

Planets which are "foreground" (within fifteen degrees of the angles) in a Solar, Lunar, or Planetary Return are major keys to the following period. They point to the predominant issues with which you will be working. The following planets are foreground in your Return on the date shown, and point to the issues listed.

**MERCURY:** The world of the mind is important to you now. Drawn to exploring ideas and communicating them, you may fulfill student or teacher roles (or both). Intellectual issues will get your attention. The quest for knowledge and the ability to share it with those around matters a lot to you. Relatives or the immediate environment could play a major role in your life at this time, as could business and commercial concerns. Logic, rationality, comparisons and contrasts are significant themes. Knowing, understanding, learning and communicating are likely to be common activities for you. Objectivity may become a significant issue.

**SATURN:** You are likely to be quite aware of the structure of the world you live in during this period. Father and other authority figures could play an important role in your life. Dealing with power & responsibility are significant issues. One challenge is to move from an external experience of power (perhaps even feeling blocked, inhibited and inadequate) to an internal expression of power through a career in the world (without feeling as if you must take care of everything). Keeping realistic limits (not too much, not too little) is vital. Be serious, but not morose; dedicated, but not a workaholic; realistic, but not too pessimistic.

**URANUS:** Freedom and individuality are major themes during this period. You may resist anything which curtails your liberty or threatens your uniqueness. You are probably open to all kinds of possibilities and alternatives in the world. The future may beckon with fascinating gadgets, ideas and dreams. You could widen your circle of friends, feeling at home in the world. An ability to relate to anyone is likely now, but the tendency is to keep the relationship on an intellectual rather than an emotional level. Your mind and originality are important resources for you now.

**NEPTUNE:** A connection to something Higher in life is an important current theme. Inspiration may be sought through artistic creativity, through helping and healing activities, or through retreat into a victim role (e.g., alcohol, fantasy, drugs, illness, excessive daydreaming). With high ideals a current focus, the need for a beautiful dream of some sort is central -- and using your inner wisdom and imagination to help bring your dreams into being is likely.

**PALLAS:** Equality is important in your life, and you may be willing to fight for it now. Justice and fair play appeal strongly. While cooperation is one option, you are probably willing to compete as well. You are likely to engage in one-to-one interactions quite a lot and may strive to keep your current relationships balanced. You will probably do some thinking about your associations and keep yourself open to other alternatives.

**JUNO:** Committed partnerships probably appeal to you

now. Not inclined to go it alone, you would rather share your life in some way. At times the intensity can become too much and you may withdraw for awhile, but your major learning will come through relationships. Intimacy issues, including shared pleasures, possessions and money, could be a focus. You are facing the theme of sharing power with another human being in the closest of contexts.

**VESTA:** Doing things RIGHT matters to you now. Sensitive to the flaws and sharply aware of shortcomings, you probably have the discipline & desire to perfect yourself. Your work in the world could be a major focus at this time -- as could your bodily health since you are striving for efficient functioning in both areas. Criticism or obsessive attention to details could be issues you deal with currently. Seek a balance between flaw-finding and productive accomplishment.

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Natal planets which are foreground in your Return also highlight significant themes for the appropriate period. The following (natal) planets are foreground in your Return, suggesting a focus on the themes discussed.

**SUN:** Charismatic and dramatic, you may express an instinct for showmanship. Issues of self-esteem are central at this time. You need to pour out into the world and receive positive feedback. However, you may fear failure and hold back from trying or feel too egovulnerable to the opinions of others. Being able to let your natural creativity and magnetism out is important. Your inner child has much to give to the world and much joy to bring to you. Loving and being loved is extra important right now. Let your inner light shine through confidently and brightly.

**MARS:** There is a current theme around self-expression and self-assertion. You may change your sense of who you are or what you want. The focus is on being free to do your own thing in the world--whatever comes naturally and instinctively to you. Energy, vitality and confidence may well be strong. Direct, forthright pursuit of what you want in the world is a goal. Anger could be an issue if you sit on your desires and drives. A strong will is probable. Courage may be marked. You will have tremendous energy for anything you want to do.

**SATURN:** See the above paragraph in which Saturn in the foreground in the Return chart is delineated.

**NODES OF THE MOON:** Issues around emotional security are significant. Polarities are likely to be prevalent in your life as you confront two opposite sides and strive to implement a middle-ground integration. Relationships with those closest to you are a fertile field for learning, as you are coming to terms with your deeper feelings and needs for attachment.

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Planets which conjunct the angles in your Solar, Lunar or Planetary Return are also considered to be very important. This includes both natal planets and planets

in the Return chart. The interplay of the nature of the planet involved, the angle involved, and the house that that planet rules in your natal chart will further refine and expand upon the issues indicated by planets in the foreground of your Return. Angles include the Ascendant, Descendant, IC or 4th house cusp, MC or 10th house cusp, East Point and Antivertex. Orbs are 6 degrees for the first 4, 3 degrees for the last 2. The following planets (either as NATAL PLANETS or as RETURN PLANETS) conjunct these angles in your Return and suggest the issues discussed.

### **Natal Sun Conjunct The MC**

Intense desire for recognition from the world. Yearnings for success and high-level achievement are very strong. Ambition is highlighted. You may channel creative, speculative, confident spirit into career. You are willing to risk to move up in the world. Authorities may give special attention. Change of status possible.

Since the Sun rules your 1st house natively, life structure changes are possible involving self-expression, independence, physical body, appearance, assertiveness, anger, action, identity, personal power.

### **Return Mercury Conjunct The MC**

Much "busy-ness" and business likely. Paperwork, phone contact, writing, memos or meetings could increase at work. Short trips could become a part of your career--or anything requiring variety, the gathering or dissemination of information. You think more about your vocational role, ambitions, authorities or handling of power. Careful planning and publicity may aid your career.

Since Mercury rules your 2nd house natively, life structure changes are possible in regard to money (self-earned), physical pleasures (eating, drinking, smoking, sex), sensuality, comfort, beauty, ease, passivity, follow-through.

Since Mercury rules your 3rd house natively, life structure changes are possible in regard to communication, learning, information-gathering, relatives, detachment, casual social contacts, nearby environment, short trips.

Since Mercury rules your 11th house natively, life structure changes are possible in regard to friends, groups, humanitarian instincts, freedom needs, individuality, rebelliousness, new-age ideas, detachment, inventiveness, originality.

### **Natal Mars Conjunct The IC**

You're ready to stir the emotional waters a bit. Restless and perhaps discontent, you may feel the urge for more freedom at home. This could be expressed in a move, domestic changes, or fights and arguments with family if not positively directed. You have more energy for domestic issues and are eager to arrange your home base the way YOU want it. Attachment urges vie with separative impulses. Don't burn all your bridges by fleeing emotional commitments, but do balance your

independence needs with your desire for emotional support. Intense (perhaps volatile) feelings. Old, unconscious issues may stir up strife until faced directly and conquered.

Since Mars rules your 10th house natively, you may close a chapter (and open a new door) in terms of status, career, ambitions, reality quotient, sense of responsibility, rulemaker parent, authorities, power, limits, facing facts, practicalities.

### **Natal Saturn Conjunct The MC**

Structural change in your professional role is possible. You may alter your career (or some aspect of it). You may also rededicate yourself to a serious pursuit of success. Your motto could be "If it is worth doing, it is worth doing well." You can easily spot areas for improvement, but be sure your critical eye is not carried too far. If you do not delegate enough, you can fall into a workaholic mode. Be sensible about your responsibilities, handling of power and relationship to authorities.

Since Saturn rules your 6th house natively, life structure shifts are possible, involving productivity, efficiency, health (and illness), work routines, details, competence, "fix-it" approach, flaw-finding instincts, analysis.

### **Natal Neptune Conjunct The Westpoint**

Dreams abound where partnerships are concerned. You may share a beautiful vision with a partner and be fellow artists. You could look for more than is possible in your relationships and be dissatisfied or disappointed. You could wear rose-colored glasses and think the people you love are more perfect than they are. You might attract savior/victim relationships or get involved with people who want to idolize you. A shared focus on spiritual quests or helping activities channels the idealism positively.

Since Neptune rules your 8th house natively, relationships may be influenced by intimacy, transformations, intense emotions, sexuality, shared possessions and resources, money from or through others, resentment/forgiveness.

Since Neptune rules your 9th house natively, relationships may be influenced by education, philosophy, religion, travel, anything mind-expansive, growth, big schemes and dreams, beliefs, values, long-term goals.

### **Return Neptune Conjunct The MC**

With a myriad of magical masks, you can adopt any number of vocational roles and may pursue a number of different tasks. Your feeling for beauty can be an asset in your work, but healing or helping roles are equally possible. The position of professional victim is also an option. You may expect perfect hours, perfect pay or perfect surroundings--and be disappointed--or you can work to make a more ideal world. Apply your imagination in a focused, functional manner.

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shifts are possible, involving intimacy, transformations, intense emotions, sexuality, shared possessions and resources, money from or through others, resentment/forgiveness.

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### **Return Juno Conjunct The IC**

You are ready for a deep, emotional commitment. Marriage is a possibility, or strengthening and intensifying a partnership bond which already exists. You could share your home environment with a partner, explore your interdependence or beautify the sharing between you or the physical surroundings of your residence. You need someone to care about, and who cares about you.

### **Return Vesta Conjunct The Ascendant**

Work and health become more central, personal concerns. You may decide to put a new bodily regime into action, or adopt new habits as far as your physical well-being. You have more self-discipline than usual, and find concentrating easier. The need to "do a good job" at whatever you accomplish is strong, and you may incline toward excessive self-criticism. Measurable results matter much to you; don't work too hard.