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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	9 Aqu 39	Pluto	24 Leo 08
Moon	12 Sag 37	N. Node	23 Cap 57
Mercury	20 Aqu 17	Asc.	12 Vir 08
Venus	9 Aqu 40	MC	10 Gem 32
Mars	23 Sco 57	2nd cusp	11 Lib 55
Jupiter	16 Gem 38	3rd cusp	11 Sco 20
Saturn	9 Sco 04	5th cusp	13 Cap 27
Uranus	20 Can 17	6th cusp	12 Aqu 50
Neptune	26 Lib 04		

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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 : 5 Deg 00 Min
Conjunct Asc: 7 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 Element is Strong (F,E,A,W Scores = 11,8,23,7):

You have a great capacity to relate to, appreciate, and understand different people and points of view, and you tend to be quite liberal in your attitudes. You are primarily a thinking person who requires much intellectual and social stimulation, conversation, and interaction. You comprehend abstract reasoning and concepts very quickly and like ideas, language, and culture. You can't imagine being happy in a world without books, films, or interesting companions.

There is an androgynous quality to you, and you relate equally well to men and women, having both male and female characteristics in nearly equal measure yourself. You tend to see someone as a person first, rather than identifying them solely with their gender.

Friendship is very important to your sense of well-being. You thrive on camaraderie, teamwork, social participation and sharing. However, you are also quite objective about them and there is often a touch of impersonality or detachment to your relations with others.

Your mind is your real gift: thinking clearly, logically, and creatively, planning and organizing efficiently, and communicating intelligently. However, you tend to live in your head - reading about, talking about, and observing life without becoming completely immersed in it. Avoid becoming a dabbler. You need to develop constancy, stability, and depth.

Air is Strong and Ascendant is in Earth sign:

Fortunately, as you will read in the next chapter, you have a down-to-earth attitude towards life which prevents you from becoming lost in your airy ideas, concepts, or ideals. You have a healthy touch of practicality.

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.

Virgo Rising:

Modest, unobtrusive, and often rather quiet or shy, you are a person who is content to be in the background or to serve as an assistant, in the supporting role rather than in the lead. You are quite humble in your own assessment of yourself; you seek perfection, with a tendency to be overly self-critical. No matter how well you do something, you always see the flaws in it and how it could be improved. Often you will simply refuse to attempt something because you feel you cannot meet your own high standards.

You have an eye for detail and get upset when something is not done just so, usually something others consider rather inconsequential or trivial. You are hard to please and your relationships with others may suffer because of this. You also have refined sensitivities and are very discriminating and particular in your choice of foods, clothes, friends, artwork, etc. Order in your environment is very important to you.

You step into situations rather cautiously, and not without realistically assessing all of the risks and potential advantages involved. Unless something is a safe bet, you are unlikely to dive into it. You tend to underestimate your own capacities and to lack confidence and trust in life, which inhibits your spontaneity. Worrying is a bad habit of yours. On the other hand, you rarely fall flat on your face and what you do, you do very well.

Others see you as a self-sufficient and rather self-contained person. You have a strong sense of propriety. Politeness, good manners, and correct behavior are important to you. Your clear, cool, objective and nonemotional attitude is apparent to others first, and though you are really quite helpful and caring, you do not radiate much sympathy so that others may not see the helpful side as readily. You may seem more businesslike and factual, and also more conservative, than you really are at heart. You are the person others might go to for technical advice or an unbiased opinion, but not for emotional support.

You are keenly observant, intelligent, and have a great desire for learning and for self-improvement, but you are not especially ambitious and are often satisfied in a rather simple, unglamorous position in life.

Moon Square Asc.:

Your emotional responses, feelings, and prejudices come across to others quite clearly and you could be seen as a rather moody, inconsistent creature. On the other hand, you aren't impersonal or removed, so people are drawn to confide in you. At times you may wish you weren't so easy to read.

Jupiter Square Asc.:

You have a rather generous, open, broad-minded demeanor, and you like to do things in a big way. If you do this primarily to impress others, you will find that many people prefer to avoid you. Even without meaning to, you can seem a bit arrogant or preachy.

Saturn Sextile Asc.:

You appear responsible, conscientious, and solid --qualities which encourage others to take you seriously. You are unlikely to present yourself as more than you are, and this humility is often endearing, or at least appealing, to others. Even as a youth, you seemed mature for your age.

Sun Quincunx Asc.:

The image you project to the world, and the person you really are inside, are considerably different. So much so that at times you may feel that people don't see or know the real you. They respond to the face they see, and the initial impression you make may actually be misleading. Within yourself, also, there is much complexity and tension, and you often feel that you need to change yourself in significant ways or that you continually hold back essential aspects of yourself.

Venus Quincunx Asc.:

The way you come across to others, particularly on first impression, tends to conceal certain important

aspects of yourself. Specifically, what gives you pleasure, how you like to give and receive affection, and what you seek in a friend or lover are not at all apparent from your outward demeanor. You seem to send mixed signals, and this can create a bit of confusion for the people who are interested in getting close to you or knowing you on more than a superficial level.

Asc. Opposition Moon/MC

Your attitude towards life is governed by your feelings and you tend to seek cordial understanding with others. You have the ability to perceive other peoples' spiritual needs, and trusting your judgment, they are likely to come to you for advice.

Chapter 3: The Inner You: Your Real Motivation

Ascendant in Virgo and Sun in Aquarius:

Behind your quiet, unassuming, cautious front (described in the previous chapter) lies a much more unconventional, liberal-thinking, freedom-loving soul, described below.

Sun in Aquarius:

You are a freedom-loving, strong-willed, and independent-minded individual, and you insist upon living your own life as you see fit, even if that means ignoring convention and tradition. In personal relationships you cannot be owned or possessed, and while you are willing to share yourself with another, you do not always adjust easily to the emotional give and take of a close relationship. Though intellectually open, you can be enormously stubborn, opinionated, and inflexible on a one-to-one level. You have strong convictions and feelings about fairness and equality, and you try to live by your ideals, but your ideals about how people **SHOULD** treat one another don't always take into account human weaknesses, differences, and needs. You probably dislike sentimentality and traditional gender roles and "games".

You are fair, intelligent, objective, rational and often let your head rule rather than your heart. You seem rather self-sufficient and detached emotionally because you are capable of putting aside your personal feelings and viewing things dispassionately. But once you make up your mind on an issue, you are difficult to sway and can be rather dogmatic.

You think in broad terms and are concerned with the world beyond your own personal sphere - your town, nation, or even planet. You are likely to become involved in community affairs, social organizations, and groups of all kinds, or to have a keen interest in such. You enjoy being part of a group endeavor and often find yourself organizing, managing, or supervising group activities.

Forward-looking and progressive, you harbor great hopes for the future. You stay current and up to date, and respond to contemporary cultural trends, both in terms of personal style and in terms of ideas. When young you were very influenced by your peers and by group pressures and by all the "latest crazes". You have an experimental mind and are attracted by the novel.

Your strong points include your concern for human welfare and social betterment, your sense of fairness and democratic spirit, and your vision. Your faults are your stubbornness and inflexibility, and a tendency to be very obtuse and insensitive when it comes to personal feelings and human needs.

Sun in 5th house:

You have a very dramatic, creative, expressive nature and you love to perform. You enjoy being the center of attention and you seek to shine, to excel, and to be outstanding in some unique way. You are very involved in your own creativity and self-expression, and take great pleasure in developing and using your special talents, whether these are artistic, athletic, or intellectual. You have a strong sense of pride.

Sun Conjunct Venus:

You are loving and well-loved by others, and have a strong need for kindness, friendship, and affection. Your artistic and creative powers are also well developed and you do everything in a harmonious, gracious, pleasing manner. Aesthetics are very important to you. Your personal appearance and attractiveness are also very important to you.

Sun Sextile Moon:

Your subconscious needs and feelings blend well with your conscious intentions and desires, therefore you are able to proceed in your life's pursuits relatively unhampered by internal resistance or inconsistency. Your male-female relationships will reflect this state of internal harmony also.

Sun aspects Venus and Saturn:

While you deeply appreciate beauty and have a great desire for love, you are in no way frivolous or indiscriminate in your affections. You can be very frugal and sparing with both money and emotions.

Sun Square Saturn:

Feelings of personal inadequacy, inhibitions, and self-doubt often plague you. You have a cautious, careful, realistic attitude toward life and are highly responsible and disciplined with regard to your obligations and duties. You tend to work and struggle more than you need to, and to take yourself too seriously.

Chapter 4: Mental Interests and Abilities

Mercury in Aquarius:

You are a progressive thinker, open and receptive to new technologies and breakthroughs in science, and the latest discoveries in any field. You have high expectations and a deep belief that mankind's problems can be solved through the use of our creative intelligence and inventive mind. You have no patience for those whose conservative, unimaginative outlook limits their capacity to find solutions and envision a better future. You also like to keep abreast of current developments in world affairs, for you instinctively know that what happens in one part of the world affects everyone. You have a strong humanitarian impulse. Practically speaking, you have an aptitude for organization and enjoy being involved in cooperative endeavors or businesses that are contemporary and innovative.

Mercury in 6th house:

You use your mind to organize, classify, and bring order to your environment. You are interested in the refinement of your technical skills and abilities and are a stickler for details. Organizational and secretarial skills, training others in your area of expertise, or work involving teaching and communications are highly probable for you.

Mercury Square Mars:

Argumentative and rather aggressive and critical in discussions, you tend to turn any conversation into a debate, and sometimes a verbal war. You could be a spokesman for a righteous cause, a lawyer vigorously defending a client, a sharp analyst or critic. You are a convincing speaker, but are not especially receptive to the ideas and opinions of others. You have a forceful intellect and an aptitude for mental work.

Mercury Trine Jupiter:

You have an ongoing interest in learning and expanding your mental horizons. You enjoy traveling, philosophical discussions, and exchanging ideas with those of different experiences and viewpoints. Broad-minded and fair, you are well-suited to law, consulting, diplomatic relations, and also business. You learn quickly, and can pick up on a new idea or concept with relative ease.

Mercury Quincunx Uranus:

Your mind works in a rather electric, inspired, sometimes brilliant way, and you grasp new concepts very readily. However, your retention may be poor, as you tend to leap from one idea to another in a flash, and often without thoroughly digesting any of them. Your mind may race so quickly that it is hard for you to sit still for any length of time. You have a highly sensitive nervous system and need a relatively calm, stable environment to be at your best. Avoid overstimulating, frenetic places in order to stay balanced.

Mercury Opposition Pluto:

You have very strong opinions and may be seen as fanatical, extreme, dogmatic, or one-sided in your views. Forcing your "truth" onto other people or playing intellectual power games with them, seeking to manipulate their thinking along certain lines, can lead to much conflict and opposition in your life. You may also be keenly aware of the ways the media, popular artists, and advertising manipulates and shapes our thoughts, for you see through hypocrisy, sham, and surface appearances quite readily. You have an intense way of communicating, and you may threaten others unintentionally.

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.

Chapter 5: Emotions: Moods, Feelings, Romance

Moon in Sagittarius:

Open and generous, you enjoy a wide circle of friends and acquaintances and you thrive on sociability and

fellowship. You are adventurous, playful, freedom-loving, and always ready for a good time. You rarely allow obstacles or difficulties to keep you down, for no matter how bleak the past or present, you always expect a better, brighter future. In fact, you are uncomfortable with your own or other people's problems and emotional pain. You often try to "cheer up" or offer philosophical advice to those who are hurting, but unwittingly you avoid or ignore the emotions involved.

Friendship means a great deal to you, perhaps even more than love or romance. For you to be happy, your mate must be your best friend and encourage your aspirations and ideals. You also need a great deal of emotional freedom and mobility.

Moon in 4th house:

You have strong attachments to your past, the place where you grew up, your heritage, and family traditions. In fact, you may be unable to step out of the habits and roles you learned as a child. Your tie to your mother is very strong and you also seek mothering and protection from your spouse and other family members as well.

Moon Sextile Venus:

You genuinely appreciate and understand women, and are likely to have many female friends, a network of women who love and support you. It is relatively easy for you to attract companionship and affection, and there will never be a lack of either in your life. Children are very important to you also.

Moon Opposition Jupiter:

Gregarious and fun-loving, you are always out to have a good time. You tend to "play now, pay later" and are prone to overspend, overeat, drink too much, and in general overdo, and even more so when in the company of others. It is hard for you to say no, especially when your emotions or appetites are involved. Generous to a fault, you are apt to be very free both with money and with affection.

Moon Opposition Jupiter/MC

You have a cheerful temperament and a harmonious disposition. Because of your easy personality, you get along easily with others. Home and family are precious to you and your home is likely to be large and lavish.

Venus in Aquarius:

You are open and unconventional in your attitude towards love, romance, and sex. You enjoy socializing, bringing people together, and having many friends of both sexes. You value friendship very highly and are, in fact, more comfortable being a friend than a lover. You desire an intellectual rapport or spiritual bond with your love partner, but deep intimacy and emotional bonding do not come easily to you. The role of "husband" or "wife" in the traditional sense doesn't appeal to you, and you abhor jealousy and possessiveness since you feel that no person truly "belongs" to another. You appreciate a love partner who will allow you plenty of freedom and is not very emotionally demanding.

Venus in 5th house:

You love romance and wish the honeymoon phase of your love affairs would last forever! You need dramatic romantic gestures and displays of affection from your partner, and you want to feel very, very special, like a King or Queen, to your beloved. You also have an artistic flair and enjoy creating art or beauty in some form.

Venus Square Saturn:

You are serious and find it difficult to enjoy yourself in a lighthearted, open and playful way with others. You rarely do something purely for pleasure, and can be very close-fisted and parsimonious. Perhaps due to painful separations in your early life, you are very cautious about becoming close to people and sharing your feelings. Though you crave love and affection, intimacy is difficult for you. You may become romantically involved with people who do not value you or treat you well. You need to learn to love and value yourself before you will find happiness in love.

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 3rd house:

Quick-witted and sharp-tongued, you enjoy arguing, debating, and contesting other people's opinions. You are quite forthright and sometimes tactless. You can be very convincing about your point of view, but you are prone to a "hard-sell" approach which sometimes backfires. Challenging mental work is a good avenue for your aggressive intellect.

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 Square Pluto:

You have a powerful will and when you want something, you pursue it passionately and relentlessly until you achieve it. You may be so driven by your desire that you lose all objectivity. You often become compulsive, even obsessed, with doing or achieving something, no matter what the costs or how hard you must work for it. Your forcefulness may be veiled or subtle, for often you do not reveal your real aims and intentions to others until they cross you. Intense power struggles and relationships with a strong dominance/submissiveness theme

are likely. You have enormous energy reserves, and are capable of extraordinary effort and great achievement if you use your energies for constructive purposes.

MC Conjunct Jupiter:

You have noble aspirations and grand plans for yourself. Combining personal goals with humanitarian concerns, philanthropy, and an interest in social betterment, you are apt to be quite successful and influential in your community. You are suited to large, expansive enterprises and dealing with wealth.

Moon Opposition MC:

Maybe the most important factor in your choice of career and your success or lack of it is having a strong home base. Family support is crucial to you, and you would not sacrifice your family for any sort of advantage or achievement in the outside world. If you have a solid foundation and healthy relationships with your parents, you are likely to fulfill any aspirations you have for accomplishment.

Sun Trine MC:

Happiness and fulfillment in your career are likely, because you give your all to it and will not make the sorts of compromises that others feel compelled to make in order to succeed. Self-expression and being your own person are very important to you.

Enormous aid is apt to come to you through your father or another important man in your life. Your relations with superiors and those in a position to boost your career are usually excellent.

Venus Trine MC:

In many ways your rise in the world is an easy one, aided by your personal charm and attractiveness, your ability to please people, and your excellent social instincts. Artistic ambitions are also an aspect of this.

Saturn Quincunx MC:

To achieve your ambitions and long-range goals will require much stamina and self-reliance as well as a clearly defined strategy. Numerous setbacks, obstructions or delays can also be expected. A father figure, mentor, or authority in your life may withdraw support at a crucial time. However, this will not stop you and may ultimately be a blessing in disguise.

MC Opposition Neptune/N. Node

You strive to be at one with others, but somehow are not able to synchronize your feelings or viewpoints with them. Feeling disappointed, you may prefer a life in seclusion and away from other people.

Chapter 7: Growth and Expansion: Areas That You Enjoy

Jupiter in Gemini:

You have the ability to see connections between seemingly unrelated ideas or worlds, and to bring them

together. You excel in any field requiring clear intellect, and verbal and communication skills. You have an insatiable curiosity and may read or watch television constantly in order to satisfy your need for mental stimulation. Your mind never stops.

Jupiter in 10th house:

Your career or contribution to the world at large is likely to touch many people's lives in a very positive, helpful way. You aim high and have an innate confidence and trust both in your own abilities and in life in general, which enables you to go far. You want to do something BIG with your life, and you attract the support you need to do so, for your aims are not solely for your own personal benefit. You want to give something back to the world, or to improve others' lives as well as your own.

Jupiter Opposition Sun/Neptune

Although your vitality may be a bit low, you always have an optimistic outlook and the ability to enjoy the pleasant things in life. In spite of your somewhat weak constitution, you find a way to achieve success with little physical exertion.

Jupiter Opposition Venus/Neptune

You are very receptive to beauty and art and have a need to live a comfortable life. You may find great pleasure in illusions and could deem yourself happy in love whether it is real or not. You tend to leave others in doubt about your real inner self.

Jupiter Opposition Saturn/N. Node

You like to be alone and seem to be happy when you are by yourself. Also very fond of doing things for others, you may sacrifice your own wishes for them, and feel an inner joy knowing that you were able to be of help to someone.

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

Saturn in Scorpio:

You both yearn for, and fear, being emotionally vulnerable with others and experiencing deep emotional intimacy. Trusting others and letting yourself be known in a deep way doesn't come easily to you, and sexual inhibitions may result from this. You are very self-protective and may be compulsively secretive. Learning to relinquish control in personal relationships, and to be completely open, are important tasks for you.

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 Conjunct Mars/Neptune

You are inclined to feel inferior and may easily be taken in by others. You have to guard against being deceived or used by others, though your intentions may be good. Don't let your desire to have things cloud your ability to see what is really happening.

Saturn Conjunct Pluto/N. Node

Not very adaptable, you tend to be rebellious and fight hard against oppression. This could even lead to violent incidents, so try to take care. You may have to work extremely hard and may have a lot of responsibilities that you cannot let go.

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 Capricorn:

You have a great capacity for sympathy, tenderness, and caring, which is a gift that you are apt to overdo at times. For balance, you need to develop mature self-discipline, self-control, and personal responsibility.

When under stress, you have a strong instinct to retreat back into the nest, to be a child again, or to become overwhelmed with feelings and longings to be taken care of. Also, you may encourage others to depend upon you emotionally (and otherwise) to an unhealthy degree. You need to learn how to set limits and to turn off the flow of support when necessary.

N. Node in 5th house:

The arena you are most likely to wrestle with these issues is in playful self-expression, games or sports, and creativity. Try to develop any artistic, expressive, creative potentials you feel you possess, utilizing the qualities described above.

The specific habits which are likely to hold you back, or which you are prone to overdo, especially during stressful periods, include:

N. Node Opposition Uranus:

Going to extremes, willful rebelliousness and an instinctive antiauthoritarian attitude, seeking constant (and often purposeless) movement or change, involvement with unreliable people, and seeking individual freedom at any cost.

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

Uranus in 11th house:

You have unusual, even eccentric friends, and you are likely to join groups, communities, organizations, or clubs which promote progressive or unconventional ideas, social change, or innovation in some form. You are dynamic and creative in business affairs and in organizations.

Neptune in 2nd house:

You may have a great deal of confusion over money, financial matters, and ownership. Perhaps these things mean very little to you. Or possibly you simply don't know how to deal with them in a realistic, effective way.

Also, you may make your living through artistic, musical, or highly imaginative endeavors.

Pluto in 12th house:

You have a deep interest in secrets, the underworld or unconscious, and anything hidden and mysterious. Psychoanalysis, investigating your dreams, and other methods of uncovering secrets are very interesting to you. You may be exceptionally perceptive intuitively or psychically. Your emotions and subconscious energies are complex, and periodic transformations and personal crises are sprinkled liberally throughout your lifetime.

Uranus Conjunct Jupiter/Pluto

You have the ability to quickly exploit every situation and are able to turn circumstances around in your favor. You fanatically strive for improvements and are likely to achieve great success, but should beware of succeeding at someone else's expense.

Neptune Conjunct Moon/Asc.

You come across as a somewhat weak and helpless person and may create the impression for others to feel sorry for you, but are not above capitalizing on your apparent weakness. Conditions in your family life could be a bit incoherent and nebulous.

Pluto Conjunct Saturn/MC

Success may not come easy for you, but you patiently and diligently proceed through life. You could be somewhat of a loner because you are so dedicated to achieve your goals that you don't have much time for social activity.

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 Leo:

You are part of a 20 year period that is often referred to as the "ME" generation, a generation that has a very proud and self-reliant attitude. You are a generation that is very concerned with self-development and personal integrity. Women's rights and minority rights are issues that your generation has fostered and they reflect your concern with individual respect, integrity, and honor. Your age group has a deeply felt sense that each person has an equal right and opportunity to fully develop his or her inner potential.

However, your group also finds it difficult to be part of a team and a strong egotism makes group efforts difficult; you tend to see the individual as more important than the group. You also defy authority and often feel that no one has the right to tell you what to do. The strong movement to refuse drafting into the military is one example of your age group's strong sense of individual rights and freedom.

Your age group has popularized the idea of self-development, and has contributed a great deal to the development of individual potential as well as human rights. However, there is also a tendency to be rather self-centered; others may wonder how you can spend so much time developing yourselves and have so little time to contribute to your families!

The interest in personal development also sometimes manifests as a fascination with particular individuals and a great deal of hero worship. Every generation, of course, has lots of idols, but your generation is particularly prone to needing a specific individual to represent and embody an idea or feeling, and to serve as a focal point of interest. Perhaps the most extreme example of this is the concept of the guru that was popularized by your age group.

The Ideals and Illusions of Your Age Group

Neptune in Libra:

You are part of a 14 year group of people who have a very idealistic sense of brotherhood and universal cooperation, which, among other things, fostered the peace and freedom movement. Your age group is also interested in the spiritual philosophy and ideals of other cultures, and is not at all dogmatic in its approach to religion. You incorporate the approaches of other religions. Your age group tends to have an eclectic approach to religion, utilizing elements from many religious perspectives (e.g. Eastern and Western), and finds it difficult to follow traditionally defined religious practices.

A gullibility and an unwillingness to be decisive and judgmental inclines your age group to be easily deceived, and consequently many of the well-intended ideals and goals are frustrated by a lack of clear purpose and direction.

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.

Neptune Sextile Pluto:

The entire generation to which you belong has tremendous opportunities for spiritual rebirth and awakening. This will not be forced upon you or precipitated by unavoidable events, rather it comes from an inner yearning and a natural propensity to seek the depths.

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.