

Child*Star

Astrological Report for
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The Astrological Chart

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Planet	Sign	Position	House	House Cusps
Sun	Libra	20°Li09'	11th	01 26°Sc20'
Moon	Capricorn	05°Cp17'	02nd	02 27°Sg15'
Mercury	Libra	17°Li39'	11th	03 03°Aq24'
Venus	Scorpio	12°Sc40' R	12th	04 10°Pi02'
Mars	Scorpio	19°Sc36'	12th	05 11°Ar12'
Jupiter	Pisces	25°Pi37' R	04th	06 05°Ta56'
Saturn	Libra	09°Li17'	10th	07 26°Ta20'
Uranus	Pisces	27°Pi45' R	04th	08 27°Ge15'
Neptune	Aquarius	26°Aq05' R	03rd	09 03°Le24'
Pluto	Capricorn	03°Cp01'	02nd	10 10°Vi02'
Midheaven	Virgo	10°Vi02'		11 11°Li12'
Ascendant	Scorpio	26°Sc20'		12 05°Sc56'

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Introduction

I. CHILD*STAR!!

How wondrous is the moment when you first look into the eyes of your newborn child! How miraculous is creation! What deep mysteries bring families together for a cycle of time!

In writing *Child*Star*, the author, a Montessori teacher, has brought you the best of 23 years of astrological study in addition to the fruit of 10 years' experience in the classroom. You'll find in *Child*Star* a first-hand understanding of the trials and joys of parenthood.

Being a parent is challenging. A job description for a parent would include something of almost every other job. When we study the child's astrological chart, we can instantly attune to how we can best guide him. Strengths, weaknesses, aptitude and potentials jump off the page. We can see how to turn around negative momentum and maximize talents that otherwise may not have been readily apparent. Understanding leads to greater patience, a virtue of immeasurable worth in child-rearing!

Many parents intuitively take a reading at the moment of birth and even before through dreams or visions, and receive a prescient knowing of the child soon to be born. The child comes to us with his own birth chart, his particular life plan, which many believe is determined prior to birth.

Nevertheless, there can be no doubt that environmental factors, decisions made by parents, education, and free will can change, alter, or mitigate the prophecy foreseen in the chart for better or for worse. A seed containing the blueprint of the most magnificent rose will not flower if denied sunshine, water, and good soil. And many have cultivated beautiful flowers in rocky soils through love and care.

How can we challenge the child to bring out the positive Sun sign potential, but, at the same time, teach him to know clearly when he crosses the line into negatives that could cause him much grief and sorrow later, if not corrected now? This is the challenge before us as educators and parents to our children, even to the child within ourselves. So we search the chart with an eye for potential problem areas that could disrupt, hinder or block the child's best expression. We devise how to turn them around. We take note of the positive potential and see how, like a good seed, it can be nurtured to bring forth the ripest fruit on time.

II . In creating this report, certain assumptions have been made:

1. Every child is unique. While most concepts will hit the nail on the head, not all you read will necessarily "fit."

Throughout the report, you'll come across words and phrases like "tends to," "often will," "probably," "might." This is because there is a spectrum of possibility on any given point. At

times, these phrases have been omitted, but the concept remains true throughout the report.

2. It is assumed that you are concerned and loving parents who are dedicated to helping your child realize his highest potential.

3. It is assumed that you're willing to look at yourself (as you may find Mom and Dad depicted in the pages of this report) and see where greater self-awareness and self-improvement can help you better raise your child.

4. It is assumed that you're using this report as a key to better understand your child, and as a key to unlock his potential, but that at no time will you use this report (and its recommendations) to replace common sense and your own good judgment. You are his parents, no one can know him as you do. Remember:

Astrology is meant to CONFIRM, NOT REPLACE, the inner guide!

5. To get the most value out of *Child*Star*, the author recommends holding "all these things in your heart" and observing the child as he grows. Maria Montessori proved that, by observing the child, you discover the laws of his being. The chart unfolds as she grows.

However, the report may highlight potential talent and skill you may wish to test out by providing your child with opportunities to develop them. For instance, if an aspect (and especially if several aspects) indicates musical talent, you may want to sign your child up for song and dance lessons or teach him how to play a musical instrument.

If playing an instrument doesn't seem to be his forte, try music appreciation. Remember, there's a spectrum of possibility, and it's up to you to discover what motivates your child.

In reading about your child, emphasize the positive. Negative patterns can be changed; indeed, sometimes only a shade of gray separates our Achilles' Heel from becoming our most valuable asset. Conversely, our natural talents can stagnate and, if we fail to develop them, become the open door to self-indulgence.

III . Keywords and concepts that will help you get the most out of *Child*Star* :

1. Throughout the report, reference is made to planets receiving harmonious or challenging aspects. In astrology, trines and sextiles are considered aspects that indicate energy flowing in harmony. Squares point to challenges, blocks, internal frustrations and also pronounced talents. Oppositions indicate potential conflicts we resolve in the Tai-Chi of our interactions with others. We call squares and oppositions "dynamic aspects." Here is where your child may meet her greatest challenges, but also where he may demonstrate his greatest strengths! In expressing and mastering the dynamic aspects, we grow and can realize our greatest achievements. Remember:

Wherever you find dynamic aspects is where your child may need the most guidance, consistency, and patience on your part.

2. CROSS-REFERENCES: To gather a more complete picture on any given aspect of your child's chart, you may be referred to another related section. For example, every sign is said to be ruled by a particular planet. Aries is ruled by Mars, and the child with Aries Rising is learning how to direct energy constructively. But how will he do it? The report may refer you to another section on Mars.

Another type of cross-reference is necessary when a planet receives more than one kind of

aspect. For example, a child with Mars square Saturn can feel blocked, and *Child*Star* instructs you to see if Mars and Saturn receive positive aspects from other planets-which will mitigate the difficulty and allow the aspect to manifest in a more dynamic and purposeful way. The positive aspects can also indicate to you how to work out the difficulty successfully.

3. RESOLVING CONTRADICTIONS: What to do when you come across information that is contradictory? None of us is black and white. For example, a child might be extroverted in sports, but shy in academics, or vice-versa. Some children, however, will need help in working out such structural conflicts.

4. Sometimes we come across strengths or talents in the child that may not be our forte. A child with a grand trine in earth signs, but whose parents have little or no earth emphasis in their own charts, may need other, more practical and businesslike people coming into his life to bring out the inherent qualities of efficiency, order, and organization typical of this positive configuration.

5. Astrological knowledge must never be used to demean, criticize, or put anyone down. Take note of areas of great sensitivity, vulnerability, or pain in the child's chart. Find ways to help him master these. Be kind to your child. His star has appeared and it may be different in magnitude and brilliance than your own! Love him and teach him, and learn from her, but don't expect her to be who you are. While the child is still in the process of turning her weaknesses into strengths, we can often fill in the gap!

IV. CONCLUSION:

In studying the child's chart-as a representation of the book of his life with many pages left to write on-we seek to understand him better in order to guide, help, and instruct him in bringing out his special uniqueness, his calling in life, his special star. In understanding our children, we also come to better understand ourselves, our own inner child.

This report is intended as a stepping stone in your astrological journey-a fascinating adventure. For those who hold newborns, *Child*Star* will offer many insights that will prove their worth for years to come. For those of you with older children, this report will shed much light that will help you better understand your child and where he is headed. Some will walk through their childhood again through the pages of this report-finding, healing, and attuning with the child within.

On the next page you will find a list of the zodiac positions of your child's natal planets, along with the house cusps, for his moment of birth. These have been calculated using sophisticated astronomical formulae to ensure high accuracy.

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The Rising Sign

First let's take a quick look at your child's Ascendant, or Rising sign. Astrologers want to know what zodiac sign is rising at birth, since this gives a picture of the way we appear or come across to others. We look out upon the world through the glasses of the Rising Sign. Your child's Rising Sign will offer clues as to how your child perceives himself or would like others to see him. Many astrologers consider the Rising Sign as important as the Sun Sign in describing identity. This makes sense, since the Ascendant describes the early childhood experience. From myriad impressions and interactions, the child will weave the tapestry of his unique selfhood. If the Rising Sign is very different from the Sun sign, the child may have to work at integrating diverse aspects of his personality.

Your Scorpio Rising child may appear intense and secretive. He probably likes to feel that he is in charge! Children with strong Scorpio placements usually respect power: rules consistently and lovingly applied. Your child may be super sensitive, this being a blessing and at the same time a burden. He is likely to be extremely self-reliant. He could be creative and dynamic in his expression. Let me do it my way, Mom! If you can manage to keep your cool when confronted with little Scorpio's emotional intensity, you'll teach him the valuable lesson of mastering his emotions, and his anger! Learning to let go of desire may be a tough lesson, best learnt as a child. Scorpio is ruled by Mars and Pluto. Aspects to either or both of these planets describe the child's temperament. House positions of Mars and Pluto could pinpoint areas of great importance to him.

Scorpio Rising

Planet Aspects

The Lights: The Sun and Moon

At the time of our birth, the planets (through their configurations and relationships) tell us something about the quality of the moment of time into which we were born. Each planet points to special traits within us. Yet, of all the planets, the two most important planets to astrologers are the "lights," the Sun and the Moon. From where we stand here on Earth, the great shining Sun by day and the reflecting Moon at night are our constant companions. The Sun and Moon are our greatest guides in understanding our children, their temperament, personality, relationship with parents and other significant adults, their sense of purpose, their feelings and much more! The Sun and Moon give us clues as to where our children are headed and how we can help them on the way.

The Sun: Your Self and Future

The Sun represents our identity, or self and as such, colors every other aspect of the chart. In a child's chart, the Sun will reveal much about his emerging personality. Your child's greatest strengths and challenges are often described by the qualities of his Sun Sign. A Leo child, for example, is a born leader but may be pompous. A Piscean youngster may draw upon a rich imagination to inspire others, but may seek to escape reality by retreating into a fantasy world. The wise parent will train the child to manifest the positive qualities of his Sun Sign. The position of the Sun also helps us understand what motivates our children. A child with a Fire sign Sun such as Aries, will generally be motivated by seeking new experiences in which he can assert himself, whereas a Water sign Sun child is more emotional and will seek comfort and security before venturing out. Children born into Earth signs tend to be grounded. They're builders and seek means of practical expression. They want to know, "How does it work?" Air sign Sun children can experience life through thoughts and thrive on social interaction and communication. The Sun also represents the child's perception of the father (or dominant parent) and the qualities the child identifies with within the father. From here, we extend our understanding of this relationship to authorities and adults in general and later, to the child's understanding of his own life purpose. For example, a child with the Sun in harmonious aspect to Mars would likely feel supported by the father and therefore more prone to self confidence than a child born with the Sun square Mars. The latter might feel blocked on some level by the father or dominant parent. Both, however, are dynamic positions indicating leadership potential.

Sun in Libra

Libra is an Air sign on the action cross. Its symbol is The Scales. Always seeking a mirror or clear pool, the Libra child tends to look for his identity through the eyes of others. Throughout his childhood, your little Libra will look to others for clues to know himself. The Libra child seeks to please and put forth his best to measure up to your praise. Conversely, he could act out negative behaviors to please an adult or friend who somehow doesn't see the best in him.

Close friendships mean a lot to your child. Theater is a good medium for trying on many hats safely. Libran children need to develop self-confidence and a strong sense of identity. They need to be taught the importance of trust and honesty in all their interactions. Children of the scales tend to compare one thing with another, but its best that you not compare him (negatively) with his friends. Because Librans see both sides, they have a strong sense of fairness, but may have trouble making decisions. Give your little Libran many opportunities to make choices. Praise him when he makes up his mind decisively and quickly!

Libran children are natural arbitrators and often play the role of the class peace-maker. Later, some will grow up to be lawyers! Librans are born diplomats and can get along with almost anyone. They need to learn to say "No" (rather than trying always to make someone happy). They may become unbalanced and noticeably disturbed by an ugly or discordant environment. Librans are attracted to beauty and peace. Even so, your own example can help your Libran child learn how to confront and handle unpleasant situations. Some Libran children will resort to lying rather than rock the boat. By all means, stress honesty and openness in your household.

Even Libran babies will respond to flowers, color and other touches of beauty and harmony in their surroundings. Most Libran children like to dress well. Your child may have artistic talent that you will want to cultivate. Your child is almost certainly sociable and benefits by early training in social skills and graces. Libran children can be charming hosts and hostesses at parties and school functions. Nevertheless, their ability to charm can amount to a mask, hiding their true intentions. Teach your child to DARE TO BE TRUE! The scales are the scales of justice and Libran children are sure to speak out against perceived injustices.

Sun Trine Neptune

This is the aspect of the beautiful dreamer. Nevertheless, Neptune can bring us into dangerous waters of enchantment and sometimes, illusion. Children with this placement are very sensitive and impressionable. Many are artistic, endowed with rich imaginations. Your child may be talented at working with images, whether psychological, artistic, or cinematic. He probably love movies and music, anything with a grand theme or gesture. To assure he not be just another dreamer, he will need to put his imagination to work! Your child may need help sorting out the real from the unreal.

The Moon: The Support System

In a child's chart, we look to the position of the Moon to understand the child's perception of his mother, of his need to be cared for and to nurture. The Moon also describes the child's experience within his family, with its particular dynamics, tradition and heritage. From these, the child establishes his roots. The Moon, then, indicates the early childhood environment, our early support systems. Emotional responses are traced to the Moon and hence, to patterns established during childhood (and even during other lifetimes). These often become automatic and subconscious in the adult. Thus, the sign placement of the Moon reveals much about our child's emotional needs and expressions. The Moon may dominate the child's chart during the first 7 years of life. The Moon will tell us what the child needs to feel secure and also what kinds of habits would be helpful or detrimental to his development. For example, a child with a Sagittarian Moon is happy when he has plenty of room to explore. (But he needs to learn the value of limits) A Cancer Moon child, in contrast, may cling to Mom's apron strings. (But he may need to overcome fear of making it on his on).

Moon in Capricorn

Capricorn is an Earth sign on the action cross. Its symbol is The Goat who climbs up the mountains on his knees. The Moon in Capricorn child is at his best when he knows he is needed. He needs to feel respected and is willing to take on more than his share of responsibilities. He seems a little more grown-up than other children his age and generally gets along well with older children and with adults. You likely will discover that your child can take any and every idea or situation and put it to good use.

Your child may feel deeply, but typically, the child with the Moon in this sign ruled by Saturn will work hard at controlling his emotions. He may feel a need to prove himself, to make it in this world. Your child may tend to be hard on himself. Avoid being judgmental with him as he could internalize condemnatory messages. An air of personal dignity could mask real or imagined hurts. He is happiest in a structured environment. The mother could be perceived as ambitious, a good manager, a rock. If afflicted, the mother could be perceived as cold, overly strict or overbearing in some way.

Moon Square Jupiter

The child with this aspect typically is generous but may tend to overdo in some way – in food, in action, in speech. He could be gullible and lack discrimination, especially in the company he keeps! Teach him not to throw his pearls before swine! He feels close to the mother, but should not be over-indulged. Getting things started and off the ground may be harder for him than for most.

Moon Square Saturn

Children born with the Moon square or opposite Saturn may have to grapple with trying conditions at home: apart from circumstances, the parents could be excessively strict, severe, rigid or emotionally distant. These attitudes inhibit the spontaneous flow of emotions in the child. In households where this is not the case, the child is nevertheless apt to perceive it as so. He needs an extra dose of affection, particularly from his mother! He needs to know he is worthy of being loved. Teach him to see what is good about himself and others. Remind him that when we smile the world smiles with us, but when we cry we often cry alone!

Moon Square Uranus

The child with this aspect may have a somewhat unusual upbringing. Later in life he is apt to attract a partner who is independent and also a bit unusual. If the mother is inconsistent in moods, rules or behavior, the child with this aspect could easily become confused; not knowing what to expect from her when. He needs to know he can rely on her. Children with this Moon/Uranus contact can be unconventional, even at the expense of popularity. He learns by experience and may depart from the trodden path. Your child may be restless and move around a lot. His desire for personal freedom quite likely goes against the majority. He could be impulsive, more impatient than not, and (especially if Mars aspects the Moon or Uranus) could find it hard to control his temper. He could be subject to sudden mood changes! Your child can master this aspect by acquiring self-control and self-knowledge. Some children with this Moon/Uranus aspect are quite brilliant and original in their thinking. Teach your child the importance of keeping commitments.

Moon Conjunction Pluto

The Moon aspecting Pluto is an extremely powerful aspect that can indicate a dynamo of creative potential, or tremendous destructive force. Your child is apt to be courageous. He is willing to try harder to improve himself or his work. This child needs a strong bonding to the mother. Nevertheless, the child with Moon/Pluto contacts may feel overwhelmed or overpowered by her. This aspect gives a Scorpio coloring to the Moon and indicates the need for trust and communication in the mother-child relationship. The child feels intensely but is not apt to reveal his feelings without prompting. He may be dauntless, but willful; intuitive, but secretive; insightful, but manipulative. Establish the law and maintain it consistently, never in anger but in love.

The Inner Planets: Mercury and Venus

The planets Mercury and Venus, along with the Sun, Moon and Mars describe the child's emerging personality. These inner planets are located between the orbit of the Earth and the Sun. Venus indicates how the child appreciates and measures his experience, and describes the values established during childhood. Venus tells us how the child expresses love, the things that mean a lot to him, and his appreciation for beauty (or lack of it). Mercury tells us something about our child's perception, verbal expression, schooling – in short, how his mind works, how he thinks and communicates.

Mercury: The Mind and Communication

Mercury represents thoughts, ideas, and the mental process in general. Communications – by phone, letter, spoken, or however – are ruled by Mercury. Also thoughts, connections, phone wires, and everything that connects and conveys – even forms of transportation. In the child's chart, Mercury describes the myriad aspects of schooling – teachers, study habits, homework, learning skills, concentration (or lack of it). Your child's relationship with brothers and sisters are indicated by Mercury as well. The way your child thinks, receives, shares and transmits information and knowledge will be revealed by studying the position of Mercury in his chart. Mercury relates to hands, fine motor abilities, and to handwriting and drafting skills. Mercury by sign and element tells us how the child studies and what he likes to study, and how we (his parents and teachers) can help him gain greater academic expertise. Children with Mercury in Fire signs think and talk simultaneously and are spontaneous. They enjoy games that make learning fun! Children with Mercury in Air Signs can chatter away and still keep going! Words can come alive for them and they enjoy listening to (or creating) colorful tales and stories. Communication is their thing. They may have to work at being listeners, however! Children with Mercury in Water signs may need help thinking clearly since emotion runs into thoughts. These children like profound subject matter. Children with Mercury in Earth signs generally have a good measure of common sense. Hands on training suits them best.

Mercury in Libra

Libra is an Air sign on the action cross. Its symbol is The Scales. The Mercury in Libra child has a reflective mind, a mirror for others. He is easy to talk with – a great mediator or negotiator. He gains popularity due to an innate willingness to accept the ideas and thoughts of others, and to hear them out. Your child is at home with public relations (politics, diplomacy, sales). Typically, he is considerate, helpful, and courteous. Your child is likely to show a strong sense of fairness. He can see both sides of the story. He likes to compare one thing with another. The same tendency makes it hard to make a choice. Stress honesty in your household. Especially if other positions are in Libra, your child could find it hard to handle difficult situations. He would rather not rock the boat! Teach him to face reality and to never be afraid to tell the truth!

Sun Conjunction Mercury

When the Sun and Mercury are combined, they are said to be combust. Mercury (mind) can be overpowered by so much solar radiance (Sun). The result can be impulsive speech or action, possible mental confusion or psychological blind spots (akin to the nature of the sign the Sun and Mercury are in). Nevertheless, if you give your child the right tools and training, you will most likely discover that he can communicate with consummate skill. It is stimulating just being with him. His high degree of mental concentration makes your child an avid student, able to excel in speaking, writing, and all types of communication skills. His goals go hand-in-hand with communication and using the mind, and the two should never be far apart. If the Sun and Mercury receive serious afflictions to other planets, he could require assistance in self-expression and learning.

Venus: Values and Discrimination

Venus rules our values and sense of appreciation. When we appraise or appreciate something, whether that be another person or a new car, this is Venus – the sense of love and compassion we may feel. Venus in the child's chart shows us what kinds of things our child appreciates, his innate sense of beauty (which can be developed), the manner in which he interacts with his friends and with adults, and how he shows love. Children with Venus in ardent Leo, for example, are demonstrative and fun-loving. They tend to shine and love bright, colorful things. Venus in Scorpio children, on the other hand, may be shy but exceptionally kind and thoughtful. These children may want Mom all to themselves! The Venus in Libra child is a social butterfly and loves beauty in his clothes and bedroom. Venus in Taurus loves beautiful things, pretty rocks and later precious stones. He may be a gourmet. He may need help learning to share what he sees as prized possessions. A study of Venus by sign, house and aspect also reveals something about your child's taste in food, eating habits, care of possessions and attitude toward money and belongings.

Venus in Scorpio

Scorpio is a Water sign on the feeling cross. Its symbols are The Scorpion, The Phoenix and The Eagle. Venus in Scorpio children feel intensely and are rarely, if ever, lukewarm when it comes to emotions and desires. Your child may need a deep bonding with the mother. He is a staunch and loyal friend, but may be prone to dominate others. He could be possessive, not wanting to share Mom or his best friend (or his belongings) with anybody else! All that is mysterious, intriguing, secretive likely appeals to him. Your child has great personal magnetism. One thing he is not is dull. Later in life, money and influence may figure into his equation as well as politics. He needs sound moral values. Lessons in letting go of desire (delaying gratification), in sharing resources, and right conduct with the opposite sex will help him avoid the pitfalls of this placement – emotional and sexual excesses, jealousy and possessiveness – when he is older.

Venus Conjunction Mars

Positive Venus (love, art, beauty) /Mars (action, energy) aspects indicate creativity, and often describe a happy disposition. Children with this contact typically show a zest for life. This aspect calms an aggressive personality and sparks a passive one. Others may find your child charming. The child with this contact could be generous, but possibly extravagant. There is often a strong physical attraction to the opposite sex and a busy social life. The relationship with the parent of the opposite sex will influence adult relationships. This child gives plenty of love and needs warmth and affection in return.

The External Planets: Mars, Jupiter, Saturn

The major planets outside the Earth's orbit (external to us) are Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn. These are the planets describing the outer world and circumstances surrounding the child, the status, well-being and conditions he is born into and what urges him on to greater achievements as he grows. Mars will tune you in to what motivates your child and the way he approaches life. Jupiter shows us how he is most apt to channel that energy, and Saturn decrees what sort of obstacles will confront him on the road to success. Again: Saturn tells us about the territory we will be going through, Jupiter the way or path through it, and Mars what kind of push or drive we can count on to keep going.

Mars: Drive and Emotions

Mars is the planet of emotion and drive. When we search for the meaning of something, it is Mars that urges us on, keeps us searching. Mars will tell us what motivates our child, what captures his interest. By studying the aspects formed between Mars and other planets we discern if our child expresses desire in a healthy and direct manner or whether he feels blocked (squares) by inner or outer conditions. We also learn how our child expresses anger, whether in strong bursts (Mars in Fire Signs), bottled up and tears (Mars in Water Signs) or with cutting words (Air signs). With greater understanding we can help our child deal with his feelings in a constructive way. Mars tells us about our child's interest and aptitude (or lack of it), for physical exercises, sports, recreation. Mars drives us against things, too, and sends us into war and combat. Mars imparts courage and stamina. The house position of Mars in the child's chart will tell us in what area of life he is likely to enter the greatest degree of active conflict or activity: In the 11th, with friends, in the 3rd, perhaps with sisters and brothers, or in competitive learning at school.

Mars in Scorpio

Scorpio is a Water sign on the feeling cross. Its symbols are The Scorpion, The Phoenix and The Eagle. The child with Mars in Scorpio possesses a powerful, persistent drive. He can be a hard, steady worker at work and at play. He tends to be thorough. Others may describe him as intense, or as one with a sense of mission and mystery. He stands behind his beliefs with staunch conviction. Once he fixes his mind on a goal, it's not easy to get him to change his course. He can be unflinchingly stubborn! Nevertheless, he tends to carry on his work with unwavering determination to succeed.

The child with Mars in Scorpio likes to probe, investigate, get beyond the surface to the deeper meaning of life. Microscopes, telescopes, detective stories, mystery novels and occult literature may appeal to him as well as checkers, chess and other games which depend on strategies. He is interested in what motivates other people and may be unusually perceptive. (This position favors police and detective work, psychiatric counseling and research, politics and market analysis.) Because he tunes into people's psychology, he could be manipulative, knowing just what buttons will get the desired effect! Make the rules of your household plain and easy to follow and then carry them forward with consistency, but never with violence!

Children with Mars in Scorpio often have musical talent which should be developed, as musical expression helps them express their deeply experienced emotions. Sometimes, children with this placement seek a perfectionism that is unrealistic and if they fall short of the mark, swing to the other extreme in a false passivity. Help your child see the middle way! Teach your child to seek above all a perfection of the heart. With good training, the rest will follow.

It's important to establish good communication with your child. He is extremely sensitive and is capable of reacting strongly to an (perceived) unkind comment or hurt. He may tend to hold in and suppress his true feelings. Outwardly, he wears a calm mask while inside he may be seething. When the volcano of suppressed emotions finally erupts, others could be bewildered. Let your child know he can trust you. Help him learn to let go of past hurts and move on.

In Scorpio, we can go to the lowest of the low (the Scorpion with its deadly sting) or the

highest of spiritual heights (the Eagle). With his action planet in this powerful sign, your child's rule of thumb could well be, "RIGHT REASON, RIGHT MOTIVE, RIGHT CAUSE." Wrongly motivated, the Mars in Scorpio individual can be selfish, possessive, and even cruel. Yet when he sees clearly, he can be loyal, courageous, kind and a true warrior of the spirit! He is capable of great inner strength. Your child needs a solid foundation of firm values and principles during the growing up years.

Venus Conjunction Mars

Children with this Venus/Mars contact generally enjoy life and value gusto and enthusiasm in those around them. Feelings are something your child is apt to express with ease, and he appreciates others doing the same. Emotional drama is valued rather than avoided. His appetite for action is probably well known, and well noted. Sports, outdoor activities, dance and everything physical are high on his list of favorites things to do.

Mars Trine Jupiter

This aspect is a very fortunate influence in the chart, and is conducive to success in enterprises. Your child is likely to be enthusiastic and energetic in action. When he is motivated to do something, he probably goes after it in a big way! Others remark on his creative energy, great drive, and the fact that he never seems to let up! Children with this positive Mars/Jupiter contact are prompted to help people solve their problems. They particularly like to lend a hand to those in trouble or less fortunate circumstances. When personal problems arise, your child is not afraid to tackle them. This aspect often points to a love of adventure, sport and travel. It favors careers in law, social work and psychology, education (or training others), religion (especially preaching) and publishing.

Mars Square Neptune

Astrologer Grant Lewi called this the aspect of the "spirituo-practical approach," conferring spiritual insight into the affairs of men and a practical viewpoint about the ideas of heaven! The child born with Mars/Neptune contact may feel drawn to bring heaven and earth together! He could dream big dreams and could seek to inspire others. This aspect is common in the charts of church executives and leaders of spiritual organizations. Charismatic military leaders who lead and sway the many may have Mars/Neptune contacts as well. Sometimes, however, children born with this aspect have trouble distinguishing between their dreams of life and the actual reality at hand. This could lead to unreasonable expectations of other people, and hence to disappointments. The child with this aspect could daydream and be easily distracted at school. He may need encouragement carrying things through to the finish. Or he may feel that his ideals are blocked or opposed by others. Study well the signs and house positions of Mars and Neptune. Even in an otherwise balanced chart, the child could be impractical, dishonest, confused or in some way vulnerable in the areas signified by these two planets. You could save

your child much grief later in life by instilling in him practical habits and teaching him discernment in relationships during childhood. Your child may enjoy Yoga and meditation. Show him plainly the dangers of alcohol and drugs.

Jupiter: Career and Life Path

The Hindu word for Jupiter is Guru. Jupiter is the guru and guide, the way we go through life, our life path and personal philosophy. Our first teachers and guides are usually our parents. Then there are our school teachers, ministers, and other significant adults who enter our life and guide us. Jupiter is the body of knowledge and wisdom made available to us, our method for dealing with the laws of life, our Saturn, or limitations. Saturn represents the father, structure, rules of behavior and social norms we must learn to abide by. Jupiter is the light or path. Jupiter rules religion, philosophy, culture, travel, history; how we expand our horizons, our philosophy of life. It has always been an indicator of how successful we may be, our vocation. In the child's chart, we look to Jupiter for clues as to how our child seeks to know more about life, what appeals to him, and where he may need to pull in the reins and balance exploration (Jupiter) with greater discipline (Saturn). A child with Jupiter in the 1st house in Aries, for example, will jump to the occasion for a trip, an experience to broaden his horizons and self-understanding but will need to find the balance between opportunities for growth and responsibilities (Saturn).

Jupiter in Pisces

Jupiter in Pisces is often the signature of a real humanitarian, someone with a genuine interest in social work who is able to sacrifice in order to help others. This is the position of the good Samaritan. Jupiter in Pisces children typically show early signs of a love of what's beyond the surface: religion, psychology, and mysticism. Your child may be happiest when ministering to others. He seeks a career that calls for intuition, sensitivity and compassion. He would make an excellent counselor. As a child, your child would likely enjoy caring for a little pet, learning first aid, and volunteering in church fundraisers. Because he seeks spiritual understanding, he would benefit by early exposure to the great religious and philosophical truths. Hopefully, he can hitch his wagon to a star! These children are devotional and without an early focus for their adoration (a great religious figure or teacher) they can fix their attention on false gurus and rock stars! If Jupiter aspects personal planets, your child could be somewhat naive. Teach him to be as gentle as a dove, but as wise as a serpent!

Moon Square Jupiter

Your child is likely to have a happy disposition. He gets along well with others. He may need, however, to learn to stand on his own two feet rather than expecting others to do the job for him. Your child may overextend himself, taking on too much at a time, or he may expect others to do the work! Sometimes this position reflects an indulgent mother, but this child needs firm guidelines to steer him clear of self-indulgence in food, work, and play. He probably wants his wishes fulfilled on the spot, but learning to delay (or put aside) gratification is crucial for later success.

Mars Trine Jupiter

Your child is a great doer, an accomplisher. His outgoing nature, coupled with extremely skillful ways of handling other people, make him a natural for working with or for audiences. He is likely to be popular in school, and may organize many social events. Your child would make an excellent teacher or coach, and helping others to make important (career) decisions is a skill that will blossom as he grows. He has plenty of drive and may excel at sports. He may tend to overdo things; overspend, overeat, overplan (such as in inviting 10 more children than you've room for to his birthday party!) Teach him to be economical with time, energy and funds. This aspect is considered to be a positive and protective influence!

Saturn: Responsibilities

Saturn rules the laws and limitations of this material world we all live in. Saturn indicates where we are bound to learn, the narrowness that makes our way felt, the walls that make homes possible. Saturn holds us together as much as apart. Saturn represents the law and is said to be the Great Teacher. Saturn defines and clarifies. Saturn represents the reality of life in the physical universe. We understand how vital it is that our children learn to accept responsibility, maintain their environment in order, finish homework and projects on time, learn how to delay gratification. Hopefully, they learn as they grow how to turn mistakes into lessons, obstacles into stepping stones to success. Saturn represents the father or dominant parent, all adults whom the child looks up to as authorities. Saturn represents the law of the land we're born into, the family rules and traditions and our own innate or developed sense of fairness. Saturnian qualities are rarely self-evident in the small child. Children have to learn self-discipline, order, patience, obedience. This they do in cycles of time. Saturn represents the process of maturity, the outlines for growth presented to us by our teachers and our inner biological clock. Saturn by sign, house, aspect and Saturn cycles in your child's chart and in your own provide a wonderful blueprint whose design you can follow to help your children grow to be successful in this world.

Saturn in Libra

Saturn is exalted in the Sign of The Scales. This positive placement imparts balance and strength to an even otherwise difficult chart. Unless personal planets strongly indicate to the contrary, children born with Saturn in Libra are by nature gracious and diplomatic and benefit through early exposure to the social graces. Later in life, your child may deal with many different people and will appreciate early training in knowing the appropriate dress and behavior for varied social situations. Your Saturn in Libra child has a strong sense of fairness that later may lead him to consider entering such fields as law and arbitration. His way with people and innate organizational talents could lead to P.R. positions or management roles. The child with this placement typically becomes quite indignant in the face of injustice and will stand up for the underdog! Nevertheless, his sense of justice will vary according to personal outlook. Teach your child to know the spirit as well as the letter of the law. Your child tends to take relationships seriously. If afflicted, he could encounter his greatest challenges, and learn many valuable lessons in life through close partnerships. Emphasize balance and equilibrium in

all things. A sense of responsibility for others could lead him to take on their problems. It is good to help others, but not when in so doing, we compromise our own integrity. (Like hanging around with the wrong kids at school). If he fails to acquire this discrimination in relationships during his youth, as an adult he could enter limiting relationships or he could suffer a loss of professional status by taking on more commitments than he can realistically fulfill.

Moon Square Saturn

The child with a Moon/Saturn contact needs to feel nurtured and loved by his mother. If the Moon is well aspected, the mother is teacher, disciplinarian, and constant in her care and so the child feels secure in the relationship. With afflictions, the child may see the mother as demanding or critical of him (whether or not this be so), or may feel he cannot live up to her (perceived) expectations of him. In either case, the mother's influence is strong and influences the child's relationships with women as an adult. Especially busy single, divorced or working mothers need to ensure that their Moon/Saturn child gets the attention he needs. A fanatically strict upbringing, judgmental parents, absent parents or harsh conditions could result in the child feeling unworthy, lonely, self-critical. Moon/Saturn children generally do their best work in structured situations. They benefit by routines, and thrive when endowed with meaningful responsibilities. Praise and approval may mean a lot to your child, and he needs plenty of it in honest measures! Teach him to think positively. No complaining allowed! Count your blessings together daily! Leave room for fun! Your child may enjoy caring for a younger sibling. A pet puppy could be his pride and joy! As an adult, your child could be attracted to social services.

The Outer Planets

In the previous sections, we have dealt with planets that we can see with our naked eyes. In general, these planets refer to life as we know and live it and are the so-called inner planets. Beyond these are three planets that are not visible in the sky and which have cycles longer than the average human life span. Since they are beyond Saturn or time, astrologers call them the trans-personal or transcendental planets – Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. Here you will find information on issues and attitudes typical of your child's generation. Uranus represents the sense of discovery, new frontiers, revolutions and consequent changes we make. Neptune reveals how we understand and accept these discoveries, our understanding of mystical and/or inner realities, the expression of devotion and compassion. Pluto points to the great challenges confronting ourselves and our civilization. How can we best prepare our children to meet these challenges? To fulfill their fiery destiny individually and collectively? To stand firm amidst the winds of change? To reach out for worlds beyond the physical? To feel secure in their relationship to God? For most of us, the challenges increase as we mature but certainly the foundation is set in childhood!

Uranus: Break-Thrus & Insights

Uranus is the planet that indicates how we free ourselves from the difficulties and problems life presents us. Uranus represents our link to the higher mind, Universal Intelligence. Here is the way insights come to us, how we discover or come to know and understand ourselves. Uranian energy shows us how to find new uses for old things. It rules inventions and sudden insights into our life – everything that is unusual, eccentric, and out of the ordinary. Uranus is, in many ways, the opposite, or undoing of Saturn. We look to Uranus in the child's chart to understand his personal sense of uniqueness, where he dares to be different. Uranus also may reveal individual genius, talent, interests. With hard aspects, or if Uranus is placed in the 1st, 4th, 7th, or 10th houses, we may have to deal with willfulness and/or rebelliousness in the child, or he may perceive himself as somehow different from the rest. Parents and teachers can help the child with strong Uranian aspects by providing him with avenues for individual expression and creativity, and by recognizing his natural bent to experiment with new ways of doing things. At the same time, the child needs to learn that there is no true freedom without accountability. Be consistent in applying the rules. He needs to know the consequences of his use of free will.

Uranus in Pisces

Your child was born into a subgeneration that will offer us new insight into all mystical, occult, and religious matters – visionaries. They gravitate toward New Age methods of worship and service. They are very broad-minded in the areas of philosophy, music, drama, poetry, and the arts. They are also innovative in psychology. Theirs is the quest to break free from the past and seek a higher road; new dreams, new reality. This is a great position for a career in movies and films. Teach your child to anchor his ideals, and to choose his friends wisely. With difficult aspects to personal planets, the child may tend to avoid confronting unpleasant realities. He could be unreliable or find others taking advantage of his kindness. Teach him to dive in the wave and conquer his problems, which otherwise could take on greater than life dimensions in his mind!

Moon Square Uranus

Your child may discover that insistence on being different and general nonconformity often results in being cut off from those who would otherwise support him. Your child could attract others to him because he has a magnetic presence. The relationship with the mother could be erratic, with sudden highs and lows. Your child may be an inventor at heart, but may find acceptance of his ideas less than commonplace! Freedom or rebelliousness? He must know the difference! Sometimes this aspect points to an unusual homelife, or much moving around (as with Army children and child stars).

Jupiter Conjunction Uranus

Is your child quick, clever and inventive? Probably so. See to it that he receives challenging material at school lest he be bored. On the other hand, he may find it hard to be still, to buckle down and complete his studies or chores on time. He may find routine work, such as language and math drills a drudgery, so think of ways to make learning interesting and fun! (Computer games, puzzles, electronic and science sets, explorations and adventures all may be right up his alley) As an adult, the career or life path that your child chooses or the way he makes his living, is apt to be very different, perhaps unique. Your child may take the road less traveled and, skirting the crowd and the commonplace, could head for parts unknown! he could invent things or discover new places or develop new ways of doing things. Communications, computers, and the whole electronic revolution could be the perfect career choice for him.

Neptune: Ideals & Imagination

Neptune provides the key for unlocking our child's imagination! Neptune represents the bridge to worlds we cannot see. Neptune, then, tells us about the child's need for worship, adoration, devotion. Neptune relates to music and the arts and is prominent in the charts of many creative people. Being an outer planet, Neptune also paints a picture of the collective dreams of our child's generation, dreams which may build upon, alter or even challenge our own. Neptune's influence tends to be subtle, often affecting us on subconscious levels. If afflicted, Neptune can indicate areas where the child may feel confused, uncertain or fearful. Read Neptune by sign, house and aspect but realize that your child may not consciously be aware of Neptune's influence until he reaches adulthood.

Neptune in Aquarius

These are the children born into the dawning of a New Age of enlightenment and freedom! The age of Aquarius marks the ideal, a time of peace and freedom. Religion and science blend in enlightened leaders who represent the highest good. Plato's ideal of the Philosopher King come at last!

Sun Trine Neptune

Your child may have a natural ability to grasp spiritual and visionary matters and to put them to work. He can perform with the imagination and capture metaphysical thoughts like others work with durable things. Much of his own self-image is wrapped up with his ability to work with images dreams and the imagination. He would make a good teacher in areas of music, philosophy, and all that is mystical. This aspect is favorable for a career in entertainment.

Mars Square Neptune

Your child needs plenty of emotional support. He also needs a sound diet (this aspect sometimes indicates allergies) and a good moral foundation. He may tend to be too hard on himself, and may react more than most to family and world news on cloudy days! He may need to practice "putting on a sunny face" and looking at the bright side. Teach your child early on the dangers of escapism, alcohol and drugs. He may need help in sorting out underlying fears and emotions. Your child could have a magnetic personality and a fair amount of charisma. As he grows, he will seek ways to bring his ideals into manifestation.

Pluto: Inner Change and Growth

Pluto is the planet of profound change, of generation and regeneration. Pluto often touches upon the most sensitive psychological areas within us. Once touched, we have no choice but to change and grow. If Pluto aspects a personal planet in your child's chart, he will experience an intense desire for self-transformation on some level of his being. Pluto contacts often teach us through intense experiences. We feel as if we've lived several lifetimes in one! The struggle of our century with nuclear power is a plutonian issue. Will this intense power be used as a dynamo of life or to devastate life? Stress the positive, be ready to help your child navigate through intense emotions he may feel, but not necessarily comprehend. Teach him to express this power wisely.

Pluto in Capricorn

The United States Chart, and our founding fathers had Pluto in the sign of government and power. Tremendous practical sense and drive cut through all the red tape and exposes the right decisions every time. They had an ability to organize and manage and present us with a remarkable new concept of government and law. Pluto brings regeneration and sweeping changes in the public domain.

Moon Conjunction Pluto

Your child is likely to feel a close emotional bonding to his mother. He tends to be highly emotional (especially if the Moon and Pluto are in Scorpio) and will have to learn how to make his sensitivity work for him instead of against him. Even as a child, he is capable of tuning into other people's motivations and this may even frighten him or cause him to withdraw from certain adults. As an adult, he may be interested in psychology, strategy, military affairs, science or medicine. He needs to establish a relationship of trust with parents and teachers before he will open up and talk about his feelings. He needs to feel in control of the environment, but doesn't like to be controlled by others. Your child needs firm, consistent care but would withdraw or rebel against adults perceived as harsh and overbearing. In a group (friends, school), others take note of your child, because he likely has a powerful presence. Others may feel that nothing is a secret from him! You might as well stock up on those mystery novels now! As an adult, your child may wield political influence or handle other people's

money.

Jupiter Square Pluto

Your child is apt to have strong convictions. To be successful (and happy) he will need to couple these with tolerance and humility. He may be impatient with friends or adults who don't see eye to eye with him, or he may want to bypass the rules! He might be quite strong-willed! Your child may need help in completing difficult tasks rather than seeking the easy way out! Responsibility, a standard of behavior, right values with food, money, belongings (avoiding excess) during youth could help your child master the challenges of this square.

Saturn Square Pluto

This powerful square may not be readily apparent during your child's youth unless Pluto and/or Saturn make close aspects to personal planets. Note the house positions Saturn and Pluto are in to uncover in what area of life he is apt to find some of his greatest challenges in life. If the aspect is formed on the Cardinal cross (Aries/Libra//Cancer/Capricorn), the child may have to contend with trying circumstances. If the square is in fixed signs, the child could have a strong inner desire for transformative change. He may fear losing control over his environment. He may need to learn not to be so rigid. If the square is formed on the mutable cross, the child may have to overcome fear of authority. The child with this aspect could be emotionally insecure. He could sidestep necessary steps to growth that appear painful. The key may be found in the relationship to the father. Your child needs a firm hand, but avoid coming down on him too hard.

Uranus Square Pluto

A tension producing aspect, the challenge before your child and his sub-generation is dealing with and emerging from periods of great upheaval. Insecurity or fear may be born of such times, or a great sense of personal and group triumph! With personal planets, your child could be willful and disruptive, needing structure and discipline during youth coupled with room to invent and discover.

Challenges and Abilities

Focus

These are areas of intense focus and activity in the child's chart. For better or worse, these qualities stand out and are obvious to all those who come to know him. They are very clear parts of his character.

Moon Conjunction Pluto 02°16'

The Moon aspecting Pluto is an extremely powerful aspect that can indicate a dynamo of creative potential, or tremendous destructive force. Your child is apt to be courageous. He is willing to try harder to improve himself or his work. This child needs a strong bonding to the mother. Nevertheless, the child with Moon/Pluto contacts may feel overwhelmed or overpowered by her. This aspect gives a Scorpio coloring to the Moon and indicates the need for trust and communication in the mother-child relationship. The child feels intensely but is not apt to reveal his feelings without prompting. He may be dauntless, but willful; intuitive, but secretive; insightful, but manipulative. Establish the law and maintain it consistently, never in anger but in love.

Venus Conjunction Mars 06°55'

Positive Venus (love, art, beauty) /Mars (action, energy) aspects indicate creativity, and often describe a happy disposition. Children with this contact typically show a zest for life. This aspect calms an aggressive personality and sparks a passive one. Others may find your child charming. The child with this contact could be generous, but possibly extravagant. There is often a strong physical attraction to the opposite sex and a busy social life. The relationship with the parent of the opposite sex will influence adult relationships. This child gives plenty of love and needs warmth and affection in return.

Challenges

Life can be challenging, and things are not always easy. The major challenges in a natal chart are where we can expect increased activity and personal involvement – ready or not. These critical areas of life can be difficult, and the resulting confusion and possible obscuration often makes it hard for us to see and act with normal clarity. Some of these aspects are apparent in little children, others describe yourselves, his parents and teachers, and the environment you provide for him. Other aspects may show up later, at about age 12 or older, even in young adulthood. Your knowledge of these areas in your child's chart should give you a greater

understanding as to how to help him turn stumbling blocks into rings on the ladder of success. Therefore, when it comes to the following factors in your child's chart, you may wish to exercise extra patience.

Moon Square Saturn 04°01'

Children born with the Moon square or opposite Saturn may have to grapple with trying conditions at home: apart from circumstances, the parents could be excessively strict, severe, rigid or emotionally distant. These attitudes inhibit the spontaneous flow of emotions in the child. In households where this is not the case, the child is nevertheless apt to perceive it as so. He needs an extra dose of affection, particularly from his mother! He needs to know he is worthy of being loved. Teach him to see what is good about himself and others. Remind him that when we smile the world smiles with us, but when we cry we often cry alone!

Mars Square Neptune 06°29'

Astrologer Grant Lewi called this the aspect of the "spirituo-practical approach," conferring spiritual insight into the affairs of men and a practical viewpoint about the ideas of heaven! The child born with Mars/Neptune contact may feel drawn to bring heaven and earth together! He could dream big dreams and could seek to inspire others. This aspect is common in the charts of church executives and leaders of spiritual organizations. Charismatic military leaders who lead and sway the many may have Mars/Neptune contacts as well. Sometimes, however, children born with this aspect have trouble distinguishing between their dreams of life and the actual reality at hand. This could lead to unreasonable expectations of other people, and hence to disappointments. The child with this aspect could daydream and be easily distracted at school. He may need encouragement carrying things through to the finish. Or he may feel that his ideals are blocked or opposed by others. Study well the signs and house positions of Mars and Neptune. Even in an otherwise balanced chart, the child could be impractical, dishonest, confused or in some way vulnerable in the areas signified by these two planets. You could save your child much grief later in life by instilling in him practical habits and teaching him discernment in relationships during childhood. Your child may enjoy Yoga and meditation. Show him plainly the dangers of alcohol and drugs.

Moon Square Uranus 07°31'

The child with this aspect may have a somewhat unusual upbringing. Later in life he is apt to attract a partner who is independent and also a bit unusual. If the mother is inconsistent in moods, rules or behavior, the child with this aspect could easily become confused; not knowing what to expect from her when. He needs to know he can rely on her. Children with this Moon/Uranus contact can be unconventional, even at the expense of popularity. He learns by experience and may depart from the trodden path. Your child may be restless and move around a lot. His desire for personal freedom quite likely goes against the majority. He could be

impulsive, more impatient than not, and (especially if Mars aspects the Moon or Uranus) could find it hard to control his temper. He could be subject to sudden mood changes! Your child can master this aspect by acquiring self-control and self-knowledge. Some children with this Moon/Uranus aspect are quite brilliant and original in their thinking. Teach your child the importance of keeping commitments.

Moon Square Jupiter 09°40'

The child with this aspect typically is generous but may tend to overdo in some way – in food, in action, in speech. He could be gullible and lack discrimination, especially in the company he keeps! Teach him not to throw his pearls before swine! He feels close to the mother, but should not be over-indulged. Getting things started and off the ground may be harder for him than for most.

Talents and Abilities

Despite whatever problems we may have, there are areas of life where we have clear insight and real talent – natural ability. When it comes to these matters, our judgment is sharp and we always manage to take charge. We have the knack. It may be as simple as the ability to work hard and accomplish things without something going wrong. An innate sense of the workings of these parts of life makes it easy for us to learn and accomplish things where they are concerned. Positive aspects in your child's chart are like money in the bank. It does little good if not wisely invested. Too much ease in a chart can result in lack of motivation. Therefore, provide your child with opportunities to bring out and develop areas of inherent ability.

Sun Trine Neptune 05°56'

This is the aspect of the beautiful dreamer. Nevertheless, Neptune can bring us into dangerous waters of enchantment and sometimes, illusion. Children with this placement are very sensitive and impressionable. Many are artistic, endowed with rich imaginations. Your child may be talented at working with images, whether psychological, artistic, or cinematic. He probably love movies and music, anything with a grand theme or gesture. To assure he not be just another dreamer, he will need to put his imagination to work! Your child may need help sorting out the real from the unreal.

Mars Trine Jupiter 06°01'

This aspect is a very fortunate influence in the chart, and is conducive to success in enterprises. Your child is likely to be enthusiastic and energetic in action. When he is motivated to do something, he probably goes after it in a big way! Others remark on his creative energy, great drive, and the fact that he never seems to let up! Children with this positive Mars/Jupiter

contact are prompted to help people solve their problems. They particularly like to lend a hand to those in trouble or less fortunate circumstances. When personal problems arise, your child is not afraid to tackle them. This aspect often points to a love of adventure, sport and travel. It favors careers in law, social work and psychology, education (or training others), religion (especially preaching) and publishing.

Landscape: Major Life Periods

What follows amounts to a brief overview of the first thirty years or so of your child's life – a road map of the years to come. Since childhood, adolescence, and early adult life are so crucial to each of us, an attempt has been made to describe these formative years. Based on the gradual movement of the planet Saturn, this is one of the most tested of all astrological techniques. It is used by almost every professional astrologer as part of any personal consultation. Provided that your child's time of birth is more or less accurate, you will find this information both accurate and informative.

Your Personal Background

By age 7, the child has absorbed an enormous amount of learning. His physical body has reached 70% of his growth potential. Permanent teeth (teeth relate to Saturn) begin to emerge. He passes from the absorbent mind stage into the stage of active reason. He is on his way to becoming an independent adult. Saturn represent rules and laws. At 7 years of age, Saturn forms its first square and you can expect your child "to test the law," at home and at school. Astrologically, this is a critical point in his development. Although his early years may be somewhat more difficult or perhaps introspective than average (say until the age of 14-15), your child will likely more than make up for any late start during his mid-teens when he is likely to be much more outgoing. At about age 14 or 15, Saturn opposes its own position in the chart and most teens pass through a kind of identity crisis. Balance is the keyword but the adolescent who says to himself, how can I be free to make my own decisions, but who is usually not ready to leave the nest! Puberty will bring a change of heart and direction aside from its expected effects. He will likely make very rapid progress in self-confidence and may well be a class or group leader in high school. Beyond that point, his career really takes hold. The age of 21-22 could find him coming into social and material prominence, setting the stage for career moves he can build upon roughly until the age of 30. After this time, he can benefit by putting more thought to consolidation. He will begin to turn inward, and the years until he is 37-38 should be spent looking toward security goals and strengthening his position.

Your Current Situation

Now for a close-up of recent years: while landscape was quite general, the dates given in this close-up should be much more precise. Don't look here for a day-to-day account of life but rather to get a picture of this stretch of time, "these years." In 28 to 30 years, Saturn will return to its natal position at birth and we experience the so-called "Saturn return." At age 14 (first Saturn opposition) and again at age 29 (first Saturn return), we become very aware of Saturn's influence in our life. Important events, or points of growth may occur around age 7 as well (first Saturn square). I do not believe, however, that the child is AWARE of Saturn's influence in a personal sense. Saturn in the child's chart may indicate conditions in his environment, his relationship to others, and especially to his father and other significant authority figures in his life. Saturn represents the law, limits, restrictions, attitude toward responsibilities, hard work, and fairness. The child learns these in stages. A Saturnian keyword is "maturity."

Please note that for Newborns and children less than 7 years of age, the report may indicate a year prior to the actual birth of the child. If this is the case for your child, it means that Saturn was at the degree on the cusp of the quadrant in question on the date indicated. If this occurred about 3 years ago, for example, Saturn will remain in that quadrant for about 4 more years.

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By the last date shown, Saturn, the great tester, conjoined the Midheaven and entered the 10th house of your child's chart. The 10th house is one of the 4 "Angular" houses. When Saturn enters an angular house, it signifies a gradual shifting of gears. The 10th house in the child's chart relates to the father or father figure, to all significant elders or authorities in the child's life and also to his reputation and status among his peers. This is an earth house, one of "works." The older child could make significant progress in his schoolwork during this time. If he is so inclined. He could take up a position of responsibility at home or at school. He may be particularly interested in pursuing what he wants to do when he grows up! He could be helped or hindered by parents. He may work well with restrictions, limits, and responsibilities or buck against them and feel frustrated, depending on his character and upbringing. This could be a good period to master a skill of one kind or another. In accordance with his abilities and the opportunities available to him, this should be a cycle of achievement. The older child can show what he has mastered. Even with younger children, this is a time to place an emphasis on right attitudes toward responsibilities and authorities.

Saturn in 04th Quadrant

The Elements, Modalities and Angularity

Elements, modalities, and house quadrants. These are all techniques used by astrologers to gain a general picture of energy patterns and focus, temperament and modes of action. How does your child's planets and houses total up? Which does he have in abundance, and which does he lack, if any? Those with high totals show what we can or must do in life; plus points to be developed. These are qualities we have. "Wants" are areas that may be weaker and need developing or balance. Sometimes people overcompensate the "wants" and even pretend to have them. The old adage is: we become what we want (or lack), while we do what we can (or have to do) with what we've got. Here are your child's totals:

Have Air

There is an emphasis on communication, expression of ideas, and the connections between things, places, and people. He tends towards mental pursuits and admires intelligence. You can reach him through reason.

Have Water

Your child is apt to experience life mostly through his emotions and how he "feels" about someone or something. His intuition is likely to be strong and can guide him accurately in making forecasts or decisions. He could be compassionate and/or psychically attuned. Because of his sensitivity, he might recoil from more aggressive types.

Want Fire

If your child lacks an inner self-confidence, he could try to overcome this by defensive aggressiveness. He probably wishes he had more of the self-assurance his more fiery acquaintances display. Inspire in your child the joy to overcome all challenges. (A strong Mars or Sun, by sign, aspect or house position or a Fire Ascendant would compensate.)

Have Cardinal

Your child is apt to be an energetic prime mover, a starter, able to initiate and get things moving. Not always hot on the follow-up, he may tend to get the ball rolling and get out to move on to other things.

Want Mutable

Your child may lack flexibility, and could be more stubborn than not! He could have trouble adapting to situations or to the demands of those around him, and could put his foot in his mouth when he least needs it! Perhaps it's not easy for him to communicate or smooth over things. (A strong Mercury, Gemini, Virgo or Pisces Rising, the Sun, Moon or Ascendant in these signs or many planets in the 3rd, 9th, 6th or 12th houses could compensate.)

Have Succeed

You may find that to enter wholeheartedly into any venture, your child's feelings need to be stirred. Love, ideals, and a strong sense of his own worth are vital to his sense of well-being.

House Activity and Emphasis

The twelve houses of the horoscope, particularly when they are occupied by a planet, provide a clue to areas of special activity in the child's life and development. They paint a picture of the environment in which he will work out the challenges and talents signified by the planets and aspects. Here is an analysis of house activity based on planet emphasis:

First House: Appearance, Approach

First House

The 1st house is the house of "Me!" How I see myself, the "me" I would like to be, and how others see me: in short, my identity. The key phrase of the first house is "I AM." This house rules our personal self and everything about us that draws a reaction from our surroundings or from others. The 1st house describes the early childhood environment (or the child's perception of it). Much of the child's identity will be a reflection of the environment in which he grows up. The child's projected image (personality) will reflect his experience and assimilation of his interaction with others. The sign on the Ascendant (1st house cusp) and its ruler (see intro.) are key components to understanding your child's emerging personality. Any planet "rising" in the 1st house is going to color the personality considerably. For example, if Neptune is in the 1st house, the child will be sensitive and impressionable, no matter what sign is on the Ascendant. A child with Venus in the 1st house is likely to be attractive and charming. Mars in the 1st house is common in the charts of athletes. Astrologers will often blend the characteristics of the Sun sign with the sign on the Ascendant. For example, a child with an Aries Sun is usually somewhat self-centered. If the child, however, has Pisces Rising then he is likely to be assertive but compassionate and interested in serving others. Sometimes, however, the child may

experience a conflict; in this case, for instance, part of the child may want to jump right into new experiences (Aries) whereas another part may be shy or afraid (Pisces). The child could feel overwhelmed (Pisces) by the stern parental rebuke given in response to a typically Arian impulsive action! All this may seem very complex, but you can take it step by step. Are any of us really all that simple to understand? You will have to study well the Sun sign and the Ascendant (and the sign and house the Ruler is in) plus the nature of any planet in the 1st house. Learn the keys, be sensitive and observe the child. You will see how it all comes together.

Scorpio on First House Cusp

Scorpio is the most dynamically creative sign and the most abused! Intense, passionate, and very personal, Scorpio rushes past superficialities and right to the heart of any matter. Scorpio relates to sex, death, regeneration and resources we share with others. Scorpio energy will intensify and concentrate the affairs of the house whose cusp it sits on.

Second House: Possessions, Reactions

Second House

The key phrase of the 2nd house is "I have." The 2nd house, then, deals with our material security, our means of livelihood, our resources and talents, and how we utilize the resources of this world. The 2nd house also reveals much about our values, what is valuable to us. We study this house for clues as to the child's basic attitudes and sense of self-worth. The sign on the second house cusp and any planets in the 2nd house will tell you how your child is most likely to deal with things. Here we see his attitude toward his belongings. Responsibility, stewardship, and sharing all come into play here. If your child does not have any planets in the 2nd house, look to the sign, house and aspects of the planet ruling the sign on the cusp, and to the planet Venus, for clues as to money making potential and spending habits.

Sagittarius on Second House Cusp

Sagittarius is associated with religion, philosophy and travel. Your child may seek to "expand his horizons," or to express his highest ideals and personal philosophy through the affairs of the house on whose cusp Sagittarius is found.

Moon in Second House

This child will prosper in a stable and comfortable home environment. He may seem to attract the good things in life and more likely than not is a natural salesman. With positive aspects, he often gets what he needs when he needs it! This position may signify wealth. He will need to learn to share. Teach your child right values, and the right use of money. Insist he care for his belongings properly. He may feel emotionally attached to food, possessions or friends. The mother's influence is marked in shaping this child's values.

Pluto in Second House

Millionaires and paupers both may boast or lament as the case may be of Pluto's presence in the house of money and resources. Your child could grow to be a terrific business person, as he has an ability to get past the surface of things and separate out that which has real worth. In the area of possessions or material goods, and in the pursuit of right livelihood, your child will likely go through a lot of changes and learn a lot. The establishment of strong moral values and good common sense from the earliest age are a must with this placement! At some point in his life, his values could be seriously tested or undergo tremendous change.

Third House: Inquiries, Communications

Third House

The key phrase for the 3rd house is "I think." At no time is the 3rd house more important than during childhood. This is because the 3rd house is the house of early education. The astrologer looks to the sign on the 3rd house cusp, its ruler and any planets abiding there (and to the planet Mercury) to get a picture of the child's approach to learning. The 3rd house is a very mental house, concerned with finding, researching, communicating, and all manner of questioning. Traditionally this house rules brothers and sisters. Planets in the 3rd house can tell you something about your child's interaction with his siblings, and with neighborhood pals. Children with personal planets (Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus and Mars) in the 3rd house tend to be very active at school.

Aquarius on Third House Cusp

Aquarius is the sign of brotherly love. Aquarian energy is futuristic, prophetic, communal. The focus is on the goal, and the goal is for the many, not the few. This sign tends toward independence. The house with Aquarius on the cusp sometimes indicates areas of special talents.

Neptune in Third House

Your child's mind tends to be very imaginative, but not necessarily concerned with facts and figures. Instead, ideas and writing of a mystical or poetic nature appeal. Research into religious or very idealistic subjects is indicated. As a child, daydreaming or woolgathering could cause his teacher some warranted concern! Your child may be a natural teacher, with an innate gift to communicate, but teach him to always separate fact from fantasy. Stress honesty in your household.

Fourth House: Home, Family, Security

Fourth House

The 4th house is the house of the home and family. The 4th house represents our roots and also relates to our perception of our mother. The sign on the 4th house cusp and any planets abiding here describe the early home environment. Young children yearn to feel secure within the arms of mother and father, within the walls of home. The small child fears abandonment. This house tells about the emotional foundation upon which the rest of the chart can stand or collapse. Traumatic childhood scenes take years to resolve. A memory of a nurturing and secure experience helps the adult get through many a storm. Since many of the early patterns are repeated, the fourth house (and the sign, house position and aspects of the Moon) describes how your child is likely to manage his own family one day. Land and property also come under the fourth house domain.

Pisces on Fourth House Cusp

Pisces energy runs deep and toward the psychological – whatever is beneath the surface. Pisces is said to be related to the past, to memories and to karma. Pisces pertains to "hidden enemies" and also to illumination. The affairs of the house with Pisces on the cusp may signal an area of vulnerability in the chart, where your child could be subject to illusion, or where he could be particularly sensitive, intuitive and imaginative. (i.e. Pisces on the 7th house cusp could indicate disappointments in relationships, perhaps due to a tendency to attract unstable partners. On the other hand, Pisces on the 7th house cusp could indicate a sensitive, spiritual partner).

Jupiter in Fourth House

Often Jupiter in the 4th indicates a happy childhood, a congenial family ambience where learning and sharing are emphasized. Ideally, you impart strong moral and religious values that your child will build upon throughout life. Unless Jupiter receives particularly difficult aspects, the family is usually financially secure. When your child is grown, this good fortune is apt to be reflected in his own home. If Jupiter is afflicted, then there may be a conflict between your philosophy and that your child will espouse. Your child is apt to be a collector or a hobbyist. A word to the wise, teach him organizational skills from babyhood on! Especially if Jupiter is in Earth or Water, he may have difficulty letting go of things or people with whom he identifies. Later, his career may be built on a search for roots and security. He may be attracted to real estate, construction, surveying, or he may have a home business. This position is also favorable for restaurant owners and for cooks; for educators, clergy and nannies! Sometimes Jupiter in the 4th points to residence in a spiritual or religious community, or residence in a foreign country.

Uranus in Fourth House

Is there an astrologer in the house? Or do you live in a New Age Community? Are you missionaries living abroad? Uranus in the 4th often indicates an unusual mother, family, home life or life-style, possibly with plenty of moving around (army child?). Perhaps the home is used as a meeting place for friends and groups. The child with the planet of independence (Uranus) in the house of home (4th) grows up feeling very independent! He may not understand why he has to account for all his comings and goings! Your child is likely to be most clever and creative, but not necessarily understood! This Uranus placement favors farming, ecology, geology and other physical sciences.

Fifth House: Expression, Creativity

Fifth House

The 5th house is the house of dramatic self-expression; its key phrase is "I create." Many actors have planets here. The 5th house relates to fun and recreation: planets in the 5th house plus the sign on the cusp provide clues as to what kind of recreation your child might enjoy. Fire signs may like sports, competitive games and outdoor exploration. An Earth sign on the cusp could take to nature walks, hiking, building, mechanics. For these children, work can be fun! Children with Air signs on the 5th house cusp are going to enjoy mixing with other people. A Water sign on the 5th house cusp may enjoy family outings, be attached to loved ones, find their niche through the arts. The giving and receiving of love is also connected with this house. Children with personal planets in this house (Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, and Mars) feel most fulfilled when they are actively creating, sharing, expressing their emotions.

Aries on Fifth House Cusp

Aries is the sign of the pioneer and leader. Aries energy is attention-getting and assertive, tending to provoke a response from the surroundings, from others. The house with the Aries cusp shows you in what area of life your child is most apt to be assertive, and even a bit impulsive. Here is where he can learn the lessons of patience.

Sixth House: Responsibility, Work, Health

Sixth House

The key phrase of the 6th house is "I work." That which was conceived in the 5th house is applied and produced in the 6th! In an adult chart, this house indicates employment, attitude toward work, and relationship with employees and/or co-workers. In the child's chart, we study the 6th house to understand his daily habits. How he handles his chores, how he approaches his school work. Is his handwriting sloppy or neat? Is he happy to help others when asked or does he complain? The 6th house rules dress and appearance. This house also tells us about eating habits, diet and basic health. Obviously, eating habits and diet will affect health for better or for

worse, as the case may be. A water sign on the cusp, or the Moon or Neptune in the 6th indicates that emotions will affect health and vice-versa. The sign on the cusp and planets in the 6th house can show you health areas that may require your attention.

Taurus on Sixth House Cusp

Taurus energy is stable. Here is where your child is likely to be resourceful, where talent may lie! He could perhaps make money from the issues related to this house. Taurus is the way we "have" things, how we possess and acquire things. The house cusp can tell you where the child might need to learn the lessons of obedience or non-attachment.

Seventh House: Relationships, Other People

Seventh House

The 7th house is the house of partnerships, relationships, social life, and all that carries us beyond our personal self into an awareness of other people, community, and the like. Children with planets in this house seek to understand themselves through others. They are rarely alone. How does your child deal with competition? Is he able to hold his own in a match? Can he stand up against peer pressure? To succeed with 7th house issues, the child needs to feel secure within himself (1st house polarity.) Planets in the 7th house and the sign on the cusp can also provide clues about your child's interaction, as he matures, with the opposite sex. For instance, a child with Mars in this house or Aries on the cusp would likely be bold in relationships, and hence, make friends easily. Nevertheless, he could incline toward arguments and contention (Mars) in close friendships (and later in marriage). He may, however, be willing to work hard (Mars) to make a relationship (7th house) work. The wise parent would teach this child the dangers of entering into relationships impulsively.

Taurus on Seventh House Cusp

Taurus energy is stable. Here is where your child is likely to be resourceful, where talent may lie! He could perhaps make money from the issues related to this house. Taurus is the way we "have" things, how we possess and acquire things. The house cusp can tell you where the child might need to learn the lessons of obedience or non-attachment.

Eighth House: Business Savvy, Elimination

Eighth House

The 8th house is traditionally the house of death and regeneration. This is the house of surgery: where something must be removed so something else can thrive. Thus, this house also covers initiation: getting rid of excess parts of ourselves that we no longer need so we can get to the heart and deeper meaning of life. The no-nonsense quality of the eighth house makes it

good for business ventures since here we are stripping away the dross to reveal the truth or essence of the subject. But what meaning does the 8th house hold for the child? Any planets in the 8th house will give a Scorpio, hence deeply subjective, coloring to the chart. The key phrase here is "We have": for the adult, the 8th house relates to shared money, property, resources. It all begins during childhood. How does your child approach sharing his things with others, in carrying out joint responsibilities. Also, how does the child deal with pain, crises, even the death of significant others? This is the house of sex, and moreover, the house of desire. Planets in the 8th house and the sign on the cusp shed light on the child's ability to attract things to himself through desire, and to let go when necessary or right.

Gemini on Eighth House Cusp

Gemini is concerned with connections and communication of all kinds; letters, wires, telephones, voice, thoughts, writing, and mental processes in general. Gemini is the gadfly, the communicator, the busy-body of the zodiac. The Gemini cusp can reveal in what area of life your child is apt to show curiosity, mental interest and diversity.

Ninth House: Religions, Philosophy, Ideas

Ninth House

The 9th house covers higher education, long journeys and religion (the longest journey of all). Here is what remains of the purification that takes place in the 8th house – the seed, or essence, of an entire cycle of experience. Religion comes from a Latin word that means to bind back, and thus refers to all things that last or endure, such as the truth. Essential ideas, philosophy, and the courts of law belong here. In your child's chart, the 9th house reveals the influences shaping the child's notions of right and wrong, his search for higher meaning, where he reaches out to know more, the (life-long) evolution of his belief system. As a youth, he is apt to be more concerned with his direct experience than with abstract thoughts. From these, however, he will draw conclusions shaping his beliefs. Priests, judges, historians, college professors, philosophers and explorers often have key planets here. The child with planets in the 9th house enjoys expanding his horizons through travel.

Leo on Ninth House Cusp

Leo energy is expressive and concerned with dramatic self-awareness and a sense of pride and ownership. Here is a sense of confidence from which the emotive and outgoing Leo energy operates. Often very artistic, and always theatrical and expressive, this sign is good for creativity and the arts. Your child may seek creative means to express himself through the affairs of the house with Leo on the cusp.

Tenth House: Practical Vision, Vocation

Tenth House

The 10th house is the point of crystallization, what we give back to the world in concrete form: hence, the 10th house deals with career, and subsequently status and reputation. The 10th house is connected with authorities: father, government, employer, Guru. In studying the planets in the 10th house plus the sign on the 10th house cusp in the child's chart (and Saturn), we discover clues about the nature of the child's ambitions (what he wants to do and who he wants to be when he grows up), how he deals with authorities, how he handles responsibility, and his relationship with his father or dominant parent. The child's way of dealing with his elders during childhood obviously will be transferred to dealing with his boss later on! Children with planets in the 10th house may be thinking ahead. Children with the Sun, Jupiter or Saturn or many planets in the 10th house often want to be someone of consequence in this world! The 10th house relates to Saturn and hence to maturation through time. Sometimes planets in the 10th house (especially the Sun or Saturn) indicate a need for much training before reaching the career goal.

Virgo on Tenth House Cusp

Virgo energy is analytical and precise, always separating what is worthwhile and worth supporting from that which is outmoded and of no further use. The affairs of the house with Virgo on the cusp reveal the area of life in which the child seeks to serve, and/or where he may take a systematic and detailed approach.

Saturn in Tenth House

If well aspected, Saturn elevated in its own house often points to a future manager, leader, or public servant. Career aspirations plus practical vision and skills are likely to be of central importance to your child. Don't be surprised if you see him gravitate toward positions of authority even during school years. He is apt to be concerned with world affairs and the daily news. He likes to see tangible results and so tends to be organized and deliberate. To make his mark in the outer world, a good relationship with his father or dominant parent is vital. This child works best in a structured environment. Self-discipline and self-control acquired in childhood through parental guidance and training will serve him for life! Indeed, he may have to overcome many obstacles to reach his goal. A hard and conscientious worker, your child is concerned with his reputation among his peers and teachers. You can help your child by stressing (through stories, movies, Bible, history, correction and example) the right use of power; teach him to be strong and decisive but never condemnatory of others (or school).

Eleventh House: Dreams & Visions, Community

Eleventh House

We have been on the mountain and had a vision (10th house). In the 11th, we bond with others who share our vision and can help us realize it. Thus, this is the house of friends and community life. The young child is greatly influenced by his companions. As he matures (and particularly during pre-adolescence and teen-age years), peer pressure and conformity may take precedence over parental guidelines in his mind. Planets in this house and the sign on the 11th house cusp indicate what traits your child may admire in a friend and the kind of friends he is likely to attract. For example, if Uranus is in the 11th house or if Aquarius is on the cusp, the child would attract friends who are unique, unusual, somehow different. If Gemini is on the cusp, he may enjoy having many friends, but could be fickle. Traditionally, the 11th house is called the house of "hopes and wishes." The 11th house provides clues as to how to tune into the child's aspirations; how to teach him goal-fittedness; how to measure our projected aspirations for him against his own! The 11th house also addresses the child's willingness (or lack of it) to cooperate with others in group projects.

Libra on Eleventh House Cusp

Libra energy is always facilitating and responsive, assuming the appropriate reaction or response to any question or statement. This is certainly the social sign, par excellence. The affairs of the house with Libra on the cusp indicate where your child may enjoy working with a close pal; this may also be where he must learn lessons in cooperation. Libra can tie in the theme of beauty and diplomacy into the affairs of the house whose cusp it is on.

Sun in Eleventh House

Your child's innate idealism and love for humanity can blossom in group or community work, especially if he is in a leadership role. Friendships mean a lot to him. Anything that is altruistic or serves the common good – that's where he can be found. Scouts or 4 H Club could afford him the opportunity to work with groups. Your child strives to make his dreams and ideals real. This position lends itself to change and reformation, and therefore is not uncommon in the charts of politicians! Often there is a love of electronics and inventions. This placement also relates to acting, broadcasting and flying.

Mercury in Eleventh House

The child born with Mercury in the 11th house tends to idealistic. His mind runs to humanitarian values and thoughts of what could (and should) be – Utopia! He likes to exchange ideas with his friends and is more prone to establish friendships for mental stimulation rather

than purely social reasons. If well aspected, this child has an open mind and converses with people of all different backgrounds. He likes to put his ideas to work in the world, making dreams real. He may be interested in participating in clubs at school or in taking on a position in student government. Especially (but not necessarily) if in Aquarius, scientific ability is almost always present. With hard aspects, your child's ideas may be eccentric, radical, or impractical. Many electricians have Mercury here. This placement is also favorable for politics, theater, science, flying, electronics, computers and group work.

Twelfth House: Sacrifice, Psychology, Acceptance

Twelfth House

The 12th house is called the house of endings. This house is considered "karmic" in that here, within the layers of the subconscious, are buried the records of the past. The 12th house relates to fears and "hidden enemies": fears born of past memories. Here to we also uncover hidden strengths and the courage and illumination to transcend our fears. The 12th house relates to the imagination. A child with many planets in the 12th house could be extremely imaginative but could be so sensitive as to withdraw. Music, meditation, dance and art are good ways to bring 12th house children out of the "retreats." The sign on the 12th house cusp can tune you into potential areas of vulnerability in your child's psychic make-up, hidden fears, as well as hidden talent waiting to be drawn out! The 12th house shows the inclination to sacrifice for others. Many or key planets in this house could signify a career in medicine, social work, or behind the scenes production.

Scorpio on Twelfth House Cusp

Scorpio is the most dynamically creative sign and the most abused! Intense, passionate, and very personal, Scorpio rushes past superficialities and right to the heart of any matter. Scorpio relates to sex, death, regeneration and resources we share with others. Scorpio energy will intensify and concentrate the affairs of the house whose cusp it sits on.

Venus in Twelfth House

The child with Venus in the 12th house is typically kind-hearted, compassionate, imaginative, and concerned with the welfare of others. He can appreciate their difficulties and be understanding of the problems they may be having. Many a friend may cry on his shoulder! He is prone to a certain amount of self-sacrifice. He will need to learn not to let others take advantage of his good nature (and not to feel sorry for himself if they do!) If your child is shy, this is due to extreme sensitivity, and he may need your help in strengthening his sense of self-esteem. This is a potentially creative placement, possibly indicating talent in writing, arts or film. When un-channeled (into creative work), Venus here could manifest as fantasy, escapism and wool-gathering. Because of his caring nature, this child may be attracted to working in

hospitals or spiritual retreats when he is older. He may be naturally devotional and would benefit by early religious training. Many producers and actors have Venus in the 12th house.

Mars in Twelfth House

This child is highly motivated when it comes to making personal sacrifice. He understands and is easily moved by the problems of others. Psychology in all of its forms is a driving force in his life. But to effectively help others, he needs to figure himself out first! Most important is to build up in your child a true sense of self-worth. He may be likely to blame himself for problems that in truth belong to others! He may play the martyr. This child would be extremely sensitive to parental condemnation and/or blame! Teach him as early as he can understand the dangers of alcoholism, drugs and other dangerous forms of escapism. Teach him to confront his problems as they arise (bite the bullet, dive in the waves). Ministers, counselors, hospital & social workers may have Mars in the house of compassion (12th). This placement also favors work at sea, plumbing, and irrigation. Mars in the 12th is helpful in the charts of film producers, writers, painters and other jobs requiring imagination. Researchers, monks, and divers may have Mars in the house of retreats.