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Planet	Sign	Position	House	House Cusps
Sun	Gemini	11°Ge54'	11th	01 06°Le14'
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Saturn	Leo	17°Le36'	01st	07 06°Aq14'
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Planet	Element	Mode	Elemental Balance	Modal Balance
Sun	Air	Mutable	6 Fire	5 Cardinal
Moon	Fire	Cardinal	1 Earth	3 Fixed
Mercury	Water	Cardinal	3 Air	4 Mutable
Venus	Water	Cardinal	2 Water	
Mars	Earth	Mutable		
Jupiter	Fire	Mutable		
Saturn	Fire	Fixed		
Uranus	Air	Mutable		
Neptune	Air	Cardinal		
Pluto	Fire	Fixed		
Midheaven	Fire	Cardinal		
Ascendant	Fire	Fixed		

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An Astrological Portrait

Prepared for Penelope Breeze

Your astrological chart provides an amazing guidepost to the most important aspect of your life: an understanding of yourself. As a woman today, you face the challenge of discovering yourself within the context of many life experiences. You wear a variety of faces and play many roles, experiences which can both enhance and complicate your feeling of satisfaction with yourself and your life. Your astrological chart provides indicators which help to define who you are, strengthening an understanding of your needs on every level. Each chart is different in its make-up, and the myriad combinations of influences help to underscore the importance of each person as an individual. One thing you must remember when working with astrology: it is through your free will that you make choices. Your "chart" does not make you do anything!

We are finally acknowledging and realizing within today's world, that men and women experience life differently. The workings of your psyche, symbolized by your astrological chart, are likely to be experienced quite differently through your filter as a woman than they would be if you were born male. This report is designed for you, a woman in a world of change, a woman seeking to become whole.

Your natal, or birth, chart is made up of several factors. Drawn upon a circular wheel, your natal chart shows the positions of the planets relative to your place, date and time of birth. Everything is indicated symbolically, with each symbol having specific meanings. The planets, Sun and Moon are placed around the circle, and each is placed within a particular degree of a sign of the zodiac. The planets, Sun and Moon are energy bodies, and the astrological signs indicate how these energies work. Just as you are a complex of feelings, needs, drives and desires - your natal chart maps these qualities. You will also notice that the planetary symbols fall within particular segments of the circle. These segments, called "Houses", indicate the specific environments and relationships which are part of your life. You may find, upon reading your report, that there are a few contradictions. For example, one factor may indicate independence, while another shows strong dependency. It is not unusual to experience contradictions within yourself, and that is just what your chart illustrates about you! But when you reflect upon these qualities within the context in which they are explained, you may discover some self-illuminating facts about yourself. Self-understanding has a marvelous way of emphasizing your personal power!

An Overall Glimpse at Your Astrological Chart

The astrological signs are defined by one of four elements: fire, earth, air or water. The fire

and air elements have a yang (masculine polarity) quality, and tend to be more outgoing and assertive in their nature, whereas the earth and water elements have a yin (feminine polarity) quality, and are more receptive by nature. The elemental balance in your chart is determined by the amount of energy within each elemental sign. The factors added together to find this balance of energy include the Sun, Moon, planets and the angles of the Ascendant and Midheaven.

Your chart shows a strong predominance of fiery energy, adding a special intensity to your personality and a strong level of vitality. You may be more action oriented than some of your friends, and your adventurous enthusiasm may make you the topic of conversation among your friends. Your intuition and instincts are effective allies. Watch a tendency to push yourself too hard, since it's easy to burnout once you've gone beyond your limits. In relationships with others, you prefer to be around those who love the adventure of life and who appreciate your active inspirational nature. The elemental balance in your astrological chart indicates that earth is a weak factor, signifying that you may sometimes feel a need for greater stability. Practical matters may not always be a primary consideration when making major decisions. The problem with little earth is usually related to not being in touch with the physical plane, which can cause you to lose your focus or to ignore physical reality. During the times in your life when you feel out of touch or uncertain, get back to nature. Take a walk in the park or woods, garden, hug a tree, work with clay, or get a massage to remind yourself that you are part physical, too!

Another aspect of your basic nature is determined by the balance of the modes in your chart. The modes are also defined by sign, which are grouped together as either cardinal, fixed or mutable. Your strongest mode is Cardinal, indicating that your basic approach to life is one of getting things started. You're an initiator, and are happiest when you're beginning something new. This factor sometimes indicates an enhanced sense of courage and enthusiasm. A strong ability to get things going, maintain your inspiration, carry through with your commitments and complete projects. Your ability to deal with different styles and human diversity enhances your spirit of cooperation, and makes you a good choice for leadership positions. However, you also have adequate amounts of mutable energy, which is expressed through your ability to remain flexible when necessary.

When you view the whole picture of your chart, you'll see that there is an emphasis of planets on the left side of your chart. This hemisphere strength indicates that you are driven by a need for independence and autonomy, and that you feel most validated when you feel that you're living life on your own terms. You may find it difficult to allow others to support or help you, even when you want them to lend a hand, and can certainly have trouble asking for assistance (especially if you feel it diminishes your sense of self to do so!). Relationships can be difficult for you unless you are in a situation which allows equanimity and equality, but be careful of your tendency to want to take the lead all of the time. True equality means that both partners are powerful.

You may also be concerned with the areas in your chart which appear to be empty. Never fear, these houses are not really vacant! You are just not placing as much emphasis in these relationships or environments, or you may be satisfying these needs through other dimensions of your life.

Projection of Your Real Self

Sometimes showing the world who you really are is not easy, and sometimes the world may not respond as you had hoped! It's helpful to take a look at the differences and similarities between the attitudes, impressions and images you project and the person who resides at the core of your being.

With your Sun in Gemini your inquisitive manner and quick wit may be your trademarks. You need variety, and whether in relationships, career opportunities or creative endeavors will prefer to create a life which gives you plenty of options. You may radiate an air of intelligence, and most enjoy people and situations which stimulate your mind. The old truth, "you are what you think," is especially clear to you, and you have the ability to shift your consciousness and create a whole new realm of life experience by first altering your mental focus.

Your Ascendant is the face you present to the world, and shows how others see you. Your Ascendant, or rising sign, is Leo. This signifies that you project a definite presence, a factor you can use to your advantage when you want to make a spectacular entrance. It's easy to command the attention of others (who may talk about you even when you're not around!). You can be quite comfortable in situations which call for direction or leadership and can engender loyalty from those under your influence. You may take extra care with your hair style, hats or other head adornments, since you know that they say a lot about who you are. The energy of the Sun is associated with your Ascendant, and with the Sun in Gemini your wit adds a special sparkle to your personality projection. Your confident intelligence can help you in any situation.

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

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

With Uranus in semi-square aspect to your Ascendant you can be rebellious and inconsistent. But no one will ever accuse you of being boring! Sometimes you may do certain things, dress in a particular manner or take action just because you want to see the effect it can have. However, this can become destructive, especially if your rebellious attitudes negatively effect the lives or circumstances of others. Although your intention may not be destructive, you do not like restraint and are not comfortable in situations which dictate your every thought and action. Responsible rebellion is sometimes difficult to gauge, but you have the capability to developing a sense of timing which can allow you to escape repression without destroying the foundation of your life.

With Neptune in sextile aspect to your Ascendant you may have a very powerful mystical quality, and most people will find you quite charming. Your sensitivity toward others may be marked, and you may be quite adept in your perceptive abilities. This is an excellent energy connection if you are involved in the arts in any way. In fact you may be especially well suited to the performing arts. You can be mesmerizing, and may be quite capable of changing your image to suit a variety of circumstances.

Pluto's conjunction to your Ascendant adds a powerful intensity to your personality. You can be both enigmatic and intimidating, and can project a powerful charisma. Your perceptions about people can be quite keen. You may have a sharp eye for details in behavior, manner and attitude that others easily miss. The healing quality of your energy can have a powerful transformational effect in the lives of others, and you may be walking the path of the medicine woman. You're not likely to allow others to take advantage of you but you can be intimidated by guilt. So, anyone who knows your "guilt buttons" may have a bit of power over you. Your best protection is to discover those hidden issues and deal with them so that you are free of them, once and for all.

There are many different facets of the Moon in your chart. But when it comes to your identity, your Moon speaks volumes about who you are at the deepest level: the soul of your being. Your Moon in Aries reflects an attitude of independent thinking and a need for autonomy. Your real self is striving to achieve a true sense of individual identity. The courage which resides deep within your soul helps you get through all sorts of dilemmas and difficulties, although you may resent anything that holds you back or ties you down. You are the Warrior Woman and have the capacity to meet life on your own terms. You will fight for what you love and enjoy a life with ample opportunities to experience true passion.

Understanding Your Inner Feminine Self

Although the temptation is to think that just because you are a woman you are in touch with your inner feminine self, this is a much more complicated task than it appears to be! First of all, the model for the true power of femininity has been lost over recent history and is now becoming re-energized. Recovering this power is a personal task for each woman, and learning to use feminine power constructively on a collective level is another challenge for today's woman. This process is the cradle of self-healing, and provides the essence of your personal security.

The primary energies associated with your inner feminine self are the Moon and Venus, but Neptune and Pluto are also significant in your experience and expression of this part of your psyche. The Moon is the energy which filters through your subconscious self, and tells the story of your connection to the part of you which provides nurturing, support, care and comfort. The person who projects the model for your Moon energy is your mother, and you see her through the lens of your own emotional matrix, signified by the Moon. As you mature, you learn to send this energy into the world, but to be truly effective, you must first own this energy and know

how to use it to care for yourself!

Your Aries Moon stimulates a powerful drive to establish independence and autonomy. Your feminist attitudes result from your independent way of thinking and may forge new frontiers to advance your position as a woman in the world. Passion is your life fuel, and you need people, situations and opportunities to feel the rush of energy which arises when you are carried away by passionate desire. You can be quite headstrong when you want something, or someone, and definitely have your wiles. Even though you may have been taught to think of others and their needs first, your need to be in the lead and first on the list is there all the while, and it is definitely okay to feel that way, if you deal with that need honestly. Taking a back seat while a husband achieves his aims and you settle for just a "job" or staying home (when you don't want to) could lead to trouble if you really want to develop a strong career of your own. Yet your support of another can be quite powerful when you feel that you are also getting what you want out of the situation, and you must remember that the choice is yours. Some type of challenge keeps you alive. Whether you choose a competitive career, participate in your favorite sports or recreation, initiate all the family outings, get involved in politics or take the lead in community activities - your energy, effort and excitement can be inspirational and contagious. But if you feel penned in, ignored, abused or excessively limited - you may also be challenged internally by your own anger at not having a chance to prove yourself. This anger can undermine your strength if it is not channeled into something productive. Men may have difficulty dealing with your independence, and even though you may be tempted to prove yourself according to the masculine rules of the game, as a woman you have some attributes that a man simply cannot employ! Instead of feeling that the game of life is always about winning and losing, try to re-focus on the idea of creating or not creating. And look for some healthy outlets which allow you to win a few and lose a few. You'll always be playing, and may as well enjoy the game according to rules which allow everyone to benefit.

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

Your Moon is in a square aspect to your Mercury, indicating possible difficulties in your ability to be rational. First of all, you do not have to be completely rational all the time - it is simply not possible. Now that's said, when you do need to make an objective or impartial decision, you need to be very careful in your considerations. Those people in your life whom you've learned to trust and value can also be helpful sounding boards when you're facing an important choice or dilemma. But you must also give yourself a chance to grow up and take the heat for your own feelings and needs. The problem is that your feelings run very deep. If you hold a particular prejudice, you may find it quite difficult to release it. When someone or something challenges the way you feel, you can be threatened. Criticism can be very wounding, and you may never recover if you cannot objectify a situation in which you are being critically assessed. If your attitudes remain stubborn and unyielding, you may become quite lonely. Spending time with children and dealing with their honesty can be exceptionally healing for you, and you may find that you really mature once you've taken on the role of mother. You may

always feel stressed around people in authority until you become more flexible in your attitudes and less sensitive to the idea that you might occasionally be mistaken about a few things.

The energy of your Moon in square aspect to Venus stimulates a feeling of discontent. You feel internal conflict when you want what you cannot have, and can be caught in the throes of emotional turmoil when you are faced with letting go of one situation in order to move into something different. That old adage, "you can't have your cake and eat it too," applies to the type of dilemma you frequently face, especially in the realm of relationships. When faced with compromise, you feel depleted. Yet you may also fail to allow yourself to really go for the things you want, since the fear of losing something that valuable can be overwhelming. You are highly susceptible to emotional blackmail, and may be reluctant to admit it when you feel strongly for someone because you don't want to be vulnerable. All these attempts to keep yourself protected act like a barrier against your happiness. And until you address your fears of intimacy, you may never have a fully functional relationship. You could gain exceptional benefit from studying human psychology and learning about human behavior. Working in a therapeutic group situation could also provide methods for you to understand the manner in which you relate to others and they relate to you. Then, you can ultimately risk developing a gradual intimacy. A female friendship provides a safe starting place, since part of your frustration arises from a lack of trust of yourself as a woman. Sharing your feelings and thoughts with a friend, and taking responsibility for becoming a good friend yourself, will help you overcome the barriers which may have been in place since you were a young girl. Jumping into an intimate relationship before you've learned to trust yourself and your feelings can leave you vulnerable, and may even expose your mate to your unresolved issues.

Your emotional stability is strengthened through your Moon's trine aspect to Saturn. This connection gives you an ability to accept yourself as you are. Your personal honesty with yourself about your needs helps you approach life in a responsible manner. You can accept those special qualities which arise from being a woman, and can even find ways to use the power of being a woman to your advantage! You may feel that it is important to strive toward achieving respect, and can readily gain the respect and admiration of others because they can count on you. Although you may not be looking for a man or partner to take care of you, you can appreciate the importance of mutual support. As a mother, your stabilizing force can be invaluable, and you may gain exceptional joy from teaching and guiding your children. In the work place, you are likely to be the one others turn to when they need an honest opinion and responsible attitude. You are a teacher, whether or not you work formally in this position in society: your life is your lesson plan.

Your Moon is opposition to Neptune, indicating that you are profoundly sensitive at an emotional level. Your imagination, creativity and spirituality are important elements in your life, and you need ample outlets to develop them. Although it may be somewhat difficult for you to maintain your emotional boundaries, you do need to find a way to determine the difference between your real feelings and the feelings you have because of your association with others. Your sensitivity draws others into your life who may be in need of acceptance, support and rescue. In fact you feel that you are a magnet for people who need help, and may be drawn toward work which allows you to give of yourself to the world. You are a woman who feels everything, and your compassion can be immense. But in order to avoid drowning in the woes of the world or in the miseries of life, you need to develop an emotional filter. Part of that filter is

structured through your creative expression, since when you're flowing with this energy, you can release and open your energies toward healing. Another element of your filter can be strengthened through meditation, or taking time to separate yourself from the demands of the world. In your intimate relationships you are a prime candidate for co-dependency, so be on the alert. You may always be working to keep your awareness levels clear, so that you know your real feelings. It is so tempting to rescue others. Before you dive into the turbulence, can you swim? Sacrificing yourself can be quite costly. If you are confused about what you need, you are likely to be too deeply immersed in something or someone, and can benefit from developing some outlets which provide objectivity. As a mother, you may be especially sensitive to your children and their needs. In fact, your psychic sensitivity to their feelings can be amazing. Your spirituality and compassion can be a wonderful comfort for them. You can also allow them to take advantage of you, since you are susceptible to their emotional blackmail - so be on the alert, especially when your children get older.

Through the connection of your Moon and Pluto in trine aspect, your emotional sensibilities are quite intense. Your ability to sense things below the surface is amazing, including the way others feel - despite what they may say! You can be an intimidating woman although you don't try to be, simply because you possess a level of awareness which is absolutely penetrating. Your embrace of the true essence of feminine power is quite remarkable, and your ability to bounce back in the face of challenge or adversity is directly linked to this power. With a high capacity to create and transform, you are capable of returning life to the lifeless and purpose to that which has grown stale. You are innately aware of and connected to the powerful changes which occur throughout your menstrual cycle, and by working with these alterations in your body, mind and soul you can become a much more effective woman. Others may be drawn to your healing quality, and you can open your soul in such a way as to allow others to find their own strength. In intimate relationships, you have the ability to achieve a level of bonding which transcends the ordinary. Your sexuality and sensuality are special keys for your achievement of ecstasy. As a mother, you may have a phenomenal link to your children, and can be especially effective in helping them develop a trust and understanding of their deeper needs and feelings.

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

Through the energy of Venus you express your feminine wiles, and also locate the part of yourself that needs to be emotionally expressive. Your sense of inner beauty and feelings of personal worth are also functions of Venus. Venusian energy is part of your connection to other women, and the placement of Venus in your chart can tell you a lot about your openness and acceptance of your own femininity. Although your Moon may indicate your basic emotional nature, the manner by which you express your feelings is frequently through Venusian energy.

Through the energy of Venus in Cancer, you experience beauty at a deep, emotional level. You love things that make you feel comfortable, warm and secure, and appreciate people and surroundings that make you feel at home. You also have the knack of generating a warm, protective environment, whether at work or at home. Music may be an especially important part of your life, and if you sing, you may have a soothing voice. You innately know how to utilize the beauty which arises from being a woman, and may have a special appreciation for the feminine qualities of life. Watery colors compliment your energy - greens and silvery blues - and may feel good in your environment, or you might like wearing them. Flowing, soft clothing styles allow you to express your easy grace, and you may enjoy wearing skirts and pants alike, as long as they're comfortable. Babies and children may always be drawn to you, because they can feel your nurturant energy. In your close relationships, you can be quite the caretaker, and might even enjoy the domestic side of life. At the least, you enjoy eating good food, and if you have the time and inclination may become quite a good cook. Tender touch and warm embrace have a powerful effect upon you, and you need to receive as many hugs as you give. You can be somewhat protective and possessive of those you love, and may have difficulty when your children leave the nest. But that's okay. Your love can reach beyond the barriers of time and space.

Through the blending of Mercury and Venus energies in conjunction with one another, your manner of speaking and communicating is enhanced. This aspect influences your ability to develop excellent people skills, and you may be a gifted speaker, writer or lyricist. These qualities may emerge through your manner of speech, which can be quite elegant and charming. Your sensibilities toward others, and the care you take in striving to create a feeling of peace and harmony can be seen in your personal relationships as well as within the work environment.

Venus and Mars in sextile aspect add to your attractiveness. You may feel quite confident asserting yourself, especially if the object of your desire is close at hand. You're the type of woman who knows how to send the right signals, but you also know when to take action. Even in competitive situations, you can be charming, which may give you an interesting edge. You have a way of making others feel comfortable when they're around you and may be quite adept at dealing with situations which require peace-making or intervention.

The energy of Venus in square aspect to Neptune stimulates your imagination and romantic spirit. You love delving into fantasy and can be quite dramatic. You may also be tempted to wear a mask in order to cover your feelings of vulnerability. This mask can be in the form of make-up, manner of dress, or different forms of escape. You are sensitive and have such idealism that you may feel true pain when reality slaps you in the face. The problem you may face in creating your true expression as a woman is discovering what it is you truly want and need. The vague sense that it's out there somewhere is not very convincing that you'll ultimately land on the right image or step into the magical spotlight. You need to find a way to allow romance and imagination to

blend with what is truly possible. Using this energy to envision yourself as the woman you want to become, and then gradually altering your life to "test" your vision, can allow you to determine the differences between what you do and do not really need. Keeping your emotional boundaries intact is one of your greatest challenges, especially once you fall in love. But you can accomplish it by remaining mindful.

Although the planets Neptune and Pluto move very slowly and are generational in nature, they do have an influence upon your psyche. These energies define much about the collective experience which shapes your inner self. You're experiencing Neptunian energy when you're in the midst of reverie, when you're deep in dreams and when you're feeling compassionate. Neptune drives your imagination, the realm of illusion and your psychic sensibilities. Because Neptune is difficult to grasp on a physical level, there is a lot about this energy that can be problematic, and when you are caught in the negative grasp of Neptune, you can give in to addictive behaviors, escapism and deception manifesting. But you do have a way of channeling this energy. It is through Neptune that you find the heart of compassionate love and understanding. This is the doorway to your inner self.

With Neptune in Libra, you are part of the generation which has been fascinated with beauty, the idea of peace and the hope of a perfect world. Perfect relationships are part of the perfect world, but it is your very generation that has blasted through the illusion of dysfunctionality. Your role as a woman within a relationship is one you are creating, along with the other women of your generation, born from 1942 to 1956. By holding a collective image of truly egalitarian and fair-minded relationships, where each person can fully express themselves, you have been part of a global change. The effects of this change are still manifesting.

Pluto represents the primordial essence. It is from this level that all transformation occurs: birth, death, illness and healing. It is also here that the powerful kundalini force continually regenerates itself. This is the space of all creation and all power. It is the space of origin: the Great Mother.

With Pluto in Leo, you are part of a generation of women born 1938 - 1957 who have had to learn about manifesting power and breaking the illusion of the patriarchy. You are among the women who have reshaped society. If you've developed a career, you may have done so against an old system. Instead of destroying that power base, your task within the collective is to change the nature of power through love and creativity, and through honoring the sanctity of life.

Owning Your Inner Masculine Self

For centuries, women were not allowed to assert themselves in the world, and carefully learned the role of supporter of their "men." Those who failed to respond in this manner were frequently shunned or punished, although there have always been women who defied convention! During this century particularly, women have broken out of their strictly "conventional" roles, and have been making their way in the world. Because of this, women have been successful at fulfilling more of their needs, and owning their own power more readily.

As a result, a woman's relationship with the men in her life has also changed. Despite women's collective knowledge about the need to be whole persons, it is still sometimes easier to allow men (fathers, brothers, lovers and husbands) to "own" certain qualities. (They, in turn, prefer that women own certain qualities - like emotions!) But to become truly whole and functional, it is necessary to find and incorporate your inner masculine self into your sense of wholeness, instead of projecting that part of yourself onto others (most usually men) in your life.

Through the process of becoming at home with your ego, you gain a true sense of personal strength and power. To own this power, you must learn to acknowledge that it is okay to be recognized for who and what you are. Your Sun energy is the primary factor in the expression of ego needs. As a young girl, you may have seen your father through the filter of your Sun. His power of getting out into the world, and the manner by which he did it, have shaped your own sense of personal identity. And today, the Sun in your chart may symbolize significant men. But this energy is, in itself, the core of your spirit.

Your expression of your masculine sensibilities through your Gemini Sun is filtered through your intellect. Your admiration for others who are knowledgeable and communicative is a direct result of your own desire to know as much as possible. If your early impulse was to think that a man had more knowledgeable authority than a woman, that has probably changed radically as you have matured. In fact, you may even challenge that assumption through your choices in career. However, you may not think in terms of man versus woman: you're more into dealing with people for who they are, and may assume that others will also take that stance. You may even have a knack for communicating quite effectively with both men and women, and may make strides in bridging the gender gap. You can waffle a bit in situations which require you to take control, and may sit on the fence a bit too long some of the time, it just takes a little objectivity to get this under control, especially in new circumstances. But once you know how things work, you can be the maven of juggling your priorities.

You may feel an undercurrent of anger which rarely loosens its grip on your psyche with your Sun in square aspect to Mars. This can be especially true if you've failed to address your needs to direct your own life. It is crucial that you come to grips with your feelings about the men in your life, including your father. You may be fighting battles which are already won and can be belligerent or hostile, which can be alienating and self-defeating. Finding positive outlets to challenge yourself, like sports or other competitive games, will make a huge difference in the quality of your life. But the critical factor is knowing that you can get what you want once you've entered a level playing field.

You're probably quite ambitious, since the energy of your Sun in sextile to Saturn stimulates your need to gain respect. Taking responsibility for yourself seems only natural, and you are more likely to feel that you do not need anyone, including a husband, to take care of you. But you will enjoy relationships which provide an opportunity for each person to succeed and develop themselves. Your attitude toward men is probably healthy, although you may be quite happy that you are a woman.

Through the influence of your Sun in trine aspect to Neptune you may express the masculine qualities of your ego self by directing your energy toward helping others. You may not need the recognition or the spotlight, although you can be quite gracious in its glow. Your need to integrate the spiritual and creative aspects of your self-expression flows much more easily when

you are in harmony with the rhythm of life. Your way of developing your identity may be connected to creating peace and making a difference in the quality of life.

At least some of the role models you've followed have known how to use their power positively, and your admiration for this quality arises from your own desire to establish yourself as an influential and healing woman. Your willpower is supported by your ability to embrace and utilize change through the sextile aspect between your Sun and Pluto. You realize the importance of owning your strengths, and may be instrumental in helping others do the same. Psychologically, you are more likely to feel good about embracing your needs to be assertive and strong - your masculine side - but you know that this does not mean that you have to take control of someone's life. And you're not willing to allow that to happen to you, either!

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

Harnessing your assertive self is rarely your first priority. With Mars in Virgo, you're usually focused on getting the job done in the best manner possible. Although your work may be meticulous and the things you produce awe-inspiring, you may have difficulty standing up for yourself and making sure you get the attention you deserve. It may be much easier for you to allow someone who seems more powerful to fight the battles while you plan the strategy.

There are no major aspects to Mars in your chart. To a large extent, this indicates that the energy of Mars is empowered, because it operates without undue influence from other energies in your chart. You're constantly doing, taking action and may feel uncomfortable unless there's some kind of activity going on in your life. The qualities of this energy may be an outstanding force in your life, and this is the energy which people frequently associate with your identity.

Developing Your Mind

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

Although the energy of Mercury is traditionally considered to be the main indicator of your mentality, there are also other qualities which are part of your mental and intellectual self. First, let's look at Mercury, which is the energy through which you link your thoughts and ideas with others. You are a receptive thinker with Mercury in Cancer and can use your convictions and personal feelings about someone or something to your advantage when you need to express

your ideas. You may have a photographic memory, with outstanding abilities to recall anything you've seen or learned. If you really want to remember something, see it in your mind. Your ability to recall the details can be quite amazing. Although you can be a little sentimental, and may love romantic stories and songs, you can be objective when necessary. You may be a first class storyteller, with an excellent ability to use different inflections in your voice.

You may enjoy learning with Mercury conjunct Venus. However, you're likely to be a little lazy in your approach, and may not like the disciplinary side of school as much as you like the socializing. With an excellent ability to relate to people, you can be an open and effective communicator.

Your ability to grasp information quickly may be heightened with Mercury sextile Mars. One thing is sure: you like to get to the point! You may have little patience with slow decision-making processes. Your quick wit may be one of your trademarks.

You may be reluctant to speak up or share your thoughts with Mercury in semi-square aspect to Saturn. This may stem from fears which are the result of difficult learning situations when you were a young girl. But you may also not trust your intellectual abilities. Finding your own way of learning, approaching problem-solving in a manner which allows you to confirm your abilities, and gradually gaining faith in yourself will likely prove to you that you are not only capable but quite a good thinker after all!

Your fascination with beautiful, imaginative and out-of-this-world experiences is powerful with Mercury in square aspect to Neptune. But you can also be distracted from your ability to focus or concentrate by your need to escape. Listening can be difficult, especially if you are not interested in the person or subject. And paying attention to details can be bothersome. However, these elements are important, and if you incorporate them into your self-expression and intellectual development may even add to the effect of your creative and imaginative abilities!

The energy of your Moon also has a mental component. The Moon is the realm of thought, the process of subconscious thinking, and plays a strong role in intuitive thinking. You like to learn about things that get your energy moving. Through your Aries Moon your learning filters are more stimulated by exploring ideas which are challenging and require some creative thinking. You also prefer to learn at your own pace and may not like the idea of being held back because somebody else has not quite reached your level of understanding.

Jupiter also plays an important role in learning, stimulating you to look ahead into the realm of possibility, beyond the horizon of the now. Through the energy of Jupiter, you share what you know with others. As a woman, you are likely to feel most at home when you use this energy to encourage and support others, but you can also apply this to yourself! You're open to learning all kinds of things with Jupiter in Sagittarius. You may even make learning your lifelong pastime, although not necessarily within an institutional setting. You appreciate the value of travel, connecting with people on a cultural level, and understanding the different viewpoints and philosophies abundant in the world. Your enthusiasm for life inspires others, and you can be an excellent leader, teacher or executive because you inspire confidence in those who work for you or learn from your instruction.

Your strong will and independent way of thinking may have made it difficult to adhere to the educational plan set forth by traditional society. With Jupiter in opposition to Uranus, you need

to learn in the school of life, although you can also accomplish an education within the system if you must. Your need to break free of dogmatic thinking is powerful, and you will probably rebel against any school of thought which tries to label you in any way. After all, you're here to break the mold, right?!

The purpose of Saturn is to provide clarity, structure, form and discipline - elements which are certainly important to learning. Saturn functions primarily as your inner teacher. Mothers are the most influential Saturnian models in western society. They provide the structure, guidance and support for their children in the realms of learning, socialization or personal growth. Once you enter society as a child, teachers play the Saturnian role. But the role of mothers and teachers in relationship to Saturn is to help you define the structure upon which you will build your life. Then, you "own" your Saturn, and know how to discipline and focus your own energy.

You may have a strong appreciation for many of your teachers with Saturn in Leo, especially those who have helped to foster your self-expression. Although you can be somewhat reserved and may be reluctant to fully express yourself when you know you're being evaluated, once you get over your stage fright, you can become a very effective communicator. Your mental intensity can be quite strong, and you may gain momentum when you've accomplished an important goal.

The areas of your chart which are connected most strongly to mental and intellectual development are the 3rd, 9th and 11th Houses. The 3rd House of your chart deals with communication and the development of concepts.

Your approach to thinking, learning and communicating is quite analytical with Virgo ruling your 3rd House. You may enjoy learning, and can develop a good relationship with your teachers. However, you are quite sensitive to criticism and can be too critical of yourself or your own intellectual abilities. You're probably more intelligent than you realize! Your ability to illustrate detail is evidenced by your writing and speaking, and you may be a consummate storyteller and convincing reader (ask your children!). With Mercury ruling your 3rd House you enjoy the support and interaction created through networking with others, and may have a special interest in education or children's issues.

You are a dreamer and visionary. With Neptune in the 3rd House, you think in terms of what could be, and have a powerful imagination. This sensibility can be readily translated into writing, music and artistry, but does not necessarily aid your concentration when you need to learn something like algebra. Mental focus can be difficult, unless there are other aspects which aid you in this regard. As a result you can feel insecure about your intellectual development and ability. Meditation or participation in a disciplined type of creative activity can help you channel your artistic manner of thinking into productive areas.

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

You are definitely an idealist with Pisces on the cusp of your 9th House. Your vision of the world as a better place with opportunities for true peace and harmony can be quite a powerful driver in your quest to improve your own life. In higher educational pursuits, you may be more inclined to study philosophy, religion, political science and the arts than you are drawn to math

or science. It's tempting for you to impose your ideals or beliefs upon others who may seem less "enlightened," but you may need to show some restraint in this regard if you are to experience the peace you dream about. With Neptune ruling this house you can use your ability to visualize to aid you in your learning pursuits, and to help you create the world as you desire to experience it.

The influence of your Moon in the 9th House adds an intensive receptivity to higher learning and enhances your ability to connect through your spiritual self to divine understanding. Your spiritual life is strongly important, and you may also strive to improve your understanding of life through education, travel and cultural explorations. You may be capable of adapting to living in cultures other than that of your birth, especially if your Moon is in a mutable or cardinal sign. You may always feel that you are somehow protected by a higher power and may feel closely connected to your spiritual guide, angels or divine presence. Your love of philosophy and devotion to your ideals is quite genuine and plays an important role in your sense of security. You may interpret Higher Power in terms which are both masculine and feminine, but your connection to The Goddess quality is your bridge between your human consciousness and the consciousness which radiates from The Source.

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

Your interests have a practical focus, and you may limit your community involvement to matters which affect you directly. Goals can be especially important for you, and are usually tied to stabilizing your life, especially financially. It's important that you explore your deeper motivations, and that your goals reflect and support a true sense of personal worth. Although it's tempting to think that money can answer your needs for acceptance, it's rarely enough unless you can fully embrace yourself. Your interest in investments can play an important role in your life. With Venus ruling your 11th House, you may look for an easier path to realizing your dreams. You may be able to attract the right people and situations, and may feel that the right partnership and most prestigious friends can open doors for you. In the end you really want to be the one who has the influence.

With your Sun in the 11th House, you need goals which will give you an opportunity to gain recognition. You may have interests in community affairs, politics, or professional development which can ultimately take you into positions of leadership. Your personal development and educational endeavors may include public relations, management or counseling skills, and you may find that you become a role model for others who wish to follow in your footsteps.

Your ability to use your mental energy in a direct manner when working toward your goals is highly accentuated with Mercury in your 11th House. Networking with others who share your interests, making connections with people in your community, staying in touch with professional friends - all these activities are driven by the energy of Mercury in this house. Your speaking and writing ability can aid you in achieving your goals, and by developing your intellect and understanding, you can rise further, faster in your personal and professional growth.

Your approach to goals is stimulated by a need to express your individuality with Uranus in the 11th House. You may take an unconventional approach to achieving your aims, and operate

best in situations which allow you plenty of freedom and room for independent action. Political and community affairs may be of interest to you, and if you become involved in such activities, you may be responsible for stimulating revolutionary change. Your choice of friends and associates, personally and professionally, is likely to be quite diverse.

Your Special Edge

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

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

Your soul yearns to find true peace with Libra on the cusp of the 4th House. But you are, by nature, a restless woman, and may not find that peace simply by getting everything right "in the world." Your inner harmony depends upon your ability to strengthen your real values, and these may have a very long history. The influence of Venus on this house is also powerful through its connection to the sign of Libra, indicating the importance of establishing a clear connection between the love you need and the love you express through your actions, words and creativity.

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

The 8th House brings you into your deepest emotional attachments, and is the space where you are alchemically transformed. This is the seat of your magical power: your ability to change yourself in order to become whole. Here is the heart of healing, but here you also hide your greatest vulnerabilities. Most people shy away from dealing with 8th House issues like sex, death

and taxes. After all, there can be problems with any of them, and they are not easy to explore out in the open. But there is more. For your intuitive development, this area represents the part of you which holds your power, and you must learn to accept and embrace this side of yourself to feel truly satisfied with your life.

Through the influence of Aquarius on the cusp of your 8th House you may be exceptionally curious about the experiences of birth, sexuality, death, healing and human psychology. You may love physical sensations which lead you to the experience of ecstasy, but are also fascinated with the possibilities beyond the physical. Experimenting with different ideas and techniques which are designed to heighten your awareness can enhance your life, but you may need to exercise some caution to avoid the shock of getting into something when you are inadequately prepared. You may be quite psychic and can have an amazing sense of the future. However, the influence of Uranus as ruler of this house adds a sporadic nature to your psychic sensibilities.

Since you do not have any planets in your 8th House you may not feel very strongly driven to probe into the mysteries of life. Perhaps you do not have issues in this regard, but there may also be other factors in your chart which drive you in this capacity, and do not need the additional focus in this particular area. To further understand your 8th House study the sign associated with it explained above, and look to the planet associated with that sign.

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

You are quite sensitive with Cancer on the cusp of your 12th House. Although you may protect your sensitivities with an aura of confidence, you feel everything around you. It is important that you have a comfortable and safe environment for your sleeping and resting periods, otherwise, you may not rest at all. Your dreams can be quite vivid and full of emotion, filled with images of days gone by and people from your past. But your super-conscious self may also take you into dream states which are somewhat prophetic. Your Moon is also tied to this house, adding a need to become clear about your subconscious motivations and deeper feelings. When using visualization techniques, it is important to allow your emotions to work for you to attain your desires. If you try to repress your feelings about your desires, you will only experience frustration.

You may have great compassion for humanity with Venus in your 12th House. The stimulation to give loving support arises from this influence, and whether you've chosen to direct this energy toward your family and loved ones or into your community through some type of service, your own heart is filled when you're reaching out. But you also have a powerful emotional sensitivity, and when there is conflict, turmoil or pain around you, you can feel it deep within your own heart. This may stimulate your creativity in a particular manner, and regardless of your creative outlets, you have the capability to reach others through your artistry. To maintain your own inner harmony, you need to practice forgiveness for yourself and others, and may become an example of true peace and serenity when you're allowing the currents of love to flow through you.

The energy of your Moon plays an important role in your intuitive development. Since your

Moon is related to your subconscious mind, it should not surprise you that this is the part of you that contains all knowledge about yourself and your life. Occasionally it's a good idea to purge from your psyche the things you no longer need - much like an internal house cleaning. Your hormonal cycles provide an excellent opportunity to do just that, and by using this natural rhythm to release, you can feel much more open to clearer transmission of intuitive thinking!

Sometimes, you can be too busy pursuing your desires to listen to your intuitive voice with the Moon in Aries. You do have a very keen intuitive sensibility but don't like to listen to it when it means slowing down. You may also be more intuitive about things which are new to you. For example your first impressions are usually quite powerful. Just because you may lose interest in something, you may think your intuition was wrong. That's just impatience!

There are other points related to the Moon which you'll find in your chart. They are called the Moon's Nodes, and are not planets, but points in space. The influence of the Moon's Nodes is felt on an inner level. From the South Node, you learn about your past and the natural inclinations which may influence many of your subconscious choices. In some ways, the South Node suggests old habits. The North Node of the Moon suggests a spiritual and emotional challenge, and represents the directions you may feel compelled to follow in your evolutionary path.

Your North Node in Taurus challenges you to learn about the true nature of your personal worth as part of your spiritual growth and development. You may become fascinated with the idea of accumulating material wealth, but can then discover that it offers very little if you cannot share it with those you love. However, you must create some type of balance between creating stability on the physical plane and releasing your attachments in the emotional world! Your past soul conditioning symbolized by your Scorpio South Node may feel more comfortable being somewhat secretive about your possessions, and even about your deeper feelings. Until you can open to the pure essence of love, and can embrace the heart of your own being fully and completely, your soul will not know true joy.

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

Your insights may be highly valued by your friends with Uranus in your 11th House. You can also be quite adept at pinpointing the special talents and gifts of others, which can be quite encouraging when someone is seeking their particular path. Innovative approaches to fulfilling community needs may also give you an excellent opportunity to exercise your ingenuity and intuitive sensibilities.

Neptune's energy takes you into the world of the etheric - the place beyond the physical which is filled with mystical wonder. You surrender to this part of yourself when you meditate, when you give in to your creative muse, and when you give of yourself to others. In developing your intuitive and psychic sensibilities, Neptune provides a primary ingredient: letting go. Through this energy you surrender yourself to the greater truth. But be careful: you can also surrender your will to the power of deception and abuse through another of Neptune's doorways!

Neptune's influence in your 3rd House adds a psychic dimension to your thought processes.

You may be quite adept at reading another's thoughts, particularly if you've developed a close relationship with one another. You need ample outlets for expressing your imagination through communication, such as writing, acting or speaking.

Pluto's insight is on the deeper psychic level. Through Plutonian energy you can read between the lines. You see the twitch of an eye that tells the truth, you read the movement of hands, the tone of voice that betrays what words fail to say. Developing your Plutonian energy requires that you reach into the very depths of yourself and become familiar with your entire being. Yes, that includes your shadow self, your darker side - and it also encompasses your passion, your strength of survival and your ability to heal.

You have a penetrating awareness with Pluto in your 1st House and may be fascinated with the prospects of developing your psychic sensibilities. Although you may be quite perceptive, you can also become obsessive, and learning how to pull back on your intensity will allow you to grow more rapidly.

Nurturing and Creating a Home

Nurturing. Mothering. These experiences are associated with womanliness, but are not the sole definers of your womanhood. Although women are the only ones who can become mothers, it is not necessary to be a mother to become an exceptional nurturer! Nurturing is a natural expression for women - but the manner in which it is done is very individualized. Whether with children, lovers, partners, friends - or even with your own parents - you have ample opportunities to nurture others. The person who needs your nurturing most, however, is YOU. Although caring for others can fill a special place in your soul, the way you care for yourself is especially important. You may derive nourishment from developing your talents and skills, or through your work. Study or travel can be nourishing. And something as simple as a long soak in the tub can refill your spirit. Part of nourishing yourself is physical, part emotional and part is definitely environmental: what you create in a home. In exploring these factors together, you can begin to see the link between these different levels of personal fulfillment.

Yet another facet of your Moon beyond what you've already explored, is what your Moon shows about your deepest needs. You can only feel whole when these needs are answered and fulfilled. Although it is tempting to look outside, your wisdom tells you that a great part of the responsibility for nourishment comes from within yourself.

Your profound need for independence and autonomy driven by your Aries Moon can sometimes lead to your feeling that you're rushing through life. Although slowing down may not be the answer all of the time, allowing ample space in your life for enjoyment can help you put the brakes on. Your playful attitude and love of challenge may encourage you to pursue sports as a favorite pastime, and staying active is one of the most nurturant things you can do for yourself. When you let your energy become stagnant, your emotional vitality sags. When nurturing others, it might be easier for you to play than it is to discipline, and consequently, your children may think of you more in the context of fun. That's okay with you, and you probably feel the same

way about your intimate connections - if they're not fun, what good are they? Your passion ignites when you're smiling, and you smile a lot when you're enjoying a challenge. You also have a powerful protective streak, and if anyone you love needs a defender, you're there. You might also need to cultivate relationships which give you a sense that you, too, have somebody on your side. Standing on your own is okay, but your soul fills up when you can share your joy with those you love.

Saturn also plays a positive role in nurturance. Despite the bad rap Saturn sometimes receives, this energy is necessary to your stability and growth. Through Saturn, you learn to take responsibility for yourself and your actions. Saturn also seems to be the repository of your fears, and it's important to understand and deal with these emotions in order to be whole. Trying to repress such feelings blocks your ability to feel the positive, supportive energy that life has to offer. In many respects, the energy of Saturn is played out in your life by your experience with authority figures. Your mother and father, extended family and teachers were your primary Saturnian influences when you were a young girl, and their direction and guidance still whisper in the way you approach establishing your personal security. As an adult woman, you express Saturn through the manner in which you take responsibility for yourself and your needs for stability and security.

You have a definite way you like to do things and function best when you're in charge. Whether in personal relationships or at work, you utilize the energy of Saturn in Leo to bring things into focus and set definitive priorities. You can be rather stubborn and may have trouble getting out of your own way, especially when there might be a better way to do something. But you're also willing to adapt to change if it will make your life function more smoothly and afford you more time to enjoy the things you truly love. You can be a warm and supportive parent or partner, and take commitments quite seriously. Your protection and warmth can be quite steady and strong. And you don't think of yourself as secondary to any man in your life, although you may still be a little intimidated by those you respect!

Your 4th House illuminates what you need in a home environment, where you will feel most comfortable and how you like to live. It is here that you create a feeling of safety, where you can let your hair down and be yourself.

Libra's influence on the cusp of your 4th House adds a sense of style and refinement to your home environment. You love being surrounded by beautiful things and may have a wonderful eye for color and design. Your home may feature works of art and fine decor, and you can be somewhat meticulous about making sure that everything seems to create a sense of balance. The energy of Venus is associated with this house in your chart, influencing an inviting atmosphere and friendly home environment which probably draws your friends and family. You may love entertaining and may be quite gracious to your guests, although you do appreciate them most when they observe proper rules of behavior and don't mar the furniture!

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

Meeting the World on Your Terms

Career and financial arenas were for many years primarily part of the "man's world." Women stayed at home, cared for children, and took care of the social needs of the family. Now that so many women are in the work place, and with the advent of more open relationships where both partners are likely to share paying bills and making financial decisions, the world is changing. You can define your identity in the world in many ways today, including developing a career. Meeting the world on your own terms involves uncovering the manner in which you might shine most effectively and the way you use your resources, and creating a pathway which allows you to realize your goals.

The Midheaven, which is usually near the top of your astrological chart, is signified by an astrological sign. This point in your chart represents your vocation, your calling in life, and the sign at the Midheaven gives you several clues about your path in the outside world. Just as importantly, the Midheaven signifies your blossoming into wholeness and the manner by which you might best accomplish this experience. Your 10th House also provides information about your career path.

Making your way in the world and establishing your own place is aided by the influence of Aries at your Midheaven. Your keen sense of ambition keeps you moving forward in the face of competition; you're not likely to collapse in intimidation. You need a life path and career which allow you to exercise some independence, and prefer work which is challenging and exciting. You may also forge new territory through your career or volunteer efforts, and can be the woman who makes progress where others have failed. Your key to personal fulfillment rests in your ability to initiate, and you may love a career which gives you the room and opportunity to blaze trails. The energy of Mars influences the manner in which you illuminate your path to success. You may enjoy working in a field which is physically active and may have a special affinity for working with children. The courage of your convictions provides the strength you need to realize your hopes.

With Mars in Virgo you can be quite precise in targeting your aims. When you go into a career situation with a game plan, there's little that can stop you from putting that plan into motion. You can be very organized and may enjoy work in the medical fields, teaching, writing, drafting, or in fields which require excellent manual dexterity.

The process of work itself is usually seen through the 6th House in your chart. Through this facet of yourself, you express your approach and attitudes about working, and your ability to cooperate with others is also indicated here. This house is related to your physical health, and it's no surprise that you might hear the complaint (or feel it yourself), "I'm sick of my job." Instead of feeling thrown off balance by the tasks required to get through life, there are ways to use this part of your time and energy to strengthen your life.

One of the reasons you make such a powerful impression on people is because you usually go into situations prepared. Capricorn's influence on your 6th House indicates that you do not mind hard work when it will get you somewhere. You may demand a great deal from yourself,

and if you're in positions of management, can also demand a lot from others, too. You may look for ways to take advantage of the talents of others and may be the mistress of utilizing resources, like technology, to make your job easier. Saturn's rulership of this house adds the energy of responsibility to your work ethic, and shows that in order to achieve the success you desire you will have to put forth the necessary discipline. You might work well in hierarchical situations but will prefer to be near the top of the ladder.

You have no planets in your 6th House, but still need to do something productive with your life. This may be an indicator that you do not feel a need to focus all your attention on working. Look to the influences suggested by the sign on this house and to the planet ruling this house for more information about how to best approach fulfilling your needs for productivity and duty.

As a woman, you are innately creative. Although you may not consider yourself an artist, your creative spirit and drive are the mechanisms through which you shape your own life. Creative self-expression is seen strongly in the 5th House of your chart, and by incorporating these elements into your career, you will gain greater satisfaction from your work. If you have the time to concentrate on more recreational forms of creativity, this is the part of your chart which indicates what brings you pleasure. Life itself can certainly be a pleasurable experience - all the time, not just on holidays!

Scorpio's influence on your 5th House adds a need for passion as part of your play time. Your need for creativity is very strong, and whether you're preparing dinner for your family, working on an oil painting or delving into a research project - you put yourself into these things on a very deep level. You may prefer to keep your "personal" projects hidden from public scrutiny, although those who are closest to you can become privy to your current work of art. Since you may have a lot invested at an emotional level in your creativity, you don't enjoy the interference which sometimes arises from others. Recreational activities which are somewhat challenging may be quite inspiring, and you may enjoy spending time doing things like white water rafting, scuba diving, or going deep into the forest. You may also enjoy getting away to a secluded retreat or health spa, just to give yourself time to rejuvenate. The energy of Pluto is associated with your 5th House through its connection to the sign of Scorpio, indicating the importance of creativity and recreation as true healing elements in your life.

Jupiter's energy in your 5th House adds greater emphasis to your need for creative self-expression, and to your desire to enjoy life. You may have several areas of talent or expertise, and need to find a way to utilize as many dimensions of your creativity as you can. Travel and education may inspire your imagination. One thing is sure, though: you're rarely without inspiration. If for some reason you think you are, try breaking up your routine temporarily. The change of pace and new perspective can ignite all sorts of possibilities!

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

To experience a real feeling of success, you may feel that you have to learn something from the experience. You are multi-talented with your Sun in Gemini, and may even change your career direction in order to experience a new range of possibilities. Sometimes, it may seem that you're living at least two lifetimes at once. Or you may find that you're living a dual life, juggling

a mixed list of priorities in your many roles. Although this may keep things interesting, you've probably found that you are happier when the juggling act involves keeping fewer things in the air at once.

Your individuality is expressed through many different energies in your chart, but the energy which is most closely associated with the unique and individualistic part of yourself is Uranus. Through Uranian energy, you display your ingenuity and make the breakthroughs which allow you to move into new experiences. Uranus also prompts your rebellious nature, and the placement of this energy in your chart shows you where you are staging your own personal revolution.

With Uranus in Gemini you've been born into a life of awakened ideas and fast-paced learning. Along with other women born from 1941 to 1949, your revolution has been fought with words and ideas, and on the battleground of educational opportunity. Your shared insights with other women who have Uranus in Gemini have been connected to educational reform, improved communication and more effective connections between the people of the world. The areas where you have broken ground for your own awakening in consciousness are shown by the house where Uranus resides in your chart.

With the energy of Uranus in your 11th House you may be involved in work which serves the needs of your community. From social work, to teaching, to consulting, to city planning and beyond - you can be quite comfortable in situations which allow you to bring change into the world by working cooperatively with others who share your ideals.

The energy of Chiron is also a powerful factor for your outreach into the world. Through Chiron, you discover both strength and vulnerability. The vulnerability represented by Chiron is, in many ways, like a doorway which allows you to penetrate a deeper level of personal mastery. This is the process of initiation not unlike that which a Shaman must endure in order to learn how to travel between the worlds. Through Chiron, you learn how to travel between the world of your inner self and the world outside to achieve a sense of true purpose and wisdom.

You have Chiron in Scorpio, strengthening your need to experience a life which is centered upon transformation and healing. Your life purpose revolves around bringing healing into your own life, but also extends to a need to heal others. Whether you work directly in the health care professions is not important. A touch can heal, your words can stimulate harmony, your smile can bring transformation. Learning about your own sexuality and experiencing the alchemy which arises from achieving a true bonding through the exchange of loving passion may bring amazing healing into your own life. You must also address issues which revolve around birth and death and may find that part of your life purpose is coming to grips with your deeper understanding of absolute transformation.

With Chiron in your 4th House the impact of your family ties is very important. Your yearning for a deep connection to family may not be fulfilled until you find your own security and create your own family. Weaving your own heritage and family traditions into your life experience can be both healing and stabilizing. Trying to completely abandon them will only leave you feeling disconnected from yourself.

Opening Your Heart

Ah, Love.... Songs, poems, novels, fairy-tales, movies all extol the power and pleasure of love - and for good reason: love is the food of life! There are many opportunities to love, in fact, a love affair with life is not a bad idea. But you also may need to "grow" love by sharing it, and therein is the seed of all relationships.

The planetary energies which are most usually associated with love are Venus and Neptune. Venusian energy radiates directly from your heart, from the center of yourself, where love resides deep within. Loving is an inner experience. The more you open to the love you hold within yourself, the more it grows. Your feelings of worthiness are represented by Venus, and as you grow to understand and appreciate your own value as a woman, it becomes easier to let this love energy flow through your life. Neptunian energy is Divine compassionate love - the love which does not judge and readily forgives. Neptune is the realm of romance, mysticism and heavenly perfection. Truly transcendent Neptunian love arises when you have healthy boundaries of your own, otherwise, you can become a victim of your own illusions!

Immersing yourself in love, surrounded by a warm embrace and tender caress, lets you just sink into the feeling that life is truly worthwhile. With Venus in Cancer you love deeply and experience love as a process which involves growth, change and continuity. When you love someone, it's natural for you to fall into the role of caretaker, since for you, nurturing is a natural part of loving. Sometimes you can express your love in a manner which feels a bit claustrophobic, and to avoid creating alienation, you need to pay attention when your husband, lover or even your kids seem to need a little more personal space (or room to make their own mistakes!). You're quite sensitive, and can be easily hurt, especially if you've jumped into a romantic situation too soon. Learning how to fulfill more of your own needs is crucial, since you can project a feeling of neediness, which may not be the best basis for a relationship. Allowing yourself to have what you want and need from life may be difficult at first, but it is the crucial ingredient in experiencing a fuller, more rewarding experience of love. You open your heart more fully when you feel safe and secure, and love more deeply when you're focused on creating your perfect love nest.

You may wonder why you always seem to have to give more than you receive in love relationships with your Moon in square aspect to Venus. This frustration probably has its roots in your soul's history, and until you can allow love to just flow openly from your heart you may always feel that the books are not balanced. Disappointments in love may have wounded you in the past, so you may have a little sensitivity as a result. Your initial reaction when you feel your heart opening may be to guard yourself, since you don't want to repeat the pain of disappointment. The only way to change this is to learn how to fill your own heart with joy and love through the pure experience of love itself. Love without expectation. Love just to love. And begin by loving yourself and knowing that you deserve the kind of love which brings mutual tenderness, respect and comfort.

The semi-sextile connection between your Sun and Venus adds a positive measure of charm

to your personality, and may enhance your ability to express your feelings of attraction. You can send just the right subtle signals when you're interested in someone, but have to be careful about assuming the outcome.

Talking about your feelings can enhance your love relationships, and it's easy for you to express your feelings with Mercury conjunct Venus. You may be most attracted to someone whose sense of refinement is well-developed, and may find it much easier to open your heart to a man who appreciates your ideas and enjoys open communication.

Your ability to attract relationships which are good for you is strengthened through the sextile between your Venus and Mars energies. Your timing is also good, in the sense that you are likely to honor your own vulnerabilities and have a sensitivity to the same in the men you attract, allowing a relationship to move toward intimacy at a pace which feels comfortable. These energies also support your confidence in yourself as a woman and lessen your need to compete with the men in your life.

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

Love is like a key which opens the doorway to the depths of your consciousness. The influence of Venus in semisextile to Pluto brings the opportunity to experience personal regeneration through love. You may not always find it easy to open your heart, since you need such a powerful experience of love, and it's probably better to approach loving gradually instead of just diving in heart first. Since you're likely to experience more than one important love relationship in your life, you may discover that love has many features. You may run into your own resistance more than once in the course of experiencing love, especially if you feel that you might lose a part of yourself in the process. When you do find another whose heart welcomes your own, you can love deeply and passionately.

As one of the generation of women born with Neptune in Libra, you have been inundated with endless images, stories and myths about true love and romance. You've dreamt of the perfect marriage and may have believed that you would, indeed, be rescued by that perfect prince. But as you've grown up, you've found out that the prince may not only be late, but that he may not arrive at all! Hope springs eternal, however, and thanks to open discussion about relationship, you've also learned about addiction, codependency and dysfunctionality and some

ways to get out of these patterns and traps. Rule number one: Create your own dream by understanding yourself and your needs. From that point, you begin to separate from the trap of the collective still searching for the perfect other, and from the beacon of your own soul, you send out a light that attracts someone who may, indeed, fit your needs quite nicely after all.

With your Moon and Neptune in opposition you have a strong need to find your soul mate. That sense that you are not complete until you've merged with your perfect partner may drive you into relationships which are a far cry from your real needs, until you've made some changes within yourself. If you're too needy in your relationships, you will lose a part of your self esteem. Nobody else has the other half of your soul - it's there in the center of your being. But there may be a partner who can help shed light on that aspect of yourself, and this can be a healthy connection only if you are both honest about the realities of each of your lives.

The image of the perfect man can be rather realistic with your Sun in trine aspect to Neptune. You certainly have your hopes for what you want, but you also allow room for mere humanity. After all, if you share a vision with the man you love, and you can use your combined energies to create that vision, then life can be a wonderful experience. You may even decide that you are perfectly comfortable without a committed relationship, but there are other factors which relate to these needs.

The difference between fantasy and reality concerning the nature of love is sometimes difficult to determine with the energy of Mercury in square aspect to Neptune. You may be prone to "selective hearing," listening to the things that fit your fantasy of what you want to experience and ignoring those things that would shatter your fantasies. This type of thinking is a form of denial, and you may also have some tendencies toward codependency in your relationships. Take a look in the mirror every morning and remind yourself what you know and how you think and feel about things. Don't let yourself be swayed by someone else who seems to know more than you do. Who knows you better than you know yourself?

The houses in your chart which amplify love relationships are the 5th, 7th, and 11th Houses. Through the 5th House, you experience giving love. It is through this facet of yourself that you have love affairs, playful and recreational relationships and where you produce the offspring of loving. The offspring can range from artistic endeavors to children. But when dealing with relationships, this is the space which is usually occupied by loving another in an intimate sense.

The extreme passion you feel when you're in love can be absolutely addicting with Scorpio on your 5th House. You love the touch, taste and feel of being in love, and open your heart most easily when your sensuality is powerfully stimulated. You can be exceptionally attractive, and project a quality which is very enticing to the opposite sex. You love the experience of being a woman, especially when you're in the depths of passion, allowing your power and energy to pour forth. However, your profound curiosity about sexuality may also prompt you to explore the physical aspect of love affairs with the mind and heart of an investigator (I wonder what would happen if...?). Since Pluto rules this house, you can be somewhat invasive and intimidating to your lovers, and need to be aware that your own intensity may be normal for you, but overwhelming to someone who's not used to it. If you're hurt by a lover, you can become vengeful; and if you feel insecure, can be quite jealous. These feelings can destroy the truly loving elements of a relationship, and it is important to be aware of your motivations and deeper feelings if you are to avoid going too far with jealousy. When a relationship ends, you end it

FOREVER. For you, there's no turning back. You're in or you're out. And that's it.

Jupiter's energy in your 5th House adds a dimension of adventure to your love life. You might be most fascinated by someone whose cultural or educational background is different from your own. An intelligent and thoughtful man will be extremely interesting and fascinating to you. Travel, learning and lively discussion can all spark your interest and accessibility. You'll feel much more excited about a relationship which encourages your freedom of expression, too.

The 7th House of your chart illustrates what you're seeking from a partner. More importantly, this part of your chart also tells a story about the kind of partner you really want to become. This is also the realm of social contact, and provides information about your approach to socialization. Although marriage agreements are shown through the 7th House, planets here (or a lack of planets here) do not "promise" marriage or its lack. But if your 7th House is highly activated, you may be more motivated to find a partner.

With the qualities of Aquarius filtered through your 7th House you are likely to attract a partner whose needs for independence and autonomy are as strong as your own. It is imperative that you connect with a mate or husband whom you respect and who will respect you. This will occur most readily once you have developed your own self-respect and when you know how to avoid too much self-absorption. Although you may think you want complete autonomy, you really do love the idea of attentive support from a partner. With the energy of Uranus driving your approach to partnerships, you will be most successful when you develop the experience of unconditional acceptance and learn to project that toward the person who shares your life.

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

It is through the 11th House that you learn about unconditional relationships, and where you open to receiving love and support from others. Here you find your friends, your supportive professional allies, and your community. Through this facet of yourself you develop your special interests. And here you set your goals for the future. It's wonderful the way friends can support your aims, provide feedback when you need objectivity, and comfort you when you're facing challenges. Your approach to friendship is also seen through this part of your chart.

You have Taurus on the cusp of your 11th House, signifying that you need friends who will be there for the long term. Your friendships form the rock of your emotional stability, and there is probably a special female friend who provides a strong support in your life. You can also be a supportive and loving friend, and enjoy being part of your friend's success. But you may not appreciate feeling that a friend is leaving you behind while she is progressing, and it's important to talk about these feelings if they arise so that you can salvage your friendship. Sometimes, you tend to hold back, just to protect yourself emotionally, and that can be a problem if you really want to clarify what's happening. Your best friendships will provide comfort and strength, and will require the same from you. It's not always easy for you to open your heart to receive love, and your friendships can provide the stability you need to learn how to let love, caring and support into your life. The energy of Venus influences this area of your life, indicating that your

closest friends will probably be other women. You'll also enjoy a friendship which reflect your tastes and values, and may have a good friend who is artistically gifted.

The Sun's influence in your 11th House draws the support of special and influential friends. You may rely upon your friends to help you achieve a truly objective perspective about yourself and your goals. You can also play a very powerful role in the lives of your good friends, who will see your light and understanding as an important part of their own success. Since you tend to identify with your friends, it's crucial to choose friends who will be a positive influence in your life and whose aims and objectives are in harmony with your higher needs. You will definitely be known by the friends and associations you maintain.

Sharing understanding and speaking the same language (figuratively) is important to you with Mercury in your 11th House. Talking with your friends may be a high priority, and you can go out of your way to make yourself accessible so that this link can be maintained. Your friends also give you something to talk about, but you have to be careful to avoid excessive gossip! You may have friends in a broad age group, and will be likely to attract the friendship of young people throughout your life. You like the way young minds think, and since youthful ideas keep your own aims spinning, it's fun to spend time around these inquiring minds.

The dynamic energy of Uranus in your 11th House attracts a broad spectrum of friendships. You can relate to almost anyone, although your closest friends will be those whose aims and ideals are expressed through interests similar to your own. When you were a young girl, you probably had friends from many different backgrounds, and you may have run into some conflict with your parents over some of your more controversial friends. Now that you are a woman, you may still have unusual friends, and will cherish those who are proud to be different. You may even join with them to fight for their rights or champion humanitarian causes. Although the ideal of unconditional love is quite easy for you to understand, you may not always feel satisfied with the give and take of friendship, and will discover a broad gap between the walk and the talk. Your quest is to incorporate a true sense of power within the context of individuality, and to bring revolution into the world of apathy. Of course, you might prefer a revolution of ideas and change in ideologies rather than a revolution of guns, violence and destruction. Therefore, it's imperative that you have some clarity about connecting with others whose aims are truly pure and motivated by positive change for the good of humanity.

Power Issues: Sex, Money and Control

Personal power is an individual expression, and has different meanings for each person. As a woman in the world today, your opportunity to experience and express your personal power is largely dependent upon the manner in which you develop it. Particularly in the Western World, as times have changed and the power base has gradually evolved beyond the patriarchal control of the last centuries, women are seeking to define their place in the world: collectively and individually. Gaining influence in the world through career and financial development, you begin to understand the different levels of power. Within the family, your roles are also evolving. You

are also more free to express your sexual needs and desires, and demand that you are respected as a person and not sexually abused. But everything stems from your ability to identify, embrace and assimilate the true nature of your power as an individual woman.

On a personal level, you can begin to identify much about your own power by looking deeply into the meaning of your 1st House: Your Personality Self. Early in your report you read about what you project about yourself as identified by your Ascendant. Your first House further defines that projection of the Self, and is an area where you carve out much about the way you show yourself to the world on your own terms.

Through your Leo Ascendant you can demonstrate a strong sense of presence. You may feel that you are only powerful when your presence is acknowledged by others and can even be demanding in your desire for attention when you're feeling insecure. The more demanding you become, the less powerful you are. The respect and admiration you desire arises when others show their loyalty from love, not from fear. Although you may think you always operate from a pure heart, take a careful look. Have you, in your need to establish yourself, been too self-absorbed? Self-awareness and self-absorption are very different. In the instance of self awareness, you are also sensitive to the needs and desires of others as individuals. This can be especially trying in relationship to your children. You can be such a marvelous light in their lives, and the path you've forged in the world can provide inspiration to them. If you try to force your will too strongly without honestly assessing what they may need or want for themselves, you may lose their deep trust. You demonstrate your greatest power when your actions, words and attitudes radiate from the heart of love. Then, your self-assurance is genuine and shines brilliantly through a regal personality.

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

Pluto's energy in your 1st House brings power issues into your life at an early age. Whether you were involved in a family situation which was somewhat overwhelming or if you had experiences which lead to feelings of abandonment, you've probably learned to distrust others and may even distrust yourself. You are actually quite aware of what is happening beneath the surface, but you may not let many people know that you have this awareness. A sensitive person will be able to tell, and may even support your awareness, unless they have something to hide.

To truly express your personal power, you may first have to do some work within yourself addressing your issues which stem from guilt, shame or disappointment. If you allow these negative feelings to hang on, they undermine your power and confidence. But once you've released yourself, the healing process itself empowers you to make changes which can be awe-inspiring. You need to feel that you have control over your own life, and that there is no one who can take that power from you, but first you have to convince yourself that this is true through examining your motivations and desires. If these stem from hopeful, healing feelings, there may be little that can stop you from creating transformation and regeneration within yourself and the world around you.

Another power space on your chart is your Midheaven. This point, which is usually at the top of your chart and marks the cusp of the 10th House, is like the crown and torch of the Statue of Liberty. Here too, are the indicators of the types of people you most admire, and the clues to what you need to develop within yourself to attain unshakable self-respect.

Through your Aries Midheaven you are striving to experience the power which comes when you are leading the way. Your admiration for great leaders may prompt you to find a mentor whose inspiration fosters your own courage to forge your own pathways to success. Although meeting challenges can be empowering to you, disruptive outbursts or abrasive attitudes can work against your aims.

With the energy of your Sun in semisquare to your Midheaven, you may be strongly driven to achieve success but may be insecure about getting there. Setting goals can be especially helpful, but you also need to understand your motivations. When you are clear about your underlying motivations, you can then determine if they really fit your needs, or if you're trying to accomplish something just to please another. Once you're on track and secure in your own identity, you can be catapulted to success through focusing your will in harmony with your higher needs.

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

Saturn's energy in trine aspect to your Midheaven helps you focus your aims and choose ambitions which will provide a real sense of personal accomplishment. You may be very well suited for a professional career and do not mind working to achieve your goals. A structured approach to success, such as a well-defined educational path, may be easier for you, and you are likely to appreciate the guidance and support of an excellent mentor or teacher. You may also feel empowered when you have the opportunity to teach or guide others.

The influence of Uranus in sextile aspect to your Midheaven brings an intense need to exercise your autonomy and independence in your career. You are most satisfied with ambitions which support your individuality, and can be quite successful in fields of endeavor which require you to employ your intuitive insights. Since you can have sudden bursts of energy, you need

room in your life for change and will be most fulfilled when your life path takes interesting twists and turns.

Someone once said that money makes the world go around, and from all evidence, it certainly seems to be a powerful force. Money, in fact, symbolizes power. With money, you can have what you want. With more money, you can have more of what you want. Without money, you may want what you cannot have. Your relationship with money is an extremely intimate and seductive force. The way you use your resources - money, time, energy - says a lot about how you perceive your own power and personal worth. This facet of yourself is expressed through the 2nd House of your chart. Here, you express your value systems. The important special link between finances and self-esteem cannot be understated, and is especially important for you as a woman. In order to extract the real value of your talents and services from others in the world (such as what you are paid from your job), you must first value yourself.

Leo's qualities radiate through your 2nd House, adding a need to be in control of your own finances, time, and resources. You have an uncanny ability to draw on resources, even when you think you've reached the bottom of the barrel. In essence, when you are feeling strongly about yourself and are willing to put in the effort to meet your needs, there's very little that can stop you from achieving those aims! Even if you are married and share your resources, you'll probably prefer to be in charge of the finances, or at least have control over some of your own money. Someone else telling you what to do with your time, money or energy may engender a sense of resentment, since having power in this area of your life can be a matter of personal pride. Your self worth can be strengthened through maintaining an awareness of your personal needs and allowing yourself to feel good about enjoying their fulfillment. Since your Sun's energy plays a major role in the way you develop your self esteem, you'll discover that you feel good about yourself when you've gained the recognition you need for your efforts. You can be a little selfish with your finances, and may not like the idea of giving up something you want for someone else. Sometimes this can get in your way, and achieving a balance between giving and receiving can be one of your greatest challenges.

Mars energy in your 2nd House can be a driving force when it comes to your finances. You'll discover that you don't mind working when it pays off. But you may also spend your resources very quickly and need to learn to curb impulsive spending if you are to enjoy real financial success. Credit cards can be a bad idea unless you know how to use them. Otherwise, you can have your resources so scattered and spread so thin that you simply can't keep up. You may find that the recreation or fitness industry offer excellent opportunities for you to make money, but you will enjoy almost any area that allows you to be somewhat active. If you can learn to use your resources wisely, your self worth will remain intact. Otherwise, you can actually wound yourself by wasting your time, energy and material resources.

Resources which you share with others are reflected in the 8th House of your chart. Whether you're considering joint property and finances, inheritance, insurance settlements or tax obligations, this area is not as free and easy as the 2nd House, which seems more like what you want for yourself alone. Another layer of this part of your life deals with your sexuality, and the manner in which you open intimately to others. This is a very personal space, and it is probably one of the most guarded aspects of any woman's psyche. It is here that much wounding has taken place over many centuries, and it is here that the mask of propriety has to be removed in

order to openly accept and integrate that fact that you are a person who needs wholeness and healing, and who yearns to bond at the most alchemical level with life itself.

Here you also find your compulsions. It's no wonder that you don't display this part of yourself to just anybody. You have to feel safe to open this facet of yourself, and you realize that this vulnerability can be used against you in power plays. But what you may not always remember is that this is also where you have the power! In true tantric traditions, it is through the vessel of a woman's sexual energy that a couple can ride the wave of sexual ecstasy. This also extends to the other power aspects of any relationship. If your transformational and magical qualities are blocked, the whole of the relationship will suffer.

You may enjoy an unusual approach to achieving real intimacy. The influence of Aquarius on your 8th House stimulates a desire to experience unconditional acceptance through exploring the intimate side of your relationship, which includes your sexuality. Allowing room for experimentation, creating an opportunity for honest and open communication and acknowledging and supporting your mutual emotional and physical needs will strengthen the bond you have with your partner. You can be aloof in this area, particularly if you are afraid of the effects of allowing another person to become this close. Just going through the motions will never give you what you need - which is to be transported into another realm through the alchemy of love. The resources you create with a partner may grow best when you have a real vision of what you want to create together. This shared vision can deepen your bond with one another, and if you're involved in doing things for others you may discover that you somehow grow closer to one another.

Since you have no planets in the 8th House you may not be obsessed with too many problems or hassles with the issues of this area in your life. But you may not get off free on this one, either. Study the sign on the cusp of this house and read everything noted about the planet associated with that sign, because this is the energy tied up with your emotional attachments!

Mars energy is about getting what you want by going after it. Mars is drive. Mars is courage. Mars is desire. Mars is unabashed sexuality. Mars is the fuel for personal power. Men do Mars quite effectively, right down to fighting and war. But you also have a warrior spirit, an Amazon Self. This is your Mars. If you fail to own and utilize your own Martian force, you lose power.

With Mars in Virgo you direct your personal power toward work. You feel good at the end of the day when you've produced something, and are empowered when your accomplishments are appreciated for their attention to detail and fine quality. You can undermine your effectiveness when you fuss over nonessential details, and can lose energy when you become caught in your own insecurities which arise from your feelings of imperfection. So what if your hips are not perfect! Who defines those things, anyway? You are most attracted to men who are healthy, well groomed and kind natured, and will probably not give a boorish lout the time of day. In the bedroom you enjoy sensual sharing to the ultimate and may be quite knowledgeable about sexuality - to the surprise of anyone who thinks you are a bit prudish. Well, they've not been alone with you in an intimate setting! Sometimes you can think too much about what you're doing and forget to let go and enjoy the passion of the moment. And watch those feelings of regret which occur after the fact when you're wondering if you were okay. Yes, you were. And you are.

Saturn plays the role of the big controller in your life. Sometimes that control seems to come from outside. You know - all the rules and regulations, the authority figures, the intimidating people who tell you what to do - this is the Saturn of the outside world. But you have the same traffic cop in the back of your own mind, telling you what is right and wrong, chiding you when you make a mistake, holding you back when you're about to do something stupid. Saturn control can be a good thing. This is your energy for self-discipline, clarity and focus. You need Saturn. But you need Saturn in its most productive sense. You do not need the guilt, intimidation and self-limitation that keep you from having what you require from life.

You may feel that power equals control with Saturn in Leo. Although sometimes being in control confers power, sometimes it just means you've gotten into a lot of trouble by taking on responsibilities which do not belong to you. Your pride can drain your vitality, and sometimes just admitting that you do not know something can be a great release. Your greatest obstacle to establishing personal power is a true sense of self love. This is very different from selfishness or self absorption, which arise when you feel insecure or uncertain. Learning to love begins with the way you feel about yourself. Your own worthiness for love may be accomplished by simply telling yourself that you do deserve love. Showing loving kindness to others is also part of the equation, and once this energy is flowing in your life, you will know how to use, maintain and grow your power in the most positive sense.

Life can be a positive learning experience for you with your Moon in trine aspect to Saturn. Your sense of emotional strength is empowering, and your ability to take responsibility for meeting your needs allows you to trust the world and her people. Relationships with other women, including your mother, may be a source of strength and support in your life. Building a network with other women based upon trust, friendship and mutual understanding can be empowering for all involved.

You handle power quite easily. The supportive sextile between your Sun and Saturn indicates the ability to carry your responsibilities with confidence. You'll feel most empowered when you have a specific direction, and operate best within a reasonable structure.

With Mercury in semisquare aspect to Saturn you have to safeguard against allowing negative mental attitudes to undermine your optimism and confidence. Learning to let go of worry and to avoid fretting over things you cannot do anything about will be very empowering to you.

With Saturn conjunct Pluto it's tempting to just destroy what you cannot control. If you're feeling frustrated with the path you've chosen, or which seems to have been thrust upon you, destructive actions will only result in a feeling of groundless insecurity. You possess the power of transformational focus, and can bring healing and change into your life by eliminating the things you do not really need. If your insecurities are driving you, you may attract a man who seems safe and protective, only to discover that you've become the victim of an overly controlling person. If your power base is threatened, you can also become rather plutocratic yourself, with this type of attitude working to undermine the respect you desire to desperately to achieve. You must be aware of the need to take responsibility for your actions, or they will surely work against you.

Saturn's energy in trine aspect to your Midheaven helps you focus your aims and choose

ambitions which will provide a real sense of personal accomplishment. You may be very well suited for a professional career and do not mind working to achieve your goals. A structured approach to success, such as a well-defined educational path, may be easier for you, and you are likely to appreciate the guidance and support of an excellent mentor or teacher. You may also feel empowered when you have the opportunity to teach or guide others.

Plutonian control is sometimes difficult to grasp, but it's definitely there. When you feel this control from outside yourself, it is undermining and extremely intimidating. The force of Pluto is buried deep within your psyche. It is unleashed and grows in a manner like the process of mitosis in a fertilized cell, which is altered, splits off, combines with other cells and ultimately becomes an organism. Through Pluto, you experience the power of life, birth, healing, and the ultimate change of death. If you are trapped in a mire of shame, guilt and self-destructiveness, you may have undergone a Plutonian transformation as a result of trauma earlier in your life. But it is this same force which plants the seeds of change that eventually can lead to the creation of a new self.

The power influence of Pluto in your 1st House has been interpreted earlier in this section of your report.

You were born when Uranus and Pluto were in semisquare aspect, an influence which impacts a generation. You may or may not feel that, as an individual, you need to use this energy to break through barriers in social conscience, science and technology, but you will likely experience radical changes which alter the quality of your life. The way you respond to changes which appear to be beyond your control will determine whether or not you feel reborn in the face of transformation.

The influence of Uranus in sextile aspect to your Midheaven brings an intense need to exercise your autonomy and independence in your career. You are most satisfied with ambitions which support your individuality, and can be quite successful in fields of endeavor which require you to employ your intuitive insights. Since you can have sudden bursts of energy, you need room in your life for change and will be most fulfilled when your life path takes interesting twists and turns.

Embracing Your Divine Self

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

When you need to get in touch with your inner being, an exercise in guided imagery can help

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

Imagine that you are a priestess living in a sacred temple. Here, you are calm, at peace with yourself, and free to express your ideas, creativity and compassion without restraint. All your gifts are considered sacred, and your awareness is clear and pure. Each day you sing with joy and feel inspired by the experience of sharing time with your sisters whose lives are as full as your own. You are happy to surrender to your creative muse, because she guides you into experiences which are always wonderful. One morning your muse sings to you and carries you into a beautiful garden. She seems to have a great sense of anticipation, and tells you that you are to be blessed today. In the center of the garden, you meet a beautiful warrior princess who gestures for you to follow her. She is magnificent, dressed in bright colors, with a headdress of fine jewels and iridescent feathers. With her, she carries a shield, which is fashioned of many things from the earth, painted with interesting symbols. She leads you to a place which seems to be in a new dimension. There, you are invited into a circle dance, where you dance with others who are merging their power with The Source. You feel completely energized. As the dance ends, your guide directs you to walk through a brilliant fire. As you pass through the flames, you realize that you are absolutely safe. Emerging from the flames, you are given a shield which is engraved with a special symbol. Your experience in this sacred space reminds you that you are always protected, and that there is always a source of power waiting to recharge your energy and vitality.