the bonds of the physical plane. Your urge to return to the source can prompt you to develop your creative or artistic sensibilities and to employ your ingenuity in freeing your inner self. You may be tempted to escape through negative means, and can develop addictions or become neurotically driven to insulate yourself from the pressures of life. Your true yearnings are connected to your awareness that there is a reality beyond the physical plane, but you still have to cope with being here in order to accomplish the quest of your soul! Uranus rules this house, indicating that you may follow a rather unique path toward awareness and awakening. But that's okay, as long as you reach the light you're seeking.

With the energy of your Moon in the 12th House your emotional sensibilities play a powerful role in your intuitive awareness. Your ability to feel the energy around you at a vibrational level is intensified, and you may have difficulty separating your own feelings from those of the people around you. Although this quality can be quite helpful in situations which involve counseling or other therapeutic services, it may add to your emotional fatigue unless you've learned how to create an emotional filter. Clearing your energy through conscious focus, allowing you to release any emotional energy you've absorbed from dealing with others, can make a big difference in your sense of vitality and emotional resilience.

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!

Your psychic sensibilities may be quite amazing. With the Moon in Pisces your sense of things goes beyond the physical into the realm of vibration. You can feel the energy which emanates from a crowd, the energy left over in an empty room, the energy of emotion which is not expressed. You may also have a powerful connection with the realm of the spiritual and may be aware of things that many people do not see or feel. It is important that you are attentive to your dreams, and that before you sleep or rest, you clear your energy.

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 its glow. This is also the part of you which defies restraint, and certainly your intuitive mind can celebrate that possibility!

You can be highly inventive in your approach to your work with Uranus in the 6th House. Since you have a 6th sense about working with technological devices, you may enjoy spending time using computers, playing with gadgets or developing inventive devices. You may also have a special sensibility to health and healing and may gain great benefit from participating in or developing alternative healing methods.

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!

The influence of Neptune in your 8th House has been explored earlier in this section of your report.

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 need to strengthen your awareness of your physical body with Pluto in your 6th House in order to avoid making choices which can be physically destructive or harmful. Repressing your emotions or ignoring problems does not cure them. You may also have special healing gifts which can help others experience positive transformation, and may feel that it is important to work in a profession which allows you to do so.

### **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.

Your Pisces Moon pulls you deep inside yourself and beckons you to find ways to return to the source. You may feel continually hungry for spiritual rejuvenation, and need ample opportunities to experience renewal at this level. When nurturing others, you provide a sense of comfort and compassion and when anyone is suffering, you offer support which may be unequalled. Your sensitivity to the influences around you can leave you exhausted at the end of a stressful day. When you take the time to connect with the spiritual source which empowers you, you can be revitalized. Sleep is especially important, and the quality of your sleep can be enhanced when you release the tension from the day before you fall asleep. You may find sustenance in reviewing your dreams, and spending time reflecting upon your dreams can also provide an opportunity to understand yourself and your life on a more profound level. Your personal environment

needs to be serene, and you'll feel more like letting go if you sense that you are, indeed, removed from the world. You may love sinking into a hot tub to relax, and swimming can be rejuvenating. Give yourself time to experience regular body work, have regular pedicures, or foot reflexology treatments. When you vacation, find a place which indulges your fantasies. And when you're just taking time off for the afternoon or evening, let yourself experience some positive escapes at the movies, listening to music or reading a book. Meditation and spiritual retreats will also provide important emotional and spiritual renewal.

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.

The qualities of Cancer radiate through your 4th House, adding a need for comfort, warmth and coziness in your home space. You may love being surrounded by things which have sentimental value and may have an affinity for antiques or vintage furniture. Your kitchen needs to be state of the art, since you may enjoy fine cuisine and will appreciate an excellent place to create it. Hosting family gatherings and providing a safe



place for those you love adds special memories and a wonderful at home quality to your personal environment. A garden can be both beautiful and practical for you, since tending to things that are growing suits many of your needs. The influence of the energy of the Moon, which rules this house, brings a feeling of nurturance to this space which is the natural place to experience caring and comfort.

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.

You may have very strong personal ambitions with Capricorn on your Midheaven. Your determination can be one of your greatest assets on your path to success. If you are not pursuing a career path, you still have ambitions, and these may be in the form of family position and influence or through the roles you take in your community. You're not a woman who is waiting for life to pass you by: you like having a few challenges and prefer to have a focus and life direction. Your life path may seem to be filled with struggle or conflict, although you may actually be responsible for creating some of those struggles. You're actually proving yourself, and life is your proving ground! In career endeavors, you'll be most comfortable with positions which garner respect, and may aim for professional success instead of just working for a living. In the field of education, you may be either teacher or administrator, and in business, you're quite the executive. You

prefer to be in charge, and if you're working in business, government or industry, will probably aim for the top, or for those positions which allow you to be in control. Responsibility and control are key influences in your ability to achieve a true sense of fulfillment. The manner in which you do this is determined by the way you use the energy of Saturn, which is tied to your Midheaven.

With Saturn in Aries you may be uncomfortable dealing with authority and may need to learn how to be assertive. You may prefer a career path which requires mental and physical activity and where you can utilize your strong reasoning capacities.

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 put your heart into your work with Leo ruling your 6th House. Because your performance on the job is important to you, you need to focus on jobs which are especially meaningful and where you feel you can make a difference. Your idealism and loyalty show in your connections to those with whom you work, and you may be a strong leader, even though your manner may be somewhat reserved. With the energy of your Sun playing such a powerful role in this area, you may find that you identify strongly with your job. Finding an occupation in which you have pride will not only feel better, but will also assure that you'll perform at your peak capacity.

With your Sun in the 6th House you will grow most productively in situations which give you a chance to do something for others. This may not always be easy, since you may really want to work as a means to gain recognition for yourself. Certainly, it's important to work in fields which allow you to utilize your talents and skills. This will give you a sense of personal satisfaction. You may not feel fully satisfied with work which is just for personal gain. This is the area of your chart which is centered upon service to others, and if you put your vital energies into something that makes a difference for someone else, then you'll feel much more in harmony with yourself. From the eastern philosophical point of view, this house represents your dharma - your work in the world. This is the work you do for your soul and spirit to grow. When that's happening, you prosper on every level! You can still shine, and when you're putting your heart into your work, you're likely to glow. Your work environment should be healthy, since you respond quite strongly to poor environmental conditions. And it's also important to remember to stop working some of the time and take time for recreation, exercise and play in order to maintain your vitality. Reflect upon the qualities associated with the Sun in your chart to find the particular areas which will be most natural, and then direct those qualities into a field of service.

Through the energy of Venus in your 6th House, you can be strongly stimulated to work in areas which require artistic sensibility, and you may be most interested in work in the arts, music or creative arenas. Whatever your talents, you'll benefit most from a job which allows you to use and further develop them. Your tastes and values play an important role in determining your work choices, and you will be more productive when you know you're fairly compensated for your efforts. You'll be most effective in a work environment which appeals to your sense of beauty. If faced with stale or drab conditions at work, you may be the first to add something tasteful, charming or interesting to your surroundings. Work in retail sales, the entertainment industry, fashion, interior design or similar areas can be gratifying. But the key to finding a job that works is whether or not you really do like it. After all, the energy of Venus speaks of what you truly love and appreciate.

Work which provides an opportunity to travel, enhance your mind and feed your spirit is most appealing and satisfying. Jupiter's energy in your 6th House brings a high level of confidence and good humor which is always appreciated on the job. You may be perfectly suited for work in academia, whether in the roles of teacher or professor, administrator, or board member. Work in diplomatic relations, sales, promotion, fund-raising and fields which are related to religion, publishing and travel are all excellent choices. Environmental and nature-related fields may also be good choices, and you may have a special affinity for animals which can be translated into your job. Whatever your choices, you need to feel that there's ample room for growth, expansion and a positive future.

The energy of Uranus in your 6th House signifies your need to work in fields which will provide opportunities to exercise your independence and originality. You may find working in scientific, technological or computer-related areas exciting and positively challenging, but you're also fascinated by alternative possibilities in any field. In health care, your leaning toward unconventional methods may prompt you to work in these areas. Whatever your talents and skills, your approach to using them is likely to involve something innovative. You'll also appreciate working in situations which provide ample freedom and which allow you to tackle a job in your own way. If you're stuck in a dead-end or unfair circumstance, you are likely to rebel and may even be responsible for breaking rules which, from your viewpoint, have no other purpose than to perpetuate an outworn system.

With Pluto's energy focused in your 6th House, your work can be a phenomenal source for regeneration. You may be drawn into jobs in the health care fields, including mental health, which will allow you to experience the power of healing more directly. You may also be interested in employing your restorative energies in environmental areas or with animals, or you may be quite adept at refurbishing historic homes, monuments or furniture. Your work needs to provide an outlet for you to bring about change, rehabilitation and revitalization, and as long as that's happening, you'll be

content. If you feel stagnant, abused, or resentful, then your work can be a source of great agony.

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!

Cancer's influence on your 5th House adds a love of playful and creative outlets which stimulate your emotions and fill your soul. You may have a special affinity for music and dancing, and may relish the idea of surrendering to a warm embrace dancing into the long hours of a romantic evening. You may also enjoy cooking, gardening and putting some of your creative energy into building your nest. Spending time with your family may be the source of great pleasure, and you will always feel good about giving gifts which come from your heart. That time you spend with your kids curled in your arms reading bedtime stories or singing lullabies may be your greatest inspiration. With the Moon's influence extending into your creative expression, you may also gain special enjoyment from creative expression which provides support and encouragement to others. Giving something you've made may be one of your trademarks.

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

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

You probably already have the reputation of doing things well with your Sun in Virgo. But you're after more than competency. You have some unwritten set of criteria which are akin to divine perfection that you'd love to achieve somewhere in your life. Learning that successes come in all sizes, and becoming happy with some of the small successes can prepare you when the big success arrives. Because if you're not ready for it, you may feel like shrinking away under the internal pressure you feel over that tiny mistake you made which is driving you nuts. Chances are, it's insignificant, and you'll learn from it, so let it go. And just say, "thank you very much."

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.

Uranus in your 6th House has been discussed previously in this section of your chart.

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 12th House you'll discover that your life purpose is centered around the things you do for the collective. Whether you're giving some of your time and energy to charitable causes, working in public institutions or concentrating on world peace during your meditations, you need to reach out with your energy into the part of yourself which connects to all that is.

## 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!

Love may be the central focus of your life since you have Venus in Leo. The experience of falling in love, surrendering to passionate romance, opening to the feeling that you are the most important part of someone's life is the stuff your dreams are made of. But stop for a moment and look into the mirror. If the truth is told, you are a very important part of your own life, right? And that's okay, as long as your self-awareness is not pure selfishness! For love to grow in your heart, it has to involve mutual respect, trust and loyalty. If those features are lost or diminished, you may feel the flame of love is beginning to die. You really do have a big heart, and it feels wonderful when you can do something special for those you love and admire. Sometimes, giving is the way you fill your own heart with love, although you do adore it when someone pampers you. Love is the place where you shine the brightest, and when your heart is open to love, you feel alive. Letting go is difficult for you and if a love relationship ends, you may still carry a torch for that man forever; but it's to your advantage to know when to let go and move on. If you're still stuck in the past, you can miss something pretty spectacular in the here and now!

Love relationships can keep you a little off balance with your Moon in quincunx aspect to Venus. You may find that you are frequently attracted to someone who is not easily attainable, or that your timing seems to be a bit wrong. You may not trust your own judgment in matters of the heart, and it is easy to try to fill your own needs through someone else instead of filling them yourself. But every time you go too far, the Universe seems to slap you, just to get your attention. Eventually you do get the point, and as a result you may become quite adept at handling affairs of the heart. But you may always find that there is a tendency to get yourself into a bit of trouble, especially when you are feeling needy, ignored or lonely. If you can identify the source of your yearnings, you'll be much more successful at really satisfying them!

With Mercury in semi-square aspect to Venus, you may have trouble clearly communicating your feelings. Sometimes it's just a matter of semantics. You can also send mixed messages, and may attract men who do the same thing. Clarification can be achieved by first reflecting upon what you really want to say, and then making sure that you are understood. Intent is not always enough!

Your generous and gracious nature stimulated by the energy of Venus in conjunction with Jupiter can attract good fortune through your love relationships. But it's no accident: you draw positive situations because you create them! When your heart is open, there's nothing you would refuse the one you love. Allowing the flow of love to fill your life with joy increases your ability to give of yourself and your energy. It is tempting to be too indulgent, however, so remember that before you go out to shop for a birthday gift for the man you love! Your intimate relationships are most meaningful when you share ideals, beliefs or philosophies with your lover or husband, and striving to accomplish a shared vision will add a special spark to the energy of love.

In square aspect to Neptune, your Venusian expression takes on an other-worldly quality. Your yearning may be for that perfect lover whose spirituality, passion, purity of spirit and drive all stem from the highest possible level. Loving in such a manner would seem to remove you from the bondage of ordinary life and transport you into true bliss. Although this seems possible in fairy tales or movies, it's really difficult to find those elements in another human being. You may also operate under the illusion that you must first sacrifice yourself before you are worthy of love. It's all too easy to project unrealistic feelings onto your lover, and it is just as tempting to try to alter yourself to please a man so that he will love you. Whether those alterations are in your behavior, your appearance or your attitudes, if you submerge your real self beneath the illusions of what you feel will make you more lovable, you're selling out. If you want to experience the ecstasy you dream about, you'll surrender to a love which honors your real needs and learn to avoid situations where you become addicted, co-dependent, victimized or abused. Forgiving the shortcomings of the man you love is one thing; allowing him to deceive or victimize you is another! Know when and how to give help, but be careful of emotional rescue ventures!

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 compassionate 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.

With your Moon and Neptune in trine aspect, you may find it easy to trust your feelings when you're opening to love. Your sixth sense about other people is usually quite clear, and when you've found the right partner for your needs, you know. You may still have to watch a tendency to be too emotionally sensitive, but it's not usually a difficult problem.

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

Jupiter's square to Neptune indicates a frustration between your ideals or beliefs and the essence of Truth. On an inner level you may feel that a particular path is right, but the teachings you've learned may not echo those inner feelings. It's like the discovery of hypocrisy from someone who speaks about one truth but lives a life which does not reflect that truth. You are struggling to integrate the truth with your beliefs, and your relationships may act as a catalyst which challenges you to explore those ideals further. You may also find that differences in spiritual practice are quite difficult to handle within your relationships.

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.

The experience of loving and opening your heart is purely magical for you with Cancer influencing your 5th House. When you're in love, your romantic heart is alive and filled with passion and desire. You relish getting close to the man you love, and can thoroughly enjoy the physical pleasures of loving. Sometimes, though, just cuddling together is enough to warm your heart. When your heart is open and love is flowing, you show care, nurturance and tenderness as part of your love expression. You need to be needed. You must safeguard against a tendency to try to absorb your lover into your life - that can be too claustrophobic. With the Moon also influencing this house, you will show deep devotion to those you love - from children to lovers. Through this devotion, your



creativity is kindled, and you may gain pure enjoyment from the experiences of making your favorite chicken soup, the best cookies ever, and those special presents for the holidays.

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.

With Libra's qualities projected into your 7th House, you need a truly functional partnership, where each individual is treated equally and contributes equally to the partnership. This sounds good philosophically, but is very difficult to accomplish, and you may have to take the lead to accomplish your real aims in marriage. The first part step toward a healthy partnership is mutual self-acceptance and self-awareness. With Venus' energy involved in this area, you can extend your appreciation and support to your partner most readily by sharing affection. Just expecting that your mate will automatically show affection to you will probably lead to disappointment, so remember that when you're feeling unappreciated or ignored. Relationships are definitely a two-way street for you.

Mercury's placement in your 7th House indicates your need for communication within the context of working partnerships. You require a partner who not only understands you, but who is interested in your ideas. You can be a more effective partner, giving more of yourself to the relationships, when you have a meeting of the minds. Open agreements and clarification about your different roles in relationship is necessary to your personal growth. You may also find that you learn a lot from the experience of partnerships, and that you can provide excellent feedback to your husband or mate, especially when you're really listening!

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 Capricorn influencing your 11th House, signifying that you prefer a few solid and safe friendships. Large groups of people may make you uncomfortable. You may even have a special friend whom you've known all your life, or at least most of it. For you, the passage of time deepens your affection and appreciation for your friends. Because Saturn's energy influences this area, you may also have friends who are older. The age differences may have been more marked when you were a young girl, and as you've matured, you may have made friends with teachers and employers. It is not always easy for you to receive love, partly because you tend to be too judgmental about whether or not you deserve it. When you've developed a sense of trust and commitment, you can open your heart and allow love to flow in. Begin by making that commitment to yourself. Remind yourself that you do deserve the love you need.

The lack of planetary energy in your 11th House can be indicative of your ability to accomplish many of your aims on your own. There is, however, no particular meaning which is related to a lack of friends or inability to create friendships. Look to the planet which rules this house to understand the qualities you will seek in your friends and the kinds of activities you might prefer to share with them.

### **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 your Aries Ascendant you can express a strong level of assertiveness, but unless you develop some finesse, you may appear to be more aggressive or hostile than

assertive. You operate best in situations which allow you to be active, and that aggressive side of your personality usually emerges out of frustration when things are just not moving. If you are showing the abrasive side of your personality, you can elicit a hostile response from others, or may even alienate those you hope to impress. You can blaze a trail through your independent actions and attitudes and have the ability to muster amazing courage in the face of challenges. This can be very empowering, but you'll feel even more strength when you know you've gained the admiration and respect of others who appreciate the value of your efforts. Also, developing cooperation will strengthen your leadership abilities.

Saturn's energy in your 1st House can be empowering when you learn how to deal with control issues. Taking responsibility for yourself is the most empowering thing you can do. That's different from taking care of everything and everyone, Superwoman, so remember that! You may be a little shy, especially if you feel insecure about yourself, the way you look, or your capabilities. For this reason it's important that you carve an image which feels safe, secure and strong. Your education and experience can be stabilizing, and if you need to get that degree before you venture out into the world, then do it! Whatever you need to accomplish that will fortify your stability is very necessary for you. But you can also become a real sourpuss if you cling to the negative energy of Saturn, and need to let your sense of humor and self-acceptance grow if you are to avoid showing this negativity. You may tell yourself that you're only being realistic when you see the glass as half-empty, but if you use that negative evaluation to alter your confidence, then you're just being self-defeating. If you tend to feel depressed on a regular basis, talk over your feelings and concerns with your physician to determine if you need to address the physical side of depression. You may just be tired from taking on too many responsibilities, but you may also need to give yourself some biochemical support!

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 Capricorn Midheaven you are drawn to power which has a strong element of structure and control. This manifests within society through government, big business, and the world of finance. But it also exists in classrooms, on farms and within families. The structures which form the basis of your own security are personal. It is crucial that your own ambitions are tailored to goals which fit you as an individual woman. Although you may have deep admiration for those who have shown success in their lives, you need that same admiration for yourself. Creating a structure in your own life which will allow you to grow and which has room for the processes of change will allow you to experience the real power which emerges when you are stabilized. Power for you will never be complete if you are simply wielding control over the lives of others.

You are much more whole when you are building character.

You may feel frustrated with your role in the world with your Moon in square aspect to your Midheaven. This is particularly true if you seem to be doing too much caretaking and accomplish little self-fulfillment. Listening to your inner needs and working to eliminate your old self-defeating subconscious messages is very important to you. If you try to ignore these subconscious motivations, you may find that you're caught up in situations which simply do not feel right.

The frustration which arises from your Sun in square aspect to your Midheaven results from a deep-seated need to overcome the obstacles in your path in order to prove your power. Although some of those obstacles may be the result of life circumstances, you may realize that you have a part in placing (or maintaining) many of them, especially if your attitudes about achieving your goals are negatively stubborn or fearful. If you feel that others are standing in your way, it is important to determine if that is really the case, or if you simply do not trust your own abilities. By surrendering your ego's needs for control or recognition to your inner needs for true personal fulfillment, you may find that your goals are more clear, and within reach.

You may attract fortunate opportunities to rise to positions of prominence with Venus in trine aspect to your Midheaven. But you may not always cultivate those opportunities. The choice is yours. Whether you're developing your artistry as a means of making your place in the world or in business, you can be quite successful but feel most powerful when you put effort behind your opportunities. You can also be quite influential in aiding others along their paths and may feel better about opening doors for someone else than running headlong into the spotlight yourself.

With Jupiter in trine aspect to your Midheaven, the doors to achieving your ambitions are likely to open rather easily. You may have excellent connections, but your confidence in your skills and abilities is what draws the attention of the people who are there to use their influence to support your aims. From positions of influence, you can also be quite generous and helpful to others. Sometimes, you can be a little lazy about reaching your goals, especially if you feel you deserve to be there already. But once you put your efforts into something, there's no stopping you.

Your rebellious nature can get in the way of achieving your aims. The energy of Uranus in square aspect to your Midheaven stimulates your need for independence, and sometimes the changes you create or experience can turn your life upside down. You will probably not enjoy a regular 9:00 to 5:00 job, and if given the chance to be more flexible may perform better. But in order to achieve the satisfaction you desire from a career or profession, you need to feel that your efforts stand out from the crowd. It takes some maturity to figure out how to do that without appearing purely disruptive, but you can accomplish it if you desire. You probably don't care about fitting into a mold anyway, and when you learn to use your uniqueness to your advantage, you'll be amazed at the results.

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.

Through the influence of Taurus on your 2nd House you recognize the importance of building a solid financial base. When your finances are in good shape, you feel more free and alive, but if you're overly concerned about financial security, you can become rather tightfisted and may have difficulty sharing your resources. Learning to trust your own ability to generate the material security you need is one of your primary lessons, and in order to accomplish this task you must begin by stabilizing your sense of self esteem. Reminding yourself that you deserve to have your needs fulfilled and that you are attracting abundance enough to share helps to build your base. With Venus ruling this house, you have the ability to attract the resources you need and feel better about yourself when you can also give your time, money and energy to those you love. Learning about money and finances may be of interest to you, and once you have a grasp of the basics, you may actually become an accomplished financial manager.

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.

Scorpio's influence in your 8th House adds a need for intensity to your sexually intimate relationships. The more intense, the better. Although you may like spontaneity, you relish those private moments when all barriers drop away and you expose your soul to your partner. Even though this may be your approach, you may not always find a partner whose experience is the same as your own. So, it's a good idea to establish some sense of trust before you jump into the deep end of the pool of intimacy. You're seeking a partner whose needs and desires act as the catalyst for true alchemy when matched with your own intensity. In matters of finance, you may not be as trusting, and you also tend to attract partners who are just as protective of their own resources. Joint finances require full disclosure if they are to operate smoothly, but that does not mean that you have to give up all control. In fact, you probably will not feel good about giving away your power in this area. Before you make a marriage commitment, it is important that you talk about your ideas concerning money, and that you understand the financial situation of your partner, and vice versa. If you fail to address these matters, they can become problematic issues later on.

With Mars in your 8th House you may feel driven to explore your sexuality as fully as possible. This can be positively regenerating, if your relationships are healthy. But you can also run into major power struggles if you've not established your own sense of strength. Sometimes, it's difficult for you to draw the line between pain and pleasure, and although you may push your limits, sometimes you can exhaust your own energy if you go too far. You may also experience cruelty, abuse or emotional pain through your intimate relationships, particularly if you jump into situations before you've explored their true nature. Although this energy can ultimately bring healing into your life, you need to clarify for yourself why you attract abuse in the first place if you are to avoid falling into the same traps in the future.

You really do not have to sacrifice yourself in order to have the intimacy you desire, but with Neptune's energy in your 8th House, you may be tempted to give up your own desires to those of your partner. You're better off playing fantasy games, role playing, and using your sexual dramas to keep your interest in each other strong and passionate. Although the fairy tales may lead you to believe that Prince Charming will come along and wake you from your long sleep and carry you off to his castle, that is rarely the case! Your dream of an all-consuming love can work against you, since allowing your needs to be consumed by anyone can be quite dangerous. But allowing your selfish desires to drown in the sea of passion from time to time can be another story. You also need to be very careful in dealings with joint finances, because your tendency is to trust without

qualification, and that can suck up your power right away. You may be very psychic about your partner and his abilities, but you still need to know what's happening with your resources!

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 confidence and enthusiasm are your power sources with Mars in Sagittarius. When you have your aim set on something, your self-assurance helps you achieve it. Staying physically active helps you maintain your power, and you'll appreciate a man whose love of adventure and travel are equal to your own. You lose power when you feel too hemmed in, whether by the expectations of others or by situations which limit your options. But you can also undermine your own strength by running away before you've had a chance to explore the fullest possibilities of your current situation! You can be quite sensual, and may enjoy a sexual relationship which leaves ample room for playful exploration of the many frontiers you and your partner possess. Your downfall in sexual relationships arises when you jump in before you've had a chance to think about what you're doing. Learning to consider the effects of your actions will be highly empowering!

Since you have Mars in trine aspect to Saturn, your deliberate focus of energy can work to your advantage. You will probably resist outside controls, because you are quite capable of directing and controlling your own energy. When you need to be cooperative, you can, and when you are in situations which require you to take direction, you can be graceful about it. You don't like giving away your power by taking on useless power struggles.

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 know that you can alter the course of your life through developing your mind and adopting positive mental attitudes. With Mercury in opposition to Saturn, you have to prove it to yourself, though. When you're stuck in negative thinking, your own inertia may keep you from accomplishing what you want to do. But you can fulfill your aims when you apply yourself, and the results are very empowering!

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.

Pluto's energy in your 6th House prompts you to unlock the power you have to alter and transform your own life through self-improvement. The quality of your life depends upon the way you handle experiences which may seem to be beyond your control, like your genetic heritage, or an illness, or the society within which you live. Taking care of your health through finding the root of real healing power in your life is one of the most crucial factors you must face. Completely surrendering control of your life to the will and direction of others will leave you feeling disconnected to yourself. You can find the right healers, helpers and supporters, but first you must acknowledge the part you play in these processes.

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.



Your rebellious nature can get in the way of achieving your aims. The energy of Uranus in square aspect to your Midheaven stimulates your need for independence, and sometimes the changes you create or experience can turn your life upside down. You will probably not enjoy a regular 9:00 to 5:00 job, and if given the chance to be more flexible may perform better. But in order to achieve the satisfaction you desire from a career or profession, you need to feel that your efforts stand out from the crowd. It takes some maturity to figure out how to do that without appearing purely disruptive, but you can accomplish it if you desire. You probably don't care about fitting into a mold anyway, and when you learn to use your uniqueness to your advantage, you'll be amazed at the results.

### **Embracing Your Divine Self**

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

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

Imagine that you are on a journey, a quest to find the most sacred source of knowledge. Your journey begins at the doors to a temple or cathedral, and you enter, hoping to find what you're looking for so you can get on with sharing what you've discovered. You are amazed when you walk inside, for there you find a long hallway, with doors leading to many different rooms. You open the first door and walk inside a room which is filled with old books, dusty from years of neglect. One book falls at your feet, and when you pick it up, a page falls out. When you look at the page, you see that it is a map of the cathedral. You leave the room, map in hand, heading toward the place marked by a symbol which looks like a pyramid with a circle in the center. To get there,

you go through a doorway which opens to a flight of stairs. At the top of the stairs in another door. When you open it, you walk out onto a balcony which overlooks the city. It seems to surround the entire building, and you are amazed at the beautiful things you see. Everywhere you look, you find something fascinating, but you are most drawn to a crystal blue pillar which stands near what seems to be the center of the building. Once you reach the pillar, you see standing before you is an angel, surrounded by music and light. You wonder if this is your guardian angel, and just as though she could read your thoughts, says, "I am your angel of laughter and mirth." She dances around you, and you cannot help but move your feet and begin to dance yourself. You hear her laughter, and then seem to be joined by a host of angelic beings who are absolutely radiant when they laugh. Your angel then sings to you, "With so many worries and cares in the world, you sometimes feel disheartened. But you can change the music by listening to your soul."