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The interpretation of your astrology chart begins on the following page.

You will find that the interpretation of your chart is written in simple language, uncluttered by astrological jargon. If a statement appears to contradict another statement, then you exhibit these opposite qualities at different times in your life. For example, a statement that you are highly sociable and gregarious and a statement that you prefer solitude seemingly contradict each other; this means that you vacillate, and need both sociability and solitude at different times.

The astrological factor that the interpretation is based on is also given. The astrological factor is given for the benefit of astrologers and students of astrology. If you are not a student of astrology, then obviously the factor will not be meaningful to you, and you can ignore it.

If you find this interpretation of your birth chart interesting and informative, you might want to discuss your birth chart with a professional astrologer to learn more about the astrological influences on your life.

Your birth chart interpretation is based on the positions of the planets at the time of your birth. For the benefit of students of astrology, these positions, along with other technical information, are listed below:

Sun	8	Lib	56	Pluto	17	Tau	39
Moon	19	Leo	58	N. Node	5	Leo	42
Mercury	3	Sco	46	Asc.	26	Lib	26
Venus	16	Sco	26	MC	26	Can	35
Mars	18	Sco	24	2nd cusp	25	Sco	53
Jupiter	20	Tau	10	3rd cusp	24	Sag	59
Saturn	12	Sag	22	5th cusp	25	Aqu	47
Uranus	21	Can	41	6th cusp	26	Pis	01
Neptune	18	Ari	25				

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Aspects and orbs:

Conjunction	:10	Deg	00	Min	Trine	:	5	Deg	00	Min	
Opposition	:	8	Deg	00	Min	Sextile	:	4	Deg	00	Min
Square	:	6	Deg	00	Min	Quincunx	:	4	Deg	00	Min
Conjunct Asc	:	5	Deg	00	Min	Above,	7	Deg	00	Min	Below

Chapter 1: General Characteristics

Your fundamental needs, values, and orientation towards life are symbolized by the four astrological elements. Each person has their own unique balance of these four basic energies: fire (warmth, inspiration, enthusiasm), earth (practicality, realism, material interests), air (social and intellectual qualities), and water (emotional needs and feelings).

Your "elemental make-up" is described below. Remember that most people are "unbalanced" or lopsided, and if you are lacking or deficient in a certain element (or elements), it simply means that you need to consciously develop that aspect of yourself to learn to appreciate and/or to work harder in that dimension of life.

Sometimes we overvalue the element that we are least endowed with, sensing it as a lack within ourselves, but more often we neglect or ignore it. The qualities described below will be reiterated and explained in more detail in the following chapters.

Air is Strong, Earth is Weak (F,E,A,W Scores = 13,3,20,13):

At times you can become very ungrounded, living in your thoughts, ideals, and world of abstract ideas far removed from the real, physical world. This is not necessarily a bad thing, if you can take your ideas and implement them in a consistent, productive, practical way. One of your basic challenges is: to come down to earth. However, tangible commitments and meeting the demands of living in the material world don't come easily to you.

You identify more with your spirit or intellect than with your physical self, and you may have a poor relationship with your body. Doing regular, rhythmic exercise, working with plants, spending time to prepare satisfying, nutritious meals, getting massaged often, or whatever else you find helps you to feel connected to your body and to the earth, is very beneficial for you.

Chapter 2: How You Approach Life and How You Appear To Others

The following is a description of your basic stance towards life, the way others see you, the way you come across, the face you show to the world. In Chapter 3 you will read about the "The Inner You: Your Real Motivation", which describes the kind of person you are at heart and where your true priorities lie. Read this chapter and the next one and compare them - there may be significant differences between them, in which case "the inner you" may not shine through and others are in for some surprises when they get to know you at a more than superficial level. This chapter describes the costume you wear, your role in life, while Chapter 3 talks about the real person inside the costume.

Libra Rising:

You are a natural diplomat, reasonable, tolerant, fair, always willing to listen to varying viewpoints, and ready to see the other side of an issue. Even if you strongly disagree with someone, you will try to find points of similarity and agreement rather than emphasizing the differences. You often avoid taking an extreme or one-sided stance on anything. You have a strong desire for harmonious and pleasant relationships, and express a spirit of cooperation, compromise, friendship, and fairness. You very much want to be liked and because of your need for approval and acceptance, you are easily influenced by others' opinions, especially when young. You so much want to please that often you will suppress your own intense or unpleasant feelings in order not to offend others. Sometimes your politeness is interpreted as being phony or wishy-washy.

Your need to create harmony extends to your physical environment and personal appearance as well. You appreciate beauty and have a natural sense of balance, symmetry, and proportion. You do everything in good taste, with a sense of style and art. From your home furnishings to your choice of clothing, everything must be aesthetically appealing, not simply functional or utilitarian.

You also feel that relationships are an art, one that especially interests you and one that you are usually quite skilled at, for you possess tact and acute awareness of other people. Marriage is very significant to you and finding the right person to share your life with is extremely important. Being part of a close couple seems natural to you - you are not an independent loner. Having a partner increases your self-confidence. You do have a tendency, however, to become overly dependent on your partner and perhaps not to develop a clearly defined identity outside of the relationship. Finding the balance between being yourself and blending and uniting with another is a challenge for you.

Others see you as an agreeable, smooth, harmonious, and "nice" person. Though there may be much more to you, this is the sort of face you show to the world. You possess personal charm and an understated, noncombative manner. Your motto could be "you catch more flies with honey than with vinegar" for you usually take a friendly, cooperative approach rather than a strong, forceful, I'm-going-to-conquer-the-world attitude.

Uranus Square Asc.:

You seem quirky, unusual, offbeat and "different". Sometimes it seems you are trying to provoke people and upset the status quo just by being yourself. You tend to be restless, excitable, and somewhat ungrounded or nervous as well.

Asc. Conjunct Sun/Venus

You have a loving and kind-hearted personality and love other people. You can readily express your love and affection and others show their affection for you. You probably had a safe and secure childhood and were allowed to make friendships early in life.

Chapter 3: The Inner You: Your Real Motivation

Ascendant in Libra and Sun in Libra:

Much of what is stated in the previous chapter is similar to what is stated in this chapter. Your need to relate openly and honestly to others is very strong. Be wary of the tendency to be so strongly influenced by the ideas and opinions of others that you are not sure what your opinion is.

Sun in Libra:

Harmony and balance are your keynotes. You instinctively understand the need to accommodate other people's interests and desires, and you are always fair and willing to meet the other person half way. Tactful, diplomatic, and with considerable social awareness, you do all you can to avoid conflict and discord. You express a spirit of cooperation and compromise and often achieve through charm and discretion what would have been impossible to achieve by a direct, forceful approach.

Getting along with others and pleasing them may be TOO important to you, for you can be too dependent on others' approval and opinions to make your own decisions. You will rarely act without getting the counsel and feedback of other people. You prefer sharing and doing things together rather than on your own. Being alone feels very unnatural to you, and you have a strong need for a partner and intimate one-to-one relationships.

You invest a great deal of your energy in personal love and you are very idealistic and romantic about marriage. You seek a partner who is your equal intellectually, and who is capable of a mental relationship as well as a physical and emotional one. You make a thoughtful, considerate friend or lover, and you enjoy the traditional symbols of love - courtship, flowers, etc. Relationships are like an art to you, one that requires time, attention, and creative effort. You appreciate a partner who is subtle and polished, never coarse or dull or blunt.

Fairness and equality, both in your personal life and in the world, are extremely important to you. If you fight about anything, it is often about something you feel is unfair and unbalanced. Balance is very important to you and you believe in moderation in all things, avoiding fanaticism and extremism of any sort.

You also have a strong need for beautiful, harmonious surroundings and a natural sense of artistic style and grace, which is reflected in the way you dress, furnish and arrange your home and workspace, etc. Everything must be aesthetically pleasing and appropriate. Either working with people as a counselor, advisor, consultant, or negotiator - or in an artistic field such as design or photography, would be fulfilling to you.

Sun in 12th house:

You tend to get involved in the helping professions or in activities where your efforts are hidden, behind the scenes, unacknowledged, or unknown to the public. Asserting yourself or getting up in front of an audience may be exceedingly uncomfortable for you.

Sun Sextile Saturn:

You have a healthy amount of self-control and self-discipline. You also radiate a rather responsible, trustworthy, solid feeling about yourself which will win you the confidence of others, especially your superiors.

Sun Conjunct Saturn/N. Node

You are inclined to feel uncomfortable or restrained in some way in the presence of others and prefer to be alone. You are modest and shy in your approach to others and tend to accept more responsibility than you really need to.

Chapter 4: Mental Interests and Abilities

Mercury in Scorpio:

You have good mental concentration and the ability to become completely immersed in your work. You seem to know things at an instinctive, nonverbal level and prefer learning through direct experience or apprenticeship rather than vicariously via books or lectures. You have mechanical ability and work well with your hands. You could become adept at sculpture, pottery, carpentry, stained glass, or anything that involves doing and making things manually. Biology (and related fields such as medicine) interests you as well. You also have an instinctive rapport with animals, and may feel you relate better to them than to people! You tend to become narrowly focused upon your own specialized interests and may not have much to say or communicate outside that field.

Mercury in 1st house:

You are quite verbal and communicative and eager to get your own ideas and opinions across to others. You say what is on your mind. Others see you as a lively, intelligent person, and perhaps something of a chatterbox at times.

Mercury Opposition Jupiter/Neptune

You have good powers of perception and visualization and an intense imagination. Greatly inspired, you feel optimistic and hopeful for the future. You are likely to talk a lot about your plans and also are inclined to put on an act at times.

Mercury Opposition Neptune/Pluto

You may have to deal with considerable nervous tension and are inclined to see everything a little cloudy. Expressing what is on your mind could be hard for you, and you could either intentionally or inadvertently deceive others, or vice versa.

Chapter 5: Emotions: Moods, Feelings, Romance

Moon in Leo:

Warm, loving, and generous in your affections, you inspire tremendous devotion and loyalty in your loved ones. This is good, since you would never settle for anything less! You want to be adored and worshipped like the king or queen that you feel you are, and it is difficult for anyone to resist the warmth and attention you lavish on those you care about. You have a great deal of pride and need to be recognized and appreciated. The way to really hurt your feelings is to ignore you. You are genuine, sincere, and have a strong sense of personal integrity. You hate emotional games and dishonesty.

Moon in 10th house:

You work well with the public and have an instinct for what the public wants and will respond to. Having a "nest" is not especially important to you, and you may invest more of your emotional energy into your career or public life than in your private life. Providing for and caring for others in a professional capacity is very likely.

Moon Square Venus:

You have conflicting emotional desires and needs which complicate your personal life. You may feel that you cannot depend on your love partner to take care of you or perhaps you cannot decide what you really want in a love relationship: a parent or a lover. If your needs for emotional sustenance and love are not satisfied, overeating (especially sweets) can be a problem for you.

Moon Square Mars:

You are temperamental and impatient and can be very difficult to live with. You tend to respond with a temper tantrum (overt or subtle) if your desires are frustrated. You become very irritable and bad-tempered if you do not have enough vigorous physical activities or other outlets for your aggressive, feisty spirit.

Moon aspects Mars and Jupiter:

Although you are impetuous and easily provoked (as mentioned above), you also have a good-natured, live-and-let-live attitude and a sense of humor, which balances that. While hotheaded at times, you are usually a good sport.

Moon Square Jupiter:

You have a buoyant, cheerful disposition and reach out to others in a warm, open, friendly way. Your emotional generosity and lack of pettiness is well known among your circle of friends, and people often seek you out for help, sympathy, or advice. You are always willing to overlook others' faults, and you sometimes overdo your charitableness.

Moon aspects Mars and Neptune:

Although you were portrayed above as being assertive and combative, you have a diametrically opposed tendency as well: The urge to escape all contention and ugliness. This may mellow your fiery reactions somewhat, or you may seesaw between the two. Your softer side is described in the following paragraphs.

Moon Trine Neptune:

The beauty and harmony of your surroundings has a very powerful effect on your emotions. You are very sensitive and cannot stand to be in an atmosphere where there is discord or dissonance. Gentle, kindhearted, and peace-loving, you will give or sacrifice much in order to avoid a fight and to "make everyone happy".

Moon Square Pluto:

You have intense desires and feelings and your personal relationships are deeply emotional, passionate, and often stormy and painful as well. There are powerful magnetic ties between yourself and those you care about, and you could become emotionally obsessed by another person. Your feelings can become so urgent and compelling that you do things that are not rational. You undergo periodic emotional upheavals and purging, when you must break all ties, release the past and begin anew.

Moon Conjunct Mars/Jupiter

You are very intuitive and have the ability to make the right decisions guided by your inner feelings. You have a sense of honor and pride and are considerate of others. Others respect you and are willing to help you, because you don't act out of petty motives.

Venus in Scorpio:

In love, you desire a deep, intense, passionate union with your beloved and form very strong emotional bonds and attachments. You "marry" the person you love at a very deep emotional level, and are often extremely possessive and jealous of any threat to that union. You can be very demanding with your love partner. You tend to be somewhat suspicious of even platonic, friendly relationships your partner has. If you are ever betrayed, you are capable of hating with as much force and intensity as you once loved. You are attracted to people who have an aura of mystery about them.

Venus in 1st house:

You are very much aware of your personal appearance, attractiveness, and charm, and you can be rather narcissistic. On the other hand, you are concerned with getting along with others and you have a pleasing, agreeable manner that people find quite appealing. You use tact or charm to get what you want rather than intense effort or force. Your desire for love and affection colors everything you do.

Venus Conjunct Mars:

You are extremely amorous and it is difficult for you to go without a romantic involvement for very long. When you are attracted to someone, you pursue them very ardently and sometimes come on too strong. Doing creative work or artistic work can also satisfy the very strong desire for love and beauty that you feel.

Venus Opposition Jupiter:

Money is apt to be an issue in your life, not because you do not have it but because you can not or will not hold on to it. You have a free-handed, generous, open attitude and would prefer to spend and enjoy and partake in the pleasures of the moment rather than save, discipline yourself, or budget. At your worst, you want an easy ride, and friends will often let you freeload because you are such an agreeable, friendly, pleasant sort. Or, you could let other people take advantage of your hospitality and tolerance.

You also avoid confronting difficult issues in relationships simply because it is too much trouble or too petty. You just want to have a good time.

Venus Quincunx Neptune:

It is absolutely essential for you not to deceive yourself when it comes to love, romance, or the true nature of other people. You tend to be in love with love, and can be incredibly naive and easily seduced. Confusion, disappointments, and regrettable mistakes in both emotional and financial matters may result. On the other hand, it is also possible you will use your attractiveness or charm to deceive others. Clarity, directness, honesty, and realism regarding romantic love and people in general, need to be developed.

Venus Opposition Pluto:

Intimate relationships are the arena in which you plumb the depths of which you are capable. You could fall intensely and fanatically in love and be obsessive, extraordinarily jealous, or deeply involved with partners who are. You will experience both heaven and hell in your closest relationships. There is undoubtedly a peculiarly karmic, fated quality to these relationships which, though difficult, will teach you things about yourself and about love that you could learn in no other way. Often you will enter a relationship which you know rationally will be very difficult but, which you nevertheless can not resist. Do

not berate yourself for these "bad" choices; instead learn what you can from them.

Chapter 6: Drive and Ambition: How You Achieve Your Goals

Mars in Scorpio:

You are extremely strong-willed and you pursue your goals and desires with passionate dedication and determination. You are capable of total concentration and tremendous discipline, and you are very difficult to influence or sway once your mind is made up. When you want something, you can be very one-sided and almost obsessed with it. You are very instinctive and do not always consciously know why you feel as strongly and deeply as you do.

You also tend to be secretive and unwilling to reveal your aims and intentions, and the intensity of your will and desire may not be apparent to others at first. However, you are very forceful in a quiet and subtle way. You often manipulate or force your will upon other people, without being overtly aggressive. You are not interested in confrontation but are a formidable foe if you meet opposition or aggression from another. You are courageous and have a rather primitive, raw side as well.

Mars in 1st house:

You are a doer and an achiever. Energetic, courageous, and often impatient, you will forge ahead with your plans regardless of others' reservations. In fact, you often feel other people get in your way and you prefer working on your own. You are active, assertive, and rather competitive as well.

Mars Opposition Jupiter:

You have an adventurous, entrepreneurial spirit and the instincts for big success. Competition and rivalry spurs you on to do your best, and to push past your limits. You enjoy taking initiative, and have positive expectations which generate positive results. At times, you are overconfident, cocky, and vainglorious, though. Sports and business are both suitable arenas for you.

Mars Trine Uranus:

You are dynamic, decisive, and somewhat impulsive. You respond quickly and spontaneously to challenges, and you enjoy vigorous physical activities that require fast reflexes and a good sense of rhythm and timing. You have an abundance of energy and vitality, and a restless desire to see progress and change -you hate stagnation. You are individualistic and make a good leader, spearheading new projects and inspiring others to act.

Mars aspects Jupiter and Neptune

Your competitive drive and big ambitions (commented upon earlier) are fueled upon by either strong spiritual idealism, or a rather inflated, grandiose idea of what you can actually accomplish. Your energy level is apt to fluctuate from being very strong, as noted earlier, to rather low, as mentioned in the following paragraphs.

Mars aspects Uranus and Neptune

While you are often charged with energy and inspired about what you want to do (as mentioned earlier), there is a dreamy, visionary, or passive side to you as well. Your energy level may fluctuate from being superabundant to rather lax.

Mars Quincunx Neptune:

You have a streak of the pacifist or defeatist in you. Learning to assert yourself in a strong, clear, forthright manner, and developing stamina in the face of obstacles are necessary to counter such tendencies. To accomplish all you are capable of, it would also be very beneficial for you to work on building up your physical energy. Get regular exercise, eat healthfully, get plenty of rest (something you may require more of than average), and especially avoid activities and people that dissipate and waste your time.

Mars Opposition Pluto:

You are highly ambitious and will drive yourself (and others) mercilessly when you want to achieve something. Competition can become a deadly serious and rather ugly thing with you, as if your very life depended upon winning or conquering. Your relationships with men may be especially fraught with conflicts and power struggle. You are capable of tremendous effort, but you must beware of burning yourself out.

Mars Opposition Jupiter/Pluto

You have a great talent for organizing projects and the ability to inspire others with your enthusiasm. Having the urge to achieve, you are capable of tremendous effort and use all the energy at your disposal to gain success with your objectives.

Mars Conjunct Saturn/Asc.

Somewhat self-willed and obstinate, you tend to withdraw from everything that you deem unnecessary. You may prefer to be alone and are inclined to cut yourself off from other people frequently, resulting in loneliness and depression.

MC Conjunct Uranus:

Your aspirations in life are apt to be quite unusual, extraordinary, or ahead of their time. You're a nonconformist, insistent on doing things your own way, and you will

follow a zigzag course to the fulfillment of your ambitions.

Rebelling against authority seems to be one aspect of your life's plan. You simply cannot force yourself into a pre-cast mold of any kind.

MC Opposition Mercury/Neptune

Your inner life tends to be full of imagination and you are likely to have far-reaching ideas and plans. Peace-loving and generous, you are very sharing in your relation with others. But you also could become the victim of unintentional slights.

Chapter 7: Growth and Expansion: Areas That You Enjoy

Jupiter in Taurus:

Material comfort, security, and well-being are quite important to you, and you are not one to have your head in the clouds when financial matters and future security are at stake. Your strengths are practicality, a love of the earth, and the ability to take great delight in the sensual pleasures of the natural world. Also, when you feel secure financially, you are likely to be very generous and hospitable.

Jupiter in 7th house:

You are a very sociable person, and you need to reach out and communicate with many different people. You are interested in what others can teach you and are drawn to those with more knowledge or breadth of experience than yourself. You expect a high level of integrity and sincerity from others and you do not tolerate pettiness or hypocrisy in your close friends or marriage partner.

You also need freedom and want a partner who will support your need to keep learning and growing, who will not limit you or set too many boundaries. Your marriage is likely to be very satisfying and rich.

Jupiter Conjunct Pluto:

You aim high and strive to position yourself in a manner that will ensure success. You are not above joining organizations or rubbing elbows with others primarily for the opportunities and social status that they confer on you. You abhor pettiness and your broad perspective and vision incline you to an influential and successful position in life.

Jupiter Sextile Uranus:

You are always open to the new, willing to plunge in and experiment with a fresh approach, and enthusiastic about learning, growing, and expanding. As a result of this

positive attitude, opportunities and unexpected good fortune are drawn into your life. You embrace change, delight in discovery, and enjoy sharing your excitement with other people. A sense of happy expectation and a sometimes outrageous sense of humor are two of your great gifts.

Jupiter Opposition Saturn/Asc.

You have a tendency to by-pass any difficulties you may encounter and give the impression of being indifferent. You seem to be happy and content living in modest circumstances and try to keep other people at a distance.

Chapter 8: Areas That Challenge You Or Are Difficult For You

Saturn in Sagittarius:

You have a critical, cynical attitude towards many religions and philosophies. Without realizing it, you prevent yourself from appreciating new viewpoints and attitudes. You are more rigid and dogmatic than you realize. Your approach may also be too intellectual or moralistic. You take your own political beliefs and spiritual philosophy very seriously, worrying and fretting if you are not 100% clear about some ideology or theory.

Saturn in 2nd house:

Your fears revolve around money and material security, and you work very hard to ensure that your assets are solid. You may be very conservative, even stingy, with your money because you are afraid there won't be enough. You may turn this fear around and become very shrewd about investments and financial matters.

Saturn Opposition Neptune/N. Node

You should take care not to trust others too blindly. Some of your friends or associates may be untruthful and try to deceive you, resulting in great disappointments or even losses for you.

Now we will discuss patterns of behavior which you instinctively and habitually revert to when under stress - a mostly unconscious process and one which you are apt to overdo because it is so familiar and thus easy for you. The direction you need to follow in order to develop balance, greater awareness, and wholeness is also described.

N. Node in Leo:

Your path lies in developing yourself as an individual, discovering your own strengths

and joys, giving expression to your uniqueness, and letting yourself shine and stand out from the crowd. This involve becoming a leader, even though your instinct is actually to be "one of the Indians" rather than the "chief". When under stress you are apt to seek safety in numbers, to go along with the group. Also, you may believe that striving to do your personal best and to excel is wrong or selfish, but you should let go of this notion. Finding your own center and doing what gives you delight and energy is the most worthwhile contribution you can offer the world at large.

N. Node in 10th house:

The arena you are most likely to wrestle with these issues is in your public life and career. All of these issues will impact your reputation and standing in your community or professional circle, as well as how you achieve your important life goals and aspirations.

N. Node Conjunct Moon/Uranus

You have a vivacious and lively manner with a tendency to shock others at times by bluntly blurting out your remarks. You love to be with people, but tend to get overly excited when you are with them.

N. Node Conjunct Pluto/Asc.

You tend to have deep bonds with the people you associate with and are likely to encounter some unusual or fated relationships. Some of your contacts could be with very influential people who may be of help to you in the future.

Chapter 9: Originality and Imagination **Areas Where You Are Creative, Unique, Unstable, or Compulsive**

Uranus in 9th house:

You are unconventional, even iconoclastic, in your attitude toward religion, philosophy, and politics. You tend to see traditional religion as restrictive, meaningless ritual with little to offer you, and you're eager to experiment with other, alternative pathways. You have lots of creative, innovative ideas and you often feel that others are unwilling to take risks and venture out of their deeply ingrained perspectives and views.

Neptune in 6th house:

You have a sensitive physique and may have allergic responses and sensitivities to foods, medicines, or anything you take in from the environment. Emotional stress and confusion seem to affect you physically, even more quickly than they affect other people.

Pluto in 7th house:

Emotional intensity, compulsive attraction, and a sense of fate or destiny characterize your one-to-one relationships. It's as if you simply cannot have light, superficial relationships; they are inevitably profound, intense experiences which reveal your depths to you. You may be drawn to powerful, charismatic, willful people that challenge, thwart, and ultimately evoke your own power and strengths. Your marriage is likely to be the arena for your greatest growth.

Uranus Opposition Neptune/Asc.

You tend to submit to other people's wishes too easily and put their needs before your own. At times you may suddenly realize their underhanded motives and find out that they were only trying to deter you from the pursuit of your objectives.

Neptune Opposition Sun/Asc.

You are hyper-sensitive in dealing with others and have a tendency to be influenced or easily led by others. You could be easily deceived and misled and must learn not to take on other's problems.

Pluto Opposition Venus/Mars

You are likely to have very intense emotional relationships and may be drawn to someone without knowing why. Very passionate, your sexual needs and desires are strong. You could go to extremes and obsession in love and should guard against a controlling attitude.

Chapter 10: Generational Influences: Your Age Group

In this chapter we will discuss characteristics and traits of your generation. Of course, you may not share all of the characteristics of your generation, but you are greatly affected by the tone that is set by your generation.

The first topic is "The Subconscious and Emotional Drive of Your Age Group". In this section we will describe a deeply felt urge, even compulsion, of your age group. This deeply felt drive comes to the surface with great force and power, and consequently leaves in its wake considerable upheaval and change. The second topic is "The Ideals and Illusions of Your Age Group", that describes the dreams, fantasies, and spiritual aspirations of your age group. The third and last topic is "What is New and Different in Your Age Group", which describes areas in which your age group tends to be innovative, inventive, unusual, and also where it may be unstable and unreliable.

The characteristics described below may affect a group of people for anywhere from a

few years to about 30 years. There are one or more different astrological factors described in each of the three sections below.

The Subconscious and Emotional Drive of Your Age Group

Pluto in Taurus:

You are part of a 30 year group of people who are highly motivated by practical concerns. There is a very strong psychological need to feel that there is a firm foundation and a solid basis for one's life. There is an irresistible urge to make sure that the basics are taken care of and everything is built on a solid foundation. Consequently, your generation works hard to improve the economy, ensure adequate food supplies, maintain and build roads and buildings, increase productivity, and develop other facilities that are essential foundations for a healthy, thriving economy.

There is a strong tendency to measure the value of something by its utilitarian value. For example, in education and research the emphasis is on ideas of practical value and there is little support for more purely theoretical research.

Your generation is pragmatic and productive, and is driven by a need to build and DO things. This concern with practical affairs often becomes unbalanced, and a rampant materialism with little regard for humanitarian, ethical, and spiritual values often develops in your age group.

There is also a strong sensual craving in your age group, and a great deal of emphasis is placed on physically comfortable surroundings and good food. Romance is particularly important to your age group, and a great emphasis is also placed on the physical attractiveness of the opposite sex.

A small minority of members of your age group are likely to be uncomfortable with the practical and materialistic atmosphere of the times, and consequently become alienated and antagonistic towards the social norm.

The Ideals and Illusions of Your Age Group

Neptune in Aries:

You are part of a 14 year group of people that pursue religious and spiritual matters in an independent and individualistic way. Church doctrine and dogma are attacked by your generation, and virtually every organized religion undergoes some major changes in philosophy. Your generation also questions other long-held ideals of society and seeks alternative ideals, hopes, and aspirations. Your age group also introduces radically new concepts and styles in art, music, and literature. Avant-garde tastes are fashionable with your age group and classics give way to fresh, new styles.

Uranus Square Neptune:

You were also born during a period that lasted approximately 5 years and is characterized by an unusually high degree of imagination and sensitivity. You are part of a group of people who are very inspired but also unstable. The bizarre and unusual are standard fare among your age group. Your generation also inspires intense political movements that are often fanatical or unreasonable in their goals.

What is New and Different in Your Age Group

Uranus in Cancer:

You are part of a 7 year group of people who have a strong need to feel unrestrained by family ties and personal heritage. Your age group tends to find personal relationships very restrictive, and also tends to feel alienated and distant from family ties and concerns. Forming long-term personal relationships is difficult for your age group, and divorce rates are high in your group. However, you are an emotional and sensitive group also, and this instability is painful at times. Finding personal freedom and closeness with others at the same time is a big challenge for you.