

A PLANETARY GUIDE TO YOUR FUTURE

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Introduction

How to Make This Report Work for You

The term "transit" refers to current positions of the planets as they relate to your birth chart, and "reading transits" is the most common method used by astrologers to look at your future. The system "works," and it can be an excellent planning tool, but in order to make good use of it, three important points must be understood:

1. Every transit has multiple meanings and potentials. Astrology can reveal the basic principle of a transit, and some of the possible manifestations, but it cannot predict "what will happen," other than in general themes or trends. The short interpretations in a report like this may "fit" you, or they may not--yet some other unmentioned potential of the basic principle would be "right." Predicting specifically is, at best, an educated guess based on knowledge of the potential meanings of the transit combined with an intimate understanding of your life. You are the best one to understand how your own situation fits the basic principle of a transit.

2. You have the power to choose. Granted, we probably do not have total free will, but to a large extent, we can choose how we want to express our upcoming transit themes. It is always within your power to "take the high road" and choose the most constructive and positive way to approach a transit period. Even when something "happens" to us that is apparently outside our personal control, we are completely in charge of how we respond to that situation. It can be a helpful philosophy to consider such things a "test." We are in this life to learn how to grow--not just bigger and older, but mentally, emotionally and spiritually!

3. All transits are not equal. This report covers transits through the houses of your horoscope, and it divides transiting aspects to your planets into three categories: unifying (conjunction), cooperative (sextile or trine) and challenging (square, opposition, quincunx, octile, or tri-octile). The cooperative aspects may go

by unnoticed if you have strong unifying or challenging transits going on at the same time. Also, some transits last much longer than others, and the longer they last, the more significant their themes are likely to be in terms of what you are thinking, feeling and doing.

To use this report most effectively, read ahead and plan to work constructively within the transit themes. You can use the interpretations of the longer-term transits to understand major issues in your life, and understand the growth opportunities within them. When you are in touch with who you are and where you are going, you can then use the day-to-day transits to help make better choices in regard to such things as when to push forward and when to hold back, or which days would be best for certain activities. Remember, you always have a choice!

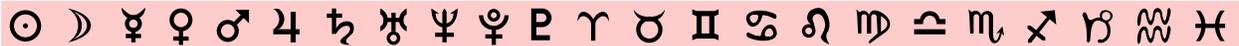
To increase your personal understanding of how your transits work, make notes. The way astrologers learn how to interpret transits is to observe what happens during them. As said before, **you** have the most intimate understanding of what goes on in your mind and in your life. Jot down notes in the margins of this report that will help you remember what happened when. As you see how your personal experience fits, or differs from, the interpretations given, you will increase your ability to understand and anticipate a similar transit in the future.

A Key to Evaluating The Relative Importance of Transits

The relative importance of transits is indicated for you by the format of this report, according to two general concepts:

1. Conjunctions and challenging transits are stronger than cooperative ones.
2. The longer a transit lasts, the more likely its theme will be significant for you.

Each month is divided into two sections:



Section 1. Outer Planet Transits. At the beginning of the month you will find all of the transits of the outer planets (Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto). Read these first, and note that many, if not all of them, will last the entire month. Some may have started before this month and will extend after. These are themes that may underlie everything else that is going on day-to-day. Note the range of dates, and the days emphasized, if any. It might be useful to jot a reminder note on the emphasized day in section 2.

Red type is used for the very important conjunctions or challenging transits of outer planets to your personal planets (Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Mars) and to your Ascendant or Midheaven. Transits to your personal planets or points are the most unique to you, personally.

Bold, black type is used for the conjunctions and challenging transits of outer planets to natal outer planets. Some of these may be very important to you, and others may not be so significant. They are long-lasting and symbolize "passages" that you share in common with others in your age group. Their personal significance to you depends on how you are handling the generational theme, and may be better understood in tandem with more personal transits occurring in the same time frame.

Italic type is used for the outer planet transits through the houses. These are important in understanding the probable areas of your life that are most involved with each transiting planet.

Plain type is used for all of the cooperative transits. They symbolize more passive themes that you may not even notice when other challenging transits are occurring at the same time. On the other hand, in a period of crisis, they may indicate something in your life that is going well, or more importantly, they may indicate an area in which you can redirect your focus and thereby find assistance in dealing with

your crisis.

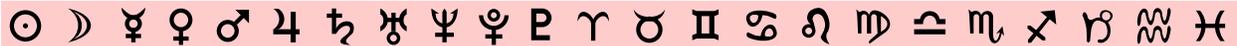
Section 2: Personal Planet Transits. In this section you will find an interpretation of the transits of the Sun, Mercury, Venus and Mars on the day they are in exact aspect to one of your natal planets, or on the day they enter a House of your chart. Lunations (New Moon and Full Moon) are interpreted on the day they occur, and if they are also an eclipse, it will be so noted.

The Lunations and/or Eclipses are the most important part of this section. A New Moon may indicate a major theme in your life for the entire lunar period (about a month) until the next New Moon. The Full Moon heralds an important theme for the following two weeks until the next New Moon, and it is likely to represent an area of your life that needs to be balanced.

If the Lunation is also an Eclipse, it may represent a very critical issue for you that will play out over a period of many months. It could even reflect a major turning point in your life. Look to the house it is transiting for the area of your life most likely to be in focus. A crisis or turning point is a strong potential, especially if the Eclipse is in conjunction or opposition aspect to a personal planet in your natal chart, or to your Ascendant or Midheaven.

An Important Note on the shortest term, one-day transits: Although not given emphasis in our type-style formatting, all of the one-day transits can be effectively used in your daily planning. Read them ahead and use them to choose best days for certain types of activity. The idea is that it's more productive--and probably much easier--to flow with them than against them. Used with foresight, they can also become a helpful "trigger" for a longer ongoing issue.

Format of Section 2: Following the plan of indicating the longest-lasting and therefore most-likely-to-be-important transits, the following key to evaluation is used:



Red type is used for

1. Conjunctions and oppositions of Lunations and Eclipses to personal planets or points. These are the Lunation/Eclipse transits considered to be by far the most significant in astrological tradition, and in the personal experience of this author.

2. Conjunctions and challenging transits of Mars to personal planets or points. This is because Mars transits denote action and often act as a trigger for larger, ongoing issues. Also, Mars transits normally last two to three days, whereas transits of Sun, Mercury or Venus normally last only one day. (Do not be confused by the date ranges given in the headings. A transit may, for example, come into range in the evening of one day, and then become exact and move out of range within the next day. By saying a transit "lasts one day," we mean about 24 hours.)

3. Conjunctions and challenging transits of Mercury or Venus to personal planets or points only when they coincide with an exact station. When planets are apparently changing from direct to retrograde motion, or vice versa, they stay in the same zodiacal position much longer, and become considerably more significant. For this reason, a stationary transit in aspect to one of your natal planets gets extra emphasis.

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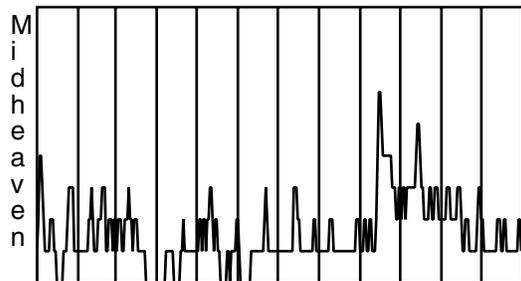
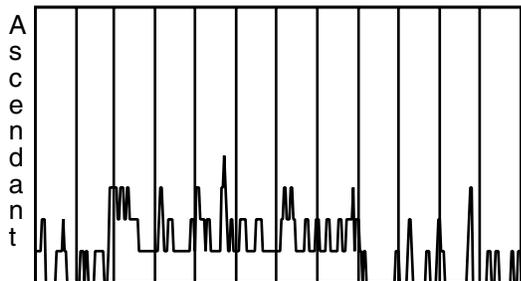
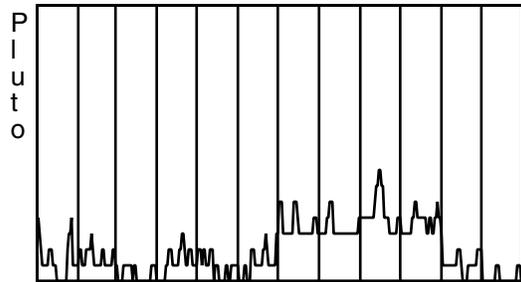
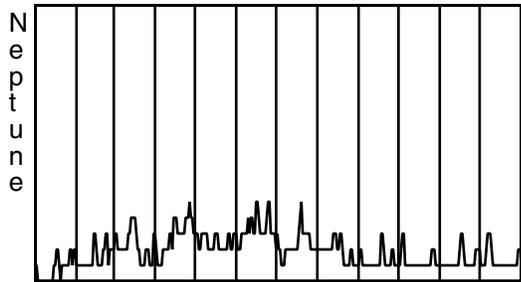
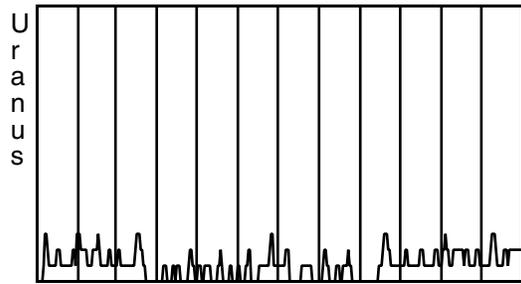
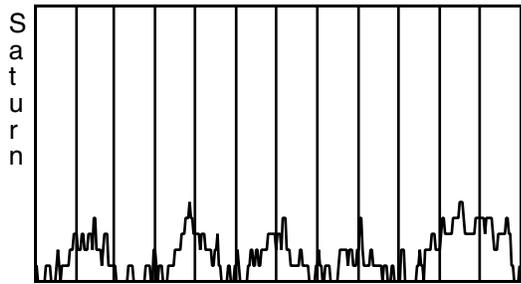
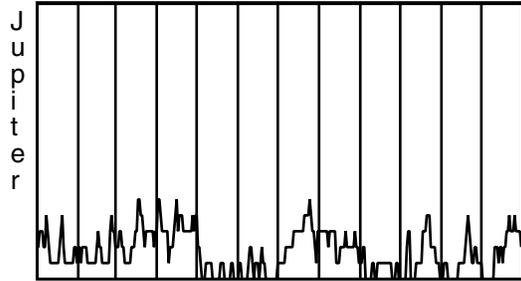
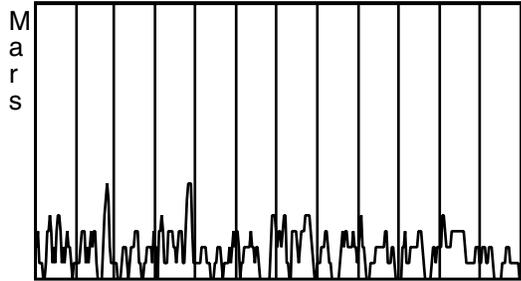
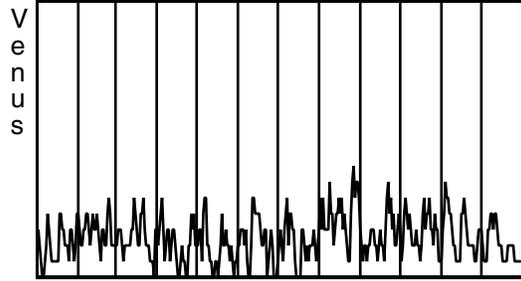
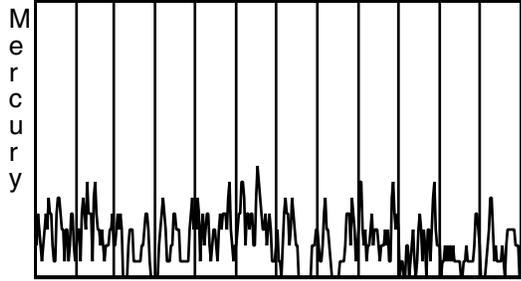
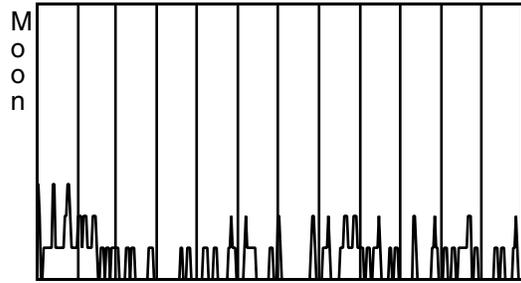
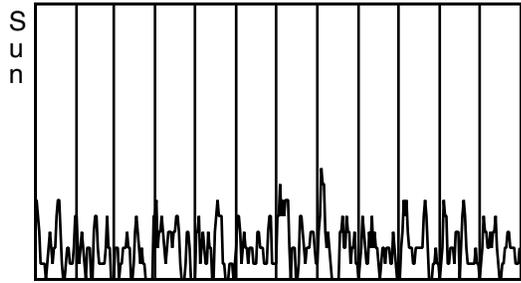
1. Conjunctions and oppositions of Lunations and Eclipses to your natal outer planets. These transits are shared in common with others in your age group. Even so, they may be important, but probably not so personally significant as those to personal planets or points.

2. Challenging transits of Mars to your natal outer planets, or stations of Mercury and Venus to your natal outer planets.

Italic type is used to denote the transits through

the Houses of your chart. These are important in understanding the probable areas of your life that are most involved with each transiting planet.

Plain type is used for all other transits. Challenging transits of eclipses will probably represent a much more noticeable theme in your life than those of the one-day transits of Sun, Mercury and Venus. The challenging one-day transits are more likely to be significant than the cooperative ones, but since they pass so quickly, they will probably symbolize minor, rather than major, issues. They may be overshadowed by a longer-lasting transit that occurs at the same time or even a day or so ahead. Cooperating transits, in general, may pass unnoticed, especially if challenging transits occur in tandem.





JANUARY 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Saturn is in the 10th house from Aug 21, 2004 to Feb 3, 2005

Transiting Saturn's culmination at the top of a chart, the Tenth House, has been called the "harvest" or the "get what you deserve time" or the "career peak." If you have been building constructively and honorably in your work, this truly will be a time when you harvest rewards and recognition, and that is what you will deserve. However, if you've got some "skeletons in your closet," they may come out and haunt you now. For example, shoddy work or unethical conduct that you thought you'd covered up, can be discovered and spoil your harvest. (The newly reelected President Nixon's resignation over Watergate, when Saturn was in his Tenth, has become a classic astrological example of the difficult potentials of this transit.) In either case, whether this time represents a difficult or a wonderful harvest, this is a period when your responsibilities will increase. You are at an optimum time to really make an impression on your world.

If you are career oriented, the accomplishments, recognition, leadership and consequent increased responsibility of this transit will be in your professional life. If career is not your primary goal, it could be your avocation, hobby or social status in which you achieve fulfillment and recognition, with consequent added responsibilities.

Enjoy your rewards, and accept the responsibility that goes with them. Lead with

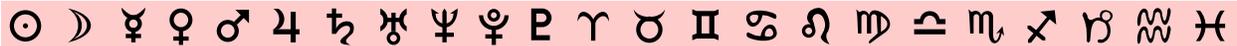
honor, and with respect for others. If there are difficulties with this transit, it is important to examine why, and to learn from that introspection. Saturn, here, teaches you how to handle work, responsibility and power in the world. This is a highly productive period, and you should make the most of it, while recognizing that the more powerful you become, the more is expected of you in using that power wisely.

Jupiter is in the 1st house from Dec 28, 2004 to Mar 9, 2005

Optimism runs high when Jupiter is in your First House. You'd like everything to be big, romantic and wonderful. You're feeling lucky, and could be inclined to overdo or overindulge, so watch that waistline. Your needs to expand, explore and be free could mean that you really chafe if the obligations and constraints of your life demand too much of your time. You may need to arrange your schedule to have more free time, or independence in your work. Your self-confidence can inspire others. Your sense of morality is strong, and you can be quite assertive in standing up for what is fair and ethical. You can grow now by "trying your wings." If you've been hiding a talent or ability, this a good time to show what you can do.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

The Fourth House of "home" has to do with your roots and the very foundations of your being. Neptune transiting this house usually involves deep psychological changes that are going on inside you. Actual events involving your homelife will either trigger or be an outgrowth of those psychological changes. It could be that you will need to deal with some difficulty involving your parents, or care for a family member who is ill. Perhaps you will need to painfully come to terms with the fact that some family relationships undermine your inner security,



rather than contributing to it. Or you could idealize your home and family so much that if your experience is less than perfect, you just deny or repress what does not live up to your ideal--or you feel frustrated because others are not perfect.

"Shutting down" or withdrawing from others could mean that you are overly sensitive to any tense feelings expressed around you, and need to learn how to "tune them out." You could be attracted to metaphysical studies at this time, and through these you could learn to psychically shield yourself from unwanted static in your environment. You may need a private place in your home where you can create her own sense of inner peace, and if this is not possible in your present environment, you may need to change it. This could mean change in those with whom you choose to live, or it could just mean change in the physical space, or it could be that you find your dream house! Creating beauty in your home, as you perceive it, as a haven of the inner peace you are striving to achieve, would be a positive outer expression of this transit.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

Uranus shaking up of your Fifth House should be very stimulating to your most creative expressions of yourself, so this may be a time of your life that you'll look back upon as particularly exciting and positive. This will be especially true if you successfully confronted the inner work of the Fourth House transit and released your spirit from outworn, negative past influences.

Upsets during this time could be experienced when you try too hard to stabilize areas in which you should be very loose and flexible. For example, love affairs are a Fifth House matter, but love affairs are spontaneous, exciting and often very temporal. (When they become committed, we look for them in the Seventh House!) So

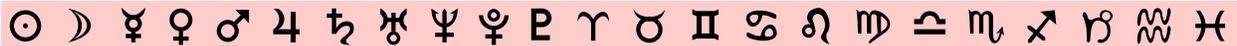
don't become vested in hanging on to that new attraction. Hang loose and maintain a light touch for now. Children are another matter of the Fifth House, and if you have them, you may find that they demand a good deal of flexibility on your part now, and a good deal of your attention. This could be challenging or it could fun and stimulating, as other aspects of your chart may indicate. Again, too much attempt to control is not likely to work. Be tuned in, and guide without unduly stifling their growing independence.

Be willing to take some risks, now, in your own creative interests. Challenge yourself! Innovate! Try new approaches! This is a time when you can make wonderful progress and enjoy it greatly.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

During this period you are learning self-mastery in your everyday thinking and communication activities. You may seek a sense of control through words, or alternatively, through silence. You could talk a matter to death until your listeners finally give in, or you could withdraw in a blue funk until your quarry is driven to come and find out what is wrong, and consequently, gives in. Realize that either of these styles are manipulative, and manipulative behavior is sooner or later going to create problems for you. Another possibility is that you will experience manipulative behavior from someone else. Consider such a person as a "mirror" in which you can examine and improve your own communication skills, and probe your own inner motivations and habits of thinking. During this transit you may discover that you have a talent for picking up clues or hints. You are better able to understand innuendoes, hidden messages or nonverbal language.

This is a time of intense self-questioning, and a time when you may become very



intrigued with studies of the mind. This is a good time for research and for study. You might delve into the occult or learn a method of mind control. Realizing that such knowledge adds to your core of inner strength and power, but strive not for power over others, for this can be harmful for all concerned. Strive instead for power over yourself.

Jupiter trine Natal Mercury

Enters orb Dec 30, 2004; Exact Jan 11, 2005; Stationary (R) Feb 2, 2005; Exact Feb 23, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 7, 2005 (Retro).

This is a good time for thinking, traveling, doing business or communicating with others. You'll speak well for yourself. Your ideas are well-received and appreciated. You may be able to resolve problems you've had with others, if you speak with them sincerely and tactfully. This is also an excellent time to learn, to grasp abstract ideas, to write, to organize and to plan. This transit may merely indicate pleasant thinking, however, unless you take the initiative.

Pluto square Natal Pluto

Enters orb Nov 8, 2004; Leaves orb Jan 2, 2005.

Pluto square Pluto is a generational transit shared with all others in your age group, but because its speed is so variable, it's impossible to predict an age for all purposes. You who are reading this in the early 21st century are probably nearing mid-life (late 30s, early 40s). It symbolizes transformative change, and most people relate to some form of transformation going on in their lives at that age, many in a major way. For more specific ideas on the course this may take in your life, look to your more personal transits. This one will intensify whatever else is going on during the same time period. External changes are

likely to be a part of it--changes of location, lifestyle, relationships, career. Of course, these are most likely only tangible expressions of an internal need for change within you. If you dig in your heels and deny the need, something external may occur to force the issue. Your capacity for self-mastery and your ability to flow with needed changes are being tested. Own your power to make creative choices and lead the changes you need to make toward a positive new direction.

Jupiter conjunct Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Dec 19, 2004; Leaves orb Jan 8, 2005.

Feel good about yourself! This is a time of opportunity in which you can easily project your good feeling to others and reap rewards socially, in increased opportunities, in increased respect, and in a recharging of your general sense of well-being. It's a potentially very expansive time, usually quite positive. Yet guard against arrogance or expanding your waistline! Read also Jupiter in the First House, for this transit is the beginning phase of that longer term passage.

Pluto quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Nov 21, 2004; Leaves orb Jan 15, 2005.

The theme of transformation is focused on your goals in life. Your personal relationships, as they help or hinder you, are involved. During this transit an examination of your direction, your status, your relationships or your attitudes may lead to profound change. Power struggles could lead to awareness of internal changes you need to make. This can be a powerful time, with substantial progress. Move forward ethically. Be true to yourself. But use your energy. If



you waste it, someone or something else may force you to react instead of act.

Uranus sextile Natal Moon

Enters orb Jan 6, 2005; Exact Jan 27, 2005; Leaves orb Feb 14, 2005.

This is an excellent time for you to make changes that you know you need to make in your habit patterns, in routines that have become a rut, or perhaps in relationships that have lost their spark. Creatively dealing with those changes can bring new freshness, new excitement and new freedom into your life. Take the initiative. Take a chance. Take the lead in introducing new fun into your relationships. Be inventive in your work. Try a new style, take a different route, change your approach, suggest a new method. You can get away with changes now that might meet stronger resistance at other times, but if you drift through this period and do nothing, the excitement might exist only in your imagination.

Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jan 21, 2005; Exact Feb 17, 2005; Leaves orb Mar 18, 2005.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imaginative? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be "so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you

make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint financial situations that begin during this transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Saturn conjunct Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Jan 21, 2005 (Retro); Exact Feb 3, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Feb 19, 2005 (Retro).

Whatever your work in the world is--the activity that really matters to you (usually the career, but not always)--this is a time of harvest. During this period a significant culmination is likely to be reached. Stretch! Responsibilities are likely to increase. Meet them willingly. Others may look to you for leadership. The harder you've worked with integrity, the greater may be your fulfillment at this time. Downside: if you've prepared poorly or played unfairly in past years, the "harvest" could be flawed. In any case, your work and responsibilities have priority now, and if accepted with maturity, this could be one of the most productive periods of your life. Read, also, Saturn in the Ninth House, for this is the beginning of that longer term passage.

Saturn sextile Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jan 27, 2005 (Retro); Exact Feb 10, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 2, 2005 (Retro).



This is a transit that you share with others in the same age group. Whether its theme is noticed in your life or not depends largely on whether more personal planets are also involved in the transit. Themes include slow, transformative change and hard work. You may find that you work much harder than usual now, but you have the stamina to do so. Take advantage of it. You can make excellent progress now, and may advance professionally as a result.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

JANUARY 1, 2005 Saturday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Moon

Feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. But know that your heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

Sun square Natal Saturn

This transit is short-term, only lasting a day or so. It is likely to be a day in which your energy level is low--you feel just plain tired--or in which you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." It could be that the circumstances of today will cause you to take a hard look at an imbalance between what you want for yourself and what others expect of you. If so, learn from that realization. It's probably best not to choose this particular day to assert yourself, but you can certainly plan how you will improve the situation. Realize that no one can impose upon you unless you choose to let them. If you are feeling

"down" today, recognize that it may be only a temporary mood. Don't spend the day just brooding, though. It's by far a better choice to get to work. You can even take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can turn this into a good day!

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

A day when you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. You could be "tuned in" for psychic, spiritual, or artistic activities, but with the strictly mundane, you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. Not a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. Take a meditation break. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.

JANUARY 2, 2005 Sunday

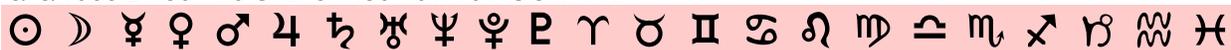
Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Moon

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon

Started Dec 31; Exact today; Leaves Jan 3.

If you've been suppressing frustration, it is likely to surface today. Be very aware that your actions are driven by your feelings, and feelings are not always rational. You can't hold it all in today, so don't try. Express yourself directly and frankly, but try to do so in a manner that is considerate of others. You might expend some of your excess energy in a



good workout or in a competitive sport.

Sun square Natal Mars

Competitive or confrontational situations could arise today. Ego conflicts are likely. Your energy is high and you can accomplish a great deal of productive work--so long as you can maintain your awareness of your own motivations. The challenge: not being clear about what may be stirring around in your subconscious could result in rash actions that you'll regret later. You need an outlet for your feelings, it's true, but if you can't express them constructively, it might be better to wait for another day. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. If you do experience irritability or hostility, from within yourself or from others, you are receiving a strong signal from the Universe to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. Working out your aggression through vigorous physical activity might be a prime option for today.

JANUARY 3, 2005 Monday

Sun sextile Natal Sun

Today is a day when you shine effortlessly, and are likely to receive favorable attention--a good time to push your luck with others. Make that presentation, or social contact. Your energy is probably high, stress is low, and life seems harmonious. This is a good transit for work or for play. Choose it for an enjoyable vacation time, or for ease in work situations.

Mercury square Natal Pluto

Deep thinking is required today. Something must be confronted, or a decision or commitment made. Ambiguity just won't work. You could feel stressed, or even irritable, but it will be a big relief when that thorny

issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." In listening, be alert for what is implied, as well as what is stated directly. Smile, both for you and others. Avoid manipulating others or allowing yourself to be manipulated. This is a good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.

Venus square Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. You may face a challenge today to balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Manipulation is ultimately destructive and must be avoided. Profound soul connections are possible when barriers are dropped. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

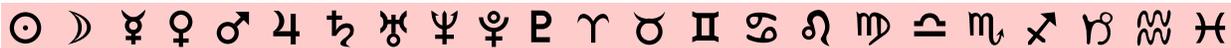
Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

You may enjoy entertaining at home today. A potential challenge is overindulgence; another could be balancing needs of career and home. Express affection. A new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact Jan 5; Leaves Jan 6.

Your objectives, your career, your goals and your ego are likely in the forefront, and you want to do things your own way. You may need to resolve a conflict between career and home life. Disputes could arise with a parent, or with your boss. It's probably best to clear the air honestly and forthrightly, with respect



for the other's views. Suppressing the tension will only table it to erupt later, in a less favorable way. If you choose to table the discussion for a calmer transit, expend today's energy in independent work or physical activity.

JANUARY 4, 2005 Tuesday

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

Your confidence radiates and attracts. Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles and common sense. A warning bell rings on overdoing. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.

JANUARY 7, 2005 Friday

Venus square Natal Uranus

This is a transit of potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Its possible challenges: love relationships can run into conflict over issues of stability versus freedom. A new attraction could have that "love at first sight" aspect, but tomorrow things could look differently, so take care. Be aware that risk appeals to you now--and this could apply to finance, too. Watch impulsiveness. Crea-

tivity is stimulated. Artists may try an innovative new approach.

Sun square Natal Ascendant

The spotlight in this transit is on your encounters with others. You are likely to be feeling more energetic than on other days, and because of that, you can take initiative, get things done and impress others favorably. Your personal charisma shines more brightly. The challenge: you may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, if you can--you have the extra energy--but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Compromise and seeking consensus is considerably more likely to bring success today than willfulness. Look for win-win solutions.

JANUARY 8, 2005 Saturday

Mercury square Natal Uranus

Bright ideas come in a flash! You're mentally quick, more clever than usual. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. If you are bored, blocked or too confined today, your unproductive outlet could be tension or disputes. It's likely a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled and scattered. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting. Get out and around, or stay in and "surf" the internet.



JANUARY 9, 2005 Sunday

Mercury trine Natal Jupiter

This is an easy transit in which you could be inclined to just relax--and that may be just what you need. If planning ahead, however, know that today you can put your communication skills to work for your advantage. Business matters are favored, as is any kind of study, planning or wide-ranging mental activity. Optimism is increased.

Venus trine Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. Unless other challenging transits contradict, it might also be good for financial investment or a legal matter. This would be a good day to plan a social activity or begin a vacation trip. You might give or receive a gift or create beautiful art. Or perhaps an idealistic or philosophical pursuit will bring you joy and satisfaction.

Mars trine Natal Saturn

Starts today; Exact Jan 11; Leaves Jan 12.

This transit favors work projects that call for discipline, attention to detail and persistence. You may not be feeling especially energetic, but still, you should concentrate on your work today, because you will be effective, and because you will feel far better tomorrow for having done it. Know that you can cope with whatever you must, and what you are doing now, while not bringing immediate reward, may be very important later. "Slow and steady wins the race."

JANUARY 10, 2005 Monday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

A good day for a good talk with someone you love, but be flexible. You may need to

compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Write that letter you've been putting off. Social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

You probably don't feel much like working today. More likely, you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

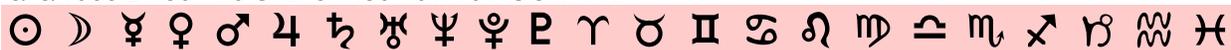
Mars trine Natal Mars

Starts today; Exact Jan 12; Leaves Jan 13.

It's a day for activity. Unless challenging transits at this time strongly contradict, you should be feeling extra energy. Assert yourself, and take the initiative in whatever you want to do. You can jump-start a new project or spark new life into an old one. This is a day to be effective, and your self-confidence will thrive through your accomplishments.

New Moon in Your 3rd House

Matters of your third house include your communications with others, especially with those who are part of your daily life, and your movements and activities in your neighborhood and surrounding area. Matters of education may be of concern, particularly pre-college or vocational education. Other issues may involve your relationships with siblings or other relatives. The New Moon is a time of beginnings, of fresh new starts. It is a time when it would be well to examine your feelings about the affairs of your third house. If there is something you could do to improve yourself here, do it! Take a course. Study a new subject or skill. If there is someone with whom you need to communicate, take the initiative. Don't put it off any longer. Write



that letter, or make that phone call, or go to see that person.

New Moon opposite Natal Midheaven

Opposite Midheaven means conjunct the I.C. of your chart, the cusp of the Fourth House. This is the area most closely associated with your home, your foundation, your roots. A high focus in this area means that inner concerns, perhaps family issues, are paramount. This could involve changes and consequent emotional issues within the family, perhaps with a parent. Or this could be a time in which you are making significant changes in your physical home--moving or remodeling, for example. Whatever is the case, this is probably a time in which you are more in the mood to withdraw from the world, stay home, and either spend some private time, or just be with close friends and loved ones. All this could involve a balancing act with the demands of your career or public (especially if this is a Full Moon lunation). Remember, none of the rewards of the outer world may matter much, in the long run, if your foundation is crumbling. Use this time to make it more secure

JANUARY 11, 2005 Tuesday

Sun trine Natal Pluto

Your creative potential to make changes is favored on this day. If there's a sticky situation that needs to be cleared up, a relationship issue that needs to be confronted, or even a messy desk or closet that needs to be cleaned out, this is an appropriate time to do it. Your attempt to transform, so long as you are ethical and fair, can progress smoothly today, and you'll most likely feel very good about the result. Feel your own inner power, and use it to make a favorable impression on others. This is also a good

transit under which to engage in serious thinking, study or investigative work. You can get right to the bottom of a problem and discover the way to solve it.

JANUARY 12, 2005 Wednesday

Mars square Natal Sun

Starts today; Exact Jan 14; Leaves Jan 15.

Energy is high today. Whatever else you do, keep active. The challenge is that dealings with others may test you. Impatience, arrogance or foolish impulses on your part could lead to real conflict. Assert yourself, but do so with consideration, tact and respect for others. You are in no mood to compromise, and you shouldn't, if the issue is important. Perhaps giving ground on a small point will help you gain the big one. If you are feeling irritable, a good physical workout would probably help quite a lot. Your endurance is good today. Competitive urges are heightened--and you can win, if you keep your cool.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today, and some are in conflict with your own views. It's probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless and stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. It may not be the best day for business negotiations, for you might give too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good



choices.

Sun opposite Natal Midheaven

This is not the easiest day to be a "team player" because your own interests and purposes are most likely to be in the forefront of your concerns. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are spending this day working--or just being with--others, strive to be considerate. With Sun square Midheaven, you might do well on this day to work alone. You have the energy to accomplish a lot, and if it's just you and yourself, then you can concentrate fully on your own self-interests with no conflict! If, however, Sun is entering the Fourth House (an opposition to Midheaven), it's probably not the best day to plan for important career activities. You're probably more interested in personal affairs today, anyway. If you can, plan on enjoying a family day, or perhaps just giving yourself some time to "get your house in order"--whatever that means to you!

The Sun enters the 4th house Jan 12, 2005

When the Sun is in your Fourth House you are likely to be much more concerned about home and family than about your work in the outer world. Have you been neglecting your homelife? Tch, tch! Remember, this is your foundation, your center, from which you gather sustenance and strength to deal with that big world outside. If for any reason that foundation seems at all shaky, you'd better consider how you can shore it up. This could involve actual home repairs, or it could involve a little--or even a lot of--extra nurturing of your family.

JANUARY 13, 2005 Thursday

Mercury trine Natal Moon

This is a passive transit that is likely to slip by unnoticed in the wake of other more challenging transits in the same time period. It is, however, a day in which you are probably more in touch with your feelings than usual, and because of that you can communicate sensitively with others--both in saying what you need to say, and in listening to and understanding their needs. If you have a problem to work out with someone, this may be the right time to talk it out.

Venus trine Natal Moon

Today, unless other simultaneous challenging transits contradict, you are likely to be a real "softy," warm and mellow toward everyone. Your feelings of love and affection are strong, so express them. All of your relationships, personal and public, can benefit from your mood today. This would be a good day to entertain friends at home. It's also a good day to sell.

JANUARY 14, 2005 Friday

Mars enters the 3rd house Jan 14, 2005

Mars in your Third House suggests themes of conflicts with neighbors or relatives--or energetically working together with them. You might argue about your ideas, or effectively sell your ideas. New ideas abound, but you might skip over the details. Whether you are more inclined to be merely assertive or downright pushy may be more reflected in your planetary aspects of this time than Mars in the Third, alone, would indicate. Accent the most positive expression of the messages of those aspects. Take the lead, but respect the opinions of others.



JANUARY 15, 2005 Saturday

Mars sextile Natal Venus

Starts today; Exact Jan 17; Leaves Jan 18.

Mars-Venus is a classic aspect associated with sexual relationships, so your drives in this area are likely to be enhanced today, and fulfilling, if a willing partner is available. You are able to more easily balance give and take in relationships. Venus is art, too, and Mars is action. This combination is excellent for all forms of creative art work. If you work in the arts or crafts this can be a creative and productive day.

JANUARY 16, 2005 Sunday

Sun sextile Natal Neptune

Matters of spirituality, idealism, faith are highlighted during this transit and you may perceive them as especially beautiful. This is not a transit of high physical energy, so don't plan to push yourself. Try to take time away from your normal routine and meditate, do spiritual work, and perhaps just spend some time outdoors, in the beauty of nature. Creative work of beauty may emerge. Your intuition is heightened, and your capacity for empathy and compassion. You may find great satisfaction today in helping others. You could give a hand--or a willing and compassionate ear--to those close to you in family or neighborhood, or you could work within a charity.

JANUARY 17, 2005 Monday

Sun trine Natal Uranus

This is a wonderful day to be individual, to be different and to express your freedom.

Expect the unexpected--be alert for it. Create it! If you can, do plan to do something on this day to break from your normal routine. Try a change of scene. Visit someplace new. Open your mind to learn new things. You might begin a stimulating new course of study--something you wouldn't normally think of to try. Perhaps you could make a change in your surroundings, or even yourself. Try that new look! You are probably more inquisitive than usual, and your imagination is stimulated, so if you are at work today, you might come up with a good, new approach. This is a day when you can make changes more freely than other time. Be open. Be creative.

Mars sextile Natal Ascendant

Starts today; Exact Jan 19; Leaves Jan 20.

This transit could be overlooked if other longer term transits dominate with different themes, but don't waste it. If you are planning ahead, this could be a good time to improve an ongoing challenging situation. When Mars energy flows harmoniously with your Ascendant you are likely to be active, looking for something to do, and are able to work especially effectively in a group situation. Seek to make a strong contribution in a manner that serves the group, and creates good team spirit. You are probably feeling good today, and even vigorous. Get out and do things. For leisure, you might really enjoy participating in a sport.

JANUARY 18, 2005 Tuesday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Egos are in the forefront. You want attention, and so does someone else. Respect your challenger, without denying your own needs. Shine through constructive effort and take pride in doing



your best.

Mercury square Natal Mars

If you're feeling irritable and nervous, try to find a moment to slow down and perhaps meditate for a bit. Understand that your tolerance and patience level are stressed by this transit. This may be the day when you are called to "put out fires." Your perceptions and your reactions are fast. You're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings, and take a deep breath and count to 3 (at least) before you speak. While debate can be quite constructive, angering others could make things worse. Make your point, and respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Mercury square Natal Saturn

Your thoughts may be heavy today, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. For this reason, this day would not be your best choice for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for concentrated mental discipline and serious thinking is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, set aside this day to tackle it, preferably alone. Don't run yourself in the ground over it, though. Taking a relaxing stroll or a snack break might be just what you need to get a useful perspective.

Venus square Natal Saturn

Today your need to work and your wish for pleasure may be in conflict. Or you could be trying to balance career versus relationship needs. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Your mood is probably reserved, and you may prefer to spend much of today alone, thinking things

through. That may be just what you should do. Don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

You could feel lost in a fog, unable to find or remember things you should. On the other hand, intuitive messages could come through with extra oomph. Caution in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. If you can't put it off, be sure to double-check the details. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love appeal. The challenge involves illusion versus reality. Take care in relationships, and take your time. What's wonderful today may not be so great tomorrow. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits.

JANUARY 19, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury sextile Natal Sun

This transit may go by unnoticed if other stronger transits are occurring at the same time. If you're planning ahead, know that whatever else is going on, this is a day when your mental work or communication activities can go well. You are likely to be thinking clearly and can express yourself with clarity, too. Catch up on those calls you've been meaning to make, the letters that need answering, the paperwork that needs to be cleared up. It's also a favorable day for meetings, discussions and study.



Mars sextile Natal Mercury

Starts today; Exact Jan 20; Leaves Jan 22.

Keep that mind of yours busy today. It's a favorable time for any mental work. Ideas are more creative, original. Your mood should be good, and negotiations can be productive and go your way. You can assert your point of view effectively. Also favored: making plans, writing, studying and travel.

Venus square Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. A good relationship will be fine--even passionate--with this transit. A relationship that is already tense may be aggravated. Sex is the focus of a new attraction, so think safe--you might feel differently tomorrow. Creative art expression can flourish on this day.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter

Your confidence radiates and attracts. Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles and common sense. A warning bell rings on overdoing. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance.

JANUARY 20, 2005 Thursday

Venus sextile Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit. Get out with friends and be sociable. Give and receive compliments. Express your tender feelings

for a special someone. This is also a good day to choose if you need to make a good impression on someone or ask a favor. Art activities are favored.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

You think quickly today, and good ideas are likely. Optimism is high. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. The challenge: exuberance may lead you to overlook details, or arrogance could create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and listen. Get all the facts before you jump.

JANUARY 21, 2005 Friday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

Mercury square Natal Ascendant

It's a busy day, in which you have extra energy to put into all your communications with others. Your mind may be racing, and you won't want to sit still. You can effectively express yourself now, so have that talk, and speak your mind, but be sure to pause and listen to the other person's opinion, too. Listening is just as important to communication as talking! Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.



JANUARY 22, 2005 Saturday

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Moon

Starts today; Exact Jan 23; Leaves Jan 25.

If you've been suppressing frustration, it is likely to surface today. Be very aware that your actions are driven by your feelings, and feelings are not always rational. You can't hold it all in today, so don't try. Express yourself directly and frankly, but try to do so in a manner that is considerate of others. You might expend some of your excess energy in a good workout or in a competitive sport.

JANUARY 23, 2005 Sunday

Venus square Natal Ascendant

This is an excellent day to enjoy yourself with others--or with that very special "other." All of your relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Get out and be with people today. You're probably feeling quite good and that radiates out and attracts others. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. The challenge: to have a good time, but avoid a tendency to over-indulge or overspend. What appeals today might not necessarily look as great tomorrow.

JANUARY 24, 2005 Monday

Mars square Natal Pluto

Starts today; Exact Jan 26; Leaves Jan 27.

The planet of action challenges your inner capacity for power, self-mastery and transformation. Power and control issues may arise and you are in no mood for limitation. Recognize that egos may be on the line--understanding yours may

be an important key to creating a win-win solution. Understand that power over someone else is a win-lose situation. Inner power does not require dominance. At the same time, recognize that you have deep feelings, and your own interests and needs are in the forefront today. You shouldn't suppress those feelings, for if you do, you are all the more likely to attract a situation where you are attacked. Control conflicts are a signal from the Universe for you to claim your own power to act constructively, focus creatively and be all you can be. Your intense needs for expression could find positive outlets in energetic work toward your goals, in physical work, in consensual sex, and in taking steps toward necessary major changes.

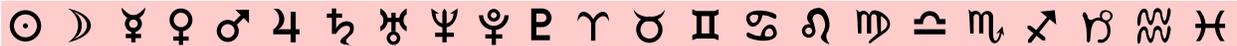
JANUARY 25, 2005 Tuesday

Sun square Natal Moon

Tension could result today as your outer self (public, professional life, perhaps) comes into conflict with your inner emotional needs. The challenge is to bring them into balance, for neither can be denied. If you feel "on edge" it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be giving too much attention to your own ego needs, or too career-pressured, and may be letting down your family or your own need to be nurtured. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what you know needs your attention in the outer world. Take a break--perhaps take a walk alone--and think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.

Mercury trine Natal Pluto

Today is likely to find you deeply preoccupied with a singular matter. It could be a mystery or secret you're determined to unveil, a problem that you need to resolve,



a research project. Whatever it is, you'll work hard to get to the bottom of it, and probably relish every minute of the investigation. Dig in, and be aware not only of the content of what you are probing, but also of your process. You may learn something of real value.

Mercury opposite Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power. With Mercury square Midheaven your thoughts are likely on career concerns or possibly on resolving conflicts between home and career. With Mercury opposite Midheaven, the focus of your thinking is more likely to be on home. (Read Mercury in the Fourth House.)

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact Jan 26; Leaves Jan 28.

Your objectives, your career, your goals and your ego are likely in the forefront, and you want to do things your own way. You may need to resolve a conflict between career and home life. Disputes could arise with a parent, or with your boss. It's probably best to clear the air honestly and forthrightly, with respect for the other's views. Suppressing the tension will only table it to erupt later, in a less favorable way. If you choose to table the discussion for a calmer transit, expend today's energy in independent work or physical activity.

Mercury enters the 4th house Jan 25, 2005

Fourth House themes center on home and

family, and in this setting Mercury's airy logic is more influenced by emotional issues. Discussions with family members can be beneficial. If you're feeling irritated, look to the messages in planetary aspects during this same period, and direct your intentions--and your communications--toward the "upside." Remember, you always have a choice, especially in how you speak with and respond to others. Memories surface; your thoughts may be filled with nostalgia. Why not spend a little time enjoying, and perhaps updating, those family albums?

Full Moon in Your 10th House

Illuminated by this Full Moon period are you and your life's work--career, business concerns, reputation. At such a high focus time you are more easily noticed, and thus it is a time to put yourself forward. At the same time, consider that you are at the opposite polarity of a New Moon lunation that focused on the foundations and home base of your fourth house. The stability (or lack of it), your habit patterns that emerge from past conditioning, the expectations and needs of family--all these impact and are impacted by your work in the world. You are more likely than usual right now to be "on display." You are less likely to be effective, and could even damage your reputation, if you deny the realities of the fourth house. Push yourself forward, but do so ethically and with honor, and with consideration for others.

Full Moon square Natal Moon

Illuminated at this time is your emotional self. This is the side of you that emerges from the subconscious, influenced by motivations that may have roots in past feelings and events that you scarcely remember. Your feelings and your moods are very involved with your security needs, your habit patterns and your ability (or lack of it) to be receptive and nurturing in regard to the



needs of others. Understand these things, for if you do, you may be able to avoid the emotional conflicts with others that are a potential challenge of this period. Look to the House in which this lunation falls for insight into which "others" may be involved. Consider the other as a mirror (and a test) in which you might get in touch with old past-influenced feelings that no longer serve you. You always have the power to change yourself.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

The focus during this period is on transformative change, and you are more than likely to be emotionally involved in whatever change is going on, perhaps to the point of an almost compulsive attention. In relating to others, you are in no mood to give ground, and for this reason power/control struggles are possible. Try to avoid this--especially precipitating, or falling victim to, emotional manipulations. In conflict, think of the other person as a mirror of yourself, and look in that mirror to see what is really going on with you. You have the courage, now, to face that and learn from it. Change is inevitable. Don't let it happen TO you. Look inside and know what you really want, and then go after it, with consideration for others who may be involved.

JANUARY 26, 2005 Wednesday

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Pluto

Issues of power and control may emerge today. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other issue of self-mastery. A power struggle may lead you to insight into a change you need to make. Letting go could increase inner strength.

JANUARY 27, 2005 Thursday

Venus trine Natal Pluto

Emotions run very deep today. If you are in love, you feel it strongly and sensually. If you meet someone new, the attraction will probably be intense, perhaps compulsive. If you are an artist, your work will be highly expressive and revealing of your inner self. If none of these things are the case, still your feelings about whatever you are experiencing are intense, and if you probe them, you can discover truths about yourself that enhance your inner power to make creative changes.

Venus opposite Natal Midheaven

Although listed as a challenging transit, this one is usually easy. You are likely to want to be with people, and may enjoy entertaining at home. One caveat is over-indulgence, and another, for some, could be balancing needs of career and home. This may be the case for those whose careers are involved with creativity, art, beauty or entertainment. Usually, though, this is a pleasant day for relationships--one in which you feel like expressing affection--or a new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

Venus enters the 4th house Jan 27, 2005

Unless planetary aspects during this same period have very contradictory themes, Venus in the Fourth House reflects a peaceful time in your homelife. Relationships with your parents are good--show your love. It's a good time to entertain in your home--have a party! Or this might be a time when you are inspired to take on a redecorating project and make your home more attractive.



JANUARY 28, 2005 Friday

Mercury trine Natal Uranus

Today you'll thrive on satisfying curiosity, on discovery, on allowing your unorthodox ideas to emerge. You're mentally quick, cleverer than usual, and your problem-solving skills are enhanced. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. Take a break from your normal routine. Study something new.

Mercury sextile Natal Neptune

Intuition and the imagination are stimulated during this transit. You are more sensitive to others, and may be able to help. It's a good day for dreaming and fantasy, so if you can "get away from it all," do it. You won't feel much like working anyway, and we all need time for the soul. Wander in nature, create art or poetry. Explore a metaphysical topic or just curl up with a good novel.

JANUARY 29, 2005 Saturday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

The phone rings, lots of talk flows around you. Papers must be shuffled; errands must be run. Interruptions abound. Your nervous energy is tested. In communicating with others, egos and needs may conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter

You think quickly today, and good ideas are likely. Optimism is high. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates

are favored, as is travel. The challenge: exuberance may lead you to overlook details, or arrogance could create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and listen. Get all the facts before you jump.

JANUARY 30, 2005 Sunday

Venus sextile Natal Neptune

This is a day when, if you can, you should dream, fantasize, enjoy the beauty of nature and take it easy. Enjoy creative pursuits, music and romance. If you are obligated to mundane work, you'll likely feel lethargic about it. Take some meditation breaks. Increased intuition may give you ideas that you can beneficially manifest later. For today, though, you are probably in a pleasant fog, so don't push yourself to make decisions.

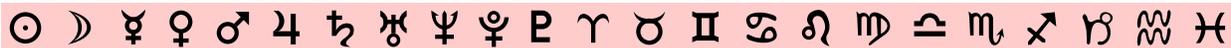
JANUARY 31, 2005 Monday

Sun sextile Natal Mars

Your energy is likely to be quite high during this transit, and you can accomplish a great deal. You are self-assertive, and if you need to stick up for yourself, now is a time when you can do so effectively and successfully. Work either alone or with others should be harmonious and beneficial. If you've been feeling out-of-balance in any area of your life, this is a good time to make positive changes. Physical activity is recommended. Work out, play a game--a least take a brisk walk.

Sun sextile Natal Saturn

Unless other more challenging transits describe very different themes, this is a day when self-discipline and self-control come easily. In any case, your mood is more



subdued than usual, and you are able to organize and plan. If you have detailed work to do, you can accomplish it meticulously and well. Indeed, the best way to derive satisfaction from this day is to dig in and get your work done. Attend to your responsibilities. If, for some reason, this is not a working day for you, it is a good day for effective self-evaluation and planning. You are in a serious mood, and may prefer to be alone. Or, if you think you might benefit from an objective point of view, this is a good time to seek the opinion of someone who is older or in a position of authority.

Venus trine Natal Uranus

Today could bring a pleasant surprise, but why wait around for it? You are probably feeling a little restless and bored with routine, so take the initiative and look for a change of scene. Even if it's a work day, you can spend part of it doing something new, trying something different. You might even meet someone new and exciting.

FEBRUARY 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Mars is in the 3rd house from Jan 14, 2005 to Mar 9, 2005

See interpretation in January.

Jupiter is in the 1st house from Dec 28, 2004 to Mar 9, 2005

See interpretation in January.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Jupiter trine Natal Mercury

Enters orb Dec 30, 2004; Exact Jan 11, 2005; Stationary (R) Feb 2, 2005; Exact Feb 23, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 7, 2005 (Retro).

This is a good time for thinking, traveling, doing business or communicating with others. You'll speak well for yourself. Your ideas are well-received and appreciated. You may be able to resolve problems you've had with others, if you speak with them sincerely and tactfully. This is also an excellent time to learn, to grasp abstract ideas, to write, to organize and to plan. This transit may merely indicate pleasant thinking, however, unless you take the initiative.

Uranus sextile Natal Moon

Enters orb Jan 6, 2005; Exact Jan 27, 2005; Leaves orb Feb 14, 2005.

This is an excellent time for you to make changes that you know you need to make in your habit patterns, in routines that have become a rut, or perhaps in relationships that have lost their spark. Creatively dealing with those changes can bring new



freshness, new excitement and new freedom into your life. Take the initiative. Take a chance. Take the lead in introducing new fun into your relationships. Be inventive in your work. Try a new style, take a different route, change your approach, suggest a new method. You can get away with changes now that might meet stronger resistance at other times, but if you drift through this period and do nothing, the excitement might exist only in your imagination.

Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jan 21, 2005; Exact Feb 17, 2005; Leaves orb Mar 18, 2005.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imaginative? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be "so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint financial situations that begin during this

transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Saturn conjunct Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Jan 21, 2005 (Retro); Exact Feb 3, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Feb 19, 2005 (Retro).

Whatever your work in the world is--the activity that really matters to you (usually the career, but not always)--this is a time of harvest. During this period a significant culmination is likely to be reached. Stretch! Responsibilities are likely to increase. Meet them willingly. Others may look to you for leadership. The harder you've worked with integrity, the greater may be your fulfillment at this time. Downside: if you've prepared poorly or played unfairly in past years, the "harvest" could be flawed. In any case, your work and responsibilities have priority now, and if accepted with maturity, this could be one of the most productive periods of your life. Read, also, Saturn in the Ninth House, for this is the beginning of that longer term passage.

Saturn sextile Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jan 27, 2005 (Retro); Exact Feb 10, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 2, 2005 (Retro).

This is a transit that you share with others in the same age group. Whether its theme is noticed in your life or not depends largely on whether more personal planets are also involved in the transit. Themes include slow, transformative change and hard work. You may find that you work much harder than usual now, but you have the stamina to do so. Take advantage of it. You can make excellent progress now, and may advance professionally as a result.



Uranus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Feb 16, 2005; Exact Mar 5, 2005; Leaves orb Mar 23, 2005.

Sudden changes in career, reputation, social status, relationships, home--all are potentials now. You may lead the change, surprising others caught unaware. Or changes may be precipitated by others. Even so, take it as a signal of changes you should make within. Accept the challenge to stretch. You can be more innovative and creative than usual during this transit.

Jupiter conjunct Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Feb 26, 2005 (Retro); Exact Mar 9, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 19, 2005 (Retro).

Feel good about yourself! This is a time of opportunity in which you can easily project your good feeling to others and reap rewards socially, in increased opportunities, in increased respect, and in a recharging of your general sense of well-being. It's a potentially very expansive time, usually quite positive. Yet guard against arrogance or expanding your waistline! Read also Jupiter in the Twelfth House, for this transit is the beginning phase of that longer term passage.

Neptune trine Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Feb 26, 2005; Exact Mar 30, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Exact Jul 12, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Aug 19, 2005 (Retro).

Although this transit is much milder than the challenging aspects, some caution is still called for in dealing with personal relationships. You may be seeing "the other" as your ideal rather than as a real--and very human--person. Your attraction to a new person in your life may be primarily spiritual and you could over idealize such a person--

the "guru." Still, remember that even idols often have feet of clay. Take your time and don't "go overboard" now. Learn, but wait until this period is over to more thoroughly evaluate what you've learned. Your dreams may be vivid and enlightening--you would do well to record and reflect on them. You could benefit from metaphysical studies, and reap rich inner rewards from helping, healing or charitable activities. For artists, imagination flows and enhances creativity.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

FEBRUARY 1, 2005 Tuesday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Uranus

If you're feeling restless today, take a break. Do something different. If you try to repress your need for a bit of freedom, it's likely that something unexpected--perhaps upsetting--will occur to change your routine, anyway. Take the lead. Experiment! Life offers surprises today. Accept them! You may discover something new and valuable.

FEBRUARY 2, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury square Natal Moon

Is your mind racing today? If you should find yourself in an argument, it's important



to recognize that you are much more inclined to be emotional, not logical. Since your thinking is so heavily influenced by your feelings, it is important to examine which is which. Listen to yourself, and learn from it. That extra awareness may mean that you can more clearly express your feelings now--or it may just mean that you can understand them! This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk--IF you are willing to LISTEN to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

Mars square Natal Uranus

Starts today; Exact Feb 3; Leaves Feb 5.

You're likely to be in a hurry, or to be feeling more impulsive, risk-taking and even rebellious than usual. So go--just watch out you don't precipitate an accident by being in too much in a rush! A tendency toward carelessness is a negative potential of this day. If you don't express the energy of this transit yourself, you may very well experience rash behavior from others. Or suppressed tension could simmer over and explode, or can be internalized into a physical problem. What you need to do is to find a constructive and reasonably safe way to express your individuality--and do it with a smile for others. Innovative, creative work is the very best way to express this transit. Doing something new--something you've never done before--is effective.

FEBRUARY 3, 2005 Thursday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Pluto

Today you could be stressed, even irritable, over a decision or commitment that must be made. It will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." Smile, both for you and others. A good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.

Saturn enters the 9th house Feb 3, 2005

This is a period in which you can learn a great deal of value, so long as you remain open to the fact that you have more to learn, and seek out sources of that learning. You may have been building steadily toward a goal for years now, and that goal is now in sight. You could, then, call this a period of final preparation for the big event. A danger might be in thinking you know everything you need to know, or worse, in thinking that you can compromise ethical principles in order to "get there" faster. Either of these attitudes could bring about a much stricter lesson than you'd like. The Ninth House is the house of law, of philosophy, of ethics and of education, and Saturn now calls for the demonstration of your personal responsibility in all of these areas. Unethical moves could bring about legal problems, for example.

Your approach to all that you are able to learn now is probably quite pragmatic. This is not the time when you are likely to idly reflect on your philosophy of life, or sit around coffee houses debating abstract issues. Explore and study whatever will benefit you in your goals. If you are building toward your goals with honor, with discipline and with faith, any involvement with law, with education, with religion or with travel that you have now will be growth



experiences through which you will recognize benefit either now or in the future.

FEBRUARY 4, 2005 Friday

Sun conjunct Natal Venus

Venus symbolizes all matters of love, pleasure, beauty and relating. You can be at your most attractive today, and you are likely to feel the urge to be with people, have fun--or to indulge yourself. Express your affection for those you love--give and get hugs! Socialize. Make a new friend. Give a party, or go to one. Create or buy something beautiful. Do something to improve your personal appearance. Take time to "smell the roses," visit an art show, have lunch with a friend.

Mars trine Natal Jupiter

Starts today; Exact Feb 5; Leaves Feb 7.

It's a great day to take action. Your energy is good, and unless other challenging transits strongly contradict, you should be relatively free of stress that might otherwise work against you. You are probably clear about your objectives, so go for it! Actions you take today are most likely to be fruitful, successful--even joyful--and will contribute to growth. Be sure to integrate your actions with ethical principles, and make the most of this time period.

FEBRUARY 5, 2005 Saturday

Sun trine Natal Ascendant

Harmony and ease in your relationships and any encounters with others is a likely experience of this transit. You'll probably be feeling good, perhaps more relaxed or rested than before. This could be a good day for a social occasion, and it could also

be a favorable time to put your best foot forward in dealing with others in business. It's not inherently an "action" transit, though. Your mood is more likely to be easy-going. Find some time today to play.

FEBRUARY 6, 2005 Sunday

Venus square Natal Moon

Today your feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. Be amorous, be nurturing, be protective--but do NOT be possessive or smothering! This transit is good for sociability, and just maybe, for meeting a new love. Its primary challenge is excess--over-indulgence or indiscretion. The heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

Sun conjunct Natal Mercury

Sunlight shines on all areas of your life symbolized by wing-footed Mercury--communication, motion, mental activity. This is a good day to run those errands, make phone calls, write letters, make decisions, start a business deal, plan a future project. Your thinking is likely to be sharper than usual today. Others may be more receptive to your ideas. This could also be a good travel day.

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

Starts today; Exact Feb 7; Leaves Feb 9.

The urge is to act--now--in most anything you enjoy. In love, you are likely to be more geared for sex than romance. With a willing partner in a similar mood, it's passionate. If your partner is not in the mood, balance may be necessary. Try tenderness. Creative artists can make this day a very productive one.



Mercury sextile Natal Mars

This is a good day to be very busy. Your energy flows, your confidence level is strong, and much work can be done--either physical or mental. You are unlikely to be daunted by obstacles now, so this may be the right time to tackle that tough problem you've been meaning to solve. Your ability to think quickly may be highlighted, but your patience to be thorough may not be. Be sure you organize your project. Sell your views to others--this transit favors both your ability to assert yourself and to communicate effectively.

Mercury sextile Natal Saturn

You are not likely to feel in a playful mood today, but your ability for concentrated mental discipline is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, this is a time for it. You've got a good critical eye and can take a hard look at what needs to be changed without getting "down" about it. Good day for organizational activity. Not a good day for frivolity.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Uranus

Try a new approach today. Tension or disputes could result from boredom or confinement. This could be a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting.

FEBRUARY 8, 2005 Tuesday

Mercury conjunct Natal Venus

Your words flow smoothly during this transit. Is there someone you love, but whom you

haven't said it to lately? Do it now--you may even wax poetic! Say it, or write a letter. Have you been having a communication problem with someone? Today you may be able to talk it out productively. Your appreciation of beauty is stimulated. Emotions blend well with the intellect. A pleasant mood and pleasant conversation are favored.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. Balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

New Moon in Your 4th House

Home improvement time? If you've been putting off that project that will make your home environment more comfortable, don't put it off any longer. The New Moon is a good time to start, and in the month ahead you can continue the focus. Your "new beginning" could be as small as reorganizing that messy, cluttered area or as large as initiating the buying or selling of real estate. On a less mundane level, the fourth house has to do with the foundations of your being. This means that other areas that might be in focus during this lunation are your relationships with your parents, or an examination of your own habit patterns that emerge from past conditioning. If there is something that you can do to improve yourself in these matters, this is an excellent time to take the first steps.

New Moon conjunct Natal Mercury

A strong focus during this period is on your capacity to think, to communicate and to learn. The fact that the transit in



this case involves the Moon to your Mercury symbolizes that the way in which you think and communicate is likely to be influenced by your feelings, so it is well to be aware of which is which. For example, a persuasive speech propelled by emotional excitement can be most compelling, but an interchange punctuated with emotions not understood and out of control can be ruinous. Events could precipitate your calling some of your ideas or concepts into question and reevaluating them. You could be challenged to rethink your position. You could be negotiating, or something you thought was settled may need to be renegotiated. In any case, this is a time when you are likely to be especially busy and on the go--talking, speaking, writing, perhaps traveling. Your mind is extremely active and seeks stimulation. Satisfy your curiosity, talk things over, study, express yourself. Get that concern you've been holding back "off your chest"--but be sure you listen to the other's side, too. You can draw on the powers of both your conscious, logical mind and your intuitive sense. It is important to use them with awareness and balance.

New Moon conjunct Natal Venus

During this time your feelings of love and affection are in strong focus and need to be expressed. Issues that are in the forefront now may include the manner in which you express affection, how you relate to others, how you handle your desires for comfort and ease, how you deal with your need for material security, and your appreciation of or creation of beauty. Problems in any of these areas most likely can be resolved through careful examination of the BALANCE involved--balance of your needs versus those of your intimates, of your desires NOW vs. what you want in the future. You'll probably be more

inclined than usual to be social, so this lunation period may be excellent for the planning of a major entertainment or celebratory event. Enjoy the company of others, and find ways to pamper yourself a bit, too. Just watch that you don't OVER indulge. This could be a time of especially creative production for artists, or a good time to explore a new art form. Enhance the beauty of your surroundings. Romance could be in the air--or you could stir it up!

FEBRUARY 9, 2005 Wednesday

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury
Starts today; Exact Feb 11; Leaves Feb 12.

Mental energy is high. Ideas are more creative, original. Channel them into activity. Arguments can be productive (being direct, debating to win) or destructive (pointless, tactless, impatient). If you find yourself in one, and getting nowhere, step back and table it until you calm down. Try a physical workout to release frustration.

Mercury trine Natal Ascendant

This is a day when you are likely to be mentally alert, busier than usual, and able to communicate effectively. Choose it to make that call, write that letter, have that talk. Exchange ideas, and don't forget that listening to the other person's opinion is communication, too! It's also a good day to clear up that pile of papers, take a trip, buy or sell something, or take a class.

The Sun enters the 5th house Feb 9, 2005

With Sun in the Fifth House, more than at other times, you'll be looking for fun and leisure activities. That's great! Go for it! Romance may even be "in your stars." If



you are a parent, plan some activities with your children. Play together. Let your inner child come out and play, too. This period favors all creative activity. Shine by expressing yourself in art, or drama, games or sports. You'll likely feel more light-hearted than usual this month--enjoy!

FEBRUARY 10, 2005 Thursday

Mercury conjunct Natal Mercury

A favorable day for all forms of communication and mental activity. Give-and-take, lively interaction, two-way communication (interviews, dialogues, debate, etc.)--all these are potentials of the day. Don't fritter away your energy on trivial chatter. Take advantage of this transit by making an effort to communicate with someone about something that is very important to you. You are curious and interested in new ideas. Studying, course work and short trips are also favored.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Pluto

Issues of power and control may emerge today. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other issue of self-mastery. A power struggle may lead you to insight into a change you need to make. Letting go could increase inner strength.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Not the easiest day to be a "team player." Your own concerns are in the forefront. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are working with others, strive to be considerate. You might do best to work alone, for then you

can concentrate fully on your own goals with no conflict!

FEBRUARY 11, 2005 Friday

Venus sextile Natal Saturn

This transit focuses on stability and conservatism in matters of love, affection, finances, and the arts. It could be a time for a serious talk with a loved one. Or you may attend to your responsibility for a loved one, and you will do so willingly. A relationship that starts during this transit is most likely to be a stable one. Art work will be disciplined and probably quite productive.

Mercury enters the 5th house Feb 11, 2005

With Mercury in your Fifth House, your ability to express yourself is stimulated. You can be articulate, even dramatic. Your sense of humor is highlighted, too. Thoughts may turn more toward leisure or mind games--whatever you think is fun and enjoyable. If you have children in your life, this should be a good time to have talks with them and share ideas. You may find them more communicative than usual.

FEBRUARY 12, 2005 Saturday

Mars trine Natal Moon

Starts today; Exact Feb 14; Leaves Feb 15.

Feelings run strong today, and are likely to rule your actions. This can be controlled and even used to advantage, so long as you are aware of it. You are able to stick up for your views, compete well and accomplish a great deal of work, especially if you are emotionally vested in what you are doing. This is also a transit that might mark an intense sexual union, or a heart-to-heart talk



with a good friend. You may be putting extra energy into family or domestic matters.

Venus sextile Natal Mars

This transit's theme is one of balance between your needs to assert yourself and your needs to relate to others, to give and to receive. Relationships benefit from your warmth and comfort with yourself. Love relationships bloom, and new friendships can form. Surround yourself with beauty--create art, or spruce up your home or yourself. Be with people and enjoy.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Uranus

Potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Possible challenges: love relationships can conflict over stability versus freedom. "Love at first sight" could look differently tomorrow. Risk appeals, in romance or finance. Watch impulsiveness. Artists may try a new approach.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Pluto

Today you could be stressed, even irritable, over a decision or commitment that must be made. It will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." Smile, both for you and others. A good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember

that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.

FEBRUARY 14, 2005 Monday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

Thoughts may be heavy, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. It's not the best day for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for mental discipline is excellent. Work alone. A relaxing stroll to think might yield a useful perspective.

Mercury square Natal Neptune

Do you feel lost in a fog somewhere? Can't find something you just had a moment ago? Forgot a name or bit of information that you KNOW you know? Such things could be events of the day in the mundane world. On the other hand, if your intent is to tune in to the intuition and the imagination, messages could come through with extra oomph. Take care in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. Don't be a victim. Save the details for another day, or if you can't, be sure to double-check them. The challenge, here, may be to balance those details with the big picture. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

FEBRUARY 15, 2005 Tuesday

Venus conjunct Natal Venus

This day, when Venus returns to its birth chart position, could be a new beginning for you in terms of love relationships or artistic endeavors. It's an excellent time for a



favorable new direction in an existing relationship, for beginning a new relationship, or for trying out a new form of artistic expression. Surround yourself with beauty today. Enjoy nature, art, music. Perhaps treat yourself to a purchase of something that will enhance your environment or improve your attractiveness. This is a good day to plan a social event, or a presentation before your public.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Mars

Confrontational situations could arise. Energy is high and work can be productive, but perhaps best if you work alone. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. Hostility, from within yourself or from others is signal to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. A good physical workout may help.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Mars

Feeling irritable and nervous? Your tolerance and patience level may be stressed. Perceptions and reactions are fast--you're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings. Make your point, but respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

You feel just plain tired today--or you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." Don't spend the day just brooding, though. Get to work. You can take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can even turn

this into a good day!

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Uranus

Try a new approach today. Tension or disputes could result from boredom or confinement. This could be a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting.

Sun square Natal Neptune

This is just not the day to forge ahead with enthusiasm in the working world. In fact, you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. Avoid choosing this day for any activity where you must be upbeat and "on." (An exception to this may be if your prime activity is psychic, spiritual, artistic or perhaps promotional. In these areas an increased ability to "tune in" on the intangible is an asset.) With strictly mundane activities, lack of clarity can be an issue: either you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. This is NOT a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. If you can't, try to pace yourself. Go through your routine, avoid confrontation, and if your mood is low, don't take yourself too seriously. Take a meditation break, and plan something relaxing for after work. Matters of spirituality, idealism, faith are highlighted today, and can be beautiful. Intuition is stimulated and insight can be gained. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.



FEBRUARY 16, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury opposite Natal Jupiter

Your ability to think quickly is an asset, and today good ideas are more than likely. You'll probably be feeling optimistic and confident. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. You can put your communication skills to work for your best advantage. The challenge is that your exuberance may lead you to overlook details that could cause problems later, or your confidence may come off as arrogance and create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and be sure to listen, too, and get all the facts before you jump.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Uranus

If you're feeling restless today, take a break. Do something different. If you try to repress your need for a bit of freedom, it's likely that something unexpected--perhaps upsetting--will occur to change your routine, anyway. Take the lead. Experiment! Life offers surprises today. Accept them! You may discover something new and valuable.

Venus trine Natal Ascendant

Make time to relax and enjoy yourself today, because you are most likely to be far more in the mood for a party than work. If you're planning ahead and can take at least some of this day off from work, do so. Be with others--or alone with that very special "other." Unless other challenging transits of this time contradict, all of your relationships are likely to be harmonious. You're feeling good and that radiates out and attracts others.

FEBRUARY 17, 2005 Thursday

Venus conjunct Natal Mercury

Your mood is probably quite good today, and inclined toward pleasure and the "lighter side" of life. It's a good day for a short pleasure trip, for visiting friends. You'll find it easy to communicate with tact and affection--so if you've been waiting for a good time to approach someone special and make a good impression, this is it. Also favored: poetry, writing, music, business negotiations for good financial terms.

Sun opposite Natal Jupiter

You should feel good today--expansive, in fact, and generous. It's a day when you should put your "best foot forward," for you can more easily succeed. Your confidence radiates and attracts. Give business initiatives and presentations a "jump start." Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles, fairness and common sense--and therein lies the challenge. This is a transit where the warning bell is on a tendency to overdo whatever you are doing. If what you are doing is positive, it should go well; if it's not, it could get you in trouble. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance or waste, enjoyment, but not overindulgence. Social affairs and celebrations can be joyous on this day--so long as you don't overdo!

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Ascendant

Your mind may be racing today, and you won't want to sit still. Speak your mind, but be sure to listen to the other person's opinion, too. Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.



FEBRUARY 19, 2005 Saturday

Mercury sextile Natal Moon

This is a passive transit that is likely to slip by unnoticed in the wake of other more challenging transits in the same time period. It is, however, a day in which you are probably more in touch with your feelings than usual, and because of that you can communicate sensitively with others--both in saying what you need to say, and in listening to and understanding their needs. If you have a problem to work out with someone, this may be the right time to talk it out.

Venus enters the 5th house Feb 19, 2005

With Venus traveling through your Fifth House, you are out for a good time, perhaps feeling quite playful and affectionate, unless planetary aspects during this same period show sobering themes. Even so, this transit will "lighten the load." This would be a good time to share creative projects with children. Love and romance are favored. Express yourself with charm. Your personal creativity is stimulated.

FEBRUARY 20, 2005 Sunday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. Balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Ascendant

Personal charisma shines today, but you

may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Look for win-win solutions.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

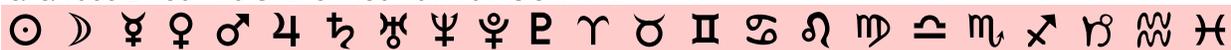
You may enjoy entertaining at home today. A potential challenge is overindulgence; another could be balancing needs of career and home. Express affection. A new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

FEBRUARY 21, 2005 Monday

Mars square Natal Saturn

Starts today; Exact Feb 22; Leaves Feb 24.

This transit can reflect a conflict between what you want to do and what the structures of your life permit. Somehow you must balance the two. Blocking your desire or giving up on it could strain your health. Ask yourself: are your perceived limitations truly absolute, or could they be changed? Constructive, disciplined work is favored on this day, and if you stick to it, you can accomplish a great deal. Stress means something is out of balance, or perhaps that you are internalizing anger. It might be a good



idea, then, to take a little break. Go for a walk, or meditate awhile, and reflect on a better approach.

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune
Starts today; Exact Feb 23; Leaves Feb 24.

Your escape mechanism is stimulated. You may want to escape from dealing with an ongoing situation. The fog may clear on deception or self-deception. If you're vulnerable to very negative forms of escape--alcohol, drugs--watch out. Cold or minor infections can provide temporary escapes, but are no fun. Positive escapes are creative art or music, spiritual pursuits. Or, help out someone who has problems worse than yours. Take some time to dream.

FEBRUARY 22, 2005 Tuesday

Mars square Natal Mars
Starts today; Exact Feb 23; Leaves Feb 25.

It's a day for activity--physical, energetic, strenuous, competitive. High accomplishment is possible, but you could overextend, or run into conflicts with others. Don't be foolhardy, or attempt to "run over" others, but don't suppress your urge to act, either. An extreme result of suppressing your own energy and desires can be illness or accident. Clear the air in a conflict. Deal with it honestly and forthrightly. Above all, DO something--and as much as possible, do it your way.

FEBRUARY 23, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury conjunct Natal Sun

All forms of communication and mental activity are in focus today. Get busy with

those errands, phone calls and letters. You are alert and mentally sharp; your mind is clear. Speak up! This is a time when others will listen, and you can gain respect for your point of view. You may be a bit restless today. Travel if you can. You can learn more quickly during this transit, so stimulate your mind.

Sun sextile Natal Moon

This transit will probably find you feeling fairly peaceful and balanced. Your outer needs (professional, public) flow harmoniously with your inner emotional needs. When you are in such a good mood, you might use this time to "bring up" the moods of others, and perhaps improve your relationships in the process. It's a good time to be with people, and friendships that start now are favored.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

Work and pleasure may be in conflict. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Think things through, don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

Venus square Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love can appeal to the heights of your imagination. The challenge of this transit is most likely to center around relationships, for today you are more inclined toward illusion than reality. Take care and take your time. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits and all that's beautiful. Just be aware that your view today is through rose-colored glasses, and the view may not be so rosy tomorrow.



FEBRUARY 24, 2005 Thursday

Mars sextile Natal Sun

Starts today; Exact Feb 25; Leaves Feb 26.

Today you are likely to have extra energy and drive for work, and you can accomplish a great deal without stress. Take the initiative on what needs to be done. Your sense of balance, coupled with your energy, means that you may be able to spark the team on a work project or in a sporting event. Whether on the team or working alone, you compete well. This is a good aspect under which to schedule business dealings or organizational activities in which you wish to put your ideas forward.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. Creative art expression can flourish.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Uranus

Potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Possible challenges: love relationships can conflict over stability versus freedom. "Love at first sight" could look differently tomorrow. Risk appeals, in romance or finance. Watch impulsiveness. Artists may try a new approach.

Full Moon in Your 11th House

Full Moon in the eleventh house illuminates your friendships, your group activities, the goals of your life's work and your hopes and dreams for the future. You are integrating these matters with a New Moon focus on your own individual creative expression. This may be a time when you can

successfully put yourself forward by taking on increased responsibility within your group activities. Perhaps you could head that committee or even run for a club office. Plan and evaluate your future goals, and take some step toward achieving them. If you feel a lack of progress, try a creative and original approach. Do something in which you can express your own individuality in contribution to a larger, perhaps a humanitarian, goal.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Midheaven

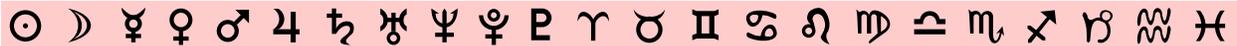
During this period you may be dealing with an issue of balance between your personal and professional lives. You need to have a sense of success and approval in the outer world, but you also need a sense of security and peace at home. If you've been neglecting either side of this polarity, it is likely that you will now be called upon to pay attention to it. Emotions could be in the forefront of the issue, and this could be good or bad, depending upon how in touch you are with your own feelings. Impulsive actions taken out of mood, without thought, could cause tension. Sensitivity expressed toward the feelings of others concerned could help. Look to the House in which this Lunation falls for additional insight into what area of your life may be involved in the balance to be restored.

FEBRUARY 25, 2005 Friday

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

Starts today; Exact Feb 26; Leaves Feb 28.

Activities today are most likely fruitful, successful, and perhaps even joyful. In your exuberance, you could be tempted to overextend yourself, overestimate your abilities and take risks that you shouldn't take. The key is to know your-



self. Make the most of this day.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Your mind may be racing today, and you won't want to sit still. Speak your mind, but be sure to listen to the other person's opinion, too. Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

Sun trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Midheaven

Not the easiest day to be a "team player." Your own concerns are in the forefront. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are working with others, strive to be considerate. You might do best to work alone, for then you can concentrate fully on your own goals with no conflict!

FEBRUARY 26, 2005 Saturday

Venus opposite Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. It might also be good for financial investments or legal matters--but for these, DON'T take this transit alone. Check out the longer term ones--this is only a day or so. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Take a little trip. Visit an art gallery, or create some art of your own. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

Mercury enters the 6th house Feb 26, 2005

During this period, concentrate on the organizational and technical details of your

work. Communicate with your co-workers and do what you can to improve teamwork. If you are feeling nervous or anxious, take note of the planetary aspects during this same period, for their messages may reveal the issues that need attention. Perhaps you just have too many irons in the fire, and need to think about balance. Health matters can be an issue of imbalance. This is a good time to think about and study health and nutrition.

FEBRUARY 27, 2005 Sunday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Moon

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

FEBRUARY 28, 2005 Monday

Mercury opposite Natal Pluto

Deep thinking is required today. Something must be confronted, or a decision or commitment made. Ambiguity just won't work. You could feel stressed, or even irritable, but it will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." In listening, be alert for what is implied, as well as what is stated directly. Smile, both for you and others. Avoid manipulating others or allowing yourself to be manipulated. This is a good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.



Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Ascendant

Relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. Have a good time, but avoid a tendency to overindulge or overspend. What appeals today, may not tomorrow.

Mercury trine Natal Midheaven

This is a passive, rather than an active transit, but its an excellent one for thinking through your plans, either for career or for home and family. You are able to think clearly and objectively. You can see both the overall picture and the details that fit into it. You could also use today to successfully talk over an issue you might have with another person. Communication with authorities should go well.

MARCH 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Mercury is in the 6th house from Feb 26, 2005 to May 3, 2005

See interpretation in February.

Saturn is in the 9th house from Feb 3, 2005 to May 6, 2005

See interpretation in February.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Jupiter trine Natal Mercury

Enters orb Dec 30, 2004; Exact Jan 11, 2005; Stationary (R) Feb 2, 2005; Exact Feb 23, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 7, 2005 (Retro).

This is a good time for thinking, traveling, doing business or communicating with others. You'll speak well for yourself. Your ideas are well-received and appreciated. You may be able to resolve problems you've had with others, if you speak with them sincerely and tactfully. This is also an excellent time to learn, to grasp abstract ideas, to write, to organize and to plan. This transit may merely indicate pleasant thinking, however, unless you take the initiative.

Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jan 21, 2005; Exact Feb 17, 2005; Leaves orb Mar 18, 2005.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imaginative? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be



"so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint financial situations that begin during this transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Saturn sextile Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jan 27, 2005 (Retro); Exact Feb 10, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 2, 2005 (Retro).

This is a transit that you share with others in the same age group. Whether its theme is noticed in your life or not depends largely on whether more personal planets are also involved in the transit. Themes include slow, transformative change and hard work. You may find that you work much harder than usual now, but you have the stamina to do so. Take advantage of it. You can make excellent progress now, and may advance professionally as a result.

Uranus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Feb 16, 2005; Exact Mar 5, 2005; Leaves orb Mar 23, 2005.

Sudden changes in career, reputation,

social status, relationships, home--all are potentials now. You may lead the change, surprising others caught unaware. Or changes may be precipitated by others. Even so, take it as a signal of changes you should make within. Accept the challenge to stretch. You can be more innovative and creative than usual during this transit.

Jupiter conjunct Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Feb 26, 2005 (Retro); Exact Mar 9, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 19, 2005 (Retro).

Feel good about yourself! This is a time of opportunity in which you can easily project your good feeling to others and reap rewards socially, in increased opportunities, in increased respect, and in a recharging of your general sense of well-being. It's a potentially very expansive time, usually quite positive. Yet guard against arrogance or expanding your waistline! Read also Jupiter in the Twelfth House, for this transit is the beginning phase of that longer term passage.

Neptune trine Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Feb 26, 2005; Exact Mar 30, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Exact Jul 12, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Aug 19, 2005 (Retro).

Although this transit is much milder than the challenging aspects, some caution is still called for in dealing with personal relationships. You may be seeing "the other" as your ideal rather than as a real--and very human--person. Your attraction to a new person in your life may be primarily spiritual and you could over idealize such a person--the "guru." Still, remember that even idols often have feet of clay. Take your time and don't "go overboard" now. Learn, but wait until this period is over to more thoroughly evaluate what you've learned. Your dreams may be vivid and enlightening--you would



do well to record and reflect on them. You could benefit from metaphysical studies, and reap rich inner rewards from helping, healing or charitable activities. For artists, imagination flows and enhances creativity.

Jupiter trine Natal Venus

Enters orb Mar 13, 2005 (Retro); Exact Mar 21, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Mar 29, 2005 (Retro).

This is a very harmonious transit, but one that may go by without anything happening other than a general feeling of pleasantness, unless you take some initiative. Love and romantic relationships are favored. You feel popular and attractive. Social occasions are enjoyable. You may be feeling languid and a little lazy, which could mean that this transit, if you're looking ahead, might be an excellent time to take your vacation. Your taste for beauty, luxury or food and drink may cause you to indulge more than you might at other times.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

Enters orb Mar 24, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 1, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Apr 9, 2005 (Retro).

With extra confidence and energy you can advance your projects, but guard against a tendency to over-expansion and overestimation. Take a hard look at long-term potentials. Excess tension may mean you're overextended, and if so, reassess your priorities and let something go. This should be a positive time, when you can accomplish a great deal--and learn how much you can effectively handle.

Jupiter quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

Enters orb Mar 31, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 8, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Apr 16, 2005 (Retro).

It's a good time to push your luck or put yourself forward. The challenge is to

expand without overdoing. Potential downsides of this transit are arrogance, overindulgence, exaggeration, and conflicts over moral principles. If you choose the "upsides" this can be a time of rewarding growth opportunities, general well-being, good self-esteem and success.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

MARCH 1, 2005 Tuesday

Mars square Natal Ascendant

Starts today; Exact Mar 2; Leaves Mar 3.

DO IT NOW and MY WAY is your urge with this transit. If the other(s) involved do not agree with you, dispute can result. Clearing the air now is probably better than suppressed tension that will only erupt later. It is better to release the tension. Be direct and be clear in expressing your view and asserting your rights. If the relationship is important to you, though, you had better listen carefully, too, and seek a win-win solution. If you are planning ahead, and are aware of the potential of such an eruption, you might better choose to spend this day's energy on a competitive sport, or on a project in which you can vigorously work alone. This is NOT to suggest repression, only that you might table the necessary conflict resolution to a day of calmer transits. On this day, express your own interests in positive work. Look to the house Mars is transiting for ideas.



MARCH 2, 2005 Wednesday

Venus sextile Natal Moon

Today, unless other simultaneous challenging transits contradict, you are likely to be a real "softy," warm and mellow toward everyone. Your feelings of love and affection are strong, so express them. All of your relationships, personal and public, can benefit from your mood today. This would be a good day to entertain friends at home. It's also a good day to sell.

MARCH 3, 2005 Thursday

Sun conjunct Natal Sun

Happy New Year! Yes, this is the beginning of your own personal new year. It may be your birthday today, or it may possibly be the day before or after, that the Sun returns to exactly the same degree in the zodiac of signs that it occupied when you were born. Astrologers cast a special chart for the exact moment that the Sun returns to its natal degree, minute and second. This chart is called a Solar Return, and it is used to interpret the character of the personal year. If you know the exact time of your birth, you could use an interpreted Solar Return to supplement this transit interpretation. Because the character of this day may well reflect important themes of your personal year, take special note of what happens in your life today. Better yet, you take the lead! Make a point of doing something today that, to you, symbolically represents what you would like for your new year. Take time today for yourself. Think about your direction and what you want to accomplish this year. Do something about which you can feel successful or fulfilled--do something that you enjoy!

Mercury opposite Natal Uranus

Bright ideas come in a flash! You're mentally quick, more clever than usual. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. If you are bored, blocked or too confined today, your unproductive outlet could be tension or disputes. It's likely a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled and scattered. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting. Get out and around, or stay in and "surf" the internet.

Mercury trine Natal Neptune

Intuition and the imagination are stimulated during this transit. You are more sensitive to others, and may be able to help. It's a good day for dreaming and fantasy, so if you can "get away from it all," do it. You won't feel much like working anyway, and we all need time for the soul. Wander in nature, create art or poetry. Explore a metaphysical topic or just curl up with a good novel.

MARCH 4, 2005 Friday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter

You think quickly today, and good ideas are likely. Optimism is high. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. The challenge: exuberance may lead you to overlook details, or arrogance could create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and listen. Get all the facts before you jump.



Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

You may enjoy entertaining at home today. A potential challenge is overindulgence; another could be balancing needs of career and home. Express affection. A new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

MARCH 5, 2005 Saturday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

A good day for a good talk with someone you love, but be flexible. You may need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Write that letter you've been putting off. Social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

MARCH 7, 2005 Monday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today, and some are in conflict with your own views. It's probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless and stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns.

Mars trine Natal Pluto

Starts today; Exact Mar 9; Leaves Mar 10.

The planet of action flows harmoniously with your capacity for inner power and transformation. Yet, when the flow is easy, it sometimes drifts by unnoticed, especially in the light of other more challenging transits. Be aware that this transit represents a time in which you can take

significant steps toward your major goals. If there are important changes that you need to make (probably indicated in your longer term challenging transits), this transit indicates a day or two or three when your efforts and progress can be more easily successful. Don't waste the opportunity. Competitions, sexual activities, or any instance in which you need to assert yourself, is favored today, so long as you respect the rights of others in the process.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Personal charisma shines today, but you may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Look for win-win solutions.

MARCH 8, 2005 Tuesday

Mars opposite Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact Mar 9; Leaves Mar 11.

Your objectives, your career, your goals and your ego are likely to be in the forefront. You want to do things your own way. With control over your rasher impulses, you can assert yourself with confidence. This transit could signal the need to resolve a conflict between your career life and your home life. Disputes could arise with a parent, or with your boss. In the case of confrontation, it is probably best to clear the air honestly and forthrightly, with respect for the other's views. Suppressing the tension will only table it to erupt later, in a less favorable way. For example, suppressed tension at work could be taken out later on an undeserving loved one at home, or tension at home could cause you to blow up at work, to your detriment. If planning ahead, and realizing the



potential of a confrontation, you might choose not to suppress, but rather to table the discussion for a calmer transit. Go off by yourself and engage in independent work or physical activity. That way you can accomplish a lot and work off the energy positively.

MARCH 9, 2005 Wednesday

Venus conjunct Natal Sun

It's a good day to feel good about yourself, and about your relationships. Give and receive attention, compliments and affection--maybe even gifts. Allow your sentimental and tender feelings to emerge. Play a little, have fun. If this day is spent alone, then try to pamper yourself a bit. Activities to improve appearances are favored. If you're planning to throw a party, show your art, or look for a new love, this day could be a good choice.

The Sun enters the 6th house Mar 9, 2005

During the transit of your Sun through the Sixth House your concerns turn toward your work responsibilities, and perhaps toward your health. If last month you indulged, this month may find you paying close attention to the establishment of healthful habits and productive work routines. This is also a good time to examine your relationships with co-workers and/or customers. Is there room for improvement? How can you be of greater service? THIS is how you can best shine during this period. Be a team player. Do what you can to help, to contribute, to work harmoniously with others.

Mars enters the 4th house Mar 9, 2005

When Mars travels through your Fourth House, activity centers in your home, and that activity is likely to be colored by emo-

tion. If you find yourself in arguments, take a walk or engage in some harmless but energetic physical activity to work off steam. Your energy may be focused on home improvements, or even in changing your residence. This may be a time when a significant point is reached in a career-related project you began around a year ago. Things that you wanted to achieve may be showing results, but at the same time, a better balance may need to be achieved between career and home life.

Jupiter enters the 12th house Mar 9, 2005

While Jupiter travels through your Twelfth House, your need to grow may focus your attention on spiritual matters much more strongly than usual. You are drawn to the mystical, and seek to expand your intuition. A deep empathy for others may result in satisfaction and growth through helping them. Your capacity for compassion is enhanced toward others, and also toward your own least favorite aspects. If you are involved in difficulties now, you have an increased ability to see the growth potential and to learn from the experience with a positive outlook.

MARCH 10, 2005 Thursday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Moon

If you feel "on edge" today, it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be too career-pressured, and are neglecting your inner needs. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what you know needs your attention in the outer world. Take some time to think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.



New Moon in Your 6th House

The concerns of the Sixth House are your day-to-day work, your co-workers and your working environment, any service you perform for others and also your health. This would be an excellent time to take the initiative toward improvement in any of these areas. Here are a few possible ideas that could apply to these themes: Start a new work project. Take the first step toward establishing a more harmonious relationship with a co-worker, supervisor or employee. Consider how you can be a more effective member of the team. Organize your working area. Clean up that messy desk. Suggest an idea you've had to improve efficiency. Draw up a business plan for the month ahead. Get that medical check-up you've been putting off. Start that diet or exercise program. Quit smoking. Look for an opportunity to help someone else.

New Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Moon

Illuminated at this time is your emotional self. This is the side of you that emerges from the subconscious, influenced by motivations that may have roots in past feelings and events that you scarcely remember. Your feelings and your moods are very involved with your security needs, your habit patterns and your ability (or lack of it) to be receptive and nurturing in regard to the needs of others. Understand these things, for if you do, you may be able to avoid the emotional conflicts with others that are a potential challenge of this period. Look to the House in which this lunation falls for insight into which "others" may be involved. Consider the other as a mirror (and a test) in which you might get in touch with old past-influenced feelings that no longer serve you. You always have the power to change yourself.

New Moon opposite Natal Pluto

Your power to create transformative changes in your life is in focus during this period. Also at issue may be your ability to eliminate that which no longer serves you, to bring matters to completion, or to deal with compulsions, either in behavior or in obsessive feelings. Power and control issues in your interactions with others may be of concern. Your emotions are likely to be more intense than usual. If you feel very stressed, take it as a signal that there are changes you know you should make. Suppressing them will not work; it will only increase your tension--and change is probably inevitable, anyway. Your choice is to claim your power to take the lead, or to give it away by your avoidance. In the latter case, you may attract a situation or person who will force the issue. Blame and excuses won't help. If something must end, let it go. One door may close--but another one opens. If you take charge and do what you must do, this can be a very powerful time for you. A new, more fulfilling life may be beginning.

MARCH 12, 2005 Saturday

Sun opposite Natal Pluto

You could be confronted with a mini-crisis--anything from pressure from the boss to a machine that breaks, forcing you to stop and fix it. Issues of power and control may emerge. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other issue of self-mastery. This could be a day in which an ongoing major issue, which is reflected by your long-term transits, is triggered. So be sure to reread them, too, in order to put your anticipation (or



hindsight) of this day in context. If you experience a power struggle or other crisis today, consider it as a test, or as a lesson from which you are supposed to derive insight into a change that you need to make. Claim your inner power to do what you must do, without being domineering over others. Let go of what you must, and you can feel a great sense of release, and an increase in your inner strength.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. Have a good time, but avoid a tendency to overindulge or overspend. What appeals today, may not tomorrow.

Sun trine Natal Midheaven

This is not inherently an "action" transit, so the extent to which you "feel" it depends a lot on other issues, reflected in your more challenging transits of this time period. Whatever is going on, though, this is a day in which your energy and confidence are likely to be stronger, or you are feeling a greater sense of clarity and balance. You may spend the day working quietly toward your goals, or you may receive favorable attention from the boss or your public. A cooperative aspect to the Midheaven also means a cooperative aspect to the Fourth House cusp, which is your home. Your sense of equilibrium today also means that your home and family activities are most likely to go smoothly.

MARCH 13, 2005 Sunday

Mercury conjunct Natal Saturn

A good day for serious thinking, disciplined and concentrated mental labor. Research and writing can go well. You may not feel too playful, or be as quick to get a joke, but you can certainly think things through and accomplish a great deal of work. A downside: you may experience delays, disappointments or uncertainty in commitments, even separations. Your pessimistic mood could cause difficulties in communications. Take heart. This is only a one day transit, so don't take yourself too seriously--you'll probably feel better tomorrow. This is also a travel transit, and business travel might be a good option, if you're planning ahead. Travel time is good thinking and planning time.

Mercury trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Neptune

You could feel lost in a fog, unable to find or remember things you should. On the other hand, intuitive messages could come through with extra oomph. Caution in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. If you can't put it off, be sure to double-check the details. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

Venus enters the 6th house Mar 13, 2005

Venus traveling in the Sixth House is a time in which you can stimulate and improve harmony and teamwork with your colleagues. Do your part, and others may be inspired to follow your example. During this period you may find you can take considerable pleasure in serving others and making their jobs easier. Unless planetary aspects reflect contradictory themes, your health should be good now, but you could be inclined to overindulgence. Watch



sweets.

MARCH 14, 2005 Monday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Moon

Feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. But know that your heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

Mercury conjunct Natal Mars

The planet of action and assertion is stimulated by the planet of communication. Is something on your mind? You'll say it--and probably in no uncertain terms! Careful! Presenting your point of view skillfully--debate--is favored. Arguments, in irritated or defensive mode, could get you in trouble. Don't get too ego-involved. Don't suffer in silence either, because then you might project the suppressed energy and someone might spout off at you. Intellectual work is favored, and you'll have the energy to work longer than usual. Just be aware that your tolerance level may be low, or you may feel stress. If so, take a break, slow down and relax a bit.

Mars sextile Natal Neptune

Starts today; Exact Mar 15; Leaves Mar 17.

The planet of action flows with your planet of dreams, idealism and escape. This is not a high energy day. The action you may want to take is to withdraw to a private space and dream or curl up with a good fantasy novel. If you need a respite, that may be the ideal thing to do today. On the other hand, if you enjoy creating art or music, or working in a metaphysical/spiritual pursuit, this is a tuned-in day that you shouldn't waste. Another good activity for this transit would be anything that involves selflessly helping others.

MARCH 16, 2005 Wednesday

Mars trine Natal Uranus

Starts today; Exact Mar 17; Leaves Mar 19.

You're likely to be restless, bored with routine, in a hurry, and feeling more impulsive than usual. Seek out some adventure today, if you can, or at least do something to break out of the norm. Unexpected meetings with others could be stimulating. A change of scene might give new perspectives. Make this a day of self-discovery and openness to new ideas.

Venus opposite Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. You may face a challenge today to balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Manipulation is ultimately destructive and must be avoided. Profound soul connections are possible when barriers are dropped. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

Venus trine Natal Midheaven

This can be a very productive day for those whose careers are involved with creativity, art, beauty or entertainment. Charm can further your professional ambitions. In any case, it's a good day to beautify your surroundings or attend artistic events. Sociable and amorous intents are also enhanced. You feel affectionate and are able to express your feelings more easily. Because of this, if you should be experiencing any longer term difficulty in a relationship, this is a day in which you may be able to improve things.



MARCH 17, 2005 Thursday

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

Starts today; Exact Mar 18; Leaves Mar 19.

Energy is high today. Keep active. Dealings with others may test you. Impatience could lead to conflict. Assert yourself, but do so with consideration, tact and respect for others. Your endurance is good today. Competitive urges are heightened--and you can win, if you keep your cool.

Sun trine Natal Neptune

Matters of spirituality, idealism, faith are highlighted during this transit and you may perceive them as especially beautiful. This is not a transit of high physical energy, so don't plan to push yourself. Try to take time away from your normal routine and meditate, do spiritual work, and perhaps just spend some time outdoors, in the beauty of nature. Creative work of beauty may emerge. Your intuition is heightened, and your capacity for empathy and compassion. You may find great satisfaction today in helping others. You could give a hand--or a willing and compassionate ear--to those close to you in family or neighborhood, or you could work within a charity.

MARCH 18, 2005 Friday

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter

Starts today; Exact Mar 19; Leaves Mar 21.

Activities today are most likely fruitful, successful, and perhaps even joyful. In your exuberance, you could be tempted to overextend yourself, overestimate your abilities and take risks that you shouldn't take. The key is to know yourself. Make the most of this day.

Sun opposite Natal Uranus

Expect the unexpected. If you are determined to stick doggedly to routine, something or someone is likely to disrupt it. Face it. YOU want a break. It would be best if you acknowledged that and found a way to be individual, different or free today. Decide what you could do to express your uniqueness, WITHOUT shaking up your life in a way that you might be sorry for tomorrow! You are likely to feel restless, and more in need of freedom than usual. If you try to repress that energy, it's even more likely that your carefully made plans are likely to be changed or your established routine broken. Repression could even cause you to "trip over your feet" or lose your patience in irritation with some innocent soul. Best way to use the energy: do something different or unusual. Innovate! Experiment! Who knows? Maybe the untried will be stimulating. Life offers surprises today--accept them! You may discover something new about yourself that will prove to be very valuable.

MARCH 19, 2005 Saturday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter

Your confidence radiates and attracts. Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles and common sense. A warning bell rings on overdoing. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance.

Venus trine Natal Neptune

This is a day when, if you can, you should dream, fantasize, enjoy the beauty of nature and take it easy. Enjoy creative pursuits, music and romance. If you are obligated to mundane work, you'll likely feel lethargic



about it. Take some meditation breaks. Increased intuition may give you ideas that you can beneficially manifest later. For today, though, you are probably in a pleasant fog, so don't push yourself to make decisions.

MARCH 20, 2005 Sunday

Mercury Stationary (R) while trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

You think quickly today, and good ideas are likely. Optimism is high. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. The challenge: exuberance may lead you to overlook details, or arrogance could create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and listen. Get all the facts before you jump.

Venus opposite Natal Uranus

This is a transit of potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Its possible challenges: love relationships can run into conflict over issues of stability versus freedom. A new attraction could have that "love at first sight" aspect, but tomorrow things could look differently, so take care. Be aware that risk appeals to you now--and this could apply to finance, too. Watch impulsiveness. Creativity is stimulated. Artists may try an innovative new approach.

MARCH 21, 2005 Monday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

A good day to do something you enjoy. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Arts and crafts activities are favored, too. Play a little, and indulge just a

bit, but don't overdo. Extravagance might be regretted tomorrow!

MARCH 22, 2005 Tuesday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

MARCH 23, 2005 Wednesday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

Today it seems the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, and everyone talks at once. Your opinions may be tested. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

You probably don't feel much like working today. More likely, you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

MARCH 25, 2005 Friday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over.



It may not be the best day for business negotiations, for you might give too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices.

Mercury conjunct Natal Mars (Retro)

The planet of action and assertion is stimulated by the planet of communication. Is something on your mind? You'll say it--and probably in no uncertain terms! Careful! Presenting your point of view skillfully--debate--is favored. Arguments, in irritated or defensive mode, could get you in trouble. Don't get too ego-involved. Don't suffer in silence either, because then you might project the suppressed energy and someone might spout off at you. Intellectual work is favored, and you'll have the energy to work longer than usual. Just be aware that your tolerance level may be low, or you may feel stress. If so, take a break, slow down and relax a bit.

Full Moon in Your 12th House

The illumination of this Full Moon could involve the needs of your own inner self. At the New Moon your attention may have been drawn to issues of your daily work, relationships with co-workers, services you perform for others, or on matters of health. Actions that you took to improve harmony in these areas may have now provided you with more time for personal introspection, and this can be a time when you can relax and nurture the needs of your spirit or perhaps engage in artistic activities. Or disharmonies in your work life or your health may now make it NECESSARY that you take time to be alone to really think things through and meditate on changes you could make. Seek out a trusted friend or counselor if you need feedback. Fulfillment may come through seeking serenity, an intuitive connection to others, or an understanding of life's patterns and processes.

Full Moon trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mercury

This could be a critical period for you in terms of your capacity to think, to communicate and to learn. Moon-Mercury symbolizes that the way in which you think and communicate is influenced by your moods and feelings. If you've had tension in your communications with others, this may be a time when you (or they) feel compelled to "clear the air." It may be best to do just that, but it may also be quite important for you to be aware of what is reasonable and what is sheer emotion. If your emotions are out of control, you could worsen the matter. On the other hand, if you are able to integrate your mind and heart, your ability to communicate with empathy can be very successful. During this time period you are likely to be much on the go--talking, speaking, writing, and perhaps traveling. Your mind jumps quickly from one thing to another, always seeking stimulation. Or at times it is possible that you could feel overstimulated or even nervous--bombarded from all directions. Since your views are likely to be changeable, this may not be a good time to make permanent decisions. Just keep busy and learn all you can.

MARCH 26, 2005 Saturday

Mars square Natal Moon

Starts today; Exact Mar 27; Leaves Mar 29.

Greatly stimulated emotional responses could lead to excitement and passion--or tension, rashness and irritability. If you've been suppressing frustration, it is likely to simmer up to the surface today and boil over. Be very aware that your actions under this transit are most likely to be driven by your feelings, and feelings are not always rational. You can't hold it all in today, so don't try. Express yourself directly and frankly, but



try to do so in a manner that is considerate of others. It might be best to avoid feeling trapped by family or domestic demands. Give yourself a break. You might expend some of your excess energy in a good workout or in a competitive sport.

Mercury conjunct Natal Saturn (Retro)

A good day for serious thinking, disciplined and concentrated mental labor. Research and writing can go well. You may not feel too playful, or be as quick to get a joke, but you can certainly think things through and accomplish a great deal of work. A downside: you may experience delays, disappointments or uncertainty in commitments, even separations. Your pessimistic mood could cause difficulties in communications. Take heart. This is only a one day transit, so don't take yourself too seriously--you'll probably feel better tomorrow. This is also a travel transit, and business travel might be a good option, if you're planning ahead. Travel time is good thinking and planning time.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Neptune (Retro)

You could feel lost in a fog, unable to find or remember things you should. On the other hand, intuitive messages could come through with extra oomph. Caution in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. If you can't put it off, be sure to double-check the details. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

MARCH 28, 2005 Monday

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Pluto
Starts today; Exact Mar 30; Leaves Mar 31.

Power and control issues may arise and you are in no mood for limitation. Egos may be on the line--understanding yours may be an important key to creating a win-win solution. You have deep feelings, and they are in the forefront now. Don't suppress them, for if you do, you are likely to attract a situation where you are attacked. Claim your own power to act constructively. Positive outlets: energetic work, consensual sex, and taking steps toward necessary major changes.

MARCH 31, 2005 Thursday

Venus conjunct Natal Saturn

On this day matters of love, affection, finances, and the arts are strongly influenced by practical considerations. This could mean that you experience a restraint in expressing affection, either on your part or your loved one's. You might also be dealing with the necessity for economy in spending. Art work will be disciplined, but likely quite productive. This could be a day to say good-bye, yet a relationship that starts at a time like this could be a serious and stable one.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love appeal. The challenge involves illusion versus reality. Take care in relationships, and take your time. What's wonderful today may not be so great tomorrow. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits.



APRIL 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Mercury is in the 6th house from Feb 26, 2005 to May 3, 2005

See interpretation in February.

Saturn is in the 9th house from Feb 3, 2005 to May 6, 2005

See interpretation in February.

Jupiter is in the 12th house from Mar 9, 2005 to Aug 23, 2005

See interpretation in March.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Neptune trine Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Feb 26, 2005; Exact Mar 30, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Exact Jul 12, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Aug 19, 2005 (Retro).

Although this transit is much milder than the

challenging aspects, some caution is still called for in dealing with personal relationships. You may be seeing "the other" as your ideal rather than as a real--and very human--person. Your attraction to a new person in your life may be primarily spiritual and you could over idealize such a person--the "guru." Still, remember that even idols often have feet of clay. Take your time and don't "go overboard" now. Learn, but wait until this period is over to more thoroughly evaluate what you've learned. Your dreams may be vivid and enlightening--you would do well to record and reflect on them. You could benefit from metaphysical studies, and reap rich inner rewards from helping, healing or charitable activities. For artists, imagination flows and enhances creativity.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

Enters orb Mar 24, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 1, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Apr 9, 2005 (Retro).

With extra confidence and energy you can advance your projects, but guard against a tendency to over-expansion and overestimation. Take a hard look at long-term potentials. Excess tension may mean you're overextended, and if so, reassess your priorities and let something go. This should be a positive time, when you can accomplish a great deal--and learn how much you can effectively handle.

Jupiter quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

Enters orb Mar 31, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 8, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Apr 16, 2005 (Retro).

It's a good time to push your luck or put yourself forward. The challenge is to expand without overdoing. Potential downsides of this transit are arrogance, overindulgence, exaggeration, and conflicts over moral principles. If you choose the "upsides" this can be a time of rewarding growth opportunities,



general well-being, good self-esteem and success.

Neptune conjunct Natal Mercury

Enters orb Apr 7, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 2, 2005 (Retro).

Imagination rules the intellect during this period. There are potential problems. If you are dealing with business decisions, negotiations or the reorganization of the realities of your life, watch out. Concentration may not be good, communications may not come out the way you intended, or you could fail to see hidden problems. Confusion, being misunderstood, errors in judgment, self-deception or being deceived are all possibilities. If you can't wait until a better time, at least be extremely cautious and think things through thoroughly. On the upside, if you're intuitive, psychic, an artist, a writer, a poet--delight in this time period and enjoy the flow. You may experience new heights of creativity, and flashes of insight that will serve you well. Words can flow forth like magic.

Jupiter opposite Natal Mars

Enters orb Apr 11, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 19, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Apr 28, 2005 (Retro).

This can be a successful time for any of your activities. You compete well, have energy and enthusiasm, take the initiative more easily than usual, and exude self-confidence. You may feel downright exuberant. It's a birth transit, though the "baby" could be your work project. Take advantage of the extra energy you feel now, but be aware that you may also be inclined to overdo, exaggerate, or do things in such a rush that mistakes are made. Sometimes this transit represents a conflict over authority, if what you are doing is with or for someone else. Assert yourself, but also be considerate and fair in balancing your own desires

with those of others.

Saturn sextile Natal Pluto

Enters orb Apr 11, 2005; Exact Apr 30, 2005; Leaves orb May 13, 2005.

This is a transit that you share with others in the same age group. Whether its theme is noticed in your life or not depends largely on whether more personal planets are also involved in the transit. Themes include slow, transformative change and hard work. You may find that you work much harder than usual now, but you have the stamina to do so. Take advantage of it. You can make excellent progress now, and may advance professionally as a result.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

Enters orb Apr 15, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 23, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb May 3, 2005 (Retro).

Do your dreams or ideals have a basis in reality? Check things out. Don't gamble what you can't afford to lose. You may over idealize others, failing to see them as they really are. Avoid drugs or alcohol. Focus. This can be an expanding and enlightening transit if you are seeking to grow spiritually.

Jupiter opposite Natal Saturn

Enters orb Apr 16, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 24, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb May 4, 2005 (Retro).

This is a time period in which you are learning to handle the conflicting principles of growth versus limitation. You are dealing with a strong urge to grow, expand and be optimistic versus your requirements to be serious and disciplined and to set (or accept) limitations. Your task is to achieve balance, but tipped slightly in favor of expansion. Reach out toward positive accomplishments, but based on a firm foundation. If



you attempt to over expand at this time, you may find yourself severely over-extended. If you repress your need to move upward and onward, you are likely to experience a good deal of frustration. Your task is to avoid emphasizing one side of these polar energies at the expense of the other. If you can manage to do both of them together, this can be a very positive transit in which you can achieve much and take steps that will increase your prosperity and satisfaction in life.

Saturn conjunct Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Apr 21, 2005; Exact May 6, 2005; Leaves orb May 18, 2005.

Whatever your work in the world is--the activity that really matters to you (usually the career, but not always)--this is a time of harvest. During this period a significant culmination is likely to be reached. Stretch! Responsibilities are likely to increase. Meet them willingly. Others may look to you for leadership. The harder you've worked with integrity, the greater may be your fulfillment at this time. Downside: if you've prepared poorly or played unfairly in past years, the "harvest" could be flawed. In any case, your work and responsibilities have priority now, and if accepted with maturity, this could be one of the most productive periods of your life. Read, also, Saturn in the Tenth House, for this is the beginning of that longer term passage.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

APRIL 1, 2005 Friday

Sun conjunct Natal Mars

The spotlight is on your capacity to ACT. If you've been meaning to get something done, this is the day to DO it! You are likely to feel more energetic than usual today--more assertive, more competitive, more sexual and more willing to take a chance. It's a good day to start a project--a day when you should be physically active. Don't get stuck at a desk all day today--at least get out and take a brisk walk! Repressed energy could emerge as irritability or anger. Recognize that, and make a point of keeping yourself active and busy, so that you do NOT get into an unwanted conflict with someone. Extra energy can be MISused (or repressed) in arguments, accidents, fevers, inflammations, reckless impulses. It can be positively used in competitive sports, creative activity, physical work.

Venus conjunct Natal Mars

This is a time to take the initiative toward your desires for love, art, beauty and pleasure. Passionate and satisfying sexual desire is one potential, as is play, flirtation and general pleasure. Emotional vitality is high. If you are on your own, you're still likely to be happy, enthusiastic and more attractive than usual. Go out among people if you can. If you work in any art form, you should be especially creative today.

Sun conjunct Natal Saturn

On this day the spotlight is on your duties and responsibilities. It can be a very satisfying day, if you attend to them! Sometimes this day may reflect new responsibilities that you must take on, which could even mean professional advances. It is a good day for organizing and planning, and an excellent day for hard work. Detailed work that might daunt you at



another time can be accomplished now. Your ability to concentrate is favored. You could experience some difficulty in relating to other people, because you are likely to be more in the mood to be alone, and you may not feel energetic. Don't allow self-doubts, inadequacy feelings or frustrations to block you. Dig in and do whatever needs to be done. That's the best way to make the most of this day and to feel good about yourself. If, for some reason, you are not able to work today, you won't feel like partying either. Your mind is most likely to dwell on serious matters, and you can benefit from constructive self-evaluation. If you feel the need, you might also benefit from talking things over with an older person whose opinions you respect.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Neptune

A day when you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. You could be "tuned in" for psychic, spiritual, or artistic activities, but with the strictly mundane, you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. Not a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. Take a meditation break. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.

APRIL 3, 2005 Sunday

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

Your confidence radiates and attracts. Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles and common sense. A warning bell rings on overdoing. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

APRIL 4, 2005 Monday

Venus sextile Natal Venus

If the themes of other more challenging ones dominate your attention, you may scarcely notice this one. Yet this is a day that, relative to what else may be going on, is most likely easy and pleasant. Casual sociability with others is favored. You may share sentimentality, nostalgia or sensuality with loved ones. Enjoy art activities, music or the beauty of nature.

Mars sextile Natal Mars

Starts today; Exact Apr 6; Leaves Apr 7.

It's a day for activity. Unless challenging transits at this time strongly contradict, you should be feeling extra energy. Assert yourself, and take the initiative in whatever you want to do. You can jump-start a new project or spark new life into an old one. This is a day to be effective, and your self-confidence will thrive through your accomplishments.

Mars sextile Natal Saturn

Starts today; Exact Apr 5; Leaves Apr 6.

This transit favors work projects that call for discipline, attention to detail and persistence. You may not be feeling especially energetic, but still, you should concentrate on your work today, because you will be effective, and because you will



feel far better tomorrow for having done it. Know that you can cope with whatever you must, and what you are doing now, while not bringing immediate reward, may be very important later. "Slow and steady wins the race."

APRIL 5, 2005 Tuesday

Sun sextile Natal Venus

Try to find something to do that you enjoy today. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Play a little--indulge just a bit. If you're on your own, do something special to beautify your surroundings--or yourself! Arts and crafts activities can go especially well today, too. Be light-hearted and creative. Have fun!

Venus opposite Natal Ascendant

This is an excellent day to enjoy yourself with others--or with that very special "other." All of your relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Get out and be with people today. You're probably feeling quite good and that radiates out and attracts others. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. The challenge: to have a good time, but avoid a tendency to over-indulge or overspend. What appeals today might not necessarily look as great tomorrow.

Venus enters the 7th house Apr 5, 2005

Venus in the Seventh House generally suggests harmonious relationships between spouses, business partners, even adversaries or competitors. Unless planetary aspects are very contradictory, this should be a period in which you can effectively resolve conflicts you may be having with others. If you are involved in a

legal matter, it could be settled now. A new romantic interest you meet during this period could be a marriage potential, or if you're looking to set the date, this may be your month.

APRIL 6, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury (Retro)

Communication issues dominate today, and some are in conflict with your own views. It's probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless and stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns.

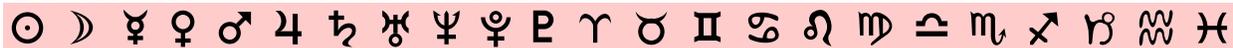
Venus sextile Natal Mercury

This is a good day to talk things over agreeably with just about anyone. If you've had problems with someone, this is a day when you may be able to resolve them. Mental activity will be enjoyable or seem easier now. Communication or travel matters go smoothly, comfortably. It's a good day to be with friends, give or go to a party, or engage in an artistic activity. Business presentations should also go well.

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Uranus

Starts today; Exact Apr 7; Leaves Apr 8.

You may in a hurry, feeling impulsive and rebellious. So GO--just watch out you don't trip over your feet in your rush! Suppressed tension could simmer over and explode, or can be internalized into a physical problem. Find a constructive and reasonably safe way to express your individuality. Innovative, creative work is the very best way to express this transit. Do something new.



Sun opposite Natal Ascendant

The spotlight in this transit is on your encounters with others. You are likely to be feeling more energetic than on other days, and because of that, you can take initiative, get things done and impress others favorably. Your personal charisma shines more brightly. The challenge: you may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, if you can--you have the extra energy--but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Compromise and seeking consensus is considerably more likely to bring success today than willfulness. Look for win-win solutions.

The Sun enters the 7th house Apr 6, 2005

The Sun is now traveling through your 7th house, just opposite from where it was six months ago. Then, the focus of your concern was on your own personal interests. At this time you can best "shine" by focusing on your close one-to-one relationships. If you are married, give some special attention to your spouse, and consider what you can do to enhance that very important relationship. Other kinds of partnerships are also "spotlighted" during this period. You may work most productively in partnership with someone else. On the other hand, the "significant other" could be a competitor. In that case, whether it is you or the other who shines more brightly, your own light will be most radiant both inside and out when you are fair and just.

APRIL 7, 2005 Thursday

Sun sextile Natal Mercury

Your vital energy and your mental capacities are in sync, making this a good day for any type of intellectual activity. You can study effectively and learn easily. Com-

munication is favored, too, so if you need to present your ideas to a group, close a sale, make a speech, write an important letter, this time period is a good choice. Unless other challenging transits contradict, travel should go smoothly, too. You can run those errands or make short trips with little or no stress.

APRIL 8, 2005 Friday

New Moon--Solar Eclipse

New Moon in Your 7th House

Because this New Moon is an eclipse, its themes are more significant and longer lasting. It may indicate a major focus in your life for months to come.

A New Moon in your seventh house places focus on your important one-to-one relationships. Such relationships might be defined as your actual or potential marriage partner or business partner, or it could possibly even mean your adversary in a competition or dispute. A "new beginning" theme for this house suggests that you could take the initiative in whatever may need to be done to improve your relationships. Arbitrate a dispute. Compete fairly. Have that heart-to-heart talk. Make a commitment. Take your share of responsibility for a previous commitment that now must be modified. Set the date. Join in social situations where you could meet potential partners. Negotiate a business agreement. Cooperate. Work out a compromise. Invite your partner out for an enjoyable social evening.

New Moon opposite Natal Ascendant

Opposite the Ascendant is your Descendant (the name for the first degree of the 7th House). This is the point in your chart most strongly associated with your close, one-to-one relationships, such as marriage or busi-



ness partners, or "open enemies," such as competitors in a contest or adversaries in a legal matter. It is important to realize that in dealing with any of these relationships, emotionalism may be a strong factor now. Subjectivity, rather than objectivity, is likely to prevail. Be aware of this factor. Especially if the applicable situation calls for clear, logical thinking, this might not be the best time to choose to push forward. The high focus here is on the OTHER person. This means that you could be at a disadvantage, especially if you are emotionally driven. On the other hand, if the situation calls for sensitivity and empathy, and something really needs to be talked through, this could be the time "get it out." Interactions aside, this transit may represent a time in which some activity or special interest of your partner is in the "spotlight." It might also highlight the general area of partnership in your life--you could be forming a partnership, or leaving one.

APRIL 9, 2005 Saturday

Mars conjunct Natal Venus

Starts today; Exact Apr 11; Leaves Apr 12.

Today brings one of the most potent transits for intensification of your sex drive. Passions are inflamed--with a willing partner. Yet gratification could be out of reach. Still, these energies need an outlet. Physically active creative work also fits the theme of this transit--dance, music, sculpture. Or you could expend the energy by getting going on that project to improve the looks of your surroundings, or yourself.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just

not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. Balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

Venus square Natal Midheaven

Although listed as a challenging transit, this one is usually easy. You are likely to want to be with people, and may enjoy entertaining at home. One caveat is over-indulgence, and another, for some, could be balancing needs of career and home. This may be the case for those whose careers are involved with creativity, art, beauty or entertainment. Usually, though, this is a pleasant day for relationships--one in which you feel like expressing affection--or a new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

APRIL 11, 2005 Monday

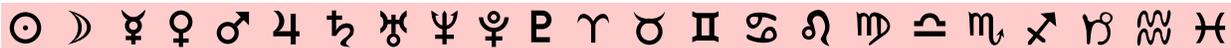
Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Pluto

Issues of power and control may emerge today. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other issue of self-mastery. A power struggle may lead you to insight into a change you need to make. Letting go could increase inner strength.

Mars trine Natal Ascendant

Starts today; Exact Apr 13; Leaves Apr 14.

This transit could be overlooked if other longer term transits dominate with different themes, but don't waste it. If you are planning ahead, this could be a good time to improve an ongoing challenging situation. When Mars energy flows harmoniously with



your Ascendant you are likely to be active, looking for something to do, and are able to work especially effectively in a group situation. Seek to make a strong contribution in a manner that serves the group, and creates good team spirit. You are probably feeling good today, and even vigorous. Get out and do things. For leisure, you might really enjoy participating in a sport.

APRIL 12, 2005 Tuesday

Sun square Natal Midheaven

This is not the easiest day to be a "team player" because your own interests and purposes are most likely to be in the forefront of your concerns. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are spending this day working--or just being with--others, strive to be considerate. With Sun square Midheaven, you might do well on this day to work alone. You have the energy to accomplish a lot, and if it's just you and yourself, then you can concentrate fully on your own self-interests with no conflict! If, however, Sun is entering the Fourth House (an opposition to Midheaven), it's probably not the best day to plan for important career activities. You're probably more interested in personal affairs today, anyway. If you can, plan on enjoying a family day, or perhaps just giving yourself some time to "get your house in order"--whatever that means to you!

APRIL 13, 2005 Wednesday

Mars conjunct Natal Mercury

Starts today; Exact Apr 14; Leaves Apr 16.

You have lots of intellectual or nervous energy at this time. If your mind is

flooded with ideas, creativity, originality, restlessness, take advantage. You can convince, sell, impress others with your thinking. Or you could become impatient, maybe irritable, and waste energy in arguments. If you're too inclined toward the latter, it might be best to work alone--but keep your mind busy! In travel, take extra care not to speed. A too "heavy foot" could lead to accidents or tickets. On the other hand, you think well "on your feet" today, processing information rapidly.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love appeal. The challenge involves illusion versus reality. Take care in relationships, and take your time. What's wonderful today may not be so great tomorrow. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits.

APRIL 14, 2005 Thursday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Uranus

Potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Possible challenges: love relationships can conflict over stability versus freedom. "Love at first sight" could look differently tomorrow. Risk appeals, in romance or finance. Watch impulsiveness. Artists may try a new approach.



APRIL 15, 2005 Friday

Venus trine Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. Unless other challenging transits contradict, it might also be good for financial investment or a legal matter. This would be a good day to plan a social activity or begin a vacation trip. You might give or receive a gift or create beautiful art. Or perhaps an idealistic or philosophical pursuit will bring you joy and satisfaction.

APRIL 16, 2005 Saturday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Neptune

A day when you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. You could be "tuned in" for psychic, spiritual, or artistic activities, but with the strictly mundane, you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. Not a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. Take a meditation break. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.

APRIL 17, 2005 Sunday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Uranus

If you're feeling restless today, take a break. Do something different. If you try to repress your need for a bit of freedom, it's likely that something unexpected--perhaps upsetting--will occur to change your routine, anyway. Take the lead. Experiment! Life offers surprises today. Accept them! You may discover something new and valuable.

APRIL 18, 2005 Monday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Egos are in the forefront. You want attention, and so does someone else. Respect your challenger, without denying your own needs. Shine through constructive effort and take pride in doing your best.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

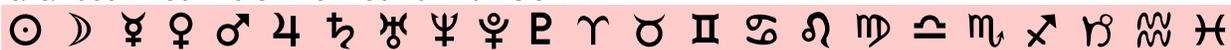
Communication issues dominate today, and some are in conflict with your own views. It's probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless and stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Pluto
Starts today; Exact Apr 19; Leaves Apr 21.

Power and control issues may arise and you are in no mood for limitation. Egos may be on the line--understanding yours may be an important key to creating a win-win solution. You have deep feelings, and they are in the forefront now. Don't suppress them, for if you do, you are likely to attract a situation where you are attacked. Claim your own power to act constructively. Positive outlets: energetic work, consensual sex, and taking steps toward necessary major changes.

Mars enters the 5th house Apr 18, 2005

Mars traveling through your Fifth House reflects your ability to express yourself with strong vitality. This could be in play or in sports. Be competitive, but remember that how you play the game is more important than whether you win or lose. You want to do what you want to do now, and are not



inclined to be very disciplined about obligations. Other themes might be self-expressive, creative work, or conflicts, with children; impulsiveness or fickleness in love; or an increased tendency toward risk-taking. Look to messages from concurrent planetary aspects for guidance. Don't gamble what you can't afford to lose.

APRIL 19, 2005 Tuesday

Sun trine Natal Jupiter

You should feel good today--expansive, in fact. Put your "best foot forward," for this is a time you can more easily succeed. Unless other challenging transits strongly contradict, you should be feeling in harmony with others and at peace with yourself. The only caveat, with "soft" transit, such as this, is you might be lethargic--inclined to drift through a enjoyable day. That would be a waste. If you are planning ahead, choose this day to schedule a family celebration (wedding, christening), throw a party, make a business presentation, begin a vacation--in other words, DO something special!

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact Apr 20; Leaves Apr 21.

Your objectives, your career, your goals and your ego are likely in the forefront, and you want to do things your own way. You may need to resolve a conflict between career and home life. Disputes could arise with a parent, or with your boss. It's probably best to clear the air honestly and forthrightly, with respect for the other's views. Suppressing the tension will only table it to erupt later, in a less favorable way. If you choose to table the discussion for a calmer transit, expend today's energy in independent work or physical activity.

APRIL 20, 2005 Wednesday

Venus conjunct Natal Moon

Today emotional stresses can be dismissed as you enjoy the company of others, or just enjoy pampering yourself. All expressions of love, beauty, pleasure and tenderness are favored--sexuality, yes, but even more likely fond affection, directed toward lovers, friends or family. Give someone a hug and get one back--or two or three! This is a lovely day to choose to entertain friends or family in your home. In art expression, the intuitive approach is favored.

APRIL 21, 2005 Thursday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Pluto

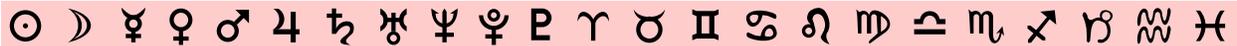
Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. Balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

APRIL 24, 2005 Sunday

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

Starts today; Exact Apr 26; Leaves Apr 27.

You may face a conflict between what you want to do and what the structures of your life permit, and somehow you must balance the two. Blocking your desire or giving up on it could strain your health. Constructive, disciplined work is favored. Stress means something is out of balance, or perhaps



that you are internalizing anger. It might be a good idea, then, to meditate on a better approach.

Mars square Natal Neptune

Starts today; Exact Apr 26; Leaves Apr 27.

Your escape mechanism is stimulated into action. A potential challenge is that you may want to escape from dealing with an ongoing situation (check long-term transits) that is triggered by this transit. The fog may clear on deception or self-deception. If you're vulnerable to very negative forms of escape--alcohol, drugs--watch out. Cold or minor infections can also provide temporary respite, but are no fun. If you're feeling tired today, or overly sensitive to criticism, try not to take yourself or it too seriously. Your Neptune is where you should transcend ego and work selflessly or for the sake of art or spirit. If you escape through creating art or music, or if you're engaged in a spiritual pursuit, make the most of this tuned-in time--this can be a good day! Or, help out someone who has problems worse than yours. Then, give yourself some time to dream a bit, and nurture the soul. Perhaps curl up with a good fantasy book and some soft music.

Full Moon--Lunar Eclipse

Full Moon in Your 1st House

Because this Full Moon is an eclipse, its themes are more significant and longer lasting. It may indicate a major focus in your life for months to come.

At the New Moon something in your life may have begun or changed in the area of relationships. Now you are dealing with the results of that change and its effect on you, your personal identify and your environment. If the new start or change was a positive one, you are probably feeling quite good about it now, and will have little trouble carrying it on to further success. If

something about it is not right for you, this is a time when an adjustment needs to be made, or a more mature understanding achieved.

During the two weeks to come, your focus is on your own personal issues. You are not likely to be as objective as you might be about the concerns of others that might not agree with your own. Understand that fulfillment flows from doing your own thing and being independent without losing sight of the needs of others.

Full Moon opposite Natal Moon

Take a good look at the House in which this Lunation falls, and take special note of any aspects of balance between polarities that it symbolizes. It is important for you to be aware, no matter what area of your life (house in your chart) is in focus now, that you are inclined to deal with it from a very emotional perspective and that your emotions may not be in harmony with the facts or with the perceptions of others. If you are NOT aware of your own emotional responses, you may be inclined to over-personalize issues and project the problems or blame onto others. In this case, you might need to seek an objective viewpoint. You may be reacting out of subconscious past--programming that is no longer appropriate. That "other guy" may be only a mirror in which you can see something within yourself that you need to change. If you understand and accept that, you may be able to use your extra emotional energy to good effect in the sensitive support of others. Or your ability to nurture and to "tune in" on others can even be used to advantage in mundane areas that involve persuading the public!



Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

The focus during this period is on transformative change, and you are more than likely to be emotionally involved in whatever change is going on, perhaps to the point of an almost compulsive attention. In relating to others, you are in no mood to give ground, and for this reason power/control struggles are possible. Try to avoid this--especially precipitating, or falling victim to, emotional manipulations. In conflict, think of the other person as a mirror of yourself, and look in that mirror to see what is really going on with you. You have the courage, now, to face that and learn from it. Change is inevitable. Don't let it happen TO you. Look inside and know what you really want, and then go after it, with consideration for others who may be involved.

APRIL 25, 2005 Monday

Sun conjunct Natal Moon

Sunlight shines on your deeply personal concerns today. Emotions come to the surface. If you are comfortable with your feelings, fine. You'll probably feel good, enjoy the day. You could have a productive time with a loved one, gain some new understanding, and if there have been any misunderstandings, perhaps forge a new beginning. If you are hiding your feelings, however, the day may not be so easy, for you may not be able to hide! Let them out. Today you can achieve an integration of your inner and outer selves that can add to your enjoyment of life. Think of today as if it is a personal New Moon, a time of new beginnings.

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Mars

Starts today; Exact Apr 26; Leaves Apr 28.

It's a day for activity--physical, energetic, strenuous, competitive. High accom-

plishment is possible, but you could overextend, or run into conflicts with others. Don't be foolhardy, but don't suppress, either. Clear the air. Deal with it honestly. Just DO something--and as much as possible, do it your way.

APRIL 26, 2005 Tuesday

Venus sextile Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit. Get out with friends and be sociable. Give and receive compliments. Express your tender feelings for a special someone. This is also a good day to choose if you need to make a good impression on someone or ask a favor. Art activities are favored.

Venus tricoctile (sesquisquare) Natal Uranus

Potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Possible challenges: love relationships can conflict over stability versus freedom. "Love at first sight" could look differently tomorrow. Risk appeals, in romance or finance. Watch impulsiveness. Artists may try a new approach.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Uranus

Starts today; Exact Apr 28; Leaves Apr 29.

You may in a hurry, feeling impulsive and rebellious. So GO--just watch out you don't trip over your feet in your rush! Suppressed tension could simmer over and explode, or can be internalized into a physical problem. Find a constructive and reasonably safe way to express your individuality. Innovative, creative work is the very best way to express this transit. Do something new.



Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Pluto

Issues of power and control may emerge today. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other issue of self-mastery. A power struggle may lead you to insight into a change you need to make. Letting go could increase inner strength.

APRIL 27, 2005 Wednesday

Venus enters the 8th house Apr 27, 2005

Love relationships are more intense than usual when Venus travels through the Eighth House. Romance has strong sexual overtones. Feelings are deep. A new love would be far from casual, in your eyes. Review planetary aspects during this same time for guidance. The Eighth House matters also include the financial resources of others, and Venus here generally means a favorable time for you if you must seek a loan or some other type of financial help.

APRIL 28, 2005 Thursday

Venus square Natal Venus

Most likely this day favors casual, pleasant sociability with others; perhaps sentimentality, nostalgia or sensuality with loved ones. Minor differences in approaches to manner of pleasure, finance could require balance. You probably don't feel much like working--more likely you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

Mars opposite Natal Jupiter

Starts today; Exact Apr 30; Leaves May 1.

You are stimulated to act with this transit, and your activities are fruitful, successful, and perhaps even joyful. What you do today contributes to positive growth--so long as you also integrate your actions with ethical principles. In your exuberance, you could be tempted to overextend yourself, overestimate your abilities and take risks that you shouldn't take. The key is to know yourself. Make the most of this time period. You've got the extra energy, and this transit is usually a success indicator.

Mercury conjunct Natal Saturn

A good day for serious thinking, disciplined and concentrated mental labor. Research and writing can go well. You may not feel too playful, or be as quick to get a joke, but you can certainly think things through and accomplish a great deal of work. A downside: you may experience delays, disappointments or uncertainty in commitments, even separations. Your pessimistic mood could cause difficulties in communications. Take heart. This is only a one day transit, so don't take yourself too seriously--you'll probably feel better tomorrow. This is also a travel transit, and business travel might be a good option, if you're planning ahead. Travel time is good thinking and planning time.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Neptune

You could feel lost in a fog, unable to find or remember things you should. On the other hand, intuitive messages could come through with extra oomph. Caution in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. If you can't put it off, be sure to double-check the details. Try to take some



time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

APRIL 29, 2005 Friday

Mercury conjunct Natal Mars

The planet of action and assertion is stimulated by the planet of communication. Is something on your mind? You'll say it--and probably in no uncertain terms! Careful! Presenting your point of view skillfully--debate--is favored. Arguments, in irritated or defensive mode, could get you in trouble. Don't get too ego-involved. Don't suffer in silence either, because then you might project the suppressed energy and someone might spout off at you. Intellectual work is favored, and you'll have the energy to work longer than usual. Just be aware that your tolerance level may be low, or you may feel stress. If so, take a break, slow down and relax a bit.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. Have a good time, but avoid a tendency to overindulge or overspend. What appeals today, may not tomorrow.

APRIL 30, 2005 Saturday

Venus square Natal Mercury

Among challenging transits, this is one of the easiest. If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. The only caveat is that you could be inclined to agree to a compromise where you really aren't willing to give

ground, thus not really solving the issue but only sidelining it for now. For the same reason, this day may not be the best for business negotiations, for you might give too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices for today.

MAY 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Jupiter is in the 12th house from Mar 9, 2005 to Aug 23, 2005

See interpretation in March.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

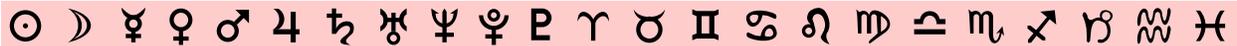
See interpretation in January.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Neptune trine Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Feb 26, 2005; Exact Mar 30, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Exact Jul 12, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Aug 19, 2005 (Retro).



Although this transit is much milder than the challenging aspects, some caution is still called for in dealing with personal relationships. You may be seeing "the other" as your ideal rather than as a real--and very human--person. Your attraction to a new person in your life may be primarily spiritual and you could over idealize such a person--the "guru." Still, remember that even idols often have feet of clay. Take your time and don't "go overboard" now. Learn, but wait until this period is over to more thoroughly evaluate what you've learned. Your dreams may be vivid and enlightening--you would do well to record and reflect on them. You could benefit from metaphysical studies, and reap rich inner rewards from helping, healing or charitable activities. For artists, imagination flows and enhances creativity.

Neptune conjunct Natal Mercury

Enters orb Apr 7, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 2, 2005 (Retro).

Imagination rules the intellect during this period. There are potential problems. If you are dealing with business decisions, negotiations or the reorganization of the realities of your life, watch out. Concentration may not be good, communications may not come out the way you intended, or you could fail to see hidden problems. Confusion, being misunderstood, errors in judgment, self-deception or being deceived are all possibilities. If you can't wait until a better time, at least be extremely cautious and think things through thoroughly. On the upside, if you're intuitive, psychic, an artist, a writer, a poet--delight in this time period and enjoy the flow. You may experience new heights of creativity, and flashes of insight that will serve you well. Words can flow forth like magic.

Saturn sextile Natal Pluto

Enters orb Apr 11, 2005; Exact Apr 30, 2005; Leaves orb May 13, 2005.

This is a transit that you share with others in the same age group. Whether its theme is noticed in your life or not depends largely on whether more personal planets are also involved in the transit. Themes include slow, transformative change and hard work. You may find that you work much harder than usual now, but you have the stamina to do so. Take advantage of it. You can make excellent progress now, and may advance professionally as a result.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

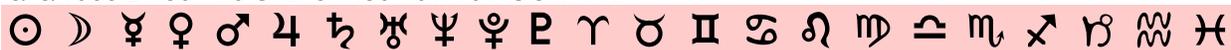
Enters orb Apr 15, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 23, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb May 3, 2005 (Retro).

Do your dreams or ideals have a basis in reality? Check things out. Don't gamble what you can't afford to lose. You may over idealize others, failing to see them as they really are. Avoid drugs or alcohol. Focus. This can be an expanding and enlightening transit if you are seeking to grow spiritually.

Jupiter opposite Natal Saturn

Enters orb Apr 16, 2005 (Retro); Exact Apr 24, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb May 4, 2005 (Retro).

This is a time period in which you are learning to handle the conflicting principles of growth versus limitation. You are dealing with a strong urge to grow, expand and be optimistic versus your requirements to be serious and disciplined and to set (or accept) limitations. Your task is to achieve balance, but tipped slightly in favor of expansion. Reach out toward positive accomplishments, but based on a firm foundation. If you attempt to over expand at this time, you may find yourself severely over-



extended. If you repress your need to move upward and onward, you are likely to experience a good deal of frustration. Your task is to avoid emphasizing one side of these polar energies at the expense of the other. If you can manage to do both of them together, this can be a very positive transit in which you can achieve much and take steps that will increase your prosperity and satisfaction in life.

Saturn conjunct Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Apr 21, 2005; Exact May 6, 2005; Leaves orb May 18, 2005.

Whatever your work in the world is--the activity that really matters to you (usually the career, but not always)--this is a time of harvest. During this period a significant culmination is likely to be reached. Stretch! Responsibilities are likely to increase. Meet them willingly. Others may look to you for leadership. The harder you've worked with integrity, the greater may be your fulfillment at this time. Downside: if you've prepared poorly or played unfairly in past years, the "harvest" could be flawed. In any case, your work and responsibilities have priority now, and if accepted with maturity, this could be one of the most productive periods of your life. Read, also, Saturn in the Tenth House, for this is the beginning of that longer term passage.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

MAY 1, 2005 Sunday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

You think quickly today, and good ideas are likely. Optimism is high. Business matters,

public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. The challenge: exuberance may lead you to overlook details, or arrogance could create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and listen. Get all the facts before you jump.

MAY 2, 2005 Monday

Mercury sextile Natal Venus

This is such an easy transit, it is most likely to slip by unnoticed--especially if more challenging transits occur at the same time. Of itself, it's likely to reflect a time when you "lighten up" and are friendly and sociable. Your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Speak of love to someone special, or write that letter you've been meaning to write. Do something you really enjoy.

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Ascendant

Starts today; Exact May 3; Leaves May 5.

You want things your way, and if others do not agree, dispute can result. Clear the air and release the tension. Be direct and clear in expressing your view. If the relationship is important to you, though, you had better listen carefully, too, and seek a win-win solution. Or table the discussion for a calmer day, and work this one off in a competitive sport, or on a project in which you can vigorously work alone.

MAY 3, 2005 Tuesday

Sun sextile Natal Sun

Today is a day when you shine effortlessly, and are likely to receive favorable attention--a good time to push your luck with



others. Make that presentation, or social contact. Your energy is probably high, stress is low, and life seems harmonious. This is a good transit for work or for play. Choose it for an enjoyable vacation time, or for ease in work situations.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Uranus

If you're feeling restless today, take a break. Do something different. If you try to repress your need for a bit of freedom, it's likely that something unexpected--perhaps upsetting--will occur to change your routine, anyway. Take the lead. Experiment! Life offers surprises today. Accept them! You may discover something new and valuable.

Venus trine Natal Pluto

Emotions run very deep today. If you are in love, you feel it strongly and sensually. If you meet someone new, the attraction will probably be intense, perhaps compulsive. If you are an artist, your work will be highly expressive and revealing of your inner self. If none of these things are the case, still your feelings about whatever you are experiencing are intense, and if you probe them, you can discover truths about yourself that enhance your inner power to make creative changes.

Mercury opposite Natal Ascendant

It's a busy day, in which you have extra energy to put into all your communications with others. Your mind may be racing, and you won't want to sit still. You can effectively express yourself now, so have that talk, and speak your mind, but be sure to pause and listen to the other person's opinion, too. Listening is just as important to communication as talking! Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

Venus sextile Natal Midheaven

This can be a very productive day for those whose careers are involved with creativity, art, beauty or entertainment. Charm can further your professional ambitions. In any case, it's a good day to beautify your surroundings or attend artistic events. Sociable and amorous intents are also enhanced. You feel affectionate and are able to express your feelings more easily. Because of this, if you should be experiencing any longer term difficulty in a relationship, this is a day in which you may be able to improve things.

Mercury enters the 7th house May 3, 2005

The Seventh House focus is on your close one-to-one relationships. Mercury traveling here illuminates your need for feedback from others. Communicate with your spouse or business partner. Consult a specialist if you need to discuss a problem. This may not be the best time for negotiations, for the other person may be more persuasive. If this seems the case, just be sure to take time to think things through and to read the fine print before you finalize the matter. Check messages of planetary aspects during this period, for they are likely to indicate more prominent themes than this one. In any case, seek a fair compromise.

MAY 4, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury sextile Natal Mercury

Communication issues are favored today. Conversations, dialogues, debates, business matters and errands all could be more evident than usual. Your mind is likely to be clear and you'll be able to handle all this with a minimum of stress. Routine matters and detailed work can go smoothly. Other possibilities: take a short trip, visit a friend



who likes to talk, or travel through books, to learn anything new that you may be curious about.

MAY 5, 2005 Thursday

The Sun enters the 8th house May 5, 2005

During the transit of the Sun through your Eighth House, you are likely to experience a period of rather intense personal introspection. The Eighth House is the house of death. Death, in this sense, means transformation, or change from one form to another. In some way, this period of your year may provoke some kind of inner change, as you probe the mysteries within yourself and others around you. Issues may arise concerning the various resources that you share with a partner, or regarding intimacy or sexuality. You may be more inclined than usual toward interest in the occult. Research or investigative activities are favored. Shine through your willingness to confront any of these matters with passion but with self-control and consideration for others involved.

MAY 6, 2005 Friday

Mars sextile Natal Moon

Starts today; Exact May 8; Leaves May 9.

Feelings run strong today, and are likely to rule your actions. This can be controlled and even used to advantage, so long as you are aware of it. You are able to stick up for your views, compete well and accomplish a great deal of work, especially if you are emotionally vested in what you are doing. This is also a transit that might mark an intense sexual union, or a heart-to-heart talk with a good friend. You may be putting extra energy into family or domestic

matters.

Sun square Natal Venus

This transit isn't really very challenging at all. In fact, it's a good day to do something you enjoy. Probably you'll be feeling sociable, even affectionate, and want to be with people. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. If you're on your own, work on a creative project. Arts and crafts activities are favored by Venus aspects, too. This is a time to play a little, and indulge just a bit. The caveat--and potential challenge--you may be inclined to overdo. Extravagance or overindulgence might be regretted tomorrow!

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Pluto

Today you could be stressed, even irritable, over a decision or commitment that must be made. It will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." Smile, both for you and others. A good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.

Saturn enters the 10th house May 6, 2005

Transiting Saturn's culmination at the top of a chart, the Tenth House, has been called the "harvest" or the "get what you deserve time" or the "career peak." If you have been building constructively and honorably in your work, this truly will be a time when you harvest rewards and recognition, and that is what you will deserve. However, if you've got some "skeletons in your closet," they may come out and haunt you now. For example, shoddy work or unethical conduct that you thought you'd covered up, can be discovered and spoil your harvest. (The newly reelected President Nixon's resignation over Watergate, when Saturn was in his



Tenth, has become a classic astrological example of the difficult potentials of this transit.) In either case, whether this time represents a difficult or a wonderful harvest, this is a period when your responsibilities will increase. You are at an optimum time to really make an impression on your world.

If you are career oriented, the accomplishments, recognition, leadership and consequent increased responsibility of this transit will be in your professional life. If career is not your primary goal, it could be your avocation, hobby or social status in which you achieve fulfillment and recognition, with consequent added responsibilities.

Enjoy your rewards, and accept the responsibility that goes with them. Lead with honor, and with respect for others. If there are difficulties with this transit, it is important to examine why, and to learn from that introspection. Saturn, here, teaches you how to handle work, responsibility and power in the world. This is a highly productive period, and you should make the most of it, while recognizing that the more powerful you become, the more is expected of you in using that power wisely.

MAY 7, 2005 Saturday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. Creative art expression can flourish.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

Work and pleasure may be in conflict. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are

out-of-balance. Think things through, don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

Venus opposite Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love can appeal to the heights of your imagination. The challenge of this transit is most likely to center around relationships, for today you are more inclined toward illusion than reality. Take care and take your time. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits and all that's beautiful. Just be aware that your view today is through rose-colored glasses, and the view may not be so rosy tomorrow.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Personal charisma shines today, but you may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Look for win-win solutions.

Mercury square Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power. With Mercury square Midheaven your thoughts are likely on career concerns or possibly on resolving conflicts between home and career. With Mercury opposite Midheaven, the focus of your thinking is more likely to be on home. (Read Mercury in the Fourth House.)



MAY 8, 2005 Sunday

Sun square Natal Mercury

Does it seem like "everybody" wants to talk to you or hear from you today? If the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, several talk at once, opinions conflict, at least you've got the extra mental energy to deal with it. Your opinions may be tested. Strive to be very clear about what YOU say and remember that it is equally important to LISTEN. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

Venus trine Natal Uranus

Today could bring a pleasant surprise, but why wait around for it? You are probably feeling a little restless and bored with routine, so take the initiative and look for a change of scene. Even if it's a work day, you can spend part of it doing something new, trying something different. You might even meet someone new and exciting.

New Moon in Your 8th House

A primary concern of the eighth house is that of joint resources. Assets you share with a partner or debts that you owe are two examples. Your initiative or "new beginning" here might be taking a positive step to lessen or remove your debts. Perhaps you need to review your insurance policies, or make an estate plan, or deal with a tax matter. Is there anything to do with your marriage or partnership agreement regarding assets that you feel needs discussion or clarification? Time to talk it over! Take carefully considered steps to improve your situation that are CONSIDERATE of the other person involved. Other themes of the Eighth House are self-mastery and deeply psychological or hidden (occult) interests. You might benefit from increased self-discipline. Take steps now to control an undesirable habit that you'd like to break. Your capacity for self-mastery

could increase through delving into a new course of study in metaphysics or psychology.

New Moon square Natal Mercury

This could be a critical period for you in terms of your capacity to think, to communicate and to learn. Moon-Mercury symbolizes that the way in which you think and communicate is influenced by your moods and feelings. If you've had tension in your communications with others, this may be a time when you (or they) feel compelled to "clear the air." It may be best to do just that, but it may also be quite important for you to be aware of what is reasonable and what is sheer emotion. If your emotions are out of control, you could worsen the matter. On the other hand, if you are able to integrate your mind and heart, your ability to communicate with empathy can be very successful. During this time period you are likely to be much on the go--talking, speaking, writing, and perhaps traveling. Your mind jumps quickly from one thing to another, always seeking stimulation. Or at times it is possible that you could feel overstimulated or even nervous--bombarded from all directions. Since your views are likely to be changeable, this may not be a good time to make permanent decisions. Just keep busy and learn all you can.

New Moon square Natal Venus

You are likely to be feeling quite sociable during this period--ready to get out and be with people and make new friends. You might even meet a new love! It can be a good time to give a party, too. Enjoy--but watch out for a possible tendency to overindulge, for you are much more inclined toward what feels good at the moment than you are to think of the resulting consequences. This may also apply to spending more than you ought, on items of luxury and beauty. If you are involved in any type of artistic activity, this is a time of



enhanced focus. You may be especially able to express your feelings and make a strong personal statement with your art.

MAY 9, 2005 Monday

Venus square Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. It might also be good for financial investments or legal matters--but for these, DON'T take this transit alone. Check out the longer term ones--this is only a day or so. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Take a little trip. Visit an art gallery, or create some art of your own. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact May 11; Leaves May 12.

Your objectives, your career, your goals and your ego are likely in the forefront, and you want to do things your own way. You may need to resolve a conflict between career and home life. Disputes could arise with a parent, or with your boss. It's probably best to clear the air honestly and forthrightly, with respect for the other's views. Suppressing the tension will only table it to erupt later, in a less favorable way. If you choose to table the discussion for a calmer transit, expend today's energy in independent work or physical activity.

MAY 10, 2005 Tuesday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Uranus

Try a new approach today. Tension or disputes could result from boredom or confinement. This could be a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Neptune

You could feel lost in a fog, unable to find or remember things you should. On the other hand, intuitive messages could come through with extra oomph. Caution in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. If you can't put it off, be sure to double-check the details. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

MAY 11, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

The phone rings, lots of talk flows around you. Papers must be shuffled; errands must be run. Interruptions abound. Your nervous energy is tested. In communicating with others, egos and needs may conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Mercury trine Natal Jupiter

This is an easy transit in which you could be inclined to just relax--and that may be just what you need. If planning ahead, however,



know that today you can put your communication skills to work for your advantage. Business matters are favored, as is any kind of study, planning or wide-ranging mental activity. Optimism is increased.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Ascendant

Relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. Have a good time, but avoid a tendency to overindulge or overspend. What appeals today, may not tomorrow.

MAY 12, 2005 Thursday

Sun trine Natal Pluto

Your creative potential to make changes is favored on this day. If there's a sticky situation that needs to be cleared up, a relationship issue that needs to be confronted, or even a messy desk or closet that needs to be cleaned out, this is an appropriate time to do it. Your attempt to transform, so long as you are ethical and fair, can progress smoothly today, and you'll most likely feel very good about the result. Feel your own inner power, and use it to make a favorable impression on others. This is also a good transit under which to engage in serious thinking, study or investigative work. You can get right to the bottom of a problem and discover the way to solve it.

Sun sextile Natal Midheaven

This is not inherently an "action" transit, so the extent to which you "feel" it depends a lot on other issues, reflected in your more challenging transits of this time period. Whatever is going on, though, this is a day in which your energy and confidence are likely to be stronger, or you are feeling a

greater sense of clarity and balance. You may spend the day working quietly toward your goals, or you may receive favorable attention from the boss or your public. A cooperative aspect to the Midheaven also means a cooperative aspect to the Fourth House cusp, which is your home. Your sense of equilibrium today also means that your home and family activities are most likely to go smoothly.

MAY 15, 2005 Sunday

Mercury conjunct Natal Moon

This is a day in which communication matters are in focus. Your mind is extremely active, but be aware that it is the emotional, feeling side of your mind that is likely to predominate over the logical, objective side. You may be impelled to get that problem you've been holding back "off your chest," and this may well be an excellent time to do so. It's important to convey feelings, and this transit favors honest and sensitive communication. Be sure, though, that you are prepared to listen--and feel--the issues of others involved. Seek common ground.

MAY 16, 2005 Monday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Pluto

Today you could be stressed, even irritable, over a decision or commitment that must be made. It will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." Smile, both for you and others. A good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.



Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Midheaven

You may enjoy entertaining at home today. A potential challenge is overindulgence; another could be balancing needs of career and home. Express affection. A new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

MAY 17, 2005 Tuesday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Mars

Confrontational situations could arise. Energy is high and work can be productive, but perhaps best if you work alone. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. Hostility, from within yourself or from others is signal to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. A good physical workout may help.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

You feel just plain tired today--or you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." Don't spend the day just brooding, though. Get to work. You can take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can even turn this into a good day!

Sun opposite Natal Neptune

This is just not the day to forge ahead with enthusiasm in the working world. In fact, you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. Avoid choosing this day for any

activity where you must be upbeat and "on." (An exception to this may be if your prime activity is psychic, spiritual, artistic or perhaps promotional. In these areas an increased ability to "tune in" on the intangible is an asset.) With strictly mundane activities, lack of clarity can be an issue: either you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. This is NOT a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. If you can't, try to pace yourself. Go through your routine, avoid confrontation, and if your mood is low, don't take yourself too seriously. Take a meditation break, and plan something relaxing for after work. Matters of spirituality, idealism, faith are highlighted today, and can be beautiful. Intuition is stimulated and insight can be gained. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.

MAY 18, 2005 Wednesday

Mars conjunct Natal Sun

Starts today; Exact May 19; Leaves May 21.

This is a high energy transit--a time to be active, assertive, strenuous, sexual, competitive. You can accomplish a lot and endure longer. Just take care that you don't burn yourself out or explode! Others may not be ready for your extra push and could find you irritating, so try to be considerate. You don't have to "mow them down" in your process. Choose a constructive way to release your excess energy. Independent work might be better than attempts at teamwork today.

Sun trine Natal Uranus

This is a wonderful day to be individual, to be different and to express your freedom. Expect the unexpected--be alert for it. Create it! If you can, do plan to do



something on this day to break from your normal routine. Try a change of scene. Visit someplace new. Open your mind to learn new things. You might begin a stimulating new course of study--something you wouldn't normally think of to try. Perhaps you could make a change in your surroundings, or even yourself. Try that new look! You are probably more inquisitive than usual, and your imagination is stimulated, so if you are at work today, you might come up with a good, new approach. This is a day when you can make changes more freely than other time. Be open. Be creative.

MAY 19, 2005 Thursday

Venus sextile Natal Mars

This transit's theme is one of balance between your needs to assert yourself and your needs to relate to others, to give and to receive. Relationships benefit from your warmth and comfort with yourself. Love relationships bloom, and new friendships can form. Surround yourself with beauty--create art, or spruce up your home or yourself. Be with people and enjoy.

Venus sextile Natal Saturn

This transit focuses on stability and conservatism in matters of love, affection, finances, and the arts. It could be a time for a serious talk with a loved one. Or you may attend to your responsibility for a loved one, and you will do so willingly. A relationship that starts during this transit is most likely to be a stable one. Art work will be disciplined and probably quite productive.

Mercury trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Uranus

Try a new approach today. Tension or disputes could result from boredom or con-

finement. This could be a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting.

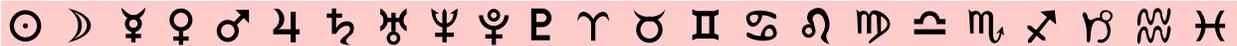
MAY 20, 2005 Friday

Mercury sextile Natal Sun

This transit may go by unnoticed if other stronger transits are occurring at the same time. If you're planning ahead, know that whatever else is going on, this is a day when your mental work or communication activities can go well. You are likely to be thinking clearly and can express yourself with clarity, too. Catch up on those calls you've been meaning to make, the letters that need answering, the paperwork that needs to be cleared up. It's also a favorable day for meetings, discussions and study.

Sun square Natal Jupiter

You should feel good today--expansive, in fact, and generous. It's a day when you should put your "best foot forward," for you can more easily succeed. Your confidence radiates and attracts. Give business initiatives and presentations a "jump start." Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles, fairness and common sense--and therein lies the challenge. This is a transit where the warning bell is on a tendency to overdo whatever you are doing. If what you are doing is positive, it should go well; if it's not, it could get you in trouble. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance or waste, enjoyment, but not overindulgence. Social affairs and celebrations can be joyous on this day--so long as you don't



overdo!

Mercury enters the 8th house May 20, 2005

With Mercury in the Eighth House, you are more prone to profound thinking, deep conversations and personal introspection. You may be drawn to matters of intrigue or to explorations into the occult. Events may cause you to reflect on mortality or to be involved in secrets. Negotiations concerning jointly held finances or property may occur during this period, and if so, look to messages in concurrent planetary aspects for guidance.

MAY 21, 2005 Saturday

Venus square Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Give and receive compliments. Express your tender feelings for a special someone. Or get out and meet someone new! Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

Mercury square Natal Venus

As challenging transits go, this one is really easy. If you've been needing to have a good talk with someone you love, go for it, but be flexible. You may not agree, and will need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. This could also apply to that letter you've been procrastinating about writing. Shopping or social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Your mind may be racing today, and you won't want to sit still. Speak your mind, but be sure to listen to the other person's opinion, too. Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

Venus enters the 9th house May 21, 2005

Ninth House transits are stimulating to all things that expand your horizons. Venus indicates that your perceptions of beauty can be opened and broadened. This is a time when you might especially enjoy attending art exhibits, concerts, the opera or a play. Perhaps you can travel to a beautiful setting that is new to you. Or you might sign up for an art class. A love interest who attracts you at this time may be from a lifestyle, ethnic group or culture that is different than your own.

MAY 22, 2005 Sunday

Mercury square Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today--and some of them could seem in conflict with your own views. Conversations, dialogues, debates, or other business matters could be more evident than usual. In planning ahead for this day, realize that extra preparation is wise, as is flexibility in your thinking. This is probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless, don't give in to nervous tension. If you're stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns. Or spend a little time alone with a good book.

Venus trine Natal Venus

If the themes of other more challenging ones dominate your attention, you may scarcely notice this one. Yet this is a day



that, relative to what else may be going on, is most likely easy and pleasant. Casual sociability with others is favored. You may share sentimentality, nostalgia or sensuality with loved ones. Enjoy art activities, music or the beauty of nature.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Ascendant

Personal charisma shines today, but you may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Look for win-win solutions.

MAY 23, 2005 Monday

Venus trine Natal Ascendant

Make time to relax and enjoy yourself today, because you are most likely to be far more in the mood for a party than work. If you're planning ahead and can take at least some of this day off from work, do so. Be with others--or alone with that very special "other." Unless other challenging transits of this time contradict, all of your relationships are likely to be harmonious. You're feeling good and that radiates out and attracts others.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Starts today; Exact May 24; Leaves May 25.

You want things your way, and if others do not agree, dispute can result. Clear the air and release the tension. Be direct and clear in expressing your view. If the relationship is important to you, though, you had better listen carefully, too, and seek a win-win solution. Or table the discussion for a calmer day, and work this one off in a competitive sport, or on a project in which you can vigorously

work alone.

Full Moon in Your 2nd House

During the past two weeks since New Moon, concerns about your finances shared with or owed to others may have been paramount. Or you could have been involved in a power/control conflict, or in an issue of personal comfort and security vs. the needs of another. Now at the Full Moon both sides of the polarity are illuminated and integration is needed. Examine your feelings about money, possessions and personal values. It is important to be considerate of the feelings, comfort level and security of others with whom you share these things, but not at the expense of your own feelings, comfort and security. Do you feel that these issues are in balance? If so, this lunation could illuminate your satisfaction and successful progress. If not, what can YOU do to improve the situation? Talk it over with others involved. Consider third party objective advice, if the issue is emotionally charged. Take charge of your own self-improvement, even if only at one small step at a time. Your own feelings of fulfillment will be enhanced through achieving balance in the giving and receiving of pleasure, and in sharing possessions comfortably with an intimate.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant

During this transit period your relationships are in focus, and emotions are more than likely to be a strong factor. It's quite possible that some aspect of balance may be an issue--your interests vs. those of another person who is closely involved with you. This could be your spouse, your business partner, or perhaps an adversary or competitor. Some situation, involving a relationship, could be unstable, in need of change. If you are attempting to effect a change or resolve an imbalance, it is important to be aware that you and/or the other person may



be more vulnerable than usual to emotionalism and lack of objectivity. If you can understand this, and remain sufficiently in touch with your own feelings, you may be able to help the situation by relating sensitively, and with true empathy, without losing your head. Look to the House in which this Lunation falls for more insight into the issues it may symbolize.

MAY 24, 2005 Tuesday

Venus trine Natal Mercury

This is a good day to talk things over agreeably with just about anyone. If you've had problems with someone, this is a day when you may be able to resolve them. Mental activity will be enjoyable or seem easier now. Communication or travel matters go smoothly, comfortably. It's a good day to be with friends, give or go to a party, or engage in an artistic activity. Business presentations should also go well.

Mercury trine Natal Pluto

Today is likely to find you deeply preoccupied with a singular matter. It could be a mystery or secret you're determined to unveil, a problem that you need to resolve, a research project. Whatever it is, you'll work hard to get to the bottom of it, and probably relish every minute of the investigation. Dig in, and be aware not only of the content of what you are probing, but also of your process. You may learn something of real value.

Mercury sextile Natal Midheaven

This is a passive, rather than an active transit, but its an excellent one for thinking through your plans, either for career or for home and family. You are able to think clearly and objectively. You can see both the overall picture and the details that fit into

it. You could also use today to successfully talk over an issue you might have with another person. Communication with authorities should go well.

MAY 26, 2005 Thursday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Moon

Feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. But know that your heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

Thoughts may be heavy, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. It's not the best day for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for mental discipline is excellent. Work alone. A relaxing stroll to think might yield a useful perspective.

Mercury opposite Natal Neptune

Do you feel lost in a fog somewhere? Can't find something you just had a moment ago? Forgot a name or bit of information that you KNOW you know? Such things could be events of the day in the mundane world. On the other hand, if your intent is to tune in to the intuition and the imagination, messages could come through with extra oomph. Take care in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. Don't be a victim. Save the details for another day, or if you can't, be sure to double-check them. The challenge, here, may be to balance those details with the big picture. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.



MAY 27, 2005 Friday

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Moon

Starts today; Exact May 29; Leaves May 30.

If you've been suppressing frustration, it is likely to surface today. Be very aware that your actions are driven by your feelings, and feelings are not always rational. You can't hold it all in today, so don't try. Express yourself directly and frankly, but try to do so in a manner that is considerate of others. You might expend some of your excess energy in a good workout or in a competitive sport.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Mars

Feeling irritable and nervous? Your tolerance and patience level may be stressed. Perceptions and reactions are fast--you're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings. Make your point, but respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Mercury trine Natal Uranus

Today you'll thrive on satisfying curiosity, on discovery, on allowing your unorthodox ideas to emerge. You're mentally quick, cleverer than usual, and your problem-solving skills are enhanced. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. Take a break from your normal routine. Study something new.

Venus square Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. You may face a challenge today to balance your desires with self-control. Power

struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Manipulation is ultimately destructive and must be avoided. Profound soul connections are possible when barriers are dropped. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

Mars enters the 6th house May 27, 2005

When Mars moves into your Sixth House, you're more ready to get down to work, and put off your leisure activities until that work is done. You are quite ready to do what you must to serve others, yet this may not be the best time to work with co-workers, for you may become impatient with them. If this is the way you feel, try to do your share alone. Do be prepared to share the credit, though, and give credit to others, so that team spirit is preserved. Any health problems that occur at this time could be related to frustrated ego, or to over-extending yourself. If you're feeling frustrated, do take a break and relax a bit. It's far better than getting sick, and you'll return to work with renewed energy.

MAY 28, 2005 Saturday

Mercury square Natal Jupiter

Your ability to think quickly is an asset, and today good ideas are more than likely. You'll probably be feeling optimistic and confident. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. You can put your communication skills to work for your best advantage. The challenge is that your exuberance may lead you to overlook details that could cause problems later, or your confidence may come off as arrogance and create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and be sure to listen, too, and get all the facts before you jump.



Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Midheaven

Not the easiest day to be a "team player." Your own concerns are in the forefront. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are working with others, strive to be considerate. You might do best to work alone, for then you can concentrate fully on your own goals with no conflict!

MAY 29, 2005 Sunday

Mars opposite Natal Pluto

Starts today; Exact May 31; Leaves Jun 1.

The planet of action challenges your inner capacity for power, self-mastery and transformation. Power and control issues may arise and you are in no mood for limitation. Recognize that egos may be on the line--understanding yours may be an important key to creating a win-win solution. Understand that power over someone else is a win-lose situation. Inner power does not require dominance. At the same time, recognize that you have deep feelings, and your own interests and needs are in the forefront today. You shouldn't suppress those feelings, for if you do, you are all the more likely to attract a situation where you are attacked. Control conflicts are a signal from the Universe for you to claim your own power to act constructively, focus creatively and be all you can be. Your intense needs for expression could find positive outlets in energetic work toward your goals, in physical work, in consensual sex, and in taking steps toward necessary major changes.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Ascendant

Your mind may be racing today, and you

won't want to sit still. Speak your mind, but be sure to listen to the other person's opinion, too. Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

MAY 30, 2005 Monday

Mars trine Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact Jun 1; Leaves Jun 2.

When Mars is flowing harmoniously with your Midheaven, your work energy can be very effective either in regard to your career interests (Tenth House) or your home life (Fourth House). Whatever else may be going on in your life, this is a day when you probably have a good balance between working with others in a spirit of teamwork and serving your own independent needs. You can take initiative and you can compromise. Because you may be feeling more confident and energetic than some, you could find yourself taking the lead, with the support of others. Physical activity is favored.

MAY 31, 2005 Tuesday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love appeal. The challenge involves illusion versus reality. Take care in relationships, and take your time. What's wonderful today may not be so great tomorrow. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen



to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.

JUNE 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Mars is in the 6th house from May 27, 2005 to Jul 7, 2005

See interpretation in May.

Jupiter is in the 12th house from Mar 9, 2005 to Aug 23, 2005

See interpretation in March.

Saturn is in the 10th house from May 6, 2005 to Sep 25, 2006

See interpretation in May.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Neptune trine Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Feb 26, 2005; Exact Mar 30, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Exact Jul 12, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Aug 19, 2005 (Retro).

Although this transit is much milder than the challenging aspects, some caution is still called for in dealing with personal relationships. You may be seeing "the other" as your ideal rather than as a real--and very human--person. Your attraction to a new person in your life may be primarily spiritual and you could over idealize such a person--the "guru." Still, remember that even idols often have feet of clay. Take your time and don't "go overboard" now. Learn, but wait until this period is over to more thoroughly evaluate what you've learned. Your dreams may be vivid and enlightening--you would do well to record and reflect on them. You could benefit from metaphysical studies, and reap rich inner rewards from helping, healing or charitable activities. For artists, imagination flows and enhances creativity.

Neptune conjunct Natal Mercury

Enters orb Apr 7, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 2, 2005 (Retro).

Imagination rules the intellect during this period. There are potential problems. If you are dealing with business decisions, negotiations or the reorganization of the realities of your life, watch out. Concentration may not be good, communications may not come out the way you intended, or you could fail to see hidden problems. Confusion, being misunderstood, errors in judgment, self-deception or being deceived are all possibilities. If you can't wait until a better time, at least be extremely cautious and think things through thoroughly. On the upside, If



you're intuitive, psychic, an artist, a writer, a poet--delight in this time period and enjoy the flow. You may experience new heights of creativity, and flashes of insight that will serve you well. Words can flow forth like magic.

Saturn trine Natal Neptune

Enters orb Jun 10, 2005; Exact Jun 18, 2005; Leaves orb Jun 26, 2005.

This is a transit that you share with others in the same age group. Whether its theme is strong in your life or not depends largely on whether more personal planets are also involved in the transit. Its theme: a relatively easy balance between reality and fantasy, between concrete achievement and dreams. This is a time when you can make steady progress toward making some of your dreams for your future come true. You may also involve yourself in some work that blends your need for something Higher with concrete achievement. You might work within a religious or charitable organization, take an art course, or perhaps, study metaphysics or music.

Pluto quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Jun 11, 2005 (Retro); Exact Jul 23, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Exact Oct 11, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 16, 2005.

The theme of transformation is focused on your goals in life. Your personal relationships, as they help or hinder you, are involved. During this transit an examination of your direction, your status, your relationships or your attitudes may lead to profound change. Power struggles could lead to awareness of internal changes you need to make. This can be a powerful time, with substantial progress. Move forward ethically. Be true to yourself. But use your energy. If you waste it, someone or something else may force you to react instead of act.

Saturn sextile Natal Uranus

Enters orb Jun 20, 2005; Exact Jun 28, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 6, 2005.

This is a transit that you share with others in the same age group. Whether its theme is particularly noticeable in your life or not depends largely on whether more personal planets are also involved in the transit. Its theme, at best, is a blend of tradition and innovation--the old with the new. Disciplined creative work is favored. You are open to experimentation, new ideas and new approaches. You are able to consider them, and if it seems that they will work for you, incorporate them into your life effectively. For this reason, this is probably a good period in which to tackle something new. If you've been avoiding learning how to run that computer, for example, don't procrastinate any longer. You can do it!

Saturn trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Sun

Enters orb Jun 25, 2005; Exact Jul 3, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 11, 2005.

Your methods and your structure may be tested, and your vitality strained. Feelings of discouragement signal that changes may be needed. Face up to it squarely, and take steps to improve--or perhaps separate from what just isn't working. If your methods and goals are good ones, you can make solid progress now.

Pluto square Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jun 30, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 1, 2005.

Pluto square Pluto is a generational transit shared with all others in your age group, but because its speed is so variable, it's impossible to predict an age for all purposes. You who are reading this in the early 21st century are probably nearing mid-life (late 30s, early 40s). It symbolizes transformative change, and most people relate to some form of



transformation going on in their lives at that age, many in a major way. For more specific ideas on the course this may take in your life, look to your more personal transits. This one will intensify whatever else is going on during the same time period. External changes are likely to be a part of it--changes of location, lifestyle, relationships, career. Of course, these are most likely only tangible expressions of an internal need for change within you. If you dig in your heels and deny the need, something external may occur to force the issue. Your capacity for self-mastery and your ability to flow with needed changes are being tested. Own your power to make creative choices and lead the changes you need to make toward a positive new direction.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

JUNE 1, 2005 Wednesday

Sun sextile Natal Saturn

Unless other more challenging transits describe very different themes, this is a day when self-discipline and self-control come easily. In any case, your mood is more subdued than usual, and you are able to organize and plan. If you have detailed work to do, you can accomplish it meticulously and well. Indeed, the best way to derive satisfaction from this day is to dig in and get your work done. Attend to your responsibilities. If, for some reason, this is not a working day for you, it is a good day for effective self-evaluation and planning. You are in a serious mood, and may prefer to be alone. Or, if you think you might benefit from an objective point of view, this is a good time to seek the opinion of someone who is older or in a position of authority.

Venus square Natal Uranus

This is a transit of potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Its possible challenges: love relationships can run into conflict over issues of stability versus freedom. A new attraction could have that "love at first sight" aspect, but tomorrow things could look differently, so take care. Be aware that risk appeals to you now--and this could apply to finance, too. Watch impulsiveness. Creativity is stimulated. Artists may try an innovative new approach.

Mars trine Natal Midheaven

Started May 30; Exact today; Leaves Jun 2.

See interpretation of this aspect 2 days ago.

JUNE 2, 2005 Thursday

Sun sextile Natal Mars

Your energy is likely to be quite high during this transit, and you can accomplish a great deal. You are self-assertive, and if you need to stick up for yourself, now is a time when you can do so effectively and successfully. Work either alone or with others should be harmonious and beneficial. If you've been feeling out-of-balance in any area of your life, this is a good time to make positive changes. Physical activity is recommended. Work out, play a game--at least take a brisk walk.

Mercury sextile Natal Mars

This is a good day to be very busy. Your energy flows, your confidence level is strong, and much work can be done--either physical or mental. You are unlikely to be daunted by obstacles now, so this may be the right time to tackle that tough problem you've been meaning to solve. Your ability to think quickly may be highlighted, but your



patience to be thorough may not be. Be sure you organize your project. Sell your views to others--this transit favors both your ability to assert yourself and to communicate effectively.

Mercury sextile Natal Saturn

You are not likely to feel in a playful mood today, but your ability for concentrated mental discipline is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, this is a time for it. You've got a good critical eye and can take a hard look at what needs to be changed without getting "down" about it. Good day for organizational activity. Not a good day for frivolity.

JUNE 3, 2005 Friday

Sun square Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Your ego is in the forefront, and if you don't get attention effortlessly, you're inclined to do something to draw attention. Yet, this is a good time to push yourself onward. If circumstances or others challenge you, understand that it is only a test of your goals, and you have the will and energy to pass that test. Your challenger also wants to shine. Respect that, without denying your own needs. Show how brightly you can shine through constructive effort. Take pride in doing your best.

Mercury square Natal Sun

Busy, busy, busy is what you are likely to be experiencing today. Lots of talk flows around you, and the phone jangles frequently. There are papers to shuffle and errands to run. Interruptions abound. All this is likely to be a test of your nervous energy! In communicating with others you could find that egos get in the way as needs

conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Going on and on isn't necessary and could work against you. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Venus sextile Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. Unless other challenging transits contradict, it might also be good for financial investment or a legal matter. This would be a good day to plan a social activity or begin a vacation trip. You might give or receive a gift or create beautiful art. Or perhaps an idealistic or philosophical pursuit will bring you joy and satisfaction.

Mercury enters the 9th house Jun 3, 2005

The Ninth House transit of Mercury illuminates your eagerness to learn. Express your interest in different cultures through study, classes or even travel to a distant place. Perhaps you could begin to learn a foreign language. Your conversations may be focused on matters of faith and philosophy. This should be a busy, stimulating time for students and writers. If legal matters are an issue in your life at this time, look to messages in concurrent planetary aspects for guidance.

JUNE 4, 2005 Saturday

Mercury trine Natal Venus

This is such an easy transit, it is most likely to slip by unnoticed--especially if more challenging transits occur at the same time. Of itself, it's likely to reflect a time when you "lighten up" and are friendly and sociable. Your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Speak of love to someone special, or write that letter you've been meaning to write. Do something you really enjoy.



Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Venus

You probably don't feel much like working today. More likely, you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

The Sun enters the 9th house Jun 4, 2005

With Sun in your Ninth House, your focus turns outward, away from the more personal concerns of past months. There's a wide world out there--much to learn, many things to explore. Now you can shine by reaching out to greater heights of mind and spirit. This period may find you traveling to far distant places, either in actuality, or in the mind, as you enroll in a course of study you've not tried before. Shine with expansiveness and optimism. Your spiritual life gets increased attention. You may be attracted to a cause that inspires your ideals.

JUNE 5, 2005 Sunday

Mercury trine Natal Mercury

Communication issues are favored today. Conversations, dialogues, debates, business matters and errands all could be more evident than usual. Your mind is likely to be clear and you'll be able to handle all this with a minimum of stress. Routine matters and detailed work can go smoothly. Other possibilities: take a short trip, visit a friend who likes to talk, or travel through books, to learn anything new that you may be curious about.

Mars trine Natal Neptune

Starts today; Exact Jun 7; Leaves Jun 8.

The planet of action flows with your planet of dreams, idealism and escape. This is not a high energy day. The action you may want to take is to withdraw to a private space and dream or curl up with a good fantasy novel. If you need a respite, that may be the ideal thing to do today. On the other hand, if you enjoy creating art or music, or working in a metaphysical/spiritual pursuit, this is a tuned-in day that you shouldn't waste. Another good activity for this transit would be anything that involves selflessly helping others.

Mercury trine Natal Ascendant

This is a day when you are likely to be mentally alert, busier than usual, and able to communicate effectively. Choose it to make that call, write that letter, have that talk. Exchange ideas, and don't forget that listening to the other person's opinion is communication, too! It's also a good day to clear up that pile of papers, take a trip, buy or sell something, or take a class.

JUNE 6, 2005 Monday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Moon

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mercury

If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. It may not be the best day for business negotiations, for you might give too much.



Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices.

Sun trine Natal Venus

Try to find something to do that you enjoy today. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Play a little--indulge just a bit. If you're on your own, do something special to beautify your surroundings--or yourself! Arts and crafts activities can go especially well today, too. Be light-hearted and creative. Have fun!

New Moon in Your 9th House

Ninth house matters include higher education, philosophy and religion, legal affairs and long trips (physical or in the mind) that allow you to explore places, people and things that are outside your normal environment. You are likely to feel quite restless this month if you do not take steps to satisfy your interests in one or more of these areas. Examples of initiatives or new beginnings you could make are: Take a trip. Plan your next vacation to include an educational experience. Study a foreign language. Start a new college course. Have deep, philosophical discussions. Get more involved with your religion. Look for a new religion. Start a meditation program for inner spiritual guidance. Get a legal contract finalized. Start a legal proceeding. Interview a new lawyer, teacher or spiritual adviser.

New Moon square Natal Sun

This lunation period illuminates your urges and capacity to "shine"--to be vital, purposeful and make an impact on your world in a manner that contributes to your self-esteem. This may be a time when you can successfully put yourself forward and "shine" even more brightly. If, however, the time is problematic, it may be because there

is tension or conflict between your outer, conscious self and your inner, emotional and unconscious needs. You cannot deny either side of yourself, so you must gain in awareness and learn to balance. If, at this focal time, you are experiencing tension and low energy, this is a sign that you are not integrating properly. You must examine those needs that you are neglecting, and then do something about it. With alignment of the inner and outer needs, the conscious and unconscious selves, you are likely to feel a real burst of extra energy. This can be an especially creative period in which much will be accomplished.

JUNE 7, 2005 Tuesday

Venus sextile Natal Moon

Today, unless other simultaneous challenging transits contradict, you are likely to be a real "softy," warm and mellow toward everyone. Your feelings of love and affection are strong, so express them. All of your relationships, personal and public, can benefit from your mood today. This would be a good day to entertain friends at home. It's also a good day to sell.

Mars opposite Natal Uranus

Starts today; Exact Jun 8; Leaves Jun 10.

You're likely to be in a hurry, or to be feeling more impulsive, risk-taking and even rebellious than usual. So go--just watch out you don't precipitate an accident by being in too much in a rush! A tendency toward carelessness is a negative potential of this day. If you don't express the energy of this transit yourself, you may very well experience rash behavior from others. Or suppressed tension could simmer over and explode, or can be internalized into a physical problem. What you need to do is to find a constructive and reasonably



safe way to express your individuality-- and do it with a smile for others. Innovative, creative work is the very best way to express this transit. Doing something new--something you've never done before--is effective.

Mercury square Natal Pluto

Deep thinking is required today. Something must be confronted, or a decision or commitment made. Ambiguity just won't work. You could feel stressed, or even irritable, but it will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." In listening, be alert for what is implied, as well as what is stated directly. Smile, both for you and others. Avoid manipulating others or allowing yourself to be manipulated. This is a good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.

Sun trine Natal Ascendant

Harmony and ease in your relationships and any encounters with others is a likely experience of this transit. You'll probably be feeling good, perhaps more relaxed or rested than before. This could be a good day for a social occasion, and it could also be a favorable time to put your best foot forward in dealing with others in business. It's not inherently an "action" transit, though. Your mood is more likely to be easy-going. Find some time today to play.

JUNE 8, 2005 Wednesday

Sun trine Natal Mercury

Your vital energy and your mental capacities are in sync, making this a good day for any type of intellectual activity. You can study effectively and learn easily. Com-

munication is favored, too, so if you need to present your ideas to a group, close a sale, make a speech, write an important letter, this time period is a good choice. Unless other challenging transits contradict, travel should go smoothly, too. You can run those errands or make short trips with little or no stress.

JUNE 9, 2005 Thursday

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter
Starts today; Exact Jun 11; Leaves Jun 12.

Activities today are most likely fruitful, successful, and perhaps even joyful. In your exuberance, you could be tempted to overextend yourself, overestimate your abilities and take risks that you shouldn't take. The key is to know yourself. Make the most of this day.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Neptune

You could feel lost in a fog, unable to find or remember things you should. On the other hand, intuitive messages could come through with extra oomph. Caution in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. If you can't put it off, be sure to double-check the details. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

JUNE 10, 2005 Friday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Moon

If you feel "on edge" today, it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be too career-pressured, and are neglecting your inner needs. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what



you know needs your attention in the outer world. Take some time to think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.

Mercury sextile Natal Jupiter

This is an easy transit in which you could be inclined to just relax--and that may be just what you need. If planning ahead, however, know that today you can put your communication skills to work for your advantage. Business matters are favored, as is any kind of study, planning or wide-ranging mental activity. Optimism is increased.

Mercury square Natal Uranus

Bright ideas come in a flash! You're mentally quick, more clever than usual. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. If you are bored, blocked or too confined today, your unproductive outlet could be tension or disputes. It's likely a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled and scattered. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting. Get out and around, or stay in and "surf" the internet.

JUNE 11, 2005 Saturday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Venus

A good day for a good talk with someone you love, but be flexible. You may need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Write that letter you've been putting off. Social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

Starts today; Exact Jun 12; Leaves Jun 14.

The urge is to act--now--in most anything you enjoy. In love, you are likely to be more geared for sex than romance. With a willing partner in a similar mood, it's passionate. If your partner is not in the mood, balance may be necessary. Try tenderness. Creative artists can make this day a very productive one.

JUNE 12, 2005 Sunday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today, and some are in conflict with your own views. It's probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless and stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns.

Venus square Natal Saturn

Today your need to work and your wish for pleasure may be in conflict. Or you could be trying to balance career versus relationship needs. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Your mood is probably reserved, and you may prefer to spend much of today alone, thinking things through. That may be just what you should do. Don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

Sun square Natal Pluto

You could be confronted with a mini-crisis--anything from pressure from the boss to a machine that breaks, forcing you to stop and fix it. Issues of power and control may emerge. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could



be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other issue of self-mastery. This could be a day in which an ongoing major issue, which is reflected by your long-term transits, is triggered. So be sure to reread them, too, in order to put your anticipation (or hindsight) of this day in context. If you experience a power struggle or other crisis today, consider it as a test, or as a lesson from which you are supposed to derive insight into a change that you need to make. Claim your inner power to do what you must do, without being domineering over others. Let go of what you must, and you can feel a great sense of release, and an increase in your inner strength.

JUNE 13, 2005 Monday

Mercury sextile Natal Moon

This is a passive transit that is likely to slip by unnoticed in the wake of other more challenging transits in the same time period. It is, however, a day in which you are probably more in touch with your feelings than usual, and because of that you can communicate sensitively with others--both in saying what you need to say, and in listening to and understanding their needs. If you have a problem to work out with someone, this may be the right time to talk it out.

Venus square Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. A good relationship will be fine--even passionate--with this transit. A relationship that is already tense may be aggravated. Sex is the focus

of a new attraction, so think safe--you might feel differently tomorrow. Creative art expression can flourish on this day.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love appeal. The challenge involves illusion versus reality. Take care in relationships, and take your time. What's wonderful today may not be so great tomorrow. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits.

JUNE 14, 2005 Tuesday

Venus trine Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit. Get out with friends and be sociable. Give and receive compliments. Express your tender feelings for a special someone. This is also a good day to choose if you need to make a good impression on someone or ask a favor. Art activities are favored.

JUNE 15, 2005 Wednesday

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

Starts today; Exact Jun 16; Leaves Jun 18.

Mental energy is high. Ideas are more creative, original. Channel them into activity. Arguments can be productive (being direct, debating to win) or destructive (pointless, tactless, impatient). If you find yourself in one, and getting nowhere, step back and table it until you calm down. Try a physical workout to release frustration.



Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

JUNE 16, 2005 Thursday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Venus

You probably don't feel much like working today. More likely, you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

JUNE 17, 2005 Friday

Mercury square Natal Mars

If you're feeling irritable and nervous, try to find a moment to slow down and perhaps meditate for a bit. Understand that your tolerance and patience level are stressed by this transit. This may be the day when you are called to "put out fires." Your perceptions and your reactions are fast. You're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings, and take a deep breath and count to 3 (at least) before you speak. While debate can be quite constructive, angering others could make things worse. Make your point, and respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Mercury square Natal Saturn

Your thoughts may be heavy today, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. For this reason, this day would not be your best choice for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for concentrated mental discipline and serious thinking is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, set aside this day to tackle it, preferably alone. Don't run yourself in the ground over it, though. Taking a relaxing stroll or a snack break might be just what you need to get a useful perspective.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Neptune

A day when you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. You could be "tuned in" for psychic, spiritual, or artistic activities, but with the strictly mundane, you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. Not a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. Take a meditation break. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Neptune

You could feel lost in a fog, unable to find or remember things you should. On the other hand, intuitive messages could come through with extra oomph. Caution in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. If you can't put it off, be sure to double-check the details. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

Venus square Natal Ascendant

This is an excellent day to enjoy yourself with others--or with that very special "other."



All of your relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Get out and be with people today. You're probably feeling quite good and that radiates out and attracts others. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. The challenge: to have a good time, but avoid a tendency to over-indulge or overspend. What appeals today might not necessarily look as great tomorrow.

JUNE 18, 2005 Saturday

Mercury trine Natal Sun

This transit may go by unnoticed if other stronger transits are occurring at the same time. If you're planning ahead, know that whatever else is going on, this is a day when your mental work or communication activities can go well. You are likely to be thinking clearly and can express yourself with clarity, too. Catch up on those calls you've been meaning to make, the letters that need answering, the paperwork that needs to be cleared up. It's also a favorable day for meetings, discussions and study.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mercury

If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. It may not be the best day for business negotiations, for you might give too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

You think quickly today, and good ideas are likely. Optimism is high. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. The challenge: exuberance may lead you to overlook

details, or arrogance could create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and listen. Get all the facts before you jump.

Sun square Natal Uranus

Expect the unexpected. If you are determined to stick doggedly to routine, something or someone is likely to disrupt it. Face it. YOU want a break. It would be best if you acknowledged that and found a way to be individual, different or free today. Decide what you could do to express your uniqueness, WITHOUT shaking up your life in a way that you might be sorry for tomorrow! You are likely to feel restless, and more in need of freedom than usual. If you try to repress that energy, it's even more likely that your carefully made plans are likely to be changed or your established routine broken. Repression could even cause you to "trip over your feet" or lose your patience in irritation with some innocent soul. Best way to use the energy: do something different or unusual. Innovate! Experiment! Who knows? Maybe the untried will be stimulating. Life offers surprises today--accept them! You may discover something new about yourself that will prove to be very valuable.

JUNE 19, 2005 Sunday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Venus

A good day for a good talk with someone you love, but be flexible. You may need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Write that letter you've been putting off. Social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.



JUNE 20, 2005 Monday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today, and some are in conflict with your own views. It's probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless and stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns.

Sun sextile Natal Jupiter

You should feel good today--expansive, in fact. Put your "best foot forward," for this is a time you can more easily succeed. Unless other challenging transits strongly contradict, you should be feeling in harmony with others and at peace with yourself. The only caveat, with "soft" transit, such as this, is you might be lethargic--inclined to drift through a enjoyable day. That would be a waste. If you are planning ahead, choose this day to schedule a family celebration (wedding, christening), throw a party, make a business presentation, begin a vacation--in other words, DO something special!

Mercury square Natal Ascendant

It's a busy day, in which you have extra energy to put into all your communications with others. Your mind may be racing, and you won't want to sit still. You can effectively express yourself now, so have that talk, and speak your mind, but be sure to pause and listen to the other person's opinion, too. Listening is just as important to communication as talking! Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

JUNE 21, 2005 Tuesday

Sun tricoile (sesquisquare) Natal Venus

A good day to do something you enjoy. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Arts and crafts activities are favored, too. Play a little, and indulge just a bit, but don't overdo. Extravagance might be regretted tomorrow!

Venus sextile Natal Pluto

Emotions run very deep today. If you are in love, you feel it strongly and sensually. If you meet someone new, the attraction will probably be intense, perhaps compulsive. If you are an artist, your work will be highly expressive and revealing of your inner self. If none of these things are the case, still your feelings about whatever you are experiencing are intense, and if you probe them, you can discover truths about yourself that enhance your inner power to make creative changes.

Venus conjunct Natal Midheaven

If your career or public image is involved with art, beauty or entertaining, this is a day you can use to great advantage. Financial moves to advance your career are favored. In any type of career, personal contacts with others can be positive. Put yourself forward. This is also a good time for social activity, for love and romance--an excellent choice for a wedding day! Or are you alone? Try not to be. This day is one you should share with friends, and--who knows?--perhaps a new love, if you get out there where you can meet someone!

Venus enters the 10th house Jun 21, 2005

When Venus travels through your Tenth House of career and your reputation in the world, you can attract people who help your



career. Your diplomatic skills are highlighted; your ability to charm helps sell your ideas, products or services. You can effectively take steps to improve your professional relationships. Also, because a pleasing workplace gives a better image, perhaps you might be inspired to redecorate your office. If romance is in the offing (check other messages from planetary aspects), this transit of Venus suggests that your status, or an authority figure, may be involved.

JUNE 22, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury sextile Natal Pluto

Today is likely to find you deeply preoccupied with a singular matter. It could be a mystery or secret you're determined to unveil, a problem that you need to resolve, a research project. Whatever it is, you'll work hard to get to the bottom of it, and probably relish every minute of the investigation. Dig in, and be aware not only of the content of what you are probing, but also of your process. You may learn something of real value.

Full Moon in Your 3rd House

Illuminated in your third house are your communications with others, especially with those who are part of your daily life, and your movements and activities in your neighborhood and surrounding area. The period since New Moon may have found you feeling quite restless, longing for something more, something different and more interesting than that which exists in your everyday life. To satisfy those urges, you may have started something new. This Full Moon period may be one in which you are experiencing fulfillment and successful continuation of your new interest. Or it may be a period in which you must face and meet a challenge of integrating changed

perceptions into your "normal" life. You may need to communicate--and possibly convince--others. You may need to find a balance point between the pursuit of your higher ideas and the necessities of your mundane life.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

This could be a critical period for you in terms of your capacity to think, to communicate and to learn. Moon-Mercury symbolizes that the way in which you think and communicate is influenced by your moods and feelings. If you've had tension in your communications with others, this may be a time when you (or they) feel compelled to "clear the air." It may be best to do just that, but it may also be quite important for you to be aware of what is reasonable and what is sheer emotion. If your emotions are out of control, you could worsen the matter. On the other hand, if you are able to integrate your mind and heart, your ability to communicate with empathy can be very successful. During this time period you are likely to be much on the go--talking, speaking, writing, and perhaps traveling. Your mind jumps quickly from one thing to another, always seeking stimulation. Or at times it is possible that you could feel overstimulated or even nervous--bombarded from all directions. Since your views are likely to be changeable, this may not be a good time to make permanent decisions. Just keep busy and learn all you can.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

You are likely to be feeling quite sociable during this period--ready to get out and be with people and make new friends. You might even meet a new love! It can be a good time to give a party, too. Enjoy--but watch out for a possible tendency to overindulge, for you are much more inclined toward what feels good at the moment than



you are to think of the resulting consequences. This may also apply to spending more than you ought, on items of luxury and beauty. If you are involved in any type of artistic activity, this is a time of enhanced focus. You may be especially able to express your feelings and make a strong personal statement with your art.

JUNE 23, 2005 Thursday

Mercury conjunct Natal Midheaven

Focus on your career today, or on whatever you consider to be your primary work in the world. This is the first day of the longer transit of Mercury through the Tenth House, so read that interpretation, too. This is a good time to initiate public discussions or to announce plans. Or you might use this day to just think through your plans, for your thinking may be clearer than usual. It would be well to write down those plans--make them tangible now, at least on paper. Keep busy, speak up for yourself, and get things done.

Mercury enters the 10th house Jun 23, 2005

If planetary aspects during this time agree, this could be a good time to have a productive talk with an authority figure. Improve your relationship with Dad, ask your boss for a raise, or have a talk with someone who can advise you on how to advance. Your thoughts and communications are focused on the larger world and your position in relation to it. Mercury illuminates versatility, so you may find yourself handling more than one job during this period.

JUNE 24, 2005 Friday

Sun trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Mercury

Today it seems the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, and everyone talks at once. Your opinions may be tested. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

JUNE 25, 2005 Saturday

Mercury trine Natal Neptune

Intuition and the imagination are stimulated during this transit. You are more sensitive to others, and may be able to help. It's a good day for dreaming and fantasy, so if you can "get away from it all," do it. You won't feel much like working anyway, and we all need time for the soul. Wander in nature, create art or poetry. Explore a metaphysical topic or just curl up with a good novel.

Venus trine Natal Neptune

This is a day when, if you can, you should dream, fantasize, enjoy the beauty of nature and take it easy. Enjoy creative pursuits, music and romance. If you are obligated to mundane work, you'll likely feel lethargic about it. Take some meditation breaks. Increased intuition may give you ideas that you can beneficially manifest later. For today, though, you are probably in a pleasant fog, so don't push yourself to make decisions.



JUNE 26, 2005 Sunday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

Sun sextile Natal Moon

This transit will probably find you feeling fairly peaceful and balanced. Your outer needs (professional, public) flow harmoniously with your inner emotional needs. When you are in such a good mood, you might use this time to "bring up" the moods of others, and perhaps improve your relationships in the process. It's a good time to be with people, and friendships that start now are favored.

Mercury sextile Natal Uranus

Today you'll thrive on satisfying curiosity, on discovery, on allowing your unorthodox ideas to emerge. You're mentally quick, cleverer than usual, and your problem-solving skills are enhanced. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. Take a break from your normal routine. Study something new.

Venus sextile Natal Uranus

Today could bring a pleasant surprise, but why wait around for it? You are probably feeling a little restless and bored with routine, so take the initiative and look for a change of scene. Even if it's a work day, you can spend part of it doing something new, trying something different. You might even meet someone new and exciting.

JUNE 27, 2005 Monday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Sun

The phone rings, lots of talk flows around you. Papers must be shuffled; errands must be run. Interruptions abound. Your nervous energy is tested. In communicating with others, egos and needs may conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Mars conjunct Natal Saturn

Starts today; Exact Jun 28; Leaves Jun 30.

This could be one of those times when what you WANT to do butts heads with what you CAN do. Limitations from circumstances or from others could cause frustrations, even anger. Risk-taking and competitive activities are not favored at this time. What you CAN do very well is routine work that requires concentration and discipline. Find such work to do and DO it. You'll not only feel good about your accomplishment, but you'll also dissipate any irritability you may be experiencing.

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Neptune

Starts today; Exact Jun 28; Leaves Jun 30.

Your escape mechanism is stimulated. You may want to escape from dealing with an ongoing situation. The fog may clear on deception or self-deception. If you're vulnerable to very negative forms of escape--alcohol, drugs--watch out. Cold or minor infections can provide temporary escapes, but are no fun. Positive escapes are creative art or music, spiritual pursuits. Or, help out someone who has problems worse than yours. Take some time to dream.



JUNE 28, 2005 Tuesday

Mars conjunct Natal Mars

Starts today; Exact Jun 29; Leaves Jul 1.

This is a strong transit on which to begin a new project. Decisions and new beginnings made now could influence your work trends for the next two years. Even if you're not exactly sure on this day what the new trend might be, this is NOT the time to relax or put things off. You need to be busy. Repressed energy could lead to restlessness and irritability. Physical activities--hard work, athletics, competitiveness--are good outlets for your energy and good releases for suppressed tension.

JULY 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Jupiter is in the 12th house from Mar 9, 2005 to Aug 23, 2005

See interpretation in March.

Mercury is in the 10th house from Jun 23, 2005 to Aug 30, 2005

See interpretation in June.

Saturn is in the 10th house from May 6, 2005 to Sep 25, 2006

See interpretation in May.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Neptune trine Natal Ascendant

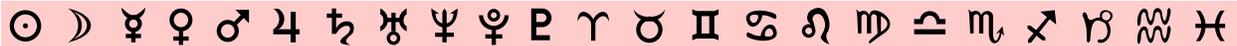
Enters orb Feb 26, 2005; Exact Mar 30, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Exact Jul 12, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Aug 19, 2005 (Retro).

Although this transit is much milder than the challenging aspects, some caution is still called for in dealing with personal relationships. You may be seeing "the other" as your ideal rather than as a real--and very human--person. Your attraction to a new person in your life may be primarily spiritual and you could over idealize such a person--the "guru." Still, remember that even idols often have feet of clay. Take your time and don't "go overboard" now. Learn, but wait until this period is over to more thoroughly evaluate what you've learned. Your dreams may be vivid and enlightening--you would do well to record and reflect on them. You could benefit from metaphysical studies, and reap rich inner rewards from helping, healing or charitable activities. For artists, imagination flows and enhances creativity.

Neptune conjunct Natal Mercury

Enters orb Apr 7, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 2, 2005 (Retro).

Imagination rules the intellect during this period. There are potential problems. If you are dealing with business decisions, negotiations or the reorganization of the



realities of your life, watch out. Concentration may not be good, communications may not come out the way you intended, or you could fail to see hidden problems. Confusion, being misunderstood, errors in judgment, self-deception or being deceived are all possibilities. If you can't wait until a better time, at least be extremely cautious and think things through thoroughly. On the upside, if you're intuitive, psychic, an artist, a writer, a poet--delight in this time period and enjoy the flow. You may experience new heights of creativity, and flashes of insight that will serve you well. Words can flow forth like magic.

Pluto quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Jun 11, 2005 (Retro); Exact Jul 23, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Exact Oct 11, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 16, 2005.

The theme of transformation is focused on your goals in life. Your personal relationships, as they help or hinder you, are involved. During this transit an examination of your direction, your status, your relationships or your attitudes may lead to profound change. Power struggles could lead to awareness of internal changes you need to make. This can be a powerful time, with substantial progress. Move forward ethically. Be true to yourself. But use your energy. If you waste it, someone or something else may force you to react instead of act.

Saturn sextile Natal Uranus

Enters orb Jun 20, 2005; Exact Jun 28, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 6, 2005.

This is a transit that you share with others in the same age group. Whether its theme is particularly noticeable in your life or not depends largely on whether more personal planets are also involved in the transit. Its theme, at best, is a blend of tradition and

innovation--the old with the new. Disciplined creative work is favored. You are open to experimentation, new ideas and new approaches. You are able to consider them, and if it seems that they will work for you, incorporate them into your life effectively. For this reason, this is probably a good period in which to tackle something new. If you've been avoiding learning how to run that computer, for example, don't procrastinate any longer. You can do it!

Saturn trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Sun

Enters orb Jun 25, 2005; Exact Jul 3, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 11, 2005.

Your methods and your structure may be tested, and your vitality strained. Feelings of discouragement signal that changes may be needed. Face up to it squarely, and take steps to improve--or perhaps separate from what just isn't working. If your methods and goals are good ones, you can make solid progress now.

Pluto square Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jun 30, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 1, 2005.

Pluto square Pluto is a generational transit shared with all others in your age group, but because its speed is so variable, it's impossible to predict an age for all purposes. You who are reading this in the early 21st century are probably nearing mid-life (late 30s, early 40s). It symbolizes transformative change, and most people relate to some form of transformation going on in their lives at that age, many in a major way. For more specific ideas on the course this may take in your life, look to your more personal transits. This one will intensify whatever else is going on during the same time period. External changes are likely to be a part of it--changes of location, lifestyle, relationships, career. Of course, these are most likely only



tangible expressions of an internal need for change within you. If you dig in your heels and deny the need, something external may occur to force the issue. Your capacity for self-mastery and your ability to flow with needed changes are being tested. Own your power to make creative choices and lead the changes you need to make toward a positive new direction.

Jupiter opposite Natal Saturn

Enters orb Jul 7, 2005; Exact Jul 17, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 25, 2005.

This is a time period in which you are learning to handle the conflicting principles of growth versus limitation. You are dealing with a strong urge to grow, expand and be optimistic versus your requirements to be serious and disciplined and to set (or accept) limitations. Your task is to achieve balance, but tipped slightly in favor of expansion. Reach out toward positive accomplishments, but based on a firm foundation. If you attempt to over expand at this time, you may find yourself severely overextended. If you repress your need to move upward and onward, you are likely to experience a good deal of frustration. Your task is to avoid emphasizing one side of these polar energies at the expense of the other. If you can manage to do both of them together, this can be a very positive transit in which you can achieve much and take steps that will increase your prosperity and satisfaction in life.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

Enters orb Jul 8, 2005; Exact Jul 18, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 26, 2005.

Do your dreams or ideals have a basis in reality? Check things out. Don't gamble what you can't afford to lose. You may over idealize others, failing to see them

as they really are. Avoid drugs or alcohol. Focus. This can be an expanding and enlightening transit if you are seeking to grow spiritually.

Jupiter opposite Natal Mars

Enters orb Jul 13, 2005; Exact Jul 21, 2005; Leaves orb Jul 29, 2005.

This can be a successful time for any of your activities. You compete well, have energy and enthusiasm, take the initiative more easily than usual, and exude self-confidence. You may feel downright exuberant. It's a birth transit, though the "baby" could be your work project. Take advantage of the extra energy you feel now, but be aware that you may also be inclined to overdo, exaggerate, or do things in such a rush that mistakes are made. Sometimes this transit represents a conflict over authority, if what you are doing is with or for someone else. Assert yourself, but also be considerate and fair in balancing your own desires with those of others.

Jupiter quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

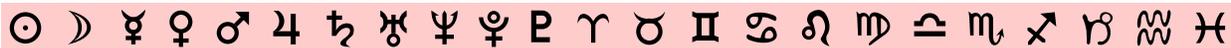
Enters orb Jul 24, 2005; Exact Aug 1, 2005; Leaves orb Aug 7, 2005.

It's a good time to push your luck or put yourself forward. The challenge is to expand without overdoing. Potential downsides of this transit are arrogance, overindulgence, exaggeration, and conflicts over moral principles. If you choose the "upsides" this can be a time of rewarding growth opportunities, general well-being, good self-esteem and success.

Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jul 25, 2005 (Retro); Exact Aug 31, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Oct 26, 2005; Exact Dec 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 18, 2006.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imagina-



tive? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be "so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint financial situations that begin during this transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter
Enters orb Jul 31, 2005; Exact Aug 7, 2005; Leaves orb Aug 13, 2005.

With extra confidence and energy you can advance your projects, but guard against a tendency to over-expansion and overestimation. Take a hard look at long-term potentials. Excess tension may mean you're overextended, and if so, reassess your priorities and let something go. This should be a positive time, when you can accomplish a great

deal--and learn how much you can effectively handle.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

JULY 1, 2005 Friday

Mercury square Natal Moon

Is your mind racing today? If you should find yourself in an argument, it's important to recognize that you are much more inclined to be emotional, not logical. Since your thinking is so heavily influenced by your feelings, it is important to examine which is which. Listen to yourself, and learn from it. That extra awareness may mean that you can more clearly express your feelings now--or it may just mean that you can understand them! This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk--IF you are willing to LISTEN to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

Starts today; Exact Jul 3; Leaves Jul 4.

Activities today are most likely fruitful, successful, and perhaps even joyful. In your exuberance, you could be tempted to overextend yourself, overestimate your abilities and take risks that you shouldn't take. The key is to know yourself. Make the most of this day.

JULY 2, 2005 Saturday

Venus square Natal Moon

Today your feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. Be amorous, be nurturing, be protective--but do NOT be possessive or



smothering! This transit is good for sociability, and just maybe, for meeting a new love. Its primary challenge is excess--over-indulgence or indiscretion. The heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

JULY 3, 2005 Sunday

Mars sextile Natal Venus

Starts today; Exact Jul 5; Leaves Jul 6.

Mars-Venus is a classic aspect associated with sexual relationships, so your drives in this area are likely to be enhanced today, and fulfilling, if a willing partner is available. You are able to more easily balance give and take in relationships. Venus is art, too, and Mars is action. This combination is excellent for all forms of creative art work. If you work in the arts or crafts this can be a creative and productive day.

Sun square Natal Mars

Competitive or confrontational situations could arise today. Ego conflicts are likely. Your energy is high and you can accomplish a great deal of productive work--so long as you can maintain your awareness of your own motivations. The challenge: not being clear about what may be stirring around in your subconscious could result in rash actions that you'll regret later. You need an outlet for your feelings, it's true, but if you can't express them constructively, it might be better to wait for another day. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. If you do experience irritability or hostility, from within yourself or from others, you are receiving a strong signal from the Universe to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. Working out your aggression through vigorous physical activity might be a prime option for today.

Sun square Natal Saturn

This transit is short-term, only lasting a day or so. It is likely to be a day in which your energy level is low--you feel just plain tired--or in which you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." It could be that the circumstances of today will cause you to take a hard look at an imbalance between what you want for yourself and what others expect of you. If so, learn from that realization. It's probably best not to choose this particular day to assert yourself, but you can certainly plan how you will improve the situation. Realize that no one can impose upon you unless you choose to let them. If you are feeling "down" today, recognize that it may be only a temporary mood. Don't spend the day just brooding, though. It's by far a better choice to get to work. You can even take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can turn this into a good day!

Sun trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Neptune

A day when you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. You could be "tuned in" for psychic, spiritual, or artistic activities, but with the strictly mundane, you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. Not a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. Take a meditation break. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Today you could be stressed, even irritable, over a decision or commitment that must be



made. It will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." Smile, both for you and others. A good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. Balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

JULY 5, 2005 Tuesday

Sun trine Natal Sun

Today is a day when you shine effortlessly, and are likely to receive favorable attention--a good time to push your luck with others. Make that presentation, or social contact. Your energy is probably high, stress is low, and life seems harmonious. This is a good transit for work or for play. Choose it for an enjoyable vacation time, or for ease in work situations.

Mars opposite Natal Ascendant

Starts today; Exact Jul 7; Leaves Jul 8.

DO IT NOW and MY WAY is your urge with this transit. If the other(s) involved do not agree with you, dispute can result. Clearing the air now is probably better than suppressed tension that will only erupt later. It is better to release the tension. Be direct and be clear in expressing your view and asserting your rights. If the relationship is important to you, though, you had better listen carefully, too, and seek a win-win solu-

tion. If you are planning ahead, and are aware of the potential of such an eruption, you might better choose to spend this day's energy on a competitive sport, or on a project in which you can vigorously work alone. This is NOT to suggest repression, only that you might table the necessary conflict resolution to a day of calmer transits. On this day, express your own interests in positive work. Look to the house Mars is transiting for ideas.

JULY 6, 2005 Wednesday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

Your confidence radiates and attracts. Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles and common sense. A warning bell rings on overdoing. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance.

New Moon in Your 9th House

Ninth house matters include higher education, philosophy and religion, legal affairs and long trips (physical or in the mind) that allow you to explore places, people and things that are outside your normal environment. You are likely to feel quite restless this month if you do not take steps to satisfy your interests in one or more of these areas. Examples of initiatives or new beginnings you could make are: Take a trip. Plan your next vacation to include an educational experience. Study a foreign language. Start a new college course. Have deep, philosophical discussions. Get more involved with your religion. Look for a new religion. Start a meditation program for inner spiritual guidance. Get a legal contract finalized. Start a legal proceeding. Interview a new lawyer, teacher or spiritual



adviser.

New Moon square Natal Mars

Your assertive energies and ability to take action are in focus now, but what you want to do may not be easily supported by either the circumstances or the people that you need for support. Emotional clashes and disputes are possible, or suppressed tensions that can lead to self-sabotage (little accidents, for example). If you can be "clear" about your own feelings and needs, and are willing to consider the other guy, it might be best to "clear the air." If you're feeling defensive and angry, it might be better to let off some steam in a physical activity--a workout, sport or physical labor. The challenge here is to use your high spirits and assertiveness in a positive, productive manner, but with consideration for others.

New Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

Quite likely, this will be a positive transit, even though listed as "challenging." Feeling upbeat and optimistic, you'll be friendly, sociable and generous, so you might like to choose this time to schedule a party or celebration. If, on the other hand, this period does prove to be a challenging one, the issue may involve integrating your need to be free and adventurous with your need to be secure. Or, it could involve some kind of conflict over ideas--ethics, philosophy, religion. Whatever the case, there is an important opportunity for you here. Look at any conflict--either internal or with someone else in your life--for the personal lesson contained within it. Jupiter represents your capacity for growth and expansion. This can range the gamut from physical growth to spiritual growth, from overdoing (in a manner that you shouldn't) to doing a great deal in positive accomplishment. The challenge: how will you grow? You choose!

New Moon trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Neptune

Lost in dreamland? Fantasy may be the focus during this period. Dreams may be fine, if they give birth to creativity and you can apply that in an art form. But the challenge, here, may well be in figuring out what is reality and what is illusion. Be very careful about making important decisions during this transit, for you may not have all the facts. Or you could be seeing what you want to see, and overlooking a "red flag" you'd see at a less foggy time. Escapist tendencies are likely to be accentuated, and this can be dangerous, in regard to any use of drugs or alcohol. You may need to seek a balance between compassion and being drained by others' expectations of you. If you are psychically sensitive, this could be a time when you are picking up too much, and will need to shield. Meditation helps.

New Moon square Natal Ascendant

During this transit period your relationships are in focus, and emotions are more than likely to be a strong factor. It's quite possible that some aspect of balance may be an issue--your interests vs. those of another person who is closely involved with you. This could be your spouse, your business partner, or perhaps an adversary or competitor. Some situation, involving a relationship, could be unstable, in need of change. If you are attempting to effect a change or resolve an imbalance, it is important to be aware that you and/or the other person may be more vulnerable than usual to emotionalism and lack of objectivity. If you can understand this, and remain sufficiently in touch with your own feelings, you may be able to help the situation by relating sensitively, and with true empathy, without losing your head. Look to the House in which this Lunation falls for more insight into the issues it may symbolize.



JULY 7, 2005 Thursday

Mars sextile Natal Mercury

Starts today; Exact Jul 8; Leaves Jul 10.

Keep that mind of yours busy today. It's a favorable time for any mental work. Ideas are more creative, original. Your mood should be good, and negotiations can be productive and go your way. You can assert your point of view effectively. Also favored: making plans, writing, studying and travel.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Venus

A good day to do something you enjoy. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Arts and crafts activities are favored, too. Play a little, and indulge just a bit, but don't overdo. Extravagance might be regretted tomorrow!

Mercury trine Natal Mars

This is a good day to be very busy. Your energy flows, your confidence level is strong, and much work can be done--either physical or mental. You are unlikely to be daunted by obstacles now, so this may be the right time to tackle that tough problem you've been meaning to solve. Your ability to think quickly may be highlighted, but your patience to be thorough may not be. Be sure you organize your project. Sell your views to others--this transit favors both your ability to assert yourself and to communicate effectively.

Mercury trine Natal Saturn

You are not likely to feel in a playful mood today, but your ability for concentrated mental discipline is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, this is a time for it. You've got a good critical eye and can take a hard look at what needs to be changed without getting "down" about it.

Good day for organizational activity. Not a good day for frivolity.

Venus trine Natal Saturn

This transit focuses on stability and conservatism in matters of love, affection, finances, and the arts. It could be a time for a serious talk with a loved one. Or you may attend to your responsibility for a loved one, and you will do so willingly. A relationship that starts during this transit is most likely to be a stable one. Art work will be disciplined and probably quite productive.

Mars enters the 7th house Jul 7, 2005

Mars traveling through your Seventh House indicates a focus of energy on your activities with your partner. This could mean energetic and productive working together--or it could mean tension and conflicts. Messages in planetary aspects during this time are more significant in reflecting potential challenges than this transit of Mars through the Seventh, alone. In any case, if there is tension, this is a time when you should get out problems and deal with them. Try to achieve a win-win compromise. In legal matters, compromise or settlement is favored; challenge is not. This can be a marriage transit, but impulsiveness is suggested, so be aware.

JULY 8, 2005 Friday

Venus trine Natal Mars

This transit's theme is one of balance between your needs to assert yourself and your needs to relate to others, to give and to receive. Relationships benefit from your warmth and comfort with yourself. Love relationships bloom, and new friendships can form. Surround yourself with beauty--create art, or spruce up your home or yourself. Be with people and enjoy.



Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

Try a new approach today. Tension or disputes could result from boredom or confinement. This could be a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

Potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Possible challenges: love relationships can conflict over stability versus freedom. "Love at first sight" could look differently tomorrow. Risk appeals, in romance or finance. Watch impulsiveness. Artists may try a new approach.

JULY 9, 2005 Saturday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

The phone rings, lots of talk flows around you. Papers must be shuffled; errands must be run. Interruptions abound. Your nervous energy is tested. In communicating with others, egos and needs may conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

Sun square Natal Ascendant

The spotlight in this transit is on your encounters with others. You are likely to be feeling more energetic than on other days, and because of that, you can take initiative, get things done and impress others favorably. Your personal charisma shines more brightly. The challenge: you may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, if you can--you have the extra energy--but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Compromise and seeking consensus is considerably more likely to bring success today than willfulness. Look for win-win solutions.

JULY 10, 2005 Sunday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mercury

Today it seems the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, and everyone talks at once. Your opinions may be tested. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

JULY 11, 2005 Monday

Mercury opposite Natal Venus

As challenging transits go, this one is really easy. If you've been needing to have a good talk with someone you love, go for it, but be flexible. You may not agree, and will need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. This could also apply to that letter you've been procrastinating about writing. Shopping or social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.



Venus opposite Natal Venus

Most likely this day favors casual, pleasant sociability with others; perhaps sentimentality, nostalgia or sensuality with loved ones. Minor differences in approaches to manner of pleasure, finance could require balance. You probably don't feel much like working--more likely you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

JULY 12, 2005 Tuesday

Venus sextile Natal Ascendant

Make time to relax and enjoy yourself today, because you are most likely to be far more in the mood for a party than work. If you're planning ahead and can take at least some of this day off from work, do so. Be with others--or alone with that very special "other." Unless other challenging transits of this time contradict, all of your relationships are likely to be harmonious. You're feeling good and that radiates out and attracts others.

JULY 13, 2005 Wednesday

Venus opposite Natal Mercury

Among challenging transits, this is one of the easiest. If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. The only caveat is that you could be inclined to agree to a compromise where you really aren't willing to give ground, thus not really solving the issue but only sidelining it for now. For the same reason, this day may not be the best for business negotiations, for you might give

too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices for today.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Pluto

Starts today; Exact Jul 14; Leaves Jul 16.

Power and control issues may arise and you are in no mood for limitation. Egos may be on the line--understanding yours may be an important key to creating a win-win solution. You have deep feelings, and they are in the forefront now. Don't suppress them, for if you do, you are likely to attract a situation where you are attacked. Claim your own power to act constructively. Positive outlets: energetic work, consensual sex, and taking steps toward necessary major changes.

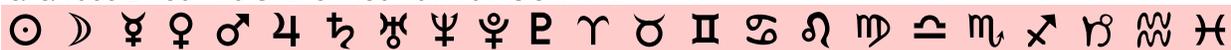
Mercury sextile Natal Ascendant

This is a day when you are likely to be mentally alert, busier than usual, and able to communicate effectively. Choose it to make that call, write that letter, have that talk. Exchange ideas, and don't forget that listening to the other person's opinion is communication, too! It's also a good day to clear up that pile of papers, take a trip, buy or sell something, or take a class.

Mars square Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact Jul 15; Leaves Jul 17.

Your objectives, your career, your goals and your ego are likely to be in the forefront. You want to do things your own way. With control over your rasher impulses, you can assert yourself with confidence. This transit could signal the need to resolve a conflict between your career life and your home life. Disputes could arise with a parent, or with your boss. In the case of confrontation, it is probably best to clear the air honestly and forthrightly, with respect for the other's views. Suppressing the tension



will only table it to erupt later, in a less favorable way. For example, suppressed tension at work could be taken out later on an undeserving loved one at home, or tension at home could cause you to blow up at work, to your detriment. If planning ahead, and realizing the potential of a confrontation, you might choose not to suppress, but rather to table the discussion for a calmer transit. Go off by yourself and engage in independent work or physical activity. That way you can accomplish a lot and work off the energy positively.

JULY 14, 2005 Thursday

Sun sextile Natal Pluto

Your creative potential to make changes is favored on this day. If there's a sticky situation that needs to be cleared up, a relationship issue that needs to be confronted, or even a messy desk or closet that needs to be cleaned out, this is an appropriate time to do it. Your attempt to transform, so long as you are ethical and fair, can progress smoothly today, and you'll most likely feel very good about the result. Feel your own inner power, and use it to make a favorable impression on others. This is also a good transit under which to engage in serious thinking, study or investigative work. You can get right to the bottom of a problem and discover the way to solve it.

Sun conjunct Natal Midheaven

The Sun "shining" on your Midheaven is a spotlight on your career, your reputation or your most important goals in life. It is only a one-day transit, but it could potentially be a "trigger" for an larger issue that would be reflected in your longer term transits. In whatever goal you've been building toward, this may be a day in which you will get attention for it. Negative attention is a

potential if you have "set the stage" for it through past actions such as arrogance or difficulties with authorities. However, assuming you've been building constructively and ethically, the attention you receive today should be positive. Make the most of it! Express your vitality to the world. This should be a favorable time to seek advantage from those in authority or from the public in general. If you've been looking for a good day to put yourself forward, this could be it. This transit is the first day of Sun in the Tenth House, which lasts a month or so, so be sure to read that interpretation, too.

The Sun enters the 10th house Jul 14, 2005

In the Tenth House, the Sun has transited counter-clockwise all around your chart to arrive at the very top. During this period your focus is drawn more fully to your place in the outer world than at any other time in your year. This is the time when you are most energized to "get ahead," accomplish, further your ambitions, and you "shine" by getting out there and doing it! Recognition may come your way. At the same time, you must understand that with recognition goes consequent responsibility. Those "on top" can be equally visible for their power and for their flaws, so shine by doing what is right and doing your very best.

JULY 15, 2005 Friday

Mercury opposite Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today--and some of them could seem in conflict with your own views. Conversations, dialogues, debates, or other business matters could be more evident than usual. In planning ahead for this day, realize that extra preparation is wise, as is flexibility in your thinking. This is probably not the best time for final deci-



sions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless, don't give in to nervous tension. If you're stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns. Or spend a little time alone with a good book.

Venus enters the 11th house Jul 15, 2005

The Eleventh House transit of Venus illuminates your social activities with groups and organizations to which you belong, or with your friends. Unless planetary aspects are very contradictory to this theme, you are feeling more socially inclined than usual. Give a party! Generally, you are dealing very well with others now. Enjoy feeling open, friendly and free. If a new romance begins during this period, you may find that the waves of attraction are flowing between you and someone whom you'd previously thought was "just a friend."

JULY 19, 2005 Tuesday

Sun trine Natal Neptune

Matters of spirituality, idealism, faith are highlighted during this transit and you may perceive them as especially beautiful. This is not a transit of high physical energy, so don't plan to push yourself. Try to take time away from your normal routine and meditate, do spiritual work, and perhaps just spend some time outdoors, in the beauty of nature. Creative work of beauty may emerge. Your intuition is heightened, and your capacity for empathy and compassion. You may find great satisfaction today in helping others. You could give a hand--or a willing and compassionate ear--to those close to you in family or neighborhood, or you could work within a charity.

JULY 20, 2005 Wednesday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. Creative art expression can flourish.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Saturn

Work and pleasure may be in conflict. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Think things through, don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

Sun sextile Natal Uranus

This is a wonderful day to be individual, to be different and to express your freedom. Expect the unexpected--be alert for it. Create it! If you can, do plan to do something on this day to break from your normal routine. Try a change of scene. Visit someplace new. Open your mind to learn new things. You might begin a stimulating new course of study--something you wouldn't normally think of to try. Perhaps you could make a change in your surroundings, or even yourself. Try that new look! You are probably more inquisitive than usual, and your imagination is stimulated, so if you are at work today, you might come up with a good, new approach. This is a day when you can make changes more freely than other time. Be open. Be creative.

Venus square Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love can appeal to the heights of your imagination.



The challenge of this transit is most likely to center around relationships, for today you are more inclined toward illusion than reality. Take care and take your time. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits and all that's beautiful. Just be aware that your view today is through rose-colored glasses, and the view may not be so rosy tomorrow.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Neptune

Starts today; Exact Jul 22; Leaves Jul 24.

Your escape mechanism is stimulated. You may want to escape from dealing with an ongoing situation. The fog may clear on deception or self-deception. If you're vulnerable to very negative forms of escape--alcohol, drugs--watch out. Cold or minor infections can provide temporary escapes, but are no fun. Positive escapes are creative art or music, spiritual pursuits. Or, help out someone who has problems worse than yours. Take some time to dream.

JULY 21, 2005 Thursday

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Egos are in the forefront. You want attention, and so does someone else. Respect your challenger, without denying your own needs. Shine through constructive effort and take pride in doing your best.

Full Moon in Your 4th House

Since the New Moon you have probably been experiencing an increased focus on your work and status in the world. Career matters have been prominent. Now, with the Full Moon in your Fourth House, you may face the necessity of integrating your work goals, requirements and ambitions

with your home life. You need to succeed in the world, but you also need the secure foundation of a harmonious home base. You need to meet the expectations of authorities, customers, your public, etc., but you must also give fair and balanced attention to your family. At this time you may need to give serious thought to the ways in which you can successfully balance both sides of this polarity, and you may have to prioritize and make some changes. A true sense of fulfillment here may well include a blending of compassion and the "bottom line," or nurturing responsibly.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

This lunation period illuminates your urges and capacity to "shine"--to be vital, purposeful and make an impact on your world in a manner that contributes to your self-esteem. This may be a time when you can successfully put yourself forward and "shine" even more brightly. If, however, the time is problematic, it may be because there is tension or conflict between your outer, conscious self and your inner, emotional and unconscious needs. You cannot deny either side of yourself, so you must gain in awareness and learn to balance. If, at this focal time, you are experiencing tension and low energy, this is a sign that you are not integrating properly. You must examine those needs that you are neglecting, and then do something about it. With alignment of the inner and outer needs, the conscious and unconscious selves, you are likely to feel a real burst of extra energy. This can be an especially creative period in which much will be accomplished.

JULY 22, 2005 Friday

Venus conjunct Natal Jupiter

This is a "best day" for pleasure-seeking, social occasions, romance, financial inter-



ests or investments, artistic endeavors, taking a vacation--or perhaps just a bit of self-indulgence. At its worst this is still a day when you should be able to find time for a pleasant respite from your daily routine. If you are planning a wedding or special celebration, this should be an excellent time for it. People will respond to you because you are feeling so warm and friendly.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Uranus
Starts today; Exact Jul 24; Leaves Jul 26.

You may in a hurry, feeling impulsive and rebellious. So GO--just watch out you don't trip over your feet in your rush! Suppressed tension could simmer over and explode, or can be internalized into a physical problem. Find a constructive and reasonably safe way to express your individuality. Innovative, creative work is the very best way to express this transit. Do something new.

JULY 23, 2005 Saturday

Mars octile (semisquare) Natal Sun
Starts today; Exact Jul 25; Leaves Jul 27.

Energy is high today. Keep active. Dealings with others may test you. Impatience could lead to conflict. Assert yourself, but do so with consideration, tact and respect for others. Your endurance is good today. Competitive urges are heightened--and you can win, if you keep your cool.

JULY 24, 2005 Sunday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant

Relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection.

Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. Have a good time, but avoid a tendency to overindulge or overspend. What appeals today, may not tomorrow.

JULY 25, 2005 Monday

Mars trine Natal Jupiter
Starts today; Exact Jul 26; Leaves Jul 28.

It's a great day to take action. Your energy is good, and unless other challenging transits strongly contradict, you should be relatively free of stress that might otherwise work against you. You are probably clear about your objectives, so go for it! Actions you take today are most likely to be fruitful, successful--even joyful--and will contribute to growth. Be sure to integrate your actions with ethical principles, and make the most of this time period.

JULY 27, 2005 Wednesday

Venus trine Natal Moon

Today, unless other simultaneous challenging transits contradict, you are likely to be a real "softy," warm and mellow toward everyone. Your feelings of love and affection are strong, so express them. All of your relationships, personal and public, can benefit from your mood today. This would be a good day to entertain friends at home. It's also a good day to sell.

JULY 28, 2005 Thursday

Sun square Natal Moon

Tension could result today as your outer self (public, professional life, perhaps) comes



into conflict with your inner emotional needs. The challenge is to bring them into balance, for neither can be denied. If you feel "on edge" it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be giving too much attention to your own ego needs, or too career-pressured, and may be letting down your family or your own need to be nurtured. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what you know needs your attention in the outer world. Take a break--perhaps take a walk alone--and think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.

JULY 29, 2005 Friday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Issues of power and control may emerge today. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other issue of self-mastery. A power struggle may lead you to insight into a change you need to make. Letting go could increase inner strength.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Midheaven

You may enjoy entertaining at home today. A potential challenge is overindulgence; another could be balancing needs of career and home. Express affection. A new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

JULY 30, 2005 Saturday

Mercury opposite Natal Mercury (Retro)

Communication issues dominate today--and some of them could seem in conflict with your own views. Conversations, dialogues, debates, or other business matters could be more evident than usual. In planning ahead for this day, realize that extra preparation is wise, as is flexibility in your thinking. This is probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless, don't give in to nervous tension. If you're stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns. Or spend a little time alone with a good book.

AUGUST 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Saturn is in the 10th house from May 6, 2005 to Sep 25, 2006

See interpretation in May.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.



Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Neptune trine Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Feb 26, 2005; Exact Mar 30, 2005; Stationary (R) May 19, 2005; Exact Jul 12, 2005 (Retro); Leaves orb Aug 19, 2005 (Retro).

Although this transit is much milder than the challenging aspects, some caution is still called for in dealing with personal relationships. You may be seeing "the other" as your ideal rather than as a real--and very human--person. Your attraction to a new person in your life may be primarily spiritual and you could over idealize such a person--the "guru." Still, remember that even idols often have feet of clay. Take your time and don't "go overboard" now. Learn, but wait until this period is over to more thoroughly evaluate what you've learned. Your dreams may be vivid and enlightening--you would do well to record and reflect on them. You could benefit from metaphysical studies, and reap rich inner rewards from helping, healing or charitable activities. For artists, imagination flows and enhances creativity.

Pluto quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Jun 11, 2005 (Retro); Exact Jul 23, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Exact Oct 11, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 16, 2005.

The theme of transformation is focused on your goals in life. Your personal relationships, as they help or hinder you, are involved. During this transit an examination of your direction, your status, your relationships or your attitudes may lead to profound change. Power struggles could lead to awareness of internal changes you need to make. This can be a powerful time, with substantial progress. Move forward ethically. Be

true to yourself. But use your energy. If you waste it, someone or something else may force you to react instead of act.

Pluto square Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jun 30, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 1, 2005.

Pluto square Pluto is a generational transit shared with all others in your age group, but because its speed is so variable, it's impossible to predict an age for all purposes. You who are reading this in the early 21st century are probably nearing mid-life (late 30s, early 40s). It symbolizes transformative change, and most people relate to some form of transformation going on in their lives at that age, many in a major way. For more specific ideas on the course this may take in your life, look to your more personal transits. This one will intensify whatever else is going on during the same time period. External changes are likely to be a part of it--changes of location, lifestyle, relationships, career. Of course, these are most likely only tangible expressions of an internal need for change within you. If you dig in your heels and deny the need, something external may occur to force the issue. Your capacity for self-mastery and your ability to flow with needed changes are being tested. Own your power to make creative choices and lead the changes you need to make toward a positive new direction.

Jupiter quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

Enters orb Jul 24, 2005; Exact Aug 1, 2005; Leaves orb Aug 7, 2005.

It's a good time to push your luck or put yourself forward. The challenge is to expand without overdoing. Potential downsides of this transit are arrogance, overindulgence, exaggeration, and conflicts over moral principles. If you choose the "upsides" this can be a time



of rewarding growth opportunities, general well-being, good self-esteem and success.

Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jul 25, 2005 (Retro); Exact Aug 31, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Oct 26, 2005; Exact Dec 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 18, 2006.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imaginative? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be "so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint financial situations that begin during this transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

Enters orb Jul 31, 2005; Exact Aug 7, 2005; Leaves orb Aug 13, 2005.

With extra confidence and energy you can advance your projects, but guard against a tendency to over-expansion and overestimation. Take a hard look at long-term potentials. Excess tension may mean you're overextended, and if so, reassess your priorities and let something go. This should be a positive time, when you can accomplish a great deal--and learn how much you can effectively handle.

Jupiter trine Natal Venus

Enters orb Aug 9, 2005; Exact Aug 15, 2005; Leaves orb Aug 21, 2005.

This is a very harmonious transit, but one that may go by without anything happening other than a general feeling of pleasantness, unless you take some initiative. Love and romantic relationships are favored. You feel popular and attractive. Social occasions are enjoyable. You may be feeling languid and a little lazy, which could mean that this transit, if you're looking ahead, might be an excellent time to take your vacation. Your taste for beauty, luxury or food and drink may cause you to indulge more than you might at other times.

Saturn square Natal Moon

Enters orb Aug 17, 2005; Exact Aug 26, 2005; Leaves orb Sep 3, 2005.

Your emotional life may be stressed to the point that you are inclined to magnify problems or to be more vulnerable than usual. A little self-pity won't hurt if it helps you withdraw from the scenes of tension to think things through and get in touch with what is really bothering you. Recognize that it may be only be your temporary mood that is the problem, rather than the true reality of your situation. This could be a time



when you have a problem with a female, likely your mother. Do take the initiative to resolve any difficulties with her. Other than that, it is probably best to postpone any major decisions with an emotional basis for the time being. Try to be sensible about dependency issues--neither too much nor too little nurturing. You might do well to concentrate on practical concerns of your work in the world--unless it is a conflict between your work and your personal relationships that is at the root of your stress. In that case, your practical concern must be to rethink your priorities and restore balance. This may be a transit during which you make changes in the structure of your domestic role, or in your physical home.

Jupiter conjunct Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Aug 17, 2005; Exact Aug 23, 2005; Leaves orb Aug 28, 2005.

Feel good about yourself! This is a time of opportunity in which you can easily project your good feeling to others and reap rewards socially, in increased opportunities, in increased respect, and in a recharging of your general sense of well-being. It's a potentially very expansive time, usually quite positive. Yet guard against arrogance or expanding your waistline! Read also Jupiter in the First House, for this transit is the beginning phase of that longer term passage.

Jupiter trine Natal Mercury

Enters orb Aug 24, 2005; Exact Aug 29, 2005; Leaves orb Sep 4, 2005.

This is a good time for thinking, traveling, doing business or communicating with others. You'll speak well for yourself. Your ideas are well-received and appreciated. You may be able to resolve problems you've had with others, if you speak with them sincerely and tactfully. This is also an

excellent time to learn, to grasp abstract ideas, to write, to organize and to plan. This transit may merely indicate pleasant thinking, however, unless you take the initiative.

Saturn octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Enters orb Aug 31, 2005; Exact Sep 9, 2005; Leaves orb Sep 18, 2005.

Significance of this transit depends on blend with more personal transits of this time. The theme: slow, transformative change, hard work and rebuilding structures. Take responsibility for changing what you know you must change in yourself and in your life.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

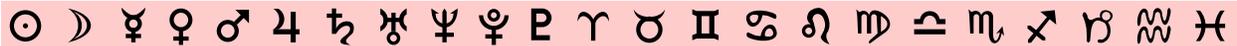
AUGUST 1, 2005 Monday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Saturn

Work and pleasure may be in conflict. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Think things through, don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

Mercury sextile Natal Ascendant (Retro)

This is a day when you are likely to be mentally alert, busier than usual, and able to communicate effectively. Choose it to make that call, write that letter, have that talk. Exchange ideas, and don't forget that listening to the other person's opinion is communication, too! It's also a good day to clear up that pile of papers, take a trip, buy or sell something, or take a class.



AUGUST 2, 2005 Tuesday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. Creative art expression can flourish.

easily. In any case, your mood is more subdued than usual, and you are able to organize and plan. If you have detailed work to do, you can accomplish it meticulously and well. Indeed, the best way to derive satisfaction from this day is to dig in and get your work done. Attend to your responsibilities. If, for some reason, this is not a working day for you, it is a good day for effective self-evaluation and planning. You are in a serious mood, and may prefer to be alone. Or, if you think you might benefit from an objective point of view, this is a good time to seek the opinion of someone who is older or in a position of authority.

AUGUST 3, 2005 Wednesday

Venus opposite Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Give and receive compliments. Express your tender feelings for a special someone. Or get out and meet someone new! Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

AUGUST 4, 2005 Thursday

Mars conjunct Natal Moon

Starts today; Exact Aug 6; Leaves Aug 8.

Feeling irritable and snippy with others and can't even explain why? Is this one of those days when a "little thing" drives you into a tizzy; when you are edgy or intolerant for no apparent reason? If so, know that your mood can be hardest on those you love the most, so try to be extra attentive in your communication, and to find a harmless physical outlet to vent your feelings. Yet if there's a situation where you SHOULD stick up for yourself, you have the extra energy to do it.

Mercury opposite Natal Venus (Retro)

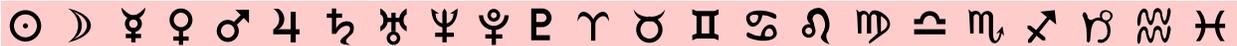
As challenging transits go, this one is really easy. If you've been needing to have a good talk with someone you love, go for it, but be flexible. You may not agree, and will need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. This could also apply to that letter you've been procrastinating about writing. Shopping or social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

Sun trine Natal Mars

Your energy is likely to be quite high during this transit, and you can accomplish a great deal. You are self-assertive, and if you need to stick up for yourself, now is a time when you can do so effectively and successfully. Work either alone or with others should be harmonious and beneficial. If you've been feeling out-of-balance in any area of your life, this is a good time to make positive changes. Physical activity is

Sun trine Natal Saturn

Unless other more challenging transits describe very different themes, this is a day when self-discipline and self-control come



recommended. Work out, play a game--a least take a brisk walk.

AUGUST 5, 2005 Friday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Egos are in the forefront. You want attention, and so does someone else. Respect your challenger, without denying your own needs. Shine through constructive effort and take pride in doing your best.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Venus

You probably don't feel much like working today. More likely, you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

If you're feeling restless today, take a break. Do something different. If you try to repress your need for a bit of freedom, it's likely that something unexpected--perhaps upsetting--will occur to change your routine, anyway. Take the lead. Experiment! Life offers surprises today. Accept them! You may discover something new and valuable.

New Moon in Your 10th House

You and your life's work--career, business concerns, reputation--are in high focus now and in the month to come. This is a time when you can more easily take the initiative to improve your status in your career. Be visible--put yourself in line for promotion. Put forth extra effort to win new business

clientele. Make public appearances. Public relations and sales may well be favored now, because your ability to be sensitive to others is emphasized. Be aware, though, that because you ARE more likely than usual to be "on display," to be visible, you could easily damage your reputation if you are undiplomatic, appear overly ambitious or arrogant. If you have been hiding something that could be damaging to your reputation, it may be more difficult to keep it hidden during this transit. Best to be above reproach. Push yourself forward, but do so ethically and with honor and with consideration for others.

New Moon opposite Natal Venus

During this time your feelings of love and affection are in strong focus and need to be expressed. Issues that are in the forefront now may include the manner in which you express affection, how you relate to others, how you handle your desires for comfort and ease, how you deal with your need for material security, and your appreciation of or creation of beauty. Problems in any of these areas most likely can be resolved through careful examination of the BALANCE involved--balance of your needs versus those of your intimates, of your desires NOW vs. what you want in the future. You'll probably be more inclined than usual to be social, so this lunation period may be excellent for the planning of a major entertainment or celebratory event. Enjoy the company of others, and find ways to pamper yourself a bit, too. Just watch that you don't OVER indulge. This could be a time of especially creative production for artists, or a good time to explore a new art form. Enhance the beauty of your surroundings. Romance could be in the air--or you could stir it up!



New Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

Craving excitement in your life? Bored and restless? Ready for a change? All these are likely themes of focus during this period. Unexpected surprises may come your way, and cause considerable tension--most likely, if you've been trying to stick to routine and suppress your inner need to scratch that restless itch. Watch out! The impulse may be to jump first and only later find out that you've fallen into a hole you didn't intend. On the other hand, be willing to take a chance. You need to exercise your freedom now, to do something different. The trick is to do so, without upsetting parts of your life that you really want to remain stable. Be flexible and independent. Think creatively. This might be a time when you could let some very welcome fresh air into your life.

AUGUST 6, 2005 Saturday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun (Retro)

The phone rings, lots of talk flows around you. Papers must be shuffled; errands must be run. Interruptions abound. Your nervous energy is tested. In communicating with others, egos and needs may conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

AUGUST 7, 2005 Sunday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mercury

If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. It may not be the best day for business

negotiations, for you might give too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus (Retro)

Try a new approach today. Tension or disputes could result from boredom or confinement. This could be a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting.

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Pluto
Starts today; Exact Aug 9; Leaves Aug 11.

Power and control issues may arise and you are in no mood for limitation. Egos may be on the line--understanding yours may be an important key to creating a win-win solution. You have deep feelings, and they are in the forefront now. Don't suppress them, for if you do, you are likely to attract a situation where you are attacked. Claim your own power to act constructively. Positive outlets: energetic work, consensual sex, and taking steps toward necessary major changes.

Venus enters the 12th house Aug 7, 2005

In the Twelfth House, Venus, the planet of love, is likely to focus on spiritual or platonic love. This could be expressed by your work in a charitable activity, or perhaps by being obliged to take care of a loved one who is ill. You feel the need to serve, and with challenging planetary aspects during this time, you could be tempted to play the martyr. Remember, to give is to receive--but it is very important that you give yourself the time and space to recharge. Artistic work may help. The Twelfth House is also a



house of secrets--a secret love, perhaps?

AUGUST 8, 2005 Monday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Moon

Feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. But know that your heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

Sun opposite Natal Venus

This transit isn't really very challenging at all. In fact, it's a good day to do something you enjoy. Probably you'll be feeling sociable, even affectionate, and want to be with people. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. If you're on your own, work on a creative project. Arts and crafts activities are favored by Venus aspects, too. This is a time to play a little, and indulge just a bit. The caveat--and potential challenge--you may be inclined to overdo. Extravagance or overindulgence might be regretted tomorrow!

Mercury trine Natal Mars (Retro)

This is a good day to be very busy. Your energy flows, your confidence level is strong, and much work can be done--either physical or mental. You are unlikely to be daunted by obstacles now, so this may be the right time to tackle that tough problem you've been meaning to solve. Your ability to think quickly may be highlighted, but your patience to be thorough may not be. Be sure you organize your project. Sell your views to others--this transit favors both your ability to assert yourself and to communicate effectively.

AUGUST 9, 2005 Tuesday

Mercury trine Natal Saturn (Retro)

You are not likely to feel in a playful mood today, but your ability for concentrated mental discipline is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, this is a time for it. You've got a good critical eye and can take a hard look at what needs to be changed without getting "down" about it. Good day for organizational activity. Not a good day for frivolity.

Sun sextile Natal Ascendant

Harmony and ease in your relationships and any encounters with others is a likely experience of this transit. You'll probably be feeling good, perhaps more relaxed or rested than before. This could be a good day for a social occasion, and it could also be a favorable time to put your best foot forward in dealing with others in business. It's not inherently an "action" transit, though. Your mood is more likely to be easy-going. Find some time today to play.

AUGUST 10, 2005 Wednesday

Sun opposite Natal Mercury

Does it seem like "everybody" wants to talk to you or hear from you today? If the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, several talk at once, opinions conflict, at least you've got the extra mental energy to deal with it. Your opinions may be tested. Strive to be very clear about what YOU say and remember that it is equally important to LISTEN. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

Venus conjunct Natal Pluto

If you seek love at this time, you will seek it intensely. If the object of your love



responds to your mood, the connection can be profound. Creative expression can be profound as well. Yet misunderstandings and distance could occur if you allow inner insecurities to surface as jealousy, possessiveness or manipulation. Be aware of your subconscious drives at this time. They are powerful--don't let them "carry you away."

Venus sextile Natal Midheaven

This can be a very productive day for those whose careers are involved with creativity, art, beauty or entertainment. Charm can further your professional ambitions. In any case, it's a good day to beautify your surroundings or attend artistic events. Sociable and amorous intents are also enhanced. You feel affectionate and are able to express your feelings more easily. Because of this, if you should be experiencing any longer term difficulty in a relationship, this is a day in which you may be able to improve things.

AUGUST 13, 2005 Saturday

The Sun enters the 11th house Aug 13, 2005

In the yearly transit of the Sun through each house of your chart, the light now shines on your Eleventh House. During this period, turn your attention toward your friendships and the groups with which you associate. This is a time when you can best shine through working with others to make your world a better place. You may be more innovative than usual--share your ideas! You could find yourself called upon to assume a leadership position, and if so, you will best succeed by coordinating, encouraging and facilitating a group effort--NOT by dominating! Also, during this time, you are inclined to be particularly stimulated and attracted by the unconventional. You

are more open than usual to new ideas.

AUGUST 14, 2005 Sunday

Venus sextile Natal Neptune

This is a day when, if you can, you should dream, fantasize, enjoy the beauty of nature and take it easy. Enjoy creative pursuits, music and romance. If you are obligated to mundane work, you'll likely feel lethargic about it. Take some meditation breaks. Increased intuition may give you ideas that you can beneficially manifest later. For today, though, you are probably in a pleasant fog, so don't push yourself to make decisions.

AUGUST 15, 2005 Monday

Venus conjunct Natal Uranus

Expect the unexpected in love and romance, in creative work, in financial matters. You could fall in love at first sight--but take care. It may be more exciting than stable! A creative flash is possible--be experimental! Invest wisely, or "easy come" could also be "easy go." A day to break with dull routine and be open to stimulation.

AUGUST 17, 2005 Wednesday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Venus

You probably don't feel much like working today. More likely, you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a



play.

AUGUST 19, 2005 Friday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mercury

If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. It may not be the best day for business negotiations, for you might give too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mars

Confrontational situations could arise. Energy is high and work can be productive, but perhaps best if you work alone. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. Hostility, from within yourself or from others is signal to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. A good physical workout may help.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Saturn

You feel just plain tired today--or you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." Don't spend the day just brooding, though. Get to work. You can take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can even turn this into a good day!

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Uranus

Starts today; Exact Aug 21; Leaves Aug 23.

You may in a hurry, feeling impulsive and rebellious. So GO--just watch out you don't trip over your feet in your rush! Suppressed tension could simmer over and explode, or can be internalized into a physical problem. Find a constructive and reasonably safe way to express your individuality. Innovative, creative work is the very best way to express this transit. Do something new.

Sun square Natal Neptune

This is just not the day to forge ahead with enthusiasm in the working world. In fact, you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. Avoid choosing this day for any activity where you must be upbeat and "on." (An exception to this may be if your prime activity is psychic, spiritual, artistic or perhaps promotional. In these areas an increased ability to "tune in" on the intangible is an asset.) With strictly mundane activities, lack of clarity can be an issue: either you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. This is NOT a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. If you can't, try to pace yourself. Go through your routine, avoid confrontation, and if your mood is low, don't take yourself too seriously. Take a meditation break, and plan something relaxing for after work. Matters of spirituality, idealism, faith are highlighted today, and can be beautiful. Intuition is stimulated and insight can be gained. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.

Full Moon in Your 5th House

Illuminated at this Full Moon is the manner in which you express your individuality and personal creativity, and how you give love. It is a good time to do something that you



really enjoy, that excites you, that gives you the opportunity to express YOU. Your children are a highly significant result of your personal creativity, so your support for their activities might also be a significant issue at this time. What may need to be balanced and integrated here is the issue of your individual expression vs. your role within society as a whole or in groups to which you belong that are still in focus during this New Moon lunar month. Perhaps your larger group responsibilities are leaving too little time for your individual needs. Perhaps your larger goals are competing with time for your children. If both sides of this polarity are balanced, this may be a time when you can just let yourself shine. If you are overextended, it is time to consider what you can do to increase your individual expression and enjoyment of life.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Mars

Your assertive energies and ability to take action are in focus now, but what you want to do may not be easily supported by either the circumstances or the people that you need for support. Emotional clashes and disputes are possible, or suppressed tensions that can lead to self-sabotage (little accidents, for example). If you can be "clear" about your own feelings and needs, and are willing to consider the other guy, it might be best to "clear the air." If you're feeling defensive and angry, it might be better to let off some steam in a physical activity--a workout, sport or physical labor. The challenge here is to use your high spirits and assertiveness in a positive, productive manner, but with consideration for others.

Full Moon opposite Natal Jupiter

In high focus now are your capacities for optimism, growth and idealism. Your sense of ethics and your faith may be factors in issues that you initiate or are impacted by. This is very likely to be an

especially fortunate period for you in terms of opportunities to expand. Philosophical, spiritual and educational pursuits are favored. You could even have the feeling that "Lady Luck" is with you, and you are quite optimistic about the prospects. Be alert for opportunities that come your way, and take advantage of them, but it is never wise to gamble that which you can't afford to lose. Over optimism is a big red flag of this period, and you could be tempted to overdo or overextend. Your ethical sense may be at stake, so it is important that you conduct your activities with integrity and within "the rules" as you see them. If your rules differ from those of others, be aware and balance, or be prepared to defend and justify. If you have been looking for a good time to schedule an important social event or celebration, this may be one of the best. (Look for other supporting transits, too.) You're likely to be feeling quite generous, now, but guard against extravagance. Be happy.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

The focus is on responsibility, discipline, reality, and limitation, and the challenge may be in dealing with feelings--yours or others around you. This is a period when, quite honestly, you may be feeling down in the dumps or lonely, with reason, but also perhaps with no good reason at all. You may be inclined to maximize whatever difficulties you are having, and be too hard on yourself in the process. Do realize that your mood is temporary, and is not necessarily reality. On the subject of responsibility, one more thing you are responsible for is your own emotional responses to whatever is, or is not, going on in your life. Take charge! Persist in your duties, and exercise patience and common sense. Give yourself some private time. If you feel a need to talk things over, an objec-



tive older person could be a good choice.

Full Moon square Natal Neptune

Lost in dreamland? Fantasy may be the focus during this period. Dreams may be fine, if they give birth to creativity and you can apply that in an art form. But the challenge, here, may well be in figuring out what is reality and what is illusion. Be very careful about making important decisions during this transit, for you may not have all the facts. Or you could be seeing what you want to see, and overlooking a "red flag" you'd see at a less foggy time. Escapist tendencies are likely to be accentuated, and this can be dangerous, in regard to any use of drugs or alcohol. You may need to seek a balance between compassion and being drained by others' expectations of you. If you are psychically sensitive, this could be a time when you are picking up too much, and will need to shield. Meditation helps.

AUGUST 20, 2005 Saturday

Mars sextile Natal Sun

Starts today; Exact Aug 22; Leaves Aug 25.

Today you are likely to have extra energy and drive for work, and you can accomplish a great deal without stress. Take the initiative on what needs to be done. Your sense of balance, coupled with your energy, means that you may be able to spark the team on a work project or in a sporting event. Whether on the team or working alone, you compete well. This is a good aspect under which to schedule business dealings or organizational activities in which you wish to put your ideas forward.

AUGUST 21, 2005 Sunday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon

Feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. But know that your heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

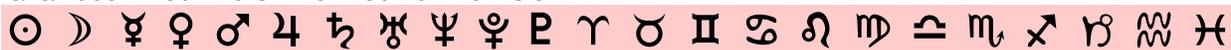
AUGUST 22, 2005 Monday

Sun conjunct Natal Jupiter

You'll probably feel just plain good today--optimistic, positive, confident, expansive and generous. Others are likely to see you at your best, so it's a good time to advance yourself. This transit will usually reflect a very good day--but every transit has its potential downside. Possible misuses of the energy are arrogant or domineering behavior or excesses, such as eating or drinking too much or taking on more than you can handle. Use this day to share your good feelings with others, to "put your best foot forward," and you are sure to have a good day, and perhaps even a reason to celebrate! If you're planning ahead (unless other challenging transits strongly contradict), this is a great day to schedule a celebration, a party or the beginning of a business venture.

Mercury trine Natal Saturn

You are not likely to feel in a playful mood today, but your ability for concentrated mental discipline is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, this is a time for it. You've got a good critical eye and can take a hard look at what needs to be changed without getting "down" about it. Good day for organizational activity. Not a good day for frivolity.



AUGUST 23, 2005 Tuesday

Mercury trine Natal Mars

This is a good day to be very busy. Your energy flows, your confidence level is strong, and much work can be done--either physical or mental. You are unlikely to be daunted by obstacles now, so this may be the right time to tackle that tough problem you've been meaning to solve. Your ability to think quickly may be highlighted, but your patience to be thorough may not be. Be sure you organize your project. Sell your views to others--this transit favors both your ability to assert yourself and to communicate effectively.

Jupiter enters the 1st house Aug 23, 2005

Optimism runs high when Jupiter is in your First House. You'd like everything to be big, romantic and wonderful. You're feeling lucky, and could be inclined to overdo or overindulge, so watch that waistline. Your needs to expand, explore and be free could mean that you really chafe if the obligations and constraints of your life demand too much of your time. You may need to arrange your schedule to have more free time, or independence in your work. Your self-confidence can inspire others. Your sense of morality is strong, and you can be quite assertive in standing up for what is fair and ethical. You can grow now by "trying your wings." If you've been hiding a talent or ability, this a good time to show what you can do.

AUGUST 24, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

The phone rings, lots of talk flows around you. Papers must be shuffled; errands must be run. Interruptions abound. Your nervous

energy is tested. In communicating with others, egos and needs may conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

Try a new approach today. Tension or disputes could result from boredom or confinement. This could be a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting.

AUGUST 25, 2005 Thursday

Mars square Natal Venus

Starts today; Exact Aug 28; Leaves Aug 30.

The urge to ACT--NOW--is heightened in matters of love, sex, self-indulgence, art, entertainment--in most anything you enjoy. A potential challenge could arise requiring balance of your desires, and what you want to do, with the other(s) who are involved. For example, in a love relationship you are more geared for sex than romance. With a willing partner in a similar mood, it's passionate. If the available partner is not in the mood, frustration or conflict is possible. Try tenderness as a better choice. Creative artists can make this day a very productive one.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant

Personal charisma shines today, but you may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Look for



win-win solutions.

AUGUST 26, 2005 Friday

Mercury opposite Natal Venus

As challenging transits go, this one is really easy. If you've been needing to have a good talk with someone you love, go for it, but be flexible. You may not agree, and will need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. This could also apply to that letter you've been procrastinating about writing. Shopping or social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

Venus opposite Natal Saturn

Today your need to work and your wish for pleasure may be in conflict. Or you could be trying to balance career versus relationship needs. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Your mood is probably reserved, and you may prefer to spend much of today alone, thinking things through. That may be just what you should do. Don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love appeal. The challenge involves illusion versus reality. Take care in relationships, and take your time. What's wonderful today may not be so great tomorrow. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits.

Mars enters the 8th house Aug 26, 2005

The management of jointly held money or resources could be at issue during this transit of Mars in your Eighth House. Conflicts over control of shared resources are possible. Don't suppress bad feelings.

Discuss them with those involved and try to work things out in a matter that is acceptable to all. Unless other planetary aspects are very good, this is not the best time to apply for a loan, or rely on the finances of others. Sensuality and sexuality are stimulated now. Work in research is favored. You may probe into psychic phenomena.

AUGUST 27, 2005 Saturday

Venus opposite Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. A good relationship will be fine--even passionate--with this transit. A relationship that is already tense may be aggravated. Sex is the focus of a new attraction, so think safe--you might feel differently tomorrow. Creative art expression can flourish on this day.

Mercury sextile Natal Ascendant

This is a day when you are likely to be mentally alert, busier than usual, and able to communicate effectively. Choose it to make that call, write that letter, have that talk. Exchange ideas, and don't forget that listening to the other person's opinion is communication, too! It's also a good day to clear up that pile of papers, take a trip, buy or sell something, or take a class.



AUGUST 28, 2005 Sunday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

Sun trine Natal Moon

This transit will probably find you feeling fairly peaceful and balanced. Your outer needs (professional, public) flow harmoniously with your inner emotional needs. When you are in such a good mood, you might use this time to "bring up" the moods of others, and perhaps improve your relationships in the process. It's a good time to be with people, and friendships that start now are favored.

Mercury opposite Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today--and some of them could seem in conflict with your own views. Conversations, dialogues, debates, or other business matters could be more evident than usual. In planning ahead for this day, realize that extra preparation is wise, as is flexibility in your thinking. This is probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless, don't give in to nervous tension. If you're stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns. Or spend a little time alone with a good book.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Starts today; Exact Aug 31; Leaves Sep 3.

You want things your way, and if others do not agree, dispute can result. Clear the air and release the tension. Be direct

and clear in expressing your view. If the relationship is important to you, though, you had better listen carefully, too, and seek a win-win solution. Or table the discussion for a calmer day, and work this one off in a competitive sport, or on a project in which you can vigorously work alone.

AUGUST 29, 2005 Monday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

AUGUST 30, 2005 Tuesday

Venus trine Natal Venus

If the themes of other more challenging ones dominate your attention, you may scarcely notice this one. Yet this is a day that, relative to what else may be going on, is most likely easy and pleasant. Casual sociability with others is favored. You may share sentimentality, nostalgia or sensuality with loved ones. Enjoy art activities, music or the beauty of nature.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Midheaven

Not the easiest day to be a "team player." Your own concerns are in the forefront. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are working with others, strive to be considerate. You might do best to work alone, for then you can concentrate fully on your own goals with



no conflict!

Mercury enters the 11th house Aug 30, 2005

Your goals in life are illuminated by planets traveling in your Eleventh House. With Mercury here, evaluate those goals, talk about them with friends and communicate within groups who share your interests. Contribute your ideas for stimulating your cause. Unless messages of planetary aspects have very contradictory themes, this transit of Mercury is likely to reflect your openness and free thinking--a time when your original thoughts surface and can be freely expressed.

AUGUST 31, 2005 Wednesday

Venus conjunct Natal Ascendant

This is an especially favorable day for love, affection and relationships. You enjoy the company of others and can easily express yourself with cordiality and affection. Others respond to you in kind. If you have a problem in a personal relationship, this is a good day to take the initiative in resolving it. You should feel good today. Enjoy or create art. Give or go to a party. Beautify yourself or your environment. This is the first day of the longer transit of Venus in the First House, so read that interpretation, too.

Venus enters the 1st house Aug 31, 2005

The planet of Love traveling in your First House of basic identity generally finds you feeling at your most outgoing, enthusiastic, and social. If this is not the case, look to the messages of planetary aspects during this period, especially those involving Venus. This could be an excellent time to give a party or attend social events. You are likely to feel more attractive now, or to do something special to improve your personal

appearance. In interactions with others, peace is more attractive than confrontation. It's best to seek a harmonious compromise. Take the initiative in romance!

SEPTEMBER 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Mars is in the 8th house from Aug 26, 2005 to Nov 7, 2005

See interpretation in August.

Jupiter is in the 1st house from Aug 23, 2005 to Jan 11, 2006

See interpretation in August.

Saturn is in the 10th house from May 6, 2005 to Sep 25, 2006

See interpretation in May.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.



Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Pluto quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Jun 11, 2005 (Retro); Exact Jul 23, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Exact Oct 11, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 16, 2005.

The theme of transformation is focused on your goals in life. Your personal relationships, as they help or hinder you, are involved. During this transit an examination of your direction, your status, your relationships or your attitudes may lead to profound change. Power struggles could lead to awareness of internal changes you need to make. This can be a powerful time, with substantial progress. Move forward ethically. Be true to yourself. But use your energy. If you waste it, someone or something else may force you to react instead of act.

Pluto square Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jun 30, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 1, 2005.

Pluto square Pluto is a generational transit shared with all others in your age group, but because its speed is so variable, it's impossible to predict an age for all purposes. You who are reading this in the early 21st century are probably nearing mid-life (late 30s, early 40s). It symbolizes transformative change, and most people relate to some form of transformation going on in their lives at that age, many in a major way. For more specific ideas on the course this may take in your life, look to your more personal transits. This one will intensify whatever else is going on during the same time period. External changes are likely to be a part of it--changes of location, lifestyle, relationships, career. Of

course, these are most likely only tangible expressions of an internal need for change within you. If you dig in your heels and deny the need, something external may occur to force the issue. Your capacity for self-mastery and your ability to flow with needed changes are being tested. Own your power to make creative choices and lead the changes you need to make toward a positive new direction.

Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jul 25, 2005 (Retro); Exact Aug 31, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Oct 26, 2005; Exact Dec 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 18, 2006.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imaginative? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be "so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint



financial situations that begin during this transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Saturn square Natal Moon

Enters orb Aug 17, 2005; Exact Aug 26, 2005; Leaves orb Sep 3, 2005.

Your emotional life may be stressed to the point that you are inclined to magnify problems or to be more vulnerable than usual. A little self-pity won't hurt if it helps you withdraw from the scenes of tension to think things through and get in touch with what is really bothering you. Recognize that it may be only be your temporary mood that is the problem, rather than the true reality of your situation. This could be a time when you have a problem with a female, likely your mother. Do take the initiative to resolve any difficulties with her. Other than that, it is probably best to postpone any major decisions with an emotional basis for the time being. Try to be sensible about dependency issues--neither too much nor too little nurturing. You might do well to concentrate on practical concerns of your work in the world--unless it is a conflict between your work and your personal relationships that is at the root of your stress. In that case, your practical concern must be to rethink your priorities and restore balance. This may be a transit during which you make changes in the structure of your domestic role, or in your physical home.

Jupiter trine Natal Mercury

Enters orb Aug 24, 2005; Exact Aug 29, 2005; Leaves orb Sep 4, 2005.

This is a good time for thinking, traveling, doing business or communicating with others. You'll speak well for yourself. Your ideas are well-received and appreciated.

You may be able to resolve problems you've had with others, if you speak with them sincerely and tactfully. This is also an excellent time to learn, to grasp abstract ideas, to write, to organize and to plan. This transit may merely indicate pleasant thinking, however, unless you take the initiative.

Saturn octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Enters orb Aug 31, 2005; Exact Sep 9, 2005; Leaves orb Sep 18, 2005.

Significance of this transit depends on blend with more personal transits of this time. The theme: slow, transformative change, hard work and rebuilding structures. Take responsibility for changing what you know you must change in yourself and in your life.

Jupiter square Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Sep 14, 2005; Exact Sep 19, 2005; Leaves orb Sep 24, 2005.

Opportunity may be at hand--be alert for it. Ambitions may run high. This can be a time of great expansion and gain, if you are ready to claim it and work for it. Arrogance can work against you, however, as can OVER expansion without proper preparation. You may need to balance your ambitions in the world with your home and family life. Neither can be neglected if you are to feel at peace with yourself. This is also a good time to make gains in spiritual understanding and self-awareness, or to pursue additional education or training toward future career improvement.

Uranus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Sep 15, 2005 (Retro); Exact Oct 15, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Nov 16, 2005; Exact Dec 16, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 13, 2006.

Sudden changes in career, reputation,



social status, relationships, home--all are potentials now. You may lead the change, surprising others caught unaware. Or changes may be precipitated by others. Even so, take it as a signal of changes you should make within. Accept the challenge to stretch. You can be more innovative and creative than usual during this transit.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

SEPTEMBER 1, 2005 Thursday

Venus trine Natal Mercury

This is a good day to talk things over agreeably with just about anyone. If you've had problems with someone, this is a day when you may be able to resolve them. Mental activity will be enjoyable or seem easier now. Communication or travel matters go smoothly, comfortably. It's a good day to be with friends, give or go to a party, or engage in an artistic activity. Business presentations should also go well.

Mars square Natal Mercury

Starts today; Exact Sep 3; Leaves Sep 6.

Mental energy is high, so keep that mind of yours busy. Ideas are more creative, original. Channel them into activity. A challenge: today's energies could also lead to argument. This can be productive (being direct, debating to win) or destructive (pointless, tactless, impatient). It depends a lot on the purpose and the people involved. Egos can get in the way. Be aware of yours. If you find yourself in a toe-to-toe confrontation and getting nowhere, you might need to step back and take a hard look at the situation and your part in it. Table it until you calm down and do something safe to release your frustra-

tion, like a physical workout.

SEPTEMBER 2, 2005 Friday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Saturn

Thoughts may be heavy, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. It's not the best day for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for mental discipline is excellent. Work alone. A relaxing stroll to think might yield a useful perspective.

Mercury square Natal Neptune

Do you feel lost in a fog somewhere? Can't find something you just had a moment ago? Forgot a name or bit of information that you KNOW you know? Such things could be events of the day in the mundane world. On the other hand, if your intent is to tune in to the intuition and the imagination, messages could come through with extra oomph. Take care in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. Don't be a victim. Save the details for another day, or if you can't, be sure to double-check them. The challenge, here, may be to balance those details with the big picture. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

SEPTEMBER 3, 2005 Saturday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mars

Feeling irritable and nervous? Your tolerance and patience level may be stressed. Perceptions and reactions are



fast--you're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings. Make your point, but respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Saturn

You feel just plain tired today--or you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." Don't spend the day just brooding, though. Get to work. You can take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can even turn this into a good day!

New Moon in Your 11th House

The themes of the eleventh house include your friendships, your group activities, the goals of your life's work and your hopes and dreams for the future. It could also symbolize your experience with innovation or new technology. Take the initiative in meeting and cultivating new friendships, or in solidifying existing friendships. Join groups. Take on increased responsibility within your group activities. Run for a club office. Cooperate with others for a humanitarian cause. Do volunteer work for an organization. Help organize an event that will benefit your community. Plan and evaluate your future goals, and take some step toward achieving them. If you feel a lack of progress, try a new and original approach. Learn to use a computer.

New Moon opposite Natal Sun

This lunation is likely to find you involved in a significant challenge of balance. In some manner you may be

working against yourself, or one area of your life is in conflict with another. You want to "shine" and accomplish a great deal, but in order to do so, you must integrate opposing issues. Moodiness could be a problem; emotions may run deep. If the issue of balance involves a significant other, or others, pay attention to their views--and to nonverbal cues, as well. You need to express yourself, but you also need the support of others, for what good is it to "shine" if no one cares? Or the need to balance may be within yourself. You could be integrating your conscious and subconscious selves--your logical mind with your feelings. You could be balancing when to speak your mind and when it might be best to hold back. You could be dealing with the needs of your career vs. your home life. As you recognize and achieve harmony and balance, your energy and vitality soar.

SEPTEMBER 4, 2005 Sunday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mars

Confrontational situations could arise. Energy is high and work can be productive, but perhaps best if you work alone. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. Hostility, from within yourself or from others is signal to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. A good physical workout may help.

Mercury conjunct Natal Jupiter

This has been called a "good news" transit. Take advantage of it. It's only a one-day transit that could be little noticed in the whole scheme of things, but that considered, this is a day when you can put your communication skills to work in ways that will benefit you. Speak up about your ideas.



You are likely to find others ready to listen. It's also a good time to choose for those papers--agreements, contracts--that need to be signed. Business matter, public speaking, writing and travel are favored, too.

SEPTEMBER 5, 2005 Monday

Sun opposite Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Your ego is in the forefront, and if you don't get attention effortlessly, you're inclined to do something to draw attention. Yet, this is a good time to push yourself onward. If circumstances or others challenge you, understand that it is only a test of your goals, and you have the will and energy to pass that test. Your challenger also wants to shine. Respect that, without denying your own needs. Show how brightly you can shine through constructive effort. Take pride in doing your best.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant

Your mind may be racing today, and you won't want to sit still. Speak your mind, but be sure to listen to the other person's opinion, too. Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

Venus square Natal Midheaven

Although listed as a challenging transit, this one is usually easy. You are likely to want to be with people, and may enjoy entertaining at home. One caveat is over-indulgence, and another, for some, could be balancing needs of career and home. This may be the case for those whose careers are involved with creativity, art, beauty or entertainment. Usually, though, this is a pleasant day for relationships--one in which

you feel like expressing affection--or a new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

SEPTEMBER 7, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury trine Natal Moon

This is a passive transit that is likely to slip by unnoticed in the wake of other more challenging transits in the same time period. It is, however, a day in which you are probably more in touch with your feelings than usual, and because of that you can communicate sensitively with others--both in saying what you need to say, and in listening to and understanding their needs. If you have a problem to work out with someone, this may be the right time to talk it out.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2005 Thursday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Venus

A good day to do something you enjoy. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Arts and crafts activities are favored, too. Play a little, and indulge just a bit, but don't overdo. Extravagance might be regretted tomorrow!

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.



SEPTEMBER 10, 2005 Saturday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mercury

Today it seems the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, and everyone talks at once. Your opinions may be tested. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Saturn

Thoughts may be heavy, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. It's not the best day for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for mental discipline is excellent. Work alone. A relaxing stroll to think might yield a useful perspective.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2005 Sunday

Mercury opposite Natal Sun

Busy, busy, busy is what you are likely to be experiencing today. Lots of talk flows around you, and the phone jangles frequently. There are papers to shuffle and errands to run. Interruptions abound. All this is likely to be a test of your nervous energy! In communicating with others you

could find that egos get in the way as needs conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Going on and on isn't necessary and could work against you. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mars

Feeling irritable and nervous? Your tolerance and patience level may be stressed. Perceptions and reactions are fast--you're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings. Make your point, but respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Venus sextile Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. Unless other challenging transits contradict, it might also be good for financial investment or a legal matter. This would be a good day to plan a social activity or begin a vacation trip. You might give or receive a gift or create beautiful art. Or perhaps an idealistic or philosophical pursuit will bring you joy and satisfaction.

The Sun enters the 12th house Sep 11, 2005

Sun in your Twelfth House is likely to find you feeling more in need of privacy than usual. If you are longing for some time to be alone, for personal introspection or just to dream, then make that time happen. This is not to say you won't be active this month--you could be as busy as any other time. Just be doubly sure to give yourself opportunities to recharge. Reflect on how the past year has been for you, what you have learned, what you'd like to improve, and how best to proceed. It is in the times of quiet that new ideas emerge. You can suddenly "see" what could not be seen



when you were so busy running here and there.

respect the rights of others in the process.

SEPTEMBER 12, 2005 Monday

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Moon

If you feel "on edge" today, it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be too career-pressured, and are neglecting your inner needs. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what you know needs your attention in the outer world. Take some time to think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Venus

A good day for a good talk with someone you love, but be flexible. You may need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Write that letter you've been putting off. Social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

Mars trine Natal Pluto

Starts today; Exact Sep 16; Leaves Sep 22.

The planet of action flows harmoniously with your capacity for inner power and transformation. Yet, when the flow is easy, it sometimes drifts by unnoticed, especially in the light of other more challenging transits. Be aware that this transit represents a time in which you can take significant steps toward your major goals. If there are important changes that you need to make (probably indicated in your longer term challenging transits), this transit indicates a day or two or three when your efforts and progress can be more easily successful. Don't waste the opportunity. Competitions, sexual activities, or any instance in which you need to assert yourself, is favored today, so long as you

SEPTEMBER 14, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today, and some are in conflict with your own views. It's probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless and stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns.

Sun conjunct Natal Pluto

During this transit the depth of your emotional intensity is illuminated. This is NOT a day when you are likely to do things halfway. Encounters with others could become power struggles. With a person of authority you should be prepared to be direct, and to defend your position thoroughly. Events happening today can be critical, perhaps representing a turning point. Decisions may be forced. A "band-aid" won't work for things that break down--only a total overhaul will do! Yet today you may well have the power to make a major change for the good that you did not feel able to make until now. Spend a little time today cleaning out the closets of your mind. And it might not hurt to clean out an actual messy closet while you think. The symbolism might help the thought process--and you'll feel better!

Sun sextile Natal Midheaven

This is not inherently an "action" transit, so the extent to which you "feel" it depends a lot on other issues, reflected in your more challenging transits of this time period. Whatever is going on, though, this is a day in which your energy and confidence are likely to be stronger, or you are feeling a



greater sense of clarity and balance. You may spend the day working quietly toward your goals, or you may receive favorable attention from the boss or your public. A cooperative aspect to the Midheaven also means a cooperative aspect to the Fourth House cusp, which is your home. Your sense of equilibrium today also means that your home and family activities are most likely to go smoothly.

Mars sextile Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact Sep 19; Leaves Sep 27.

When Mars is flowing harmoniously with your Midheaven, your work energy can be very effective either in regard to your career interests (Tenth House) or your home life (Fourth House). Whatever else may be going on in your life, this is a day when you probably have a good balance between working with others in a spirit of teamwork and serving your own independent needs. You can take initiative and you can compromise. Because you may be feeling more confident and energetic than some, you could find yourself taking the lead, with the support of others. Physical activity is favored.

Mercury enters the 12th house Sep 14, 2005

During the time Mercury travels through your Twelfth House, you may find yourself wanting to withdraw rather than speak up. Whether correctly or not, you may perceive that others misunderstand you, so you keep thoughts to yourself. Or this could be a time when circumstances necessitate your keeping secrets. Your thinking is more intuitive than logical now--thinking is influenced by how you feel. On the upside, this is a time when you are better able to think through matters that may have seemed intangible or obscure to you at other times. This is a good time to do research and study alone.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2005 Thursday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Moon

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

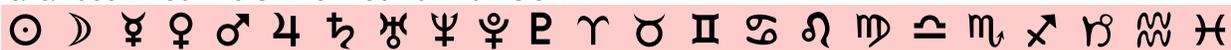
SEPTEMBER 16, 2005 Friday

Venus opposite Natal Moon

Today your feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. Be amorous, be nurturing, be protective--but do NOT be possessive or smothering! This transit is good for sociability, and just maybe, for meeting a new love. Its primary challenge is excess--over-indulgence or indiscretion. The heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

Mercury conjunct Natal Pluto

Powerful thinking and/or communications are the rule of today, and verbal or mental confrontations possible. Be sure to pay attention to nonverbal language, too, for it may yield subtle cues or hints that are unspoken. Get to the core of the matter. This is a short transit, but it could be one in which it is time to decide, to make a commitment. Don't be vague--get the issue resolved, once and for all. Be clear, forthright and ethical, with respect for others and consideration for their feelings, too. An encounter could be stressful, but you'll feel relieved once you've said what needs to be said. Whatever is on your mind today, whether large or trivial, it probably won't let



go until you resolve it.

Mercury sextile Natal Midheaven

This is a passive, rather than an active transit, but its an excellent one for thinking through your plans, either for career or for home and family. You are able to think clearly and objectively. You can see both the overall picture and the details that fit into it. You could also use today to successfully talk over an issue you might have with another person. Communication with authorities should go well.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2005 Saturday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. Balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

SEPTEMBER 18, 2005 Sunday

Mercury sextile Natal Neptune

Intuition and the imagination are stimulated during this transit. You are more sensitive to others, and may be able to help. It's a good day for dreaming and fantasy, so if you can "get away from it all," do it. You won't feel much like working anyway, and we all need time for the soul. Wander in nature, create art or poetry. Explore a metaphysical topic or just curl up with a good novel.

Full Moon in Your 6th House

Illuminated by the Full Moon are your day-to-day work, your co-workers and your working environment, any service you perform for others and also your health. Changes and improvements in any of these areas may be significant now. The New Moon period may have found you dwelling on matters that you keep inside yourself and do not show to the outside world or even to those who are close to you. In your introspection, perhaps you have considered ways in which small changes in your daily life might ease your ability to relax and nurture your inner self. Now it would be well to do something about it. Acts of kindness and helpfulness toward co-workers, improved organization for yourself, better attention to your own nutrition and good health habits--all these could help YOU now.

Full Moon opposite Natal Uranus

Illuminated during this period are your capacities to express your individuality, your originality, your freedom urges, and your ability to deal with change. Change is in the air--perhaps sudden and unexpected. Be prepared to be flexible. You may precipitate or attract change because you are feeling restless, and wish to be free of something or someone. Innovation attracts you, and you may be inclined to be a bit reckless. If you are experiencing excitement and joy, it is a sign that you are flowing creatively with the changes within. If you are experiencing tension, you are probably suppressing, denying or resisting changes that you should make. Explore and experiment with new ways of thinking and behaving. Create new freshness in your life--but do so in a manner that is considerate of those with whom you are emotionally involved, for they may not understand you and may resist the changes.



Full Moon opposite Natal Pluto

Your power to create transformative changes in your life is in focus during this period. Also at issue may be your ability to eliminate that which no longer serves you, to bring matters to completion, or to deal with compulsions, either in behavior or in obsessive feelings. Power and control issues in your interactions with others may be of concern. Your emotions are likely to be more intense than usual. If you feel very stressed, take it as a signal that there are changes you know you should make. Suppressing them will not work; it will only increase your tension--and change is probably inevitable, anyway. Your choice is to claim your power to take the lead, or to give it away by your avoidance. In the latter case, you may attract a situation or person who will force the issue. Blame and excuses won't help. If something must end, let it go. One door may close--but another one opens. If you take charge and do what you must do, this can be a very powerful time for you. A new, more fulfilling life may be beginning.

SEPTEMBER 19, 2005 Monday

Mercury conjunct Natal Uranus

This is likely to be a fast-paced day that at best finds you involved in exciting and stimulating activities or thinking up new and original ideas. At worst, it could find you with frazzled nerves and feeling very scattered. Which it will be is more likely suggested by your longer term transits. In any case, this is good day to take a break from the daily drudge and explore something new. If you repress that need, or are feeling blocked and bored, then tension or disputes may result. Today you'll thrive on satisfying curiosity, on discovery, on

allowing your unorthodox ideas to emerge. It's a good time to brainstorm or to network.

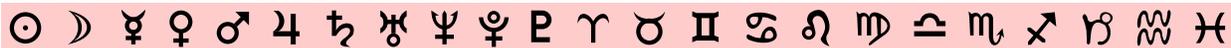
Sun sextile Natal Neptune

Matters of spirituality, idealism, faith are highlighted during this transit and you may perceive them as especially beautiful. This is not a transit of high physical energy, so don't plan to push yourself. Try to take time away from your normal routine and meditate, do spiritual work, and perhaps just spend some time outdoors, in the beauty of nature. Creative work of beauty may emerge. Your intuition is heightened, and your capacity for empathy and compassion. You may find great satisfaction today in helping others. You could give a hand--or a willing and compassionate ear--to those close to you in family or neighborhood, or you could work within a charity.

SEPTEMBER 20, 2005 Tuesday

Sun conjunct Natal Uranus

Surprise! This is day to expect the unexpected. You may experience something unusual from others, or you might do or say something that surprises yourself! You are likely to feel restless, and more in need of freedom than usual. If you try to repress that energy, it's even more likely that your carefully made plans will be changed or your established routine broken. Face it. You want a break. Take one, if you can, and do something different, unusual and stimulating. If you've been severely repressing your freedom needs, the unconscious inner tension could even cause you to "trip over your feet" (horrors! "Break" means more than one thing!). Or, you could lose your patience in irritation with some innocent soul. Far better that you take the lead in breaking out of your normal routine. Who knows? Maybe the untried will be stimulating. If you can take the day off



today, do it. If you can't, and duty calls, try to express your sense of individuality and creativity within it. You may come up with a great new approach. And after work, plan to go out and find something interesting to do. Life offers excitement and potential adventure today. Be alert for it! Create it! You may discover something new about yourself that will prove to be very valuable.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Venus

A good day for a good talk with someone you love, but be flexible. You may need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Write that letter you've been putting off. Social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Saturn

Work and pleasure may be in conflict. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Think things through, don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

SEPTEMBER 22, 2005 Thursday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today, and some are in conflict with your own views. It's probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless and stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. Creative art expression can flourish.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

Potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Possible challenges: love relationships can conflict over stability versus freedom. "Love at first sight" could look differently tomorrow. Risk appeals, in romance or finance. Watch impulsiveness. Artists may try a new approach.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2005 Friday

Venus trine Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit. Get out with friends and be sociable. Give and receive compliments. Express your tender feelings for a special someone. This is also a good day to choose if you need to make a good impression on someone or ask a favor. Art activities are favored.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.



Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Venus

A good day to do something you enjoy. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Arts and crafts activities are favored, too. Play a little, and indulge just a bit, but don't overdo. Extravagance might be regretted tomorrow!

SEPTEMBER 24, 2005 Saturday

Venus enters the 2nd house Sep 24, 2005

Second House matters include your personal possessions, and if you're spending money this month, you're likely to be most attracted to luxury items or things that increase your personal attractiveness or improve your social status. Unless planetary aspects during this time contradict, Venus in the Second is generally a good indicator for financial negotiations, because you can make your position attractive. Charm sells!

SEPTEMBER 25, 2005 Sunday

Venus square Natal Venus

Most likely this day favors casual, pleasant sociability with others; perhaps sentimentality, nostalgia or sensuality with loved ones. Minor differences in approaches to manner of pleasure, finance could require balance. You probably don't feel much like working--more likely you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

SEPTEMBER 26, 2005 Monday

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mercury

Today it seems the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, and everyone talks at once. Your opinions may be tested. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

SEPTEMBER 27, 2005 Tuesday

Venus square Natal Mercury

Among challenging transits, this is one of the easiest. If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. The only caveat is that you could be inclined to agree to a compromise where you really aren't willing to give ground, thus not really solving the issue but only sidelining it for now. For the same reason, this day may not be the best for business negotiations, for you might give too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices for today.

Mercury opposite Natal Mars

If you're feeling irritable and nervous, try to find a moment to slow down and perhaps meditate for a bit. Understand that your tolerance and patience level are stressed by this transit. This may be the day when you are called to "put out fires." Your perceptions and your reactions are fast. You're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings, and take a deep breath and count to 3 (at least) before you speak. While debate can be quite constructive, angering others could make things worse. Make your point, and respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solu-



tions.

Mercury opposite Natal Saturn

Your thoughts may be heavy today, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. For this reason, this day would not be your best choice for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for concentrated mental discipline and serious thinking is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, set aside this day to tackle it, preferably alone. Don't run yourself in the ground over it, though. Taking a relaxing stroll or a snack break might be just what you need to get a useful perspective.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

You could feel lost in a fog, unable to find or remember things you should. On the other hand, intuitive messages could come through with extra oomph. Caution in business or any kind of negotiations today. The situation may not be clear--or YOU may not be clear. If you can't put it off, be sure to double-check the details. Try to take some time off today to sniff the roses and listen to music.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

The phone rings, lots of talk flows around you. Papers must be shuffled; errands must be run. Interruptions abound. Your nervous energy is tested. In communicating with others, egos and needs may conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon

If you feel "on edge" today, it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be too career-pressured, and are neglecting your inner needs. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what you know needs your attention in the outer world. Take some time to think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

You think quickly today, and good ideas are likely. Optimism is high. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. The challenge: exuberance may lead you to overlook details, or arrogance could create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and listen. Get all the facts before you jump.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2005 Thursday

Mercury trine Natal Venus

This is such an easy transit, it is most likely to slip by unnoticed--especially if more challenging transits occur at the same time. Of itself, it's likely to reflect a time when you "lighten up" and are friendly and sociable. Your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Speak of love to someone special, or write that letter you've been meaning to write. Do something you really enjoy.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2005 Friday

Venus sextile Natal Pluto

Emotions run very deep today. If you are in love, you feel it strongly and sensually. If you meet someone new, the attraction will



probably be intense, perhaps compulsive. If you are an artist, your work will be highly expressive and revealing of your inner self. If none of these things are the case, still your feelings about whatever you are experiencing are intense, and if you probe them, you can discover truths about yourself that enhance your inner power to make creative changes.

Mercury conjunct Natal Ascendant

This is a one day transit that is the beginning of Mercury in the First House, so read that interpretation, too. This should be a busy day with a focus on all communication activities. It's good for negotiations, business, correspondence and discussions. Run those errands. Call whomever you need to call. It's not an easy day to relax, because the tempo of your life is likely to be accelerated.

Mercury enters the 1st house Sep 30, 2005

Speak up! If there was ever a time to communicate your concerns, this is it. Your mind is very active. During this period you can accomplish a great deal in mental work, if you concentrate. Or, if not, you could be scattered as your mind races from one thing to another, alive with nervous energy. If this is the case, a relaxing diversion may be in order. Try reading a good book, attending a play, or perhaps going out with friends with whom you enjoy talking. Catch up on your correspondence. If you are able to go, a short trip might be just the ticket. This should be a good time for contract negotiations, for you can clearly think through what you want, and can communicate your points articulately.

OCTOBER 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Mars is in the 8th house from Aug 26, 2005 to Nov 7, 2005

See interpretation in August.

Jupiter is in the 1st house from Aug 23, 2005 to Jan 11, 2006

See interpretation in August.

Saturn is in the 10th house from May 6, 2005 to Sep 25, 2006

See interpretation in May.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

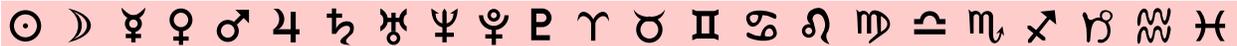
See interpretation in January.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Pluto quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Jun 11, 2005 (Retro); Exact Jul 23, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Exact Oct 11, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 16, 2005.



The theme of transformation is focused on your goals in life. Your personal relationships, as they help or hinder you, are involved. During this transit an examination of your direction, your status, your relationships or your attitudes may lead to profound change. Power struggles could lead to awareness of internal changes you need to make. This can be a powerful time, with substantial progress. Move forward ethically. Be true to yourself. But use your energy. If you waste it, someone or something else may force you to react instead of act.

Pluto square Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jun 30, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 1, 2005.

Pluto square Pluto is a generational transit shared with all others in your age group, but because its speed is so variable, it's impossible to predict an age for all purposes. You who are reading this in the early 21st century are probably nearing mid-life (late 30s, early 40s). It symbolizes transformative change, and most people relate to some form of transformation going on in their lives at that age, many in a major way. For more specific ideas on the course this may take in your life, look to your more personal transits. This one will intensify whatever else is going on during the same time period. External changes are likely to be a part of it--changes of location, lifestyle, relationships, career. Of course, these are most likely only tangible expressions of an internal need for change within you. If you dig in your heels and deny the need, something external may occur to force the issue. Your capacity for self-mastery and your ability to flow with needed changes are being tested. Own your power to make creative choices and lead the changes you need to make toward a positive new direction.

Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jul 25, 2005 (Retro); Exact Aug 31, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Oct 26, 2005; Exact Dec 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 18, 2006.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imaginative? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be "so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint financial situations that begin during this transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Uranus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Sep 15, 2005 (Retro); Exact Oct 15, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Nov 16, 2005; Exact Dec 16, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 13, 2006.



Sudden changes in career, reputation, social status, relationships, home--all are potentials now. You may lead the change, surprising others caught unaware. Or changes may be precipitated by others. Even so, take it as a signal of changes you should make within. Accept the challenge to stretch. You can be more innovative and creative than usual during this transit.

Jupiter trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Sun
Enters orb Oct 13, 2005; Exact Oct 18, 2005; Leaves orb Oct 23, 2005.

It's a good time to push your luck or put yourself forward. The challenge is to expand without overdoing. Potential downsides of this transit are arrogance, overindulgence, exaggeration, and conflicts over moral principles. If you choose the "upsides" this can be a time of rewarding growth opportunities, general well-being, good self-esteem and success.

Jupiter sextile Natal Jupiter
Enters orb Oct 18, 2005; Exact Oct 22, 2005; Leaves orb Oct 27, 2005.

Life flows easily during this transit. You'll probably feel generally optimistic and upbeat about whatever you are doing, and at the same time relaxed. This is not a period in which a great deal of ambition or energy is indicated, unless other challenging transits are also present. You can relax, perhaps travel. You could productively plan for the future, because being relatively free of stress, you are able to look at the overall picture with a balanced perspective. Look at your progress toward your life goals. Decisions can be effectively made now that will give you another nudge forward. You are well able to make gains at this time, IF you take the initiative.

Saturn trine Natal Saturn
Enters orb Oct 21, 2005; Stationary (R) Nov 22, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 24, 2005 (Retro).

This could be called a stabilizing transit period. Not dramatic of itself. Unless other strong, challenging transits during this same time have a very contradictory theme, this is a period in which your life is likely to be balanced, and you feel as though you have your life pretty well under control. Your career is likely to be progressing quite smoothly. No spectacular gains, but no notable setbacks, either. This relatively peaceful period is a time when you should take what steps you can to move steadily forward toward your long-term goals.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

OCTOBER 1, 2005 Saturday

Mercury trine Natal Mercury

Communication issues are favored today. Conversations, dialogues, debates, business matters and errands all could be more evident than usual. Your mind is likely to be clear and you'll be able to handle all this with a minimum of stress. Routine matters and detailed work can go smoothly. Other possibilities: take a short trip, visit a friend who likes to talk, or travel through books, to learn anything new that you may be curious about.

Venus trine Natal Midheaven

This can be a very productive day for those whose careers are involved with creativity, art, beauty or entertainment. Charm can further your professional ambitions. In any case, it's a good day to beautify your surroundings or attend artistic events. Sociable and amorous intents are also enhanced. You feel affectionate and are



able to express your feelings more easily. Because of this, if you should be experiencing any longer term difficulty in a relationship, this is a day in which you may be able to improve things.

you are thinking of making. First, give yourself some time to really think things through and consider all aspects of the situation. Artistic and mystical activities are favored during this period.

OCTOBER 3, 2005 Monday

Mercury square Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power. With Mercury square Midheaven your thoughts are likely on career concerns or possibly on resolving conflicts between home and career. With Mercury opposite Midheaven, the focus of your thinking is more likely to be on home. (Read Mercury in the Fourth House.)

New Moon--Solar Eclipse

New Moon in Your 12th House

Because this New Moon is an eclipse, its themes are more significant and longer lasting. It may indicate a major focus in your life for months to come.

This is a New Moon period when your major focus is likely to be on things that you keep inside yourself and do not show to the outside world or even to those who are close to you. Time can be well spent on introspection, in which you may mentally "plant seeds" that will not sprout into a visible new beginning until the time of the next New Moon in your first house. Take time to relax and to meditate. Spend some time nurturing your own inner self. Although talks with a close and trusted friend may aid your introspection, it would probably be best not to be publicly open about changes that

New Moon opposite Natal Mars

Illuminated in this period is your capacity to ACT, to assert yourself, to express what you want. Your independence, personal power, and perhaps your competitive spirit, are in high focus. This can be an especially dynamic time for you. Your energy is likely to be high, and your life eventful. If you've ever been ready to GO, this is it. Even if you're a quiet type, you're likely to feel charged into action now. Extra emotional energy contributes to the excitement--or could add to any tendencies to be impulsive and jump into holes feet first, only to learn later that they were deeper than you thought. Don't plunge in without checking first! If you use your energy constructively, this could be a period of considerable accomplishment. If, however, you find yourself being irritable and edgy, you are probably letting your emotions run away with all that energy. In that case, you would do well to find a harmless outlet to expend some physical energy, and then take the initiative to express your feelings calmly and directly. This is a time when you SHOULD assert yourself and go after what you want--just do so with purposeful awareness, and respectful consideration for others involved.

New Moon opposite Natal Saturn

Responsibility and discipline are the keywords for this time period. The focus is on REALITY and that involves awareness of your limitations, the effort that you expend in achieving what you set out to do, and your self-discipline (or lack of it) in persisting. A great deal can



be achieved through a practical, serious approach and steady, persistent progress. You are concerned about your security, and you could be inclined to translate worry into stress, anxiety and negative thinking. Recognize that it may be your mood rather than the true reality of the situation. Don't magnify your problems, and avoid making decisions that are based on emotional issues during this time. Instead, concentrate on the practical. If work vs. your emotional life is a CAUSE of your stress, however, quiet reflection on your priorities is called for. Saturnine aspects and transits have no need to worry you unless you wish to avoid dealing with your own responsibility for your life. If this is a tough time for you, take an honest look at whether you might be evading responsibility for that which you have created, helped to create, taken on, failed to do. Think about it, accept the consequences, if that is called for, and then forge steadily and sensibly onward to do what you can to improve. Saturn symbolizes that which is solid and stable, and some of the most concrete gains you will ever make can take place when you accept and work with your Saturn energy.

New Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

Lost in dreamland? Fantasy may be the focus during this period. Dreams may be fine, if they give birth to creativity and you can apply that in an art form. But the challenge, here, may well be in figuring out what is reality and what is illusion. Be very careful about making important decisions during this transit, for you may not have all the facts. Or you could be seeing what you want to see, and overlooking a "red flag" you'd see at a less foggy time. Escapist tendencies are likely to be accentuated, and this can be dangerous, in regard to any use of drugs or alcohol. You may need to seek

a balance between compassion and being drained by others' expectations of you. If you are psychically sensitive, this could be a time when you are picking up too much, and will need to shield. Meditation helps.

OCTOBER 4, 2005 Tuesday

Sun opposite Natal Saturn

This transit is short-term, only lasting a day or so. It is likely to be a day in which your energy level is low--you feel just plain tired--or in which you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." It could be that the circumstances of today will cause you to take a hard look at an imbalance between what you want for yourself and what others expect of you. If so, learn from that realization. It's probably best not to choose this particular day to assert yourself, but you can certainly plan how you will improve the situation. Realize that no one can impose upon you unless you choose to let them. If you are feeling "down" today, recognize that it may be only a temporary mood. Don't spend the day just brooding, though. It's by far a better choice to get to work. You can even take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can turn this into a good day!

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Saturn

Work and pleasure may be in conflict. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Think things through, don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable



tomorrow.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

A day when you could feel discouraged or just plain pooped. You could be "tuned in" for psychic, spiritual, or artistic activities, but with the strictly mundane, you are not clear, or you are not seeing others clearly. Not a day to choose for negotiations, contracts or the like. Take some time off, if you can. Take a meditation break. Heightened empathy may motivate you to help someone in need.

Venus conjunct Natal Neptune

Daydreams are likely to take priority over reality, and that's OK. Enjoy--but postpone decisions that require practical judgment in either relationships or finance. Creative art may be more inspired than usual. In relationships you may wish to help, or express a selfless kind of love. Don't expect too much of a loved one, though. You may have a tendency to over idealize and see only what you want to see instead of lovingly accepting the person who is really there.

OCTOBER 5, 2005 Wednesday

Sun opposite Natal Mars

Competitive or confrontational situations could arise today. Ego conflicts are likely. Your energy is high and you can accomplish a great deal of productive work--so long as you can maintain your awareness of your own motivations. The challenge: not being clear about what may be stirring around in your subconscious could result in rash actions that you'll regret later. You need an outlet for your feelings, it's true, but if you can't express them constructively, it might be better to wait for another day. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. If you do experience irrita-

bility or hostility, from within yourself or from others, you are receiving a strong signal from the Universe to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. Working out your aggression through vigorous physical activity might be a prime option for today.

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. Creative art expression can flourish.

OCTOBER 6, 2005 Thursday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Egos are in the forefront. You want attention, and so does someone else. Respect your challenger, without denying your own needs. Shine through constructive effort and take pride in doing your best.

Venus sextile Natal Uranus

Today could bring a pleasant surprise, but why wait around for it? You are probably feeling a little restless and bored with routine, so take the initiative and look for a change of scene. Even if it's a work day, you can spend part of it doing something new, trying something different. You might even meet someone new and exciting.

Mars sextile Natal Midheaven

Starts today; Exact Oct 14; Leaves Oct 18.

When Mars is flowing harmoniously with your Midheaven, your work energy can be



very effective either in regard to your career interests (Tenth House) or your home life (Fourth House). Whatever else may be going on in your life, this is a day when you probably have a good balance between working with others in a spirit of teamwork and serving your own independent needs. You can take initiative and you can compromise. Because you may be feeling more confident and energetic than some, you could find yourself taking the lead, with the support of others. Physical activity is favored.

OCTOBER 7, 2005 Friday

Mercury trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Sun

The phone rings, lots of talk flows around you. Papers must be shuffled; errands must be run. Interruptions abound. Your nervous energy is tested. In communicating with others, egos and needs may conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Jupiter

Your confidence radiates and attracts. Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles and common sense. A warning bell rings on overdoing. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance.

Venus square Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. It might also be good for financial investments or legal matters--but for these, DON'T take this transit alone. Check out the longer term ones--this is only a day or so. You're feeling generous with others and

yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Take a little trip. Visit an art gallery, or create some art of your own. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

OCTOBER 8, 2005 Saturday

Sun trine Natal Venus

Try to find something to do that you enjoy today. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Play a little--indulge just a bit. If you're on your own, do something special to beautify your surroundings--or yourself! Arts and crafts activities can go especially well today, too. Be light-hearted and creative. Have fun!

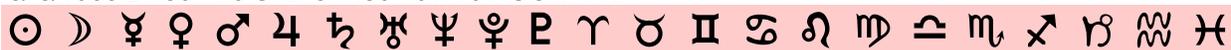
Mercury sextile Natal Jupiter

This is an easy transit in which you could be inclined to just relax--and that may be just what you need. If planning ahead, however, know that today you can put your communication skills to work for your advantage. Business matters are favored, as is any kind of study, planning or wide-ranging mental activity. Optimism is increased.

OCTOBER 9, 2005 Sunday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant

Relationships are generally harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. Have a good time, but avoid a tendency to overindulge or overspend. What appeals today, may not tomorrow.



OCTOBER 10, 2005 Monday

Mars trine Natal Pluto

Starts today; Exact Oct 16; Leaves Oct 20.

The planet of action flows harmoniously with your capacity for inner power and transformation. Yet, when the flow is easy, it sometimes drifts by unnoticed, especially in the light of other more challenging transits. Be aware that this transit represents a time in which you can take significant steps toward your major goals. If there are important changes that you need to make (probably indicated in your longer term challenging transits), this transit indicates a day or two or three when your efforts and progress can be more easily successful. Don't waste the opportunity. Competitions, sexual activities, or any instance in which you need to assert yourself, is favored today, so long as you respect the rights of others in the process.

Sun conjunct Natal Ascendant

Since you often express your identity to the world in the style of your Ascendant sign, it could be said that today the Sun shines on YOU. Whatever is going on in your life, this transit is likely to "perk you up," reflecting a day when you feel more energetic and ready to get going and do whatever it is you want to do. It's time to take action, take the initiative and DO something--don't wait around for someone else to make the first move. This is a day to let your light shine--elicit positive attention, and be at your most attractive. This one day transit is the beginning of the longer transit of Sun through the First House, so read that interpretation, too, for additional insight.

The Sun enters the 1st house Oct 10, 2005

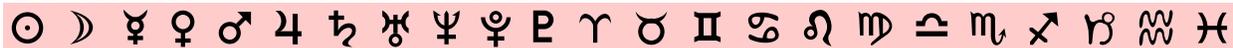
In a way, the Sun's entrance into your First

House is like a new year beginning, since the Sun travels through the houses at a pace of about one month for each house, and this house is Number One. Let's say that this month you are "reborn." Like any newborn, you are focused primarily on yourself and your own needs. That's OK. Sometimes you have to be a bit selfish, and take some time to think through what you really want to work on, to create, in the year to come. Give yourself space to reflect and recharge, and do something special just for you. You are likely to be more instinctive and assertive than usual in going after what you want--and you certainly can "shine" during this time. It's probably best, though, to concentrate your attention on things you can do independently, expressing your own individuality, rather than things that must be done in teamwork with others. This month you're much more interested in being "Number One" than "one of the crowd."

OCTOBER 11, 2005 Tuesday

Sun trine Natal Mercury

Your vital energy and your mental capacities are in sync, making this a good day for any type of intellectual activity. You can study effectively and learn easily. Communication is favored, too, so if you need to present your ideas to a group, close a sale, make a speech, write an important letter, this time period is a good choice. Unless other challenging transits contradict, travel should go smoothly, too. You can run those errands or make short trips with little or no stress.



OCTOBER 12, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury opposite Natal Moon

Is your mind racing today? If you should find yourself in an argument, it's important to recognize that you are much more inclined to be emotional, not logical. Since your thinking is so heavily influenced by your feelings, it is important to examine which is which. Listen to yourself, and learn from it. That extra awareness may mean that you can more clearly express your feelings now--or it may just mean that you can understand them! This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk--IF you are willing to LISTEN to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon

Feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. But know that your heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

OCTOBER 13, 2005 Thursday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Today you could be stressed, even irritable, over a decision or commitment that must be made. It will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." Smile, both for you and others. A good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.

OCTOBER 14, 2005 Friday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

You may enjoy entertaining at home today. A potential challenge is overindulgence; another could be balancing needs of career and home. Express affection. A new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

OCTOBER 15, 2005 Saturday

Sun square Natal Midheaven

This is not the easiest day to be a "team player" because your own interests and purposes are most likely to be in the forefront of your concerns. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are spending this day working--or just being with--others, strive to be considerate. With Sun square Midheaven, you might do well on this day to work alone. You have the energy to accomplish a lot, and if it's just you and yourself, then you can concentrate fully on your own self-interests with no conflict! If, however, Sun is entering the Fourth House (an opposition to Midheaven), it's probably not the best day to plan for important career activities. You're probably more interested in personal affairs today, anyway. If you can, plan on enjoying a family day, or perhaps just giving yourself some time to "get your house in order"--whatever that means to you!



OCTOBER 16, 2005 Sunday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mars

Feeling irritable and nervous? Your tolerance and patience level may be stressed. Perceptions and reactions are fast--you're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings. Make your point, but respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Saturn

Thoughts may be heavy, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. It's not the best day for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for mental discipline is excellent. Work alone. A relaxing stroll to think might yield a useful perspective.

OCTOBER 17, 2005 Monday

Mercury trine Natal Sun

This transit may go by unnoticed if other stronger transits are occurring at the same time. If you're planning ahead, know that whatever else is going on, this is a day when your mental work or communication activities can go well. You are likely to be thinking clearly and can express yourself with clarity, too. Catch up on those calls you've been meaning to make, the letters that need answering, the paperwork that needs to be cleared up. It's also a favorable day for meetings, discussions and study.

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

Try a new approach today. Tension or disputes could result from boredom or confinement. This could be a fast-paced day in which a great deal of flexibility is needed, or you may end up feeling frazzled. Take care about being too quick, or you could trip over feet or tongue. Try to take a break from normal routine and explore something new and interesting.

**Full Moon--Lunar Eclipse
Full Moon in Your 7th House
Because this Full Moon is an eclipse, its themes are more significant and longer lasting. It may indicate a major focus in your life for months to come.**

A Full Moon in your seventh house places focus on your important one-to-one relationships. Such relationships might be defined as your actual or potential marriage partner or business partner, or it could possibly mean your adversary in a competition or dispute. The issue here is BALANCE between the needs and expectations of your relationships vs. your own personal needs and expectations. The New Moon focus was on YOU. Now you must integrate that focus with "significant others." Here you must also balance "looking good to others" with issues of equality, justice and fair play. Negotiate a business or personal agreement. Cooperate. Work out a compromise that can work for both of you.

Full Moon square Natal Midheaven

During this period you may be dealing with an issue of balance between your personal and professional lives. You need to have a sense of success and approval in the outer world, but you also need a sense of security and peace at home. If you've been neglecting either side of this polarity, it is likely that you will now be called upon to pay attention to it. Emotions could be in the



forefront of the issue, and this could be good or bad, depending upon how in touch you are with your own feelings. Impulsive actions taken out of mood, without thought, could cause tension. Sensitivity expressed toward the feelings of others concerned could help. Look to the House in which this Lunation falls for additional insight into what area of your life may be involved in the balance to be restored.

OCTOBER 18, 2005 Tuesday

Venus trine Natal Mars

This transit's theme is one of balance between your needs to assert yourself and your needs to relate to others, to give and to receive. Relationships benefit from your warmth and comfort with yourself. Love relationships bloom, and new friendships can form. Surround yourself with beauty--create art, or spruce up your home or yourself. Be with people and enjoy.

Venus trine Natal Saturn

This transit focuses on stability and conservatism in matters of love, affection, finances, and the arts. It could be a time for a serious talk with a loved one. Or you may attend to your responsibility for a loved one, and you will do so willingly. A relationship that starts during this transit is most likely to be a stable one. Art work will be disciplined and probably quite productive.

Mercury enters the 2nd house Oct 18, 2005

The Second House has to do with what you have and what you value, so your mind during this month is likely to be focused on your finances. If planetary aspects concur, this could be a good time to sign papers. In any case, financial or business planning is favored, but guard against too hasty deci-

sions. Always read the fine print. What you value in life has to do with much more than money, though. Some soul-searching about what really matters may be in order, and in regard to communication issues, you may find it necessary to define your personal values to someone.

OCTOBER 19, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury square Natal Venus

As challenging transits go, this one is really easy. If you've been needing to have a good talk with someone you love, go for it, but be flexible. You may not agree, and will need to compromise, but your ability to express yourself is better than usual. This could also apply to that letter you've been procrastinating about writing. Shopping or social occasions are enjoyable--just don't overindulge.

OCTOBER 20, 2005 Thursday

Venus square Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Give and receive compliments. Express your tender feelings for a special someone. Or get out and meet someone new! Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

Venus enters the 3rd house Oct 20, 2005

Your most social self could turn toward gatherings with neighbors or relatives when Venus travels through your Third House. Unless planetary aspects at this time are



very contradictory, you are likely to find all of your everyday activities to be pleasant. Communicate your good feelings. Love may be found at an event you attend, as the saying goes, "right in your own backyard." This is also a time when you might take steps to beautify your surroundings, or take the time to enjoy the scenery.

OCTOBER 21, 2005 Friday

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Egos are in the forefront. You want attention, and so does someone else. Respect your challenger, without denying your own needs. Shine through constructive effort and take pride in doing your best.

Mercury square Natal Mercury

Communication issues dominate today--and some of them could seem in conflict with your own views. Conversations, dialogues, debates, or other business matters could be more evident than usual. In planning ahead for this day, realize that extra preparation is wise, as is flexibility in your thinking. This is probably not the best time for final decisions, as changes may need to be made. If you feel restless, don't give in to nervous tension. If you're stressed, try taking a short trip to a peaceful spot until calm returns. Or spend a little time alone with a good book.

OCTOBER 22, 2005 Saturday

Venus sextile Natal Venus

If the themes of other more challenging ones dominate your attention, you may scarcely notice this one. Yet this is a day that, relative to what else may be going on,

is most likely easy and pleasant. Casual sociability with others is favored. You may share sentimentality, nostalgia or sensuality with loved ones. Enjoy art activities, music or the beauty of nature.

Sun sextile Natal Jupiter

You should feel good today--expansive, in fact. Put your "best foot forward," for this is a time you can more easily succeed. Unless other challenging transits strongly contradict, you should be feeling in harmony with others and at peace with yourself. The only caveat, with "soft" transit, such as this, is you might be lethargic--inclined to drift through a enjoyable day. That would be a waste. If you are planning ahead, choose this day to schedule a family celebration (wedding, christening), throw a party, make a business presentation, begin a vacation--in other words, DO something special!

OCTOBER 23, 2005 Sunday

Mercury sextile Natal Pluto

Today is likely to find you deeply preoccupied with a singular matter. It could be a mystery or secret you're determined to unveil, a problem that you need to resolve, a research project. Whatever it is, you'll work hard to get to the bottom of it, and probably relish every minute of the investigation. Dig in, and be aware not only of the content of what you are probing, but also of your process. You may learn something of real value.

Venus sextile Natal Ascendant

Make time to relax and enjoy yourself today, because you are most likely to be far more in the mood for a party than work. If you're planning ahead and can take at least some of this day off from work, do so. Be with others--or alone with that very special



"other." Unless other challenging transits of this time contradict, all of your relationships are likely to be harmonious. You're feeling good and that radiates out and attracts others.

OCTOBER 24, 2005 Monday

Venus sextile Natal Mercury

This is a good day to talk things over agreeably with just about anyone. If you've had problems with someone, this is a day when you may be able to resolve them. Mental activity will be enjoyable or seem easier now. Communication or travel matters go smoothly, comfortably. It's a good day to be with friends, give or go to a party, or engage in an artistic activity. Business presentations should also go well.

Mercury trine Natal Midheaven

This is a passive, rather than an active transit, but it's an excellent one for thinking through your plans, either for career or for home and family. You are able to think clearly and objectively. You can see both the overall picture and the details that fit into it. You could also use today to successfully talk over an issue you might have with another person. Communication with authorities should go well.

OCTOBER 26, 2005 Wednesday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Moon

Feelings of love and affection are likely to be strong and you'll want to express them. But know that your heart rules the head, but you'd best THINK of the consequences before you do that lover's leap.

Mars square Natal Mercury

Starts today; Exact Oct 29; Leaves Nov 1.

Mental energy is high, so keep that mind of yours busy. Ideas are more creative, original. Channel them into activity. A challenge: today's energies could also lead to argument. This can be productive (being direct, debating to win) or destructive (pointless, tactless, impatient). It depends a lot on the purpose and the people involved. Egos can get in the way. Be aware of yours. If you find yourself in a toe-to-toe confrontation and getting nowhere, you might need to step back and take a hard look at the situation and your part in it. Table it until you calm down and do something safe to release your frustration, like a physical workout.

OCTOBER 27, 2005 Thursday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mars

Feeling irritable and nervous? Your tolerance and patience level may be stressed. Perceptions and reactions are fast--you're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings. Make your point, but respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Saturn

Thoughts may be heavy, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. It's not the best day for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for mental discipline is excellent. Work alone. A relaxing stroll to think might yield a



useful perspective.

Mercury conjunct Natal Neptune

Feeling just a little foggy today? You may experience a bit of confusion in your communications or problems in focusing, as if your "logic wires" got crossed with a line from fantasy land. It will pass. Meanwhile, it's a great time to create and dream. A flash of intuition could prove to be of benefit. Artistic expression is favored, as is study or work in the occult, psychic, psychotherapeutic or spiritual realms. The trick is to blend logic and intuition, the conscious with the unconscious.

OCTOBER 28, 2005 Friday

Sun opposite Natal Moon

Tension could result today as your outer self (public, professional life, perhaps) comes into conflict with your inner emotional needs. The challenge is to bring them into balance, for neither can be denied. If you feel "on edge" it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be giving too much attention to your own ego needs, or too career-pressured, and may be letting down your family or your own need to be nurtured. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what you know needs your attention in the outer world. Take a break--perhaps take a walk alone--and think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.

Mercury sextile Natal Uranus

Today you'll thrive on satisfying curiosity, on discovery, on allowing your unorthodox ideas to emerge. You're mentally quick, cleverer than usual, and your problem-solving skills are enhanced. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. Take a break from your

normal routine. Study something new.

Venus square Natal Pluto

Where love, sex, finance or self-indulgence are concerned, halfway measures are just not your style today. Watch out. Compulsive behavior can get you in trouble. You may face a challenge today to balance your desires with self-control. Power struggles in relationships signal a need to probe within. Manipulation is ultimately destructive and must be avoided. Profound soul connections are possible when barriers are dropped. Relationships are often mirrors in which to see yourself.

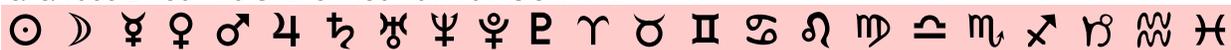
Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

You may enjoy entertaining at home today. A potential challenge is overindulgence; another could be balancing needs of career and home. Express affection. A new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

OCTOBER 29, 2005 Saturday

Mercury square Natal Jupiter

Your ability to think quickly is an asset, and today good ideas are more than likely. You'll probably be feeling optimistic and confident. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. You can put your communication skills to work for your best advantage. The challenge is that your exuberance may lead you to overlook details that could cause problems later, or your confidence may come off as arrogance and create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and be sure to listen, too, and get all the facts before you jump.



OCTOBER 30, 2005 Sunday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Issues of power and control may emerge today. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other issue of self-mastery. A power struggle may lead you to insight into a change you need to make. Letting go could increase inner strength.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Starts today; Exact Nov 1; Leaves Nov 4.

You want things your way, and if others do not agree, dispute can result. Clear the air and release the tension. Be direct and clear in expressing your view. If the relationship is important to you, though, you had better listen carefully, too, and seek a win-win solution. Or table the discussion for a calmer day, and work this one off in a competitive sport, or on a project in which you can vigorously work alone.

NOVEMBER 2005

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Mercury is in the 2nd house from Oct 18, 2005 to Dec 23, 2005

See interpretation in October.

Jupiter is in the 1st house from Aug 23, 2005 to Jan 11, 2006

See interpretation in August.

Saturn is in the 10th house from May 6, 2005 to Sep 25, 2006

See interpretation in May.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.

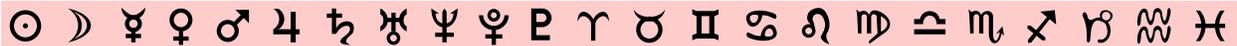
Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.

Pluto quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Jun 11, 2005 (Retro); Exact Jul 23, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Exact Oct 11, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 16, 2005.

The theme of transformation is focused on your goals in life. Your personal relationships, as they help or hinder you, are involved. During this transit an examination of your direction, your status, your relationships or your attitudes may lead to profound change. Power struggles could lead to awareness of internal changes you need to make. This can be a powerful time, with substantial progress. Move forward ethically. Be true to yourself. But use your energy. If



you waste it, someone or something else may force you to react instead of act.

Pluto square Natal Pluto

Enters orb Jun 30, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Sep 2, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 1, 2005.

Pluto square Pluto is a generational transit shared with all others in your age group, but because its speed is so variable, it's impossible to predict an age for all purposes. You who are reading this in the early 21st century are probably nearing mid-life (late 30s, early 40s). It symbolizes transformative change, and most people relate to some form of transformation going on in their lives at that age, many in a major way. For more specific ideas on the course this may take in your life, look to your more personal transits. This one will intensify whatever else is going on during the same time period. External changes are likely to be a part of it--changes of location, lifestyle, relationships, career. Of course, these are most likely only tangible expressions of an internal need for change within you. If you dig in your heels and deny the need, something external may occur to force the issue. Your capacity for self-mastery and your ability to flow with needed changes are being tested. Own your power to make creative choices and lead the changes you need to make toward a positive new direction.

Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jul 25, 2005 (Retro); Exact Aug 31, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Oct 26, 2005; Exact Dec 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 18, 2006.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imaginative? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You

may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be "so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint financial situations that begin during this transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Uranus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Sep 15, 2005 (Retro); Exact Oct 15, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Nov 16, 2005; Exact Dec 16, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 13, 2006.

Sudden changes in career, reputation, social status, relationships, home--all are potentials now. You may lead the change, surprising others caught unaware. Or changes may be precipitated by others. Even so, take it as a signal of changes you should make within. Accept the challenge to stretch. You can be more innovative and creative than usual during this transit.



Saturn trine Natal Saturn

Enters orb Oct 21, 2005; Stationary (R) Nov 22, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 24, 2005 (Retro).

This could be called a stabilizing transit period. Not dramatic of itself. Unless other strong, challenging transits during this same time have a very contradictory theme, this is a period in which your life is likely to be balanced, and you feel as though you have your life pretty well under control. Your career is likely to be progressing quite smoothly. No spectacular gains, but no notable setbacks, either. This relatively peaceful period is a time when you should take what steps you can to move steadily forward toward your long-term goals.

Saturn trine Natal Mars

Enters orb Nov 3, 2005; Stationary (R) Nov 22, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 11, 2005 (Retro).

This is a period in which you are capable of a good deal of disciplined and productive work. Your self-control is good, and you may be considerably more patient than usual. It is probably not a very exciting time, and not much fun, but you can accomplish a great deal. You are likely to be fairly accepting of limitations placed on you and will challenge yourself to work successfully within them. Precision work and organizational tasks are favored. This is not a time of shorts spurts, but rather of the determined marathon runner.

Jupiter opposite Natal Moon

Enters orb Nov 14, 2005; Exact Nov 19, 2005; Leaves orb Nov 23, 2005.

Of the challenging aspects, this is usually an easy one. You'll probably be feeling good, and this transit is a good choice if you're looking for a date to throw a party or celebrate a special occasion. Likely this is a happy time, when you're feeling optimistic and generous. A potential downside is that your optimism may lead you to be more

extravagant than you should, or too demanding of others. You might be tempted to overindulge at those celebrations, to the detriment of your waistline, or perhaps even your dignity. Practice moderation. Spread your good feelings around to include everyone you meet. Happiness is contagious. Rewards will return to you.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Enters orb Nov 21, 2005; Exact Nov 26, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 1, 2005.

Success is a strong potential now--IF you act with integrity and are willing to face up to needed changes. Examine what really matters--what is right for you--and claim your own inner power to do or be or become the best you can.

INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

NOVEMBER 1, 2005 Tuesday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant

Your mind may be racing today, and you won't want to sit still. Speak your mind, but be sure to listen to the other person's opinion, too. Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

Mars quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Ascendant

Started Oct 30; Exact today; Leaves Nov 4.

See interpretation of this aspect 2 days ago.



NOVEMBER 2, 2005 Wednesday

Mars square Natal Venus

Starts today; Exact Nov 5; Leaves Nov 8.

The urge to ACT--NOW--is heightened in matters of love, sex, self-indulgence, art, entertainment--in most anything you enjoy. A potential challenge could arise requiring balance of your desires, and what you want to do, with the other(s) who are involved. For example, in a love relationship you are more geared for sex than romance. With a willing partner in a similar mood, it's passionate. If the available partner is not in the mood, frustration or conflict is possible. Try tenderness as a better choice. Creative artists can make this day a very productive one.

New Moon in Your 1st House

The New Moon is a time of new beginnings, when you have the extra energy and the instinct to move ahead. This is an excellent time for you to begin a self-improvement project. Is there something you KNOW you need to do for yourself? Is there something that YOU can do that would improve your appearance, your skills, your ability to relate to others? Don't procrastinate any longer! There is no better time than the present to take that first step forward.

Be aware that the lunation in your first house symbolizes the high priority today, and in the month ahead, on your own personal emotions and concerns. This can mean that your objectivity is not at its best, and in fact could be distorted by your emotions. Because you are more sensitive to the moods of others around you, you could be more sympathetic than usual--or you could be more demanding. Concentrate on YOU. If changes need to be made, focus on changing yourself, not others.

New Moon opposite Natal Moon

Take a good look at the House in which this Lunation falls, and take special note of any aspects of balance between polarities that it symbolizes. It is important for you to be aware, no matter what area of your life (house in your chart) is in focus now, that you are inclined to deal with it from a very emotional perspective and that your emotions may not be in harmony with the facts or with the perceptions of others. If you are NOT aware of your own emotional responses, you may be inclined to over-personalize issues and project the problems or blame onto others. In this case, you might need to seek an objective viewpoint. You may be reacting out of subconscious past--programming that is no longer appropriate. That "other guy" may be only a mirror in which you can see something within yourself that you need to change. If you understand and accept that, you may be able to use your extra emotional energy to good effect in the sensitive support of others. Or your ability to nurture and to "tune in" on others can even be used to advantage in mundane areas that involve persuading the public!

New Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

The focus during this period is on transformative change, and you are more than likely to be emotionally involved in whatever change is going on, perhaps to the point of an almost compulsive attention. In relating to others, you are in no mood to give ground, and for this reason power/control struggles are possible. Try to avoid this--especially precipitating, or falling victim to, emotional manipulations. In conflict, think of the other person as a mirror of yourself, and look in that mirror to see what is really going on with you. You have the courage, now, to face that and learn from it.



Change is inevitable. Don't let it happen TO you. Look inside and know what you really want, and then go after it, with consideration for others who may be involved.

NOVEMBER 3, 2005 Thursday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Saturn

You feel just plain tired today--or you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." Don't spend the day just brooding, though. Get to work. You can take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can even turn this into a good day!

Venus square Natal Uranus

This is a transit of potential excitement in romance, so enjoy! Its possible challenges: love relationships can run into conflict over issues of stability versus freedom. A new attraction could have that "love at first sight" aspect, but tomorrow things could look differently, so take care. Be aware that risk appeals to you now--and this could apply to finance, too. Watch impulsiveness. Creativity is stimulated. Artists may try an innovative new approach.

NOVEMBER 4, 2005 Friday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right

time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mars

Confrontational situations could arise. Energy is high and work can be productive, but perhaps best if you work alone. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. Hostility, from within yourself or from others is signal to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. A good physical workout may help.

Venus trine Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. Unless other challenging transits contradict, it might also be good for financial investment or a legal matter. This would be a good day to plan a social activity or begin a vacation trip. You might give or receive a gift or create beautiful art. Or perhaps an idealistic or philosophical pursuit will bring joy and satisfaction.

NOVEMBER 5, 2005 Saturday

Sun trine Natal Sun

Today is a day when you shine effortlessly, and are likely to receive favorable attention--a good time to push your luck with others. Make that presentation, or social contact. Your energy is probably high, stress is low, and life seems harmonious. This is a good transit for work or for play. Choose it for an enjoyable vacation time, or for ease in work situations.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

You probably don't feel much like working today. More likely, you are feeling mellow and self-indulgent. The challenge is the



potential of overindulgence. Try to take some time off to do something you enjoy. Artists may enjoy working--or you might like to visit the galleries, attend a concert or a play.

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

If you're feeling restless today, take a break. Do something different. If you try to repress your need for a bit of freedom, it's likely that something unexpected--perhaps upsetting--will occur to change your routine, anyway. Take the lead. Experiment! Life offers surprises today. Accept them! You may discover something new and valuable.

NOVEMBER 6, 2005 Sunday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.

NOVEMBER 7, 2005 Monday

Sun square Natal Venus

This transit isn't really very challenging at all. In fact, it's a good day to do something you enjoy. Probably you'll be feeling sociable, even affectionate, and want to be with people. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. If you're on your own, work on a creative project. Arts and crafts activities are favored by Venus aspects, too. This is a time to play a little, and indulge just

a bit. The caveat--and potential challenge--you may be inclined to overdo. Extravagance or overindulgence might be regretted tomorrow!

The Sun enters the 2nd house Nov 7, 2005

The Second House focus is on what you have--your personal possessions, your security, what you really value in life. Last month you reflected on yourself, gave attention to your own needs, and what you want in your life this year. Now, consider what you have--your personal resources. Are you comfortable? Do you feel secure? If not, what steps can you take to improve your situation? Take them! If, on the other hand, your possessions "own you" instead of the other way around, perhaps you've been too concerned about material things and not sufficiently appreciative of things that money can't buy. True security, you know, is not in things, but within your spirit. Take a walk, smell the roses, look at the stars, feel the solid earth under your feet, and allow your many blessings to shine from within.

Mars enters the 7th house Nov 7, 2005

Mars traveling through your Seventh House indicates a focus of energy on your activities with your partner. This could mean energetic and productive working together--or it could mean tension and conflicts. Messages in planetary aspects during this time are more significant in reflecting potential challenges than this transit of Mars through the Seventh, alone. In any case, if there is tension, this is a time when you should get out problems and deal with them. Try to achieve a win-win compromise. In legal matters, compromise or settlement is favored; challenge is not. This can be a marriage transit, but impulsiveness is suggested, so be aware.



NOVEMBER 8, 2005 Tuesday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

If you've had tension in a close relationship, this could be a good day to talk things over. It may not be the best day for business negotiations, for you might give too much. Activities that combine the mental and the aesthetic--art, music, theater--are good choices.

NOVEMBER 9, 2005 Wednesday

Mars sextile Natal Sun

Starts today; Exact Nov 12; Leaves Nov 15.

Today you are likely to have extra energy and drive for work, and you can accomplish a great deal without stress. Take the initiative on what needs to be done. Your sense of balance, coupled with your energy, means that you may be able to spark the team on a work project or in a sporting event. Whether on the team or working alone, you compete well. This is a good aspect under which to schedule business dealings or organizational activities in which you wish to put your ideas forward.

NOVEMBER 10, 2005 Thursday

Venus trine Natal Moon

Today, unless other simultaneous challenging transits contradict, you are likely to be a real "softy," warm and mellow toward everyone. Your feelings of love and affection are strong, so express them. All of your relationships, personal and public, can benefit from your mood today. This would be a good day to entertain friends at home. It's also a good day to sell.

Sun square Natal Mercury

Does it seem like "everybody" wants to talk to you or hear from you today? If the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, several talk at once, opinions conflict, at least you've got the extra mental energy to deal with it. Your opinions may be tested. Strive to be very clear about what YOU say and remember that it is equally important to LISTEN. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

Mars trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Uranus

Starts today; Exact Nov 13; Leaves Nov 17.

You may in a hurry, feeling impulsive and rebellious. So GO--just watch out you don't trip over your feet in your rush! Suppressed tension could simmer over and explode, or can be internalized into a physical problem. Find a constructive and reasonably safe way to express your individuality. Innovative, creative work is the very best way to express this transit. Do something new.

NOVEMBER 14, 2005 Monday

Mercury Stationary (R) while trine Natal Saturn

You are not likely to feel in a playful mood today, but your ability for concentrated mental discipline is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, this is a time for it. You've got a good critical eye and can take a hard look at what needs to be changed without getting "down" about it. Good day for organizational activity. Not a good day for frivolity.

Sun sextile Natal Pluto

Your creative potential to make changes is favored on this day. If there's a sticky situa-



tion that needs to be cleared up, a relationship issue that needs to be confronted, or even a messy desk or closet that needs to be cleaned out, this is an appropriate time to do it. Your attempt to transform, so long as you are ethical and fair, can progress smoothly today, and you'll most likely feel very good about the result. Feel your own inner power, and use it to make a favorable impression on others. This is also a good transit under which to engage in serious thinking, study or investigative work. You can get right to the bottom of a problem and discover the way to solve it.

Sun trine Natal Midheaven

This is not inherently an "action" transit, so the extent to which you "feel" it depends a lot on other issues, reflected in your more challenging transits of this time period. Whatever is going on, though, this is a day in which your energy and confidence are likely to be stronger, or you are feeling a greater sense of clarity and balance. You may spend the day working quietly toward your goals, or you may receive favorable attention from the boss or your public. A cooperative aspect to the Midheaven also means a cooperative aspect to the Fourth House cusp, which is your home. Your sense of equilibrium today also means that your home and family activities are most likely to go smoothly.

NOVEMBER 16, 2005 Wednesday

Full Moon in Your 8th House

Significant issues in your life since the time of New Moon could have been your personal financial position, your value system or your inner sense of security. Now, at Full Moon, the other side of the polarity must be integrated. How you feel, and what you do or don't do, affect and are affected by your interactions with others. A

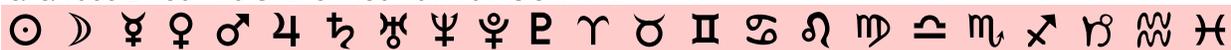
primary concern of the eighth house is that of joint resources. At New Moon you may have begun something that would enhance your own comfort and sense of security. Now you may need to give attention to how your needs balance with those with whom you share your life or assets. Your own sense of fulfillment might now include settling your debts to others, reviewing insurance, tax matters or estate plans. You may want to examine or discuss "give and take" issues with your partner. Comfort vs. self-mastery is an important issue of this polarity. Would increased self-discipline or control of a bad habit enhance your continued progress? Capacities for self-mastery may be developed through meditation techniques.

Full Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Saturn

The focus is on responsibility, discipline, reality, and limitation, and the challenge may be in dealing with feelings--yours or others around you. This is a period when, quite honestly, you may be feeling down in the dumps or lonely, with reason, but also perhaps with no good reason at all. You may be inclined to maximize whatever difficulties you are having, and be too hard on yourself in the process. Do realize that your mood is temporary, and is not necessarily reality. On the subject of responsibility, one more thing you are responsible for is your own emotional responses to whatever is, or is not, going on in your life. Take charge! Persist in your duties, and exercise patience and common sense. Give yourself some private time. If you feel a need to talk things over, an objective older person could be a good choice.

Full Moon opposite Natal Neptune

Any psychic sensitivity that you have is in strong focus now. You may be picking up signals from all around--which doesn't necessarily mean that



they are accurate! You will feel best if you're around positive people and situations. If you're feeling "down," recognize that it may be what you're intuiting from others and not really your own feelings. Neptune symbolizes the way in which you "escape" reality and "get away from it all." This can be a very positive function and a necessary balance for mundane life, but there are constructive ways to escape and there are very destructive ones. Stay away from drugs and alcohol--you are more susceptible to their negative influences now. Meditation, art, music, ritual worship or other forms of creative, aesthetic fantasy are good methods of "getting away from it all," and these activities may yield exceptional beauty during this period. Deception, self-deception and confusion are potential downsides of this transit. However, if you are aware that your perceptions of reality may not be clear, you can flow with the positive attributes of your inner Neptune energy. Enjoy a little "fantasy land," but don't project it onto others--they may not deserve it, and you can't be sure just now.

NOVEMBER 17, 2005 Thursday

Venus square Natal Saturn

Today your need to work and your wish for pleasure may be in conflict. Or you could be trying to balance career versus relationship needs. Uncomfortable feelings signal that you are out-of-balance. Your mood is probably reserved, and you may prefer to spend much of today alone, thinking things through. That may be just what you should do. Don't take it all too seriously. This is only a one-day transit and you might feel more sociable tomorrow.

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

Fantasy, beauty and idealistic love appeal. The challenge involves illusion versus reality. Take care in relationships, and take your time. What's wonderful today may not be so great tomorrow. Enjoy creative or spiritual pursuits.

NOVEMBER 18, 2005 Friday

Venus square Natal Mars

Your assertive nature is stimulated by an urge for enjoyment. This could take the form of teasing, active play, enthusiastic activity in the arts, expressions of affection or good sex. The challenge could be in the need to balance what you want or desire with someone else's mood. A good relationship will be fine--even passionate--with this transit. A relationship that is already tense may be aggravated. Sex is the focus of a new attraction, so think safe--you might feel differently tomorrow. Creative art expression can flourish on this day.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Saturn

You feel just plain tired today--or you are feeling frustrated by some limitation, obligation or responsibility. At best, your mood is serious, and not particularly sociable, so if you are planning ahead, this is NOT the right day to pick for an event where you must be outgoing and "up." Don't spend the day just brooding, though. Get to work. You can take on a task that might otherwise seem onerous or tedious, complete it and cross it off your list. That will give you a great deal of satisfaction, and can even turn this into a good day!

Sun conjunct Natal Neptune

Neptune represents your attunement with intangibles and with your need to escape



material, mundane concerns. When the Sun's light shines here, you are more sensitive than usual and your intuitive abilities are heightened. One potential of the sensitivity of this transit is that you may feel less able to cope with daily duties and the hassles of your life, and wish you could flee. If this is your mood, try to find some time to meditate today. Take a quiet walk, listen to music, or spend some time reading a good novel. Avoid any drugs or alcohol, because your body is more sensitive to their negative effects. On the other hand, this is an excellent day for occult studies, spiritual work or artistic expression. Because your empathy is increased, you may be feeling a greater concern for people. Assisting others with their problems or doing any kind of helping/healing or charity work is a favorable choice for this transit period.

NOVEMBER 19, 2005 Saturday

Venus sextile Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit. Get out with friends and be sociable. Give and receive compliments. Express your tender feelings for a special someone. This is also a good day to choose if you need to make a good impression on someone or ask a favor. Art activities are favored.

Sun trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Mars

Confrontational situations could arise. Energy is high and work can be productive, but perhaps best if you work alone. Curb impatience, and steer clear of anger or defensiveness. Hostility, from within yourself or from others is signal to take a break, calm down and think through a possible compromise. A good physical workout may help.

NOVEMBER 20, 2005 Sunday

Venus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

Sun sextile Natal Uranus

This is a wonderful day to be individual, to be different and to express your freedom. Expect the unexpected--be alert for it. Create it! If you can, do plan to do something on this day to break from your normal routine. Try a change of scene. Visit someplace new. Open your mind to learn new things. You might begin a stimulating new course of study--something you wouldn't normally think of to try. Perhaps you could make a change in your surroundings, or even yourself. Try that new look! You are probably more inquisitive than usual, and your imagination is stimulated, so if you are at work today, you might come up with a good, new approach. This is a day when you can make changes more freely than other time. Be open. Be creative.

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven (Retro)

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.



NOVEMBER 21, 2005 Monday

Sun square Natal Jupiter

You should feel good today--expansive, in fact, and generous. It's a day when you should put your "best foot forward," for you can more easily succeed. Your confidence radiates and attracts. Give business initiatives and presentations a "jump start." Reach for the stars, but keep in mind that your desire to get ahead must be balanced with good principles, fairness and common sense--and therein lies the challenge. This is a transit where the warning bell is on a tendency to overdo whatever you are doing. If what you are doing is positive, it should go well; if it's not, it could get you in trouble. Expansion with moderation is the key: confidence, but not arrogance; generosity with yourself or others, but not extravagance or waste, enjoyment, but not overindulgence. Social affairs and celebrations can be joyous on this day--so long as you don't overdo!

NOVEMBER 22, 2005 Tuesday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon (Retro)

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

NOVEMBER 23, 2005 Wednesday

Venus square Natal Ascendant

This is an excellent day to enjoy yourself with others--or with that very special "other." All of your relationships are generally

harmonious and love is in the air. Show your affection. Get out and be with people today. You're probably feeling quite good and that radiates out and attracts others. Someone new could come into your life, if you are open to it. The challenge: to have a good time, but avoid a tendency to over-indulge or overspend. What appeals today might not necessarily look as great tomorrow.

NOVEMBER 24, 2005 Thursday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant

Personal charisma shines today, but you may find that others are at cross-purposes with you. Lead, but do NOT seek to dominate. Be aware of what you truly want and really listen to the other side. Look for win-win solutions.

NOVEMBER 25, 2005 Friday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant (Retro)

Your mind may be racing today, and you won't want to sit still. Speak your mind, but be sure to listen to the other person's opinion, too. Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

NOVEMBER 27, 2005 Sunday

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon

If you feel "on edge" today, it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be too career-pressured, and are neglecting your inner needs. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what you know needs your attention in the outer



world. Take some time to think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.

Mercury square Natal Jupiter (Retro)

Your ability to think quickly is an asset, and today good ideas are more than likely. You'll probably be feeling optimistic and confident. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. You can put your communication skills to work for your best advantage. The challenge is that your exuberance may lead you to overlook details that could cause problems later, or your confidence may come off as arrogance and create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and be sure to listen, too, and get all the facts before you jump.

NOVEMBER 28, 2005 Monday

Mercury sextile Natal Uranus (Retro)

Today you'll thrive on satisfying curiosity, on discovery, on allowing your unorthodox ideas to emerge. You're mentally quick, cleverer than usual, and your problem-solving skills are enhanced. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. Take a break from your normal routine. Study something new.

NOVEMBER 29, 2005 Tuesday

Mercury trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Mars (Retro)

Feeling irritable and nervous? Your tolerance and patience level may be stressed. Perceptions and reactions are fast--you're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get

away with it! Be aware of your feelings. Make your point, but respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

Mercury trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Saturn (Retro)

Thoughts may be heavy, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. It's not the best day for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for mental discipline is excellent. Work alone. A relaxing stroll to think might yield a useful perspective.

Mercury conjunct Natal Neptune (Retro)

Feeling just a little foggy today? You may experience a bit of confusion in your communications or problems in focusing, as if your "logic wires" got crossed with a line from fantasy land. It will pass. Meanwhile, it's a great time to create and dream. A flash of intuition could prove to be of benefit. Artistic expression is favored, as is study or work in the occult, psychic, psychotherapeutic or spiritual realms. The trick is to blend logic and intuition, the conscious with the unconscious.

Sun trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Midheaven

Not the easiest day to be a "team player." Your own concerns are in the forefront. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are working with others, strive to be considerate. You might do best to work alone, for then you can concentrate fully on your own goals with no conflict!



NOVEMBER 30, 2005 Wednesday

DECEMBER 2005

Venus trine Natal Pluto

Emotions run very deep today. If you are in love, you feel it strongly and sensually. If you meet someone new, the attraction will probably be intense, perhaps compulsive. If you are an artist, your work will be highly expressive and revealing of your inner self. If none of these things are the case, still your feelings about whatever you are experiencing are intense, and if you probe them, you can discover truths about yourself that enhance your inner power to make creative changes.

Venus opposite Natal Midheaven

Although listed as a challenging transit, this one is usually easy. You are likely to want to be with people, and may enjoy entertaining at home. One caveat is over-indulgence, and another, for some, could be balancing needs of career and home. This may be the case for those whose careers are involved with creativity, art, beauty or entertainment. Usually, though, this is a pleasant day for relationships--one in which you feel like expressing affection--or a new relationship could begin. You'll probably be happiest if you spend this day with others, or one special "other."

Venus enters the 4th house Nov 30, 2005

Unless planetary aspects during this same period have very contradictory themes, Venus in the Fourth House reflects a peaceful time in your homelife. Relationships with your parents are good--show your love. It's a good time to entertain in your home--have a party! Or this might be a time when you are inspired to take on a redecorating project and make your home more attractive.

OUTER PLANET TRANSITS IN MONTH

The following transits are Major Trends that underlie the entire time period of the dates given. You should consider their messages to be a background for all daily aspects. See **Introduction** for a more detailed explanation of how this works.

Jupiter is in the 1st house from Aug 23, 2005 to Jan 11, 2006

See interpretation in August.

Mars is in the 7th house from Nov 7, 2005 to Jan 13, 2006

See interpretation in November.

Venus is in the 4th house from Nov 30, 2005 to Jan 16, 2006

See interpretation in November.

Saturn is in the 10th house from May 6, 2005 to Sep 25, 2006

See interpretation in May.

Neptune is in the 4th house from Dec 22, 1994 to Mar 16, 2007

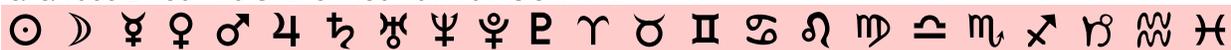
See interpretation in January.

Uranus is in the 5th house from Feb 8, 2001 to Mar 10, 2008

See interpretation in January.

Pluto is in the 3rd house from Nov 5, 2001 to Feb 21, 2019

See interpretation in January.



Neptune conjunct Natal Venus

Enters orb Jul 25, 2005 (Retro); Exact Aug 31, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Oct 26, 2005; Exact Dec 19, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 18, 2006.

Feeling fascinating, romantic, imaginative? All the world is beautiful during this transit period, but it could be laced with beautiful illusions. If you're artistic, take advantage--let your creative juices flow. If you fall in love, take care. You may be seeing only what you want to see and not who s/he really IS! You could idealize the other person beyond anything that s/he could possibly live up to, or on the other hand, you could be "so sure" that, with your help, this poor lost soul could become the wonderful person you "know" s/he really is inside. Relationships based on "savior" and "saved" are seldom fulfilling in the long run, and often lead to disappointment. So think things through very carefully, or wait until the transit is over before you make a commitment. Alternatively, a relationship formed now may be primarily a spiritual one, perhaps platonic; or maybe your "soul mate." In such a case, the relationship should involve none of the issues of inequality of the savior/saved variety.

Other possibilities: since Venus also sometimes refers to your personal finances, you should also be wary of inequities or lack of clarity in joint financial situations that begin during this transit. Relationships of any type aside, if you are involved in art, music or writing, this transit may refer to an unusual surge of imaginative ideas.

Uranus trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

Enters orb Sep 15, 2005 (Retro); Exact Oct 15, 2005 (Retro); Stationary (D) Nov 16, 2005; Exact Dec 16, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 13, 2006.

Sudden changes in career, reputation, social status, relationships, home--all are potentials now. You may lead the change, surprising others caught unaware. Or changes may be precipitated by others. Even so, take it as a signal of changes you should make within. Accept the challenge to stretch. You can be more innovative and creative than usual during this transit.

Saturn trine Natal Saturn

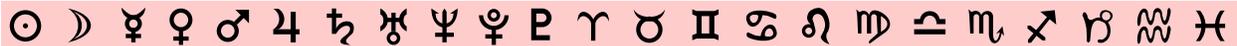
Enters orb Oct 21, 2005; Stationary (R) Nov 22, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 24, 2005 (Retro).

This could be called a stabilizing transit period. Not dramatic of itself. Unless other strong, challenging transits during this same time have a very contradictory theme, this is a period in which your life is likely to be balanced, and you feel as though you have your life pretty well under control. Your career is likely to be progressing quite smoothly. No spectacular gains, but no notable setbacks, either. This relatively peaceful period is a time when you should take what steps you can to move steadily forward toward your long-term goals.

Saturn trine Natal Mars

Enters orb Nov 3, 2005; Stationary (R) Nov 22, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 11, 2005 (Retro).

This is a period in which you are capable of a good deal of disciplined and productive work. Your self-control is good, and you may be considerably more patient than usual. It is probably not a very exciting time, and not much fun, but you can accomplish a great deal. You are likely to be fairly accepting of limitations placed on you and will challenge yourself to work successfully within them. Precision work and organizational tasks are favored. This is not a time of shorts spurts, but rather of the determined marathon runner.



Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Pluto

Enters orb Nov 21, 2005; Exact Nov 26, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 1, 2005.

Success is a strong potential now--IF you act with integrity and are willing to face up to needed changes. Examine what really matters--what is right for you--and claim your own inner power to do or be or become the best you can.

Jupiter quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Saturn

Enters orb Dec 15, 2005; Exact Dec 20, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 26, 2005.

It's a balancing act, now, between your urge to grow, expand and be optimistic versus your needs to be serious and disciplined and to set (or accept) limitations. Overexpanding may leave you feeling overextended. Holding back can leave you frustrated. Reach out toward positive accomplishments, but base what you do on a firm foundation, and you can increase your prosperity and satisfaction in life.

Jupiter quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Mars

Enters orb Dec 18, 2005; Exact Dec 24, 2005; Leaves orb Dec 30, 2005.

Extra energy, enthusiasm, and confidence makes for success in activities. Take the initiative! Potential downsides: exaggeration, overdoing, acting too hastily, or conflicting with others. Assert yourself, but with fairness and consideration.

Jupiter octile (semisquare) Natal Uranus

Enters orb Dec 22, 2005; Exact Dec 28, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 3, 2006.

Freedom urges are expanded and restlessness abounds. You're looking for something new, and are not feeling at all patient with the status quo. Opportunity may knock, so be alert and

open. You may need to break away from a limitation--just don't jump so quickly that you create a disruptive crisis in your life. Recognize that you need more freedom. Express your individuality.

Jupiter trine Natal Sun

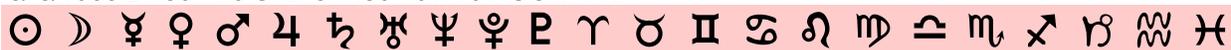
Enters orb Dec 26, 2005; Leaves orb Jan 7, 2006.

This is one of the most harmonious aspects you can have. So easy is it, that if it occurs by itself without the challenge of other aspects with themes of action, you may just drift through it pleasantly and nothing much will happen. If it occurs in the same period as a challenging aspect, you are more likely to handle the challenge in a constructive manner. You are probably feeling optimistic, confident, healthy, even lucky, but even luck may elude your grasp if you fail to reach out for it. Don't miss the opportunities here. Any Sun-Jupiter aspect is excellent for the timing of new beginnings: business, marriage, creative projects, etc.

Neptune trine Natal Ascendant

Enters orb Dec 30, 2005; Leaves orb Feb 23, 2006.

Although this transit is much milder than the challenging aspects, some caution is still called for in dealing with personal relationships. You may be seeing "the other" as your ideal rather than as a real--and very human--person. Your attraction to a new person in your life may be primarily spiritual and you could over idealize such a person--the "guru." Still, remember that even idols often have feet of clay. Take your time and don't "go overboard" now. Learn, but wait until this period is over to more thoroughly evaluate what you've learned. Your dreams may be vivid and enlightening--you would do well to record and reflect on them. You could benefit from metaphysical studies, and reap rich inner rewards from helping, healing or charitable activities. For artists, imagination flows and enhances creativity.



INNER PLANET TRANSITS DURING MONTH

DECEMBER 1, 2005 Thursday

New Moon in Your 2nd House

The New Moon signifies new beginnings, and a focus in your life for the month that follows. This is a month when you might do well to take steps to improve your personal financial position, and therefore increase your sense of security. Begin today. Examine your feelings about money, possessions and what makes you comfortable. If you are NOT comfortable with your feelings in regard to what you have or don't have, why not? Is there something you could do about it--one step you could take, no matter how small? The significance of taking one step cannot be overestimated. Just the knowledge that you have begun can immediately improve your comfort level, and feeling better can encourage your momentum to continue.

New Moon trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

During this period you may be dealing with an issue of balance between your personal and professional lives. You need to have a sense of success and approval in the outer world, but you also need a sense of security and peace at home. If you've been neglecting either side of this polarity, it is likely that you will now be called upon to pay attention to it. Emotions could be in the forefront of the issue, and this could be good or bad, depending upon how in touch you are with your own feelings. Impulsive actions taken out of mood, without thought, could cause tension. Sensitivity expressed toward the feelings of others concerned could help. Look to the House in which this Lunation falls for additional insight into what area of your life may be involved in the balance to be restored.

DECEMBER 3, 2005 Saturday

Sun trine Natal Saturn

Unless other more challenging transits describe very different themes, this is a day when self-discipline and self-control come easily. In any case, your mood is more subdued than usual, and you are able to organize and plan. If you have detailed work to do, you can accomplish it meticulously and well. Indeed, the best way to derive satisfaction from this day is to dig in and get your work done. Attend to your responsibilities. If, for some reason, this is not a working day for you, it is a good day for effective self-evaluation and planning. You are in a serious mood, and may prefer to be alone. Or, if you think you might benefit from an objective point of view, this is a good time to seek the opinion of someone who is older or in a position of authority.

DECEMBER 4, 2005 Sunday

Sun trine Natal Mars

Your energy is likely to be quite high during this transit, and you can accomplish a great deal. You are self-assertive, and if you need to stick up for yourself, now is a time when you can do so effectively and successfully. Work either alone or with others should be harmonious and beneficial. If you've been feeling out-of-balance in any area of your life, this is a good time to make positive changes. Physical activity is recommended. Work out, play a game--a least take a brisk walk.



DECEMBER 5, 2005 Monday

Sun square Natal Sun

Today you shine--or at least you want to, or think you should. Your ego is in the forefront, and if you don't get attention effortlessly, you're inclined to do something to draw attention. Yet, this is a good time to push yourself onward. If circumstances or others challenge you, understand that it is only a test of your goals, and you have the will and energy to pass that test. Your challenger also wants to shine. Respect that, without denying your own needs. Show how brightly you can shine through constructive effort. Take pride in doing your best.

The Sun enters the 3rd house Dec 5, 2005

This is likely to be a very busy month, when you feel energetic and eager to get things done. You may even take a short trip--or two, or three. One way you might especially "shine" during this period is to take a class and learn something new. Other ways could involve communication: write that letter, poem or prose, give a talk, have that heart-to-heart talk you've been wanting to have with someone. The Third House focuses on your neighborhood and your relationships with relatives. What can you do to foster improvements in these matters? Perhaps you could take the lead in a neighborhood project.

DECEMBER 7, 2005 Wednesday

Sun sextile Natal Venus

Try to find something to do that you enjoy today. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Play a little--indulge just a bit. If you're on your own, do something

special to beautify your surroundings--or yourself! Arts and crafts activities can go especially well today, too. Be light-hearted and creative. Have fun!

Venus sextile Natal Neptune

This is a day when, if you can, you should dream, fantasize, enjoy the beauty of nature and take it easy. Enjoy creative pursuits, music and romance. If you are obligated to mundane work, you'll likely feel lethargic about it. Take some meditation breaks. Increased intuition may give you ideas that you can beneficially manifest later. For today, though, you are probably in a pleasant fog, so don't push yourself to make decisions.

DECEMBER 8, 2005 Thursday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Saturn

Thoughts may be heavy, even pessimistic. You're more inclined to be critical of others, the situation or yourself, which does not make for the best of moods. It's not the best day for important communications or negotiations. On the other hand, your ability for mental discipline is excellent. Work alone. A relaxing stroll to think might yield a useful perspective.

Mercury conjunct Natal Neptune

Feeling just a little foggy today? You may experience a bit of confusion in your communications or problems in focusing, as if your "logic wires" got crossed with a line from fantasy land. It will pass. Meanwhile, it's a great time to create and dream. A flash of intuition could prove to be of benefit. Artistic expression is favored, as is study or work in the occult, psychic, psychotherapeutic or spiritual realms. The trick is to blend logic and intuition, the conscious with



the unconscious.

Sun sextile Natal Ascendant

Harmony and ease in your relationships and any encounters with others is a likely experience of this transit. You'll probably be feeling good, perhaps more relaxed or rested than before. This could be a good day for a social occasion, and it could also be a favorable time to put your best foot forward in dealing with others in business. It's not inherently an "action" transit, though. Your mood is more likely to be easy-going. Find some time today to play.

DECEMBER 9, 2005 Friday

Mercury trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Mars

Feeling irritable and nervous? Your tolerance and patience level may be stressed. Perceptions and reactions are fast--you're inclined to say just what you think, in no uncertain terms, and minus the tact that could otherwise allow you to get away with it! Be aware of your feelings. Make your point, but respect the opinions of others, too. Seek win-win solutions.

DECEMBER 10, 2005 Saturday

Sun sextile Natal Mercury

Your vital energy and your mental capacities are in sync, making this a good day for any type of intellectual activity. You can study effectively and learn easily. Communication is favored, too, so if you need to present your ideas to a group, close a sale, make a speech, write an important letter, this time period is a good choice. Unless other challenging transits contradict, travel should go smoothly, too. You can run those

errands or make short trips with little or no stress.

Mercury sextile Natal Uranus

Today you'll thrive on satisfying curiosity, on discovery, on allowing your unorthodox ideas to emerge. You're mentally quick, cleverer than usual, and your problem-solving skills are enhanced. Try a new approach. What is unorthodox could be the key to discovery. Take a break from your normal routine. Study something new.

Venus trine Natal Uranus

Today could bring a pleasant surprise, but why wait around for it? You are probably feeling a little restless and bored with routine, so take the initiative and look for a change of scene. Even if it's a work day, you can spend part of it doing something new, trying something different. You might even meet someone new and exciting.

DECEMBER 11, 2005 Sunday

Venus octile (semisquare) Natal Sun

A lovely day for love--and that includes you for you. Indulge yourself a bit--but don't go overboard. The challenge in this normally easy transit is in its potential for extravagance or overindulgence. Be sociable. Your creativity in art is stimulated, but even in art, you might feel more like playing than working today.

DECEMBER 12, 2005 Monday

Sun trioctile (sesquiquare) Natal Moon

If you feel "on edge" today, it is a sign that you are out of balance. You may be too career-pressured, and are neglecting your



inner needs. Or you may be giving in to emotional demands at the expense of what you know needs your attention in the outer world. Take some time to think about which area is being neglected, and then do something about it.

Mercury square Natal Jupiter

Your ability to think quickly is an asset, and today good ideas are more than likely. You'll probably be feeling optimistic and confident. Business matters, public speaking, discussions and debates are favored, as is travel. You can put your communication skills to work for your best advantage. The challenge is that your exuberance may lead you to overlook details that could cause problems later, or your confidence may come off as arrogance and create opposition. Be flexible, pay attention and be sure to listen, too, and get all the facts before you jump.

DECEMBER 13, 2005 Tuesday

Venus quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Jupiter

This is a good day for pleasure and sociability. You're feeling generous with others and yourself, but be aware that you have a tendency to overspend or overindulge. With that small caveat, this is a time to enjoy. Plan a party--or go to one. Give a gift to someone--or treat yourself.

Sun square Natal Pluto

You could be confronted with a mini-crisis--anything from pressure from the boss to a machine that breaks, forcing you to stop and fix it. Issues of power and control may emerge. You could be challenged to defend your ideas or your past actions. You could be forced to take a hard look at yourself in terms of time management or some other

issue of self-mastery. This could be a day in which an ongoing major issue, which is reflected by your long-term transits, is triggered. So be sure to reread them, too, in order to put your anticipation (or hindsight) of this day in context. If you experience a power struggle or other crisis today, consider it as a test, or as a lesson from which you are supposed to derive insight into a change that you need to make. Claim your inner power to do what you must do, without being domineering over others. Let go of what you must, and you can feel a great sense of release, and an increase in your inner strength.

DECEMBER 14, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury octile (semisquare) Natal Ascendant

Your mind may be racing today, and you won't want to sit still. Speak your mind, but be sure to listen to the other person's opinion, too. Open your mind to stimulation, to learning something new.

Sun quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

Not the easiest day to be a "team player." Your own concerns are in the forefront. If, in a group situation, you push too hard, you could alienate others, and threaten a consensus that you need. If you are working with others, strive to be considerate. You might do best to work alone, for then you can concentrate fully on your own goals with no conflict!



DECEMBER 15, 2005 Thursday

Full Moon in Your 9th House

Since the time of New Moon, your communications with others may have been a significant focus. Or there could be issues involving your relationships within the family or neighborhood. Matters of education may also be the concern. The Full Moon in your ninth house could be a time when the mundane affairs of the third house must be integrated and balanced with larger issues of philosophy, religion or legal affairs. What you think and communicate with others can impact and is impacted by the ideas and ideals (or lack of ideals) of the larger world. At this time you may have to balance and resolve a conflict of reason vs. faith, or of your own logic vs. your impulses and how much either is "programmed" by cultural expectations. And you may have to communicate your resolution of these issues with others, or seek others' knowledge in order to help you achieve resolution.

Full Moon square Natal Pluto

The focus during this period is on transformative change, and you are more than likely to be emotionally involved in whatever change is going on, perhaps to the point of an almost compulsive attention. In relating to others, you are in no mood to give ground, and for this reason power/control struggles are possible. Try to avoid this--especially precipitating, or falling victim to, emotional manipulations. In conflict, think of the other person as a mirror of yourself, and look in that mirror to see what is really going on with you. You have the courage, now, to face that and learn from it. Change is inevitable. Don't let it happen TO you. Look inside and know what you really want, and then go after it, with consideration for others who may be involved.

DECEMBER 17, 2005 Saturday

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Moon

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

DECEMBER 18, 2005 Sunday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.

DECEMBER 19, 2005 Monday

Sun square Natal Uranus

Expect the unexpected. If you are determined to stick doggedly to routine, something or someone is likely to disrupt it. Face it. YOU want a break. It would be best if you acknowledged that and found a way to be individual, different or free today. Decide what you could do to express your uniqueness, WITHOUT shaking up your life in a way that you might be sorry for tomorrow! You are likely to feel restless, and more in need of freedom than usual. If you try to repress that energy, it's even more likely that your carefully made plans are likely to be changed or your established routine broken. Repression could even



cause you to "trip over your feet" or lose your patience in irritation with some innocent soul. Best way to use the energy: do something different or unusual. Innovate! Experiment! Who knows? Maybe the untried will be stimulating. Life offers surprises today--accept them! You may discover something new about yourself that will prove to be very valuable.

DECEMBER 21, 2005 Wednesday

Sun trine Natal Jupiter

You should feel good today--expansive, in fact. Put your "best foot forward," for this is a time you can more easily succeed. Unless other challenging transits strongly contradict, you should be feeling in harmony with others and at peace with yourself. The only caveat, with "soft" transit, such as this, is you might be lethargic--inclined to drift through a enjoyable day. That would be a waste. If you are planning ahead, choose this day to schedule a family celebration (wedding, christening), throw a party, make a business presentation, begin a vacation--in other words, DO something special!

DECEMBER 22, 2005 Thursday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Venus

A good day to do something you enjoy. Spend time with a friend or romantic partner, or get out where you can meet someone new. Arts and crafts activities are favored, too. Play a little, and indulge just a bit, but don't overdo. Extravagance might be regretted tomorrow!

Mercury trine Natal Mars

This is a good day to be very busy. Your energy flows, your confidence level is

strong, and much work can be done--either physical or mental. You are unlikely to be daunted by obstacles now, so this may be the right time to tackle that tough problem you've been meaning to solve. Your ability to think quickly may be highlighted, but your patience to be thorough may not be. Be sure you organize your project. Sell your views to others--this transit favors both your ability to assert yourself and to communicate effectively.

Mercury trine Natal Saturn

You are not likely to feel in a playful mood today, but your ability for concentrated mental discipline is excellent. If there's a matter that calls for serious analysis, this is a time for it. You've got a good critical eye and can take a hard look at what needs to be changed without getting "down" about it. Good day for organizational activity. Not a good day for frivolity.

DECEMBER 23, 2005 Friday

Mercury square Natal Sun

Busy, busy, busy is what you are likely to be experiencing today. Lots of talk flows around you, and the phone jangles frequently. There are papers to shuffle and errands to run. Interruptions abound. All this is likely to be a test of your nervous energy! In communicating with others you could find that egos get in the way as needs conflict. Make your point clearly, then let it be. Going on and on isn't necessary and could work against you. Listening is half the art of communication. Seek compromise and win-win solutions.

Mercury enters the 3rd house Dec 23, 2005

When Mercury travels through its own House, you are more likely to feel its



restless and fast moving energy. Depending on planetary aspects during this same period, you may be feeling more than a little distracted, or you just may be busy, busy, busy--rushing from one place to another. Third House matters involve your neighbors, siblings, or relatives, so you interact with them more than usual. Unless other planetary messages at this time stabilize, it's best to spend this period gathering information, rather than attempting to finalize matters, for your decisions may be inclined toward hastiness. Writing is favored.

DECEMBER 24, 2005 Saturday

Sun octile (semisquare) Natal Mercury

Today it seems the phone doesn't stop, a dozen errands need to be run, and everyone talks at once. Your opinions may be tested. Maintain your objectivity. Compromise may be the key to success.

DECEMBER 25, 2005 Sunday

Mercury sextile Natal Venus

This is such an easy transit, it is most likely to slip by unnoticed--especially if more challenging transits occur at the same time. Of itself, it's likely to reflect a time when you "lighten up" and are friendly and sociable. Your ability to express yourself is better than usual. Speak of love to someone special, or write that letter you've been meaning to write. Do something you really enjoy.

DECEMBER 26, 2005 Monday

Sun trine Natal Moon

This transit will probably find you feeling fairly peaceful and balanced. Your outer needs (professional, public) flow harmoniously with your inner emotional needs. When you are in such a good mood, you might use this time to "bring up" the moods of others, and perhaps improve your relationships in the process. It's a good time to be with people, and friendships that start now are favored.

Mercury sextile Natal Mercury

Communication issues are favored today. Conversations, dialogues, debates, business matters and errands all could be more evident than usual. Your mind is likely to be clear and you'll be able to handle all this with a minimum of stress. Routine matters and detailed work can go smoothly. Other possibilities: take a short trip, visit a friend who likes to talk, or travel through books, to learn anything new that you may be curious about.

Mercury sextile Natal Ascendant

This is a day when you are likely to be mentally alert, busier than usual, and able to communicate effectively. Choose it to make that call, write that letter, have that talk. Exchange ideas, and don't forget that listening to the other person's opinion is communication, too! It's also a good day to clear up that pile of papers, take a trip, buy or sell something, or take a class.

DECEMBER 28, 2005 Wednesday

Mercury trioctile (sesquisquare) Natal Moon

Your thinking is heavily influenced by your



feelings, today, so it is important to examine which is which. This could be just the right time for that heart-to-heart talk, if you are willing to listen to and respect the other person's feelings, as well as your own.

DECEMBER 29, 2005 Thursday

Mercury square Natal Pluto

Deep thinking is required today. Something must be confronted, or a decision or commitment made. Ambiguity just won't work. You could feel stressed, or even irritable, but it will be a big relief when that thorny issue is resolved. Say or decide what you must, but try not to come on like a "heavy." In listening, be alert for what is implied, as well as what is stated directly. Smile, both for you and others. Avoid manipulating others or allowing yourself to be manipulated. This is a good day for investigations, research or uncovering secrets. You won't be content with superficial approaches to anything.

Mercury quincunx (inconjunct) Natal Midheaven

This transit calls for communication, making or carrying out plans, and quite possibly, making decisions. If you're clear about your objectives, say so! Be willing also to listen to others' views, too. You can speak your mind clearly and effectively, but remember that without listening, there is no true communication. Be willing to share the power.

DECEMBER 31, 2005 Saturday

New Moon in Your 3rd House

Matters of your third house include your communications with others, especially with those who are part of your daily life, and

your movements and activities in your neighborhood and surrounding area. Matters of education may be of concern, particularly pre-college or vocational education. Other issues may involve your relationships with siblings or other relatives. The New Moon is a time of beginnings, of fresh new starts. It is a time when it would be well to examine your feelings about the affairs of your third house. If there is something you could do to improve yourself here, do it! Take a course. Study a new subject or skill. If there is someone with whom you need to communicate, take the initiative. Don't put it off any longer. Write that letter, or make that phone call, or go to see that person.

New Moon square Natal Mars

Your assertive energies and ability to take action are in focus now, but what you want to do may not be easily supported by either the circumstances or the people that you need for support. Emotional clashes and disputes are possible, or suppressed tensions that can lead to self-sabotage (little accidents, for example). If you can be "clear" about your own feelings and needs, and are willing to consider the other guy, it might be best to "clear the air." If you're feeling defensive and angry, it might be better to let off some steam in a physical activity--a workout, sport or physical labor. The challenge here is to use your high spirits and assertiveness in a positive, productive manner, but with consideration for others.

New Moon square Natal Saturn

The focus is on responsibility, discipline, reality, and limitation, and the challenge may be in dealing with feelings--yours or others around you. This is a period when, quite honestly, you may be feeling down in the dumps or lonely, with reason, but also perhaps with no good reason at all. You may be inclined to maximize whatever



difficulties you are having, and be too hard on yourself in the process. Do realize that your mood is temporary, and is not necessarily reality. On the subject of responsibility, one more thing you are responsible for is your own emotional responses to whatever is, or is not, going on in your life. Take charge! Persist in your duties, and exercise patience and common sense. Give yourself some private time. If you feel a need to talk things over, an objective older person could be a good choice.

New Moon octile (semisquare) Natal Neptune

Lost in dreamland? Fantasy may be the focus during this period. Dreams may be fine, if they give birth to creativity and you can apply that in an art form. But the challenge, here, may well be in figuring out what is reality and what is illusion. Be very careful about making important decisions during this transit, for you may not have all the facts. Or you could be seeing what you want to see, and overlooking a "red flag" you'd see at a less foggy time. Escapist tendencies are likely to be accentuated, and this can be dangerous, in regard to any use of drugs or alcohol. You may need to seek a balance between compassion and being drained by others' expectations of you. If you are psychically sensitive, this could be a time when you are picking up too much, and will need to shield. Meditation helps.