

Birth Chart Interpretation for

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From an esoteric point of view your birth chart is a portrait of your soul's intention for this lifetime, the lessons to be learned, qualities to develop, problems to be resolved, service to be rendered. From that perspective, the choices one makes in one's daily life have reverberations that may last beyond even this lifetime.

This report is written to help you clarify your lessons and goals, illuminate your struggles, and encourage you to move in the direction of your true purposes.

The best to you on your journey...

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Sun	19	Leo	15	Pluto	14	Leo	43
Moon	22	Sco	28	N. Node	8	Tau	57
Mercury	19	Leo	32	Asc.	19	Can	28
Venus	5	Can	45	MC	13	Pis	46
Mars	15	Lib	34	2nd cusp	3	Leo	17
Jupiter	19	Sag	07	3rd cusp	20	Leo	09
Saturn	25	Leo	14	5th cusp	20	Lib	34
Uranus	29	Gem	19	6th cusp	10	Sag	41
Neptune	10	Lib	54				

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Aspects and orbs:

Conjunction	:	5	Deg	00	Min	Trine	:	4	Deg	00	Min
Opposition	:	5	Deg	00	Min	Sextile	:	3	Deg	00	Min
Square	:	4	Deg	00	Min	Quincunx	:	3	Deg	00	Min
Conjunct Asc	:	3	Deg	00	Min	Above, 5 Deg 00 Min					
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## Chapter 1: The Moon

The placement of the Moon in your birth chart is very significant from a karmic perspective, as it indicates the accumulated karmic tendencies, both positive and negative, that you carry from your past incarnated experiences on earth.

While the Sun reveals your intended purposes and lessons for this present life cycle, the MOON represents what you have already done and developed, hence, what is instinctive and natural to you, and what you tend to do over and over again. Your childhood is also reflected in the Moon's placement, as it is through those childhood circumstances that any unresolved past-life issues are re-stimulated. Your subconscious predisposition is indicated by the Moon's position. It is the psychic imprint of the past. The nodes of the Moon describe behavior patterns from the past, as well as delineating a direction out of outworn or overdone behaviors and habits.

### *Moon in Scorpio:*

In your incarnational past you developed an acute psychic sensitivity, a sort of psychic x-ray vision that enables you to read the hidden agendas and the unspoken (often unconscious) messages that other people put out. Your ability to intuit another's motives and unexpressed feelings may make some people wary or uncomfortable around you. It is as if they sense that you know more about them than they know themselves, especially about those aspects of themselves they would rather not face or have other people see. In the past, your penetrating insight into human nature, your capacity to deeply "know" a person emphatically, and your attunement to the dark or hidden under currents in a person or situation may have gained you the reputation of being a "witch". You may well have used your deeper knowledge to gain power over or manipulate people in subtle ways. Certainly you had the capacity to do so. You may also have endured much ridicule whenever you openly expressed your feelings and your awarenesses. As a result, you learned to be very secretive and private and to protect yourself from prying eyes. Even today, you can be very asocial and you hide quite a bit of yourself from public view, retreating into seclusion whenever you feel threatened. At a deep level you may believe that you must hide in order to survive. Thus allowing yourself to come out into the open, or to let people in, may be very difficult for you. Early experiences in this life, or in past lifetimes, have conditioned you to be less than trusting. Your lovers and close friends may feel you are unjustifiably fearful, even a bit paranoid. The truth is, you have experienced first-hand the nastier side of human nature. You thus tend to throw up smoke screens between yourself and those who would know you at more than a superficial level. Once you do allow someone to know you well, fears of loss, betrayal, or abandonment usually surface rapidly. Nevertheless, your capacity for and your need for deep intimacy and emotional closeness in your relationships is greater than most. You seek intensity in your relationships and can not be satisfied with "luke warm". You run hot and cold, and are prone to be compulsive or obsessed with the people or issues you care about. At your worst, you are unbearably possessive and controlling, driven by your craving for closeness and also your underlying memories of being betrayed. Jealousy may be your greatest nemesis. Secretly nursing grudges, resentment, and grievances over things that happened long ago may also be a bad habit of yours, one you will need to overcome if you are not to be poisoned by your own negativity.

It is important that you do not deny or repress such feelings, either, as that will only fuel them. However, if you can acknowledge and share them - and then let them go, you can free yourself of much old, excess "baggage". You are also prone to strong feelings of guilt, often for no known cause that you can consciously recognize. This may stem from three sources: 1) Being punished or shamed as a child for your very strong feelings, especially the "not-nice" ones, 2) your own instinctive awareness of the "shadowy" side of your own nature and 3) deep memories of your own misuse or misdirection of power.

At your best, you are passionate, creative, caring, deep, and wise in an instinctive way. In this lifetime you could be a particularly insightful psychologist or counselor, the one people will divulge their darkest

secrets to. By confronting your own negativity and pain, and learning to release it, you are able to shed some light for others who struggle with the same.

*Moon Square Mercury:*

You have a great need to understand the past, whether your own personal life history or in a larger sense as in world history or the evolution of cultures. You want and need an historical understanding of life. You may, however, dwell on and be so immersed in memories of events that happened long ago that it colors your entire perception of the present. At its worst, this inclines you to be emotionally-biased and prejudice in your thinking, and it will be a challenge for you to overcome your tendency to project your own personal experiences and tastes upon every situation, mixing the emotional with the factual. At times, too, what you feel or are personally comfortable with conflicts with your rational understanding or stance on things. However, you may also translate this ability to blend feelings with intellect into a particularly clear understanding of the inner and subjective aspects of life and with an ability to talk or write about them quite lucidly. A certain restlessness and sensitivity of the nervous system also accompanies this aspect.

*Moon Square Saturn:*

You are bringing into your current lifetime subconscious memories of harsh discipline, emotional deprivation, separations from family and other sources of security, which prevented you from being properly nourished and cared for. You may be responding to these experiences in different ways, for instance, you may need tremendous amounts of reassurance and supportive love from the people around you in order to feel that you can trust them. You may cling to family, traditions, routines, and structures. You may have persistent underlying feelings of sadness or loss without recognizing their source. You may concentrate on your work and practical responsibilities (to neglect your emotions and personal life). You may isolate yourself and feel alone, or refuse to be alone, becoming fearful and anxious without others nearby. You may be needy and insecure about your worth, or hide all of your needs for love and affirmation behind a mask of cool indifference. On a physical level, you may have an extremely sensitive stomach, poor digestion, and an inability to take certain foods.

Much of this is based on your subconscious belief that whatever occurred in the past was your fault (even though you may have been innocent), and that love, security, and comfort are scarce commodities which can be withdrawn from you at any time. In this lifetime you will be working with these patterns, learning to nurture and care for yourself. There may be periods of aloneness and singularity which instead of being lonely and isolated can be healing, giving you time to do quiet, contemplative activities that nourish you.

These strict disciplines you were burdened with in the past need to be balanced with gentleness. You are much too hard on yourself, and you tend to see criticism and blame where none is intended. Above all, self-acceptance and cherishing yourself, regardless of your flaws or supposed past errors, is a major lesson in this current cycle.

*North Node in Taurus:*

In your incarnational past, you tended toward intensity, passionate extremes, and radical solutions to your problems. Your growth direction now is to become more grounded in the physical world, and committed to a work or a lifestyle that enables you to be more stable, reliable, and trustworthy.

*North Node in 11th house:*

In this lifetime there is also a definite movement within you toward broader social involvement and influences, and away from creating in isolation or strictly ego - gratifying accomplishment. Your past tendencies will be particularly active in your relationships to your children (physical or creative).

## **Chapter 2: The Sun**

The Sun in your birth chart represents the primary creative thrust for this lifetime, those qualities you are to develop (or further develop) and express, and your current life focus. This may be in harmony with your instincts and your emotional habits, or along completely different lines. The Sun represents your conscious identity in this lifetime.

*Sun in Leo:*

Your path of soul development in this lifetime revolves around developing your awareness of yourself as a distinct, unique individual. It is not enough for you to simply be who and what you are, you must radiate your inner essence outwardly, express it, bring it forth in a creative way. Although ultimately your goal is self-discovery and self-recognition, you initially have a profound need to make an impression on others and to be recognized and appreciated by the world. In many ways you are like the eager child who, delighted with the discovery of a new power or accomplishment, demands of all and sundry "See ME! Look what I can do!". Of course, you do this in subtler ways (usually!). Nevertheless, the joy of self-discovery and self-expression, and the yearning for "strokes", applause, and affirmation is very much present in you. Put simply, you tend to be rather fascinated with yourself. Your tendency to dramatize or exaggerate, and your desire to be the center of attention comes from a need to project yourself into the world in order to see yourself and what makes you special. However, your acute awareness of yourself as an individual can also lead to an excessive, constant self-consciousness which may actually inhibit your free flow of self-expression. You may feel that you are always on stage and have to perform or have to be the best, because you are being watched (at least by yourself!). And you can be incredibly self-centered at times, blind to other people's realities and to the larger realm of life which does not revolve around you.

It is imperative for you to find an area in which you can excel and shine and truly make a significant, personal contribution which matches your inner sense of nobleness. You must have a domain, one which is yours alone to shape and fashion according to your own inner dictates. Unless you are acting from your own heart, from your own core, you are not fulfilling your destiny. Thus, you will resist imitating and being dictated to by others, for your task is to find your own inner light and radiate it. While young you are apt to have heroes and images of greatness in whatever form most resonates with your heart. Ultimately you must become your own hero.

The obvious potential downfall for you (in terms of spiritual growth) is becoming overly preoccupied with the more superficial aspects of your ego, your sense of pride, and personal importance. At your worst you feel threatened by others' original, creative expression or their successes and are unable to give them the acclaim and recognition they have earned. It is as if no one else exists in their own light, except as extensions of yourself, minor characters in a play which stars you. But at your best you affirm not only your own worth and specialness, you also warmly encourage other people's creative talents and the blossoming of their potentials and greatness. You cherish individuality and creativity in other people and nurture that spark wherever you find it. Once free from the great allure of and interest in your ego, you begin to fall in love with the creative process itself and to experience a great joy in being a part of life expressing itself, not only through you, but through others' lives as well.

### *Sun Square Moon:*

In this lifetime, to fulfill yourself as an individual, you need to develop and express yourself along very different lines than you have in the past. Thus, in many instances your conscious purposes and inclinations are rather at odds with the deeper subconscious beliefs, patterns and the familiar ways of being which are carry-overs from your incarnational past. Comparing the interpretation of your Moon sign and aspects in Chapter One and the interpretation of your Sun sign and aspects in Chapter 2, you will notice definite opposing or conflicting tendencies or inconsistencies. You will need to say yes to both of these sides of yourself, even though they may seem to pull you in different directions, for denying either side will keep you locked in conflict with yourself or see-sawing between extremes. However, it is also important for you to bring to light those emotionally-based habits, prejudices, and "needs" which you hold on to and which may be interfering with your current needs and requirements for growth.

### *Sun conjunct Mercury in Leo:*

Physical coordination, manual dexterity and a great deal of innate intelligence, even brilliance, are your gifts.

You also have a way of communicating that is clear and lively and full of energy, so that others want to hear what you have to say. However, you may be so ego-involved with your ideas and opinions that you do not really take in, listen to, or perceive any other point of view. You may allow your rational mind to dominate your life-expression and find it difficult to relate to the world in any other way.

### *Sun Conjunct Pluto:*

You have a passion for life, an intensity and drive to "go all the way", to taste the fullness of any experience, which may be called extreme or compulsive. The urge to uncover what is hidden or beneath the surface motivates you throughout your life. You are conscious, more than most people, of the other side of the coin, the darker side, and you are fascinated by it. Bringing the truth out of the shadows is what your life is about, and you will confront the darker, nastier, unredeemed side of people (and yourself) on your journey.

You have an uncanny and profound perception of the inner motivations and psychology of other people which you can use for good or ill. It gives you a subtle power over people which could be used to dominate or control them. Or, you may become involved with strong, controlling manipulative people (with whom you have intense karmic attachments) who will teach you (force you) to claim your own power in order to survive. Many lessons around the use of personal will and power are on your soul's agenda. Beware of becoming infatuated with your own importance. The desire for personal glory and exalting yourself over others could lead to a great failure. Focusing your attention upon total reform or transformation, either your own, or some aspect of society is a positive expression of this inner drive. However, you can easily become too fanatical and overly zealous, and your fervor may alienate people or create internal imbalances. Nevertheless, your role in this lifetime is one which may force others to see and acknowledge what they may not want to claim. You are the investigator, the secret prober into mysteries, especially in the secrets of and deeper aspects of your Sun sign (discussed above).

### **Chapter 3: Rising Sign**

The point that was on the eastern horizon at the moment of your birth is called the ASCENDANT, or rising sign. While the Sun describes your conscious direction and current life focus, and the Moon your subconscious predisposition and past, the Ascendant indicates a way of being that transcends and embraces past, present, and future. It describes the way you engage and merge with the outer world and how you bring through into life the energies depicted by the Sun, the Moon, and the rest of your birth chart. Everything is filtered through the Ascendant from an esoteric point of view. It indicates your soul's function and thus a key part of your destiny.

#### *Cancer Rising:*

Whether you are male or female, you carry the qualities of and in some way embody the archetype of the mother. You will find that you attract people who need care, understanding and encouragement. Devotion and maintaining emotional soul-connections to life is the heart of your approach to living. You are very sympathetic in both the sense that you feel for others and also in the sense of "sympathetic resonance". Your own feelings and moods will often reflect the dominant feeling tone in your environment. You absorb the atmosphere around you and thrive in surroundings that are home-like, personal, supportive, and cooperative.

When out of balance you are hypersensitive to hurts and slights, are prone to extreme moodiness, worry, and self-pity, and/or feel like an insatiable needy child yourself. Self-nurturing and self-responsibility are thus extremely important for you to develop in order to bring out your best.

Your ruling planet is the Moon. You probably felt a strong identification with the description of your Moon's placement as you read the first section. This is because in your case the Moon not only reflects something about your past and inherited tendencies, but also colors your entire way of relating to the world now. It describes an important aspect of your soul's function.

#### *Cancer Rising and Moon in Scorpio:*

Your Moon in Scorpio suggests that, though you may appear mild and motherly or soft, you can be truly ferocious in your defense of anyone or anything you care about, especially those who depend upon you. You are the Mother Tiger, when threatened. Deep sentiment and compassion for the suffering color everything for you. Words may be difficult or not at all important to you. What matters is soul, mystery and allegiances of the heart.

### **Chapter 4: Saturn, Your Achilles Heel**

Karmically considered, the placement of Saturn in your birth chart indicates where your energetic blockages, weaknesses and fears lie, and the areas of your life where the most concentrated effort and discipline will be required to master and overcome them. Yet it also points to the aspects of life which can become your greatest strength if you are willing to face your fears and difficulties honestly, and work with them patiently.

#### *Saturn in Leo*

You struggle with acute self consciousness and either an exaggerated sense of your own significance or a profound lack of it. This seriousness about the self and overconcern about your dignity or how others perceive you tends to tie you up in knots, and inhibits you from expressing yourself freely especially in those areas of life that should be or at least could be playful, spontaneous fun (lovemaking, dancing, sports, creative out-pouring of any part). Intense shyness may be a problem, especially in matters of the heart. Your

performance anxiety reflects your deep need for recognition and affirmation from the world. However, this need is apt to be frustrated and unfulfilled until you learn to search within yourself for the truth about who you are, and discover a sense of wholeness and completeness within. Once you gain a deep sense of yourself and your worth, the self-centeredness and constant desire for "ego-strokes" which plague you in your early years may well dissipate. At least, this is your task.

*Saturn in 3rd house:*

In the arena of verbal expression and communication, you will work very hard to develop yourself, and this effort to communicate may go through several phases. First, a painful inability to express yourself in social situations or to partake in the sort of light, amiable chit-chat that promotes goodwill among neighbors and acquaintances. You may be taciturn and inhibited, even with your brothers and sisters, afraid of saying the wrong thing or of being ridiculed. Being humiliated when speaking may be one of your greatest fears, and even talking on the telephone can be uncomfortable unless it is a serious or necessary conversation. For you it is much easier to discuss facts and concrete information than to reveal personal feelings or opinions. You tend to form your own opinions and ideas in solitude, and thus miss out on a lot by not getting other people's input. You may also be very critical of others' speech or ideas. Not only do you edit yourself, the people around you are also objects of your critiques. Always correcting other people's words or line of thinking may not make you very popular, and if you allow this negative tendency to flourish, you may find yourself socially isolated. However, through your struggle to be clear and accurate and to know your own mind, you may become extraordinarily articulate, thus turning your Achilles heel into a significant asset.

*Saturn SemiSquare Neptune:*

Your psychic antennae seem particularly sensitive to the pain of the world, and you are apt to take your spiritual and moral responsibility to respond to this very seriously. However, you carry a pattern of absorbing and taking on the burdens and suffering of the world, and because of this you may struggle with pessimism and discouragement, periodically becoming overwhelmed. Furthermore, your imagination tends to amplify these problems so that your view of reality can be rather sorrowful. It is important for you to learn to use your imaginative faculties constructively, and also to recognize that many of the nebulous worries you have are unfounded.

Past incarnations as monk, nun, ascetic, or ashramite during which a worldly life was considered antithetical to inner development or progress toward God continue to influence you. You may be hampered in your material progress by devoting yourself entirely to the spiritual life. A persistent desire to retreat from the world and leave all superficial distractions behind stems from this also. One of your karmic lesson is to integrate the inner or spiritual life with your ordinary existence.

## **Chapter 5: The Hard Aspects**

The following is a description of your MAJOR LIFE CHALLENGES, both in terms of energies you are to learn to develop and express in a positive way, and those which are the result of struggles and unresolved karmic issues which you have brought into this life.

*Mercury Conjunction Pluto:*

You have a penetrating, incisive mind which cuts through surface appearances to the deeper, underlying heart-of-the-matter. Your perceptions and profound insights border at times on being truly uncanny, for you have the gift of being able to perceive the hidden content, the concealed, disguised, or suppressed aspects of a person, situation, or subject. On a concrete level, this quality of mind impels you to be the researcher or investigator, searching out the unknown, uncovering a mystery. Even in casual social interaction you

automatically perceive others' subconscious intentions and motives. You are very astute psychologically. Hence, your presence can be somewhat threatening to those who have secrets or who have much invested in the superficial and prefer not to go any deeper.

This capacity carries with it, however, challenges and pitfalls. You may find yourself falling into a habit of mind that is suspicious, paranoid, cynical, or preoccupied with the dark underside of life, and this may skew your entire outlook. (You may also use your considerable insight, persuasiveness, and mental power to try to manipulate others' thoughts and actions which would inevitably bring negative karmic results.) Verbally you can be quite cutting and hurtful. Realize that simply speaking "the truth" without mercy or sensitivity to how your words are received, can do more harm than good.

At its worst this aspect would be expressed in a Machiavellian type of mind, utilizing your keen perception to manipulate and dominate others.

#### *Mars Conjunct Neptune:*

Your masculine, yang, assertive energies combine (somewhat tensely and uneasily) with your urge for transcendence, grandeur, and a life beyond the every day or material. This could be expressed through you in various ways. At best you are an inspired creative genius with the drive and need to physically manifest your dreams and visions. (This may, nevertheless, be hard on those around you or the part of you that wants a normal, orderly existence, as you tend to become fanatical and to ignore the more mundane stuff).

You may have a great deal of fantasy about and infatuation with masculinity, male power, which can lead to feelings of personal inadequacy, sexual confusion, an overidentification with macho strengths and values, muscles, competition, or simply an unclear relationship with men. You may idealize the man (father, husband, son) and fail to perceive them accurately. You tend to go to extremes, either denying all male attributes, functions or values, or secretly worshipping them.

You may also have great aspirations and far reaching ambitions which may or may not be practically realizable. However, for you, to live is to dream. Strive for complete honesty, with yourself as well as others, because the downside of this pattern is a tendency to evade or deceive or simply ignore what is. Also avoid the tendency to use either your physical strength or your sexual power and charisma in an exaggerated way. Misdirection of these energies can weaken your vitality considerably.

Ultimately you may be led to devote your strength and all your actions to something that transcends personal gratification and personal desire, becoming a channel for a higher power to work through.

#### *Jupiter is Retrograde:*

Moral concerns (including lingering unresolved issues stemming from a prior lifetime or lifetimes in which you exercised poor judgment in moral, ethical, or religious matters) come into play here. Thus, it is especially important for you to maintain high standards while pursuing your aspirations.

#### *Uranus SemiSquare Pluto:*

You and many of your generation have a group karma that involves planetary change and awakening through upheaval and disruption. Turbulent forces in the collective mind/body/soul of your group may be expressed as violence, extreme opposition to real or perceived oppression, radical severance from all old conditioning. There is a powerful urge for change and revolution in this pattern. Becoming a positive agent of change rather than a negative reactionary or extremist is your challenge.

## Chapter 6: Soft Aspects

The following is a description of your GIFTS and STRENGTHS which can help you work with your major life challenges. These are abilities and qualities of heart, mind, and soul which are quite natural to you. You probably take them for granted. Because these represent the lines of least resistance for you, you may rely too much upon them at times; hence, there are some cautions suggested. Still, these are the areas where good flows into your life and/or where you have considerable inner resources.

### *Sun Trine Jupiter:*

Your life is blessed in numerous ways because you have developed intuitive vision (the ability to envision greater possibilities, to "see" potentials and future developments) and faith (in yourself, in the Universe's essential beneficence and abundance, and/or in a higher power that guides and protects you). Because you feel and know your connection with the whole, God, the Tao (or whatever you wish to call it), your actions and intentions are more likely to be in harmony with the larger reality and hence successful. What may appear to be your prodigious good "luck" is actually an inner alignment with this larger reality which enables you to take risks and trust, and to be generous knowing you have an inner source of support. You make choices and decisions not based solely on self interest. Innately optimistic, you tend to radiate and project positive expectations into the world, thereby actually creating or drawing them unto yourself. Because you are open to miracles, you are more than likely to see them and make them happen. The only drawback to all of this is a tendency to get lazy, because things come so easily to you. It seems as though you wear a halo, as though you are especially favored by the gods, so to speak. As long as you are willing to share your good fortune, however, this should not be a serious problem.

### *Mercury Trine Jupiter:*

Through teaching, writing or other means, you are meant to disseminate ideas, knowledge, and understanding. You have the capacity to perceive future trends, and your foresight and broad perspective enable you to plan wisely. You see the overall pattern or big picture with ease. You have a great love of learning and education, a hunger for mental expansion that will last a lifetime. You are also particularly adept at using such techniques as creative visualization to bring about positive results in your life. Though simple, and to you quite natural, this is a potentially powerful tool and gift which you may overlook.

### *Mars Sextile Pluto:*

Your will-force is well developed, and when pursuing a goal you bring passion, whole heartedness, and a relentless determination to the effort. You can work long and hard, tapping deep reserves of energy, when you have dedicated yourself to a purpose. Without realizing it, you may sacrifice a great deal in order to get what you want. You are capable of and willing to give up certain things in order to achieve your desires. You may also forget that others may not have the same agenda as you do and forge ahead despite them. You may rely too much on "making it happen" through your own effort, forgetting there is a time and season for everything. Nevertheless, your passion and energy are great gifts. Used constructively, you can do things many people only dream of. Aligning your will with the will of a higher power, you are capable of truly great achievements.