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The interpretation of your astrology chart begins on the following page.

You will find that the interpretation of your chart is written in simple language, uncluttered by astrological jargon. If a statement appears to contradict another statement, then you exhibit these opposite qualities at different times in your life. For example, a statement that you are highly sociable and gregarious and a statement that you prefer solitude seemingly contradict each other; this means that you vacillate, and need both sociability and solitude at different times.

The astrological factor that the interpretation is based on is also given. The astrological factor is given for the benefit of astrologers and students of astrology. If you are not a student of astrology, then obviously the factor will not be meaningful to you, and you can ignore it.

If you find this interpretation of your birth chart interesting and informative, you might want to discuss your birth chart with a professional astrologer to learn more about the astrological influences on your life.

Chapter 1: General Characteristics

Your fundamental needs, values, and orientation towards life are symbolized by the four astrological elements. Each person has their own unique balance of these four basic energies: fire (warmth, inspiration, enthusiasm), earth (practicality, realism, material interests), air (social and intellectual qualities), and water (emotional needs and feelings).

Your "elemental make-up" is described below. Remember that most people are "unbalanced" or lopsided, and if you are lacking or deficient in a certain element (or elements), it simply means that you need to consciously develop that aspect of yourself to learn to appreciate and/or to work harder in that dimension of life.

Sometimes we overvalue the element that we are least endowed with, sensing it as a lack within ourselves, but more often we neglect or ignore it. The qualities described below will be reiterated and explained in more detail in the following chapters.

You are a nurturer and a protector and are prone to what has sometimes been referred to as the "Atlas Syndrome", carrying the weight of the world on your shoulders. You take your responsibilities to others very seriously and often take on more than your share of their troubles as well. Though you appear (and indeed often are) rather passive, you possess much quiet inner strength and the ability to flow with, endure, and emerge again and again from life's inevitable adversities. You are apt to be surrounded by people who rely and depend upon you, and though you derive much satisfaction from providing, giving, and being needed, you can also let yourself be drained emotionally and/or financially by taking care of other people and not caring sufficiently for yourself.

You have a very strong need for security and are a "safety-first" creature, disinclined to make sudden changes or to take new directions which involve risk and unpredictability. Any break from the past is very difficult for you and you need a great deal of support when trying to make even healthy and positive changes in your life or habits. ("Habit" is a key word for you; you're apt to be very attached to yours!)

You are very retentive. You hold on to (sometimes cling to) the people, places, and ways which you are familiar with. You also tend to both hold in and hold on to feelings, and you may need to learn to express and let go of old feelings and past conditioning.

Physically, you are apt to be hearty and substantial, with a tendency to be stout. Unless other astrological factors indicate otherwise, you can also be downright lazy, especially when it comes to exercise. You instinctively choose comfort over challenge. (This is true in a broader sense as well, not only regarding physical exercise).

Your strengths include depth of feeling, patience, and generosity. The qualities you need to cultivate include initiative, openness to change and new experience, and a stronger sense of self.

You tend to lack the ability to analyze yourself or your life in a detached, objective way. You feel and experience but do not necessarily understand or reflect upon your experience, and thus find it hard to communicate or talk about it. Really taking in what someone else has to say can be hard for you - you do not readily adapt to new ideas or people, and as a result may become inflexible or limit your experience of life. A broadening education and exposure to different cultures and types of people is very beneficial to you. Otherwise you are apt to be rigid and even prejudiced against those outside your own circle. (Arthritic conditions, poor flexibility, or poor circulation may reflect this).

You also tend to distrust people who are free with words or to feel inferior to those who are more articulate and intellectual than yourself. You learn much more readily by watching, doing, or apprenticing than by reading or by being told about something.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 1:

Earth and Water are Strong (F,E,A,W Scores = 11,17,2,19)

Air is Weak (F,E,A,W Scores = 11,17,2,19)

Chapter 2: How You Approach Life and How You Appear To Others

The following is a description of your basic stance towards life, the way others see you, the way you come across, the face you show to the world. In Chapter 3 you will read about the "The Inner You: Your Real Motivation", which describes the kind of person you are at heart and where your true priorities lie. Read this chapter and the next one and compare them - there may be significant differences between them, in which case "the inner you" may not shine through and others are in for some surprises when they get to know you at a more than superficial level. This chapter describes the costume you wear, your role in life, while Chapter 3 talks about the real person inside the costume.

You are a gentle, sensitive person with a deep understanding of people and a very tolerant, accepting, nonjudgmental approach towards life. In a noisy, competitive atmosphere you are often receding and withdrawn for you are not an aggressive, forceful person, and you intensely dislike conflict. In fact you tend to be somewhat passive, to wait, watch, observe, feel and know much - but to act little. Letting things resolve or work themselves out in their own way, rather than directing or forcing your will upon them, is often your way of dealing with problems.

You may have a deeply religious or spiritual feeling about life, not in the orthodox sense necessarily, but an intuitive sense of the immensity and underlying oneness of all life, which makes so many human aspirations and striving seem rather unimportant. You need peaceful surroundings in order to flourish, and periods of quiet solitude are essential for your emotional balance and well-being.

You are also very compassionate and cannot tolerate seeing any fellow creature suffer - be it human, animal, or even plant! As a child you probably cried very easily and became quite upset whenever others were hurt, physically or emotionally. The world of your imagination and fantasy was also very real to you, a place to escape to when the outer world became too harsh, demanding, or simply uninteresting.

Because you are very giving and forgiving, people in need gravitate to you, sensing your sympathetic nature. Often you will continue to give to a person even when you realize they are taking advantage of you or becoming overly dependent upon you. You overlook and make excuses for other people's weaknesses, and for your own as well. Discrimination and self-discipline are not your strong points.

Though you may be as intelligent as anyone, you do not really have a rational, logical approach toward life, and trying to reach you through logical arguments is often futile. Your feelings, intuition, and heart, not your head, lead you, which may infuriate or bewilder your more rational friends. You certainly recognize that there is much more to life than can be explained intellectually and categorized into neat little boxes, and you have an open, receptive attitude toward such areas as psychic phenomena, telepathy, parapsychology, etc. You are not as structured and rigid in your attitudes as many people are, which enables you to see many different points of view and to accept all of them as valid. This can lead to vagueness, uncertainty, and confusion on your part - or to a very flexible and holistic way of approaching any issue.

You are impressionable, sympathetic, and responsive to the emotional tone and atmosphere around you. You harmonize, blend, and adapt yourself to other people. Often you are rather quiet, just listening and feeling. You are subtle and know when to keep silent and wait. You act instinctively, sensing and intuiting when the time is right for action.

You draw much of your energy and sense of self from your relationships with others. Who you are is inextricably connected with the significant others in your life; you may feel at a loss without them, even if you appear to be the powerful or dominant person in the relationship. You appear self-assured -- as long as you are secure in the important relationships in your life.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 2:

Pisces Rising

Moon Conjunct Asc.

Sun Opposition Asc.

Chapter 3: The Inner You: Your Real Motivation

Although you are accepting, tolerant, and sympathetic (as described in the previous chapter), you also possess keen judgment and discrimination. Your sensitive intuition and free-flowing imagination are balanced by your sharp, analytical mind discussed below.

At heart you are modest and humble, and you rarely strive to be in the limelight or in a position of power. You have a sharp analytical mind, a keen eye for detail, and you prefer to observe, dissect, and study life from a distance. Conscientious and conservative, you can be relied upon to be careful, efficient, and thorough in your work and you take pride in doing a job well. What you may lack in self-confidence you often make up for in skill - developing expertise, technical knowledge, and competency in some specialized area. You are adept at using your hands to create or fix things, and meticulous attention to detail and careful craftsmanship are your forte. Some would say you are a little TOO meticulous, for you can be extremely critical and petty if everything is not done exactly as you think it should be, and you worry about things that other people consider trivial and unimportant. You like to organize, categorize, and arrange everything into a logical system, and you are often distinctly uncomfortable when something does not fit into a neat category. Disorganization vexes you. You probably wish that you were not such a perfectionist, for besides being a stickler for details, you can be mercilessly self-critical as well. Whether in your environment or in yourself, you tend to focus on the flaws, with a desire to improve, refine, and perfect. You are strictly factual, truthful, and scrupulously honest in your self-estimation, and you often do not give yourself enough praise or credit.

You are also highly discriminating and may be especially particular about your diet, hygiene, and health habits. You have high aesthetic standards and refined sensitivities, and will be bothered by elements in your surroundings (such as disorder, cigarette smoke, etc.) that others overlook. Your tastes are simple, understated, but refined. Coarseness, bluntness, and vulgarity really offend you. You can be difficult to live with sometimes because of your fastidiousness, your sensitivity, and your idiosyncrasies about food and cleanliness.

Though you seem rather cool and self-contained, you have a very helpful nature and you enjoy serving others. You are content to be in a supportive, assisting role rather than in the lead. You are quietly devoted to the ones you care for.

You are careful and cautious in your approach to life, realistic, practical, and disinclined to gamble. You analyze before you act. You are too serious sometimes. Allowing yourself to play and to make mistakes would be HEALTHY for you!

Your energies are directed to either perfecting your techniques, skills, and abilities in work, or in "perfecting", refining, and improving yourself as a person. Critical analysis and attention to minute detail are intrinsic in either process. The urge to bring about a state of wholeness or optimal functioning is a strong motivation of yours, and you are quite a perfectionist!

You can easily become overly identified or involved with the function you perform, with your work, or with your own health and "growth process".

You are very open and receptive to the spiritual, intangible, and subtle realms, and can easily receive or give conscious guidance based on your inner attunement. You take many things for granted, such as the existence of an afterlife or the effects of subtle influences like aromatherapy, spiritual healing, etc. These things seem obvious to you, whereas to many people they are a matter of conjecture or even illusory. You may not realize you have spiritual gifts because they come so naturally to you.

Inwardly you are zealous and fanatical, though you may hide your personal desires and intentions, and the intensity of your feelings. You are driven by a deep inner sense of destiny and mission and an almost compulsive desire for personal recognition. You have an infatuation with power and are incredibly willful and stubbornly fixated on achieving greatness or being Somebody Special. You tend to worship heroes who have powerful personal magnetism and charisma, and often seek to emulate them. You have potential for tremendous good or tremendous evil.

You alternate between aggression and apathy and sometimes feel that you are unable to meet all the demands made on you. Once you become aware of what you need to do, however, you are capable of working long and hard, not giving up until your work is done.

You have a strong will and the desire to be successful no matter what obstacles or resistance you have to overcome. Whatever you do, you know what you want to get out of it and drive toward that end with great vigor.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 3:

Ascendant in Pisces and Sun in Virgo

Sun in Virgo

Sun in 6th house

Sun Sextile Neptune

Sun Conjunct Pluto

Sun Opposition Mars/Saturn

Sun Opposition Mars/MC

Chapter 4: Mental Interests and Abilities

You are a person of strong opinions and you express your views energetically and often dramatically. You are an entertaining speaker and will embellish or exaggerate in order to get your point across. You have an aptitude for storytelling and performing. Even if your arena is only the classroom or dining room table, you put on a good show. You have an abundance of creative ideas and do not enjoy a job in which you have no creative input or voice in decision-making. You could be a good politician, spokesperson, group leader, director, or coach.

You use your mind to organize, classify, and bring order to your environment. You are interested in the refinement of your technical skills and abilities and are a stickler for details.

Organizational and secretarial skills, training others in your area of expertise, or work involving teaching and communications are highly probable for you.

Argumentative and rather aggressive and critical in discussions, you tend to turn any conversation into a debate, and sometimes a verbal war. You could be a spokesman for a righteous cause, a lawyer vigorously defending a client, a sharp analyst or critic. You are a convincing speaker, but are not especially receptive to the ideas and opinions of others. You have a forceful intellect and an aptitude for mental work.

You are mentally restless, intellectually thirsty, and immensely curious. You may study and travel widely in order to satisfy these urges and you're even happier if you share your journeys with companions. Your gifts lie in your capacity for learning about the beliefs of a broad spectrum of people, making long-distance connections, opening up channels of communication and understanding, bringing people together from foreign lands, promoting social and cultural exchange.

Suspicious that appearances are superficial and masking the "real nitty-gritty", you are always probing beneath the surface to uncover the deeper, hidden aspects of a matter. You are interested in anything secret or mysterious. You have great powers of concentration and a penetrating mind, with an aptitude for research, investigative reporting, or detective work. You are also keenly observant and seem to have "x-ray vision" regarding the inner motivations and intentions of other people. You could make an excellent psychotherapist, uncovering the deeper causes and roots of a person's emotional problems. You may also be drawn to esoteric or occult studies and the development of unusual mental powers. Stories of mystery, intrigue, and espionage fascinate you.

You have a charming disposition and love to socialize and meet new people. You also like to be surrounded by beautiful things and like to talk to others about your views on love problems as well as your views on beauty, fashion and art in general.

You have a basic need to reform and are constantly looking for change in hopes that it will lead you to a life that is more exciting. You may not always be tactful and your ideas and opinions sometimes are likely to be strongly challenged by others.

Your sexuality probably developed early in life and problems of love could be on your mind a lot. You may adopt a somewhat pompous and flirtatious way of speech and the subject "sex" may come up repeatedly during the course of your conversations.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 4:

Mercury in Leo

Mercury in 6th house

Mercury Square Mars

Mercury Sextile Jupiter

Mercury Conjunct Pluto

Mercury Conjunct Sun/Venus

Mercury Conjunct Sun/Uranus

Mercury Conjunct Venus/Pluto

Chapter 5: Emotions: Moods, Feelings, Romance

Tenderhearted and sympathetic to an unusual degree, you have an understanding of other people's feelings and needs which borders on being telepathic. You are extremely compassionate and cannot bear to see any fellow creature - be it human or animal - suffer. Because of your

kindness and nonjudgmental attitude, people in pain or confusion are drawn to you for help, which you readily give. Sometimes your softheartedness is taken advantage of.

You are a gentle, poetic soul and have a great love and affinity for music. Because many of your feelings are nebulous and vague and you cannot easily verbalize how you experience life, music seems a natural language for you. You are also tremendously romantic and are often "in love with love".

You have a soft exterior and tend to relate very personally and sympathetically to other people. However, you sometimes let your emotions overpower your reasoning and logic, and consequently you are sometimes biased in your opinions. You are impressionable and rather gentle, or at least that is the way you appear. Your feelings are on the surface and you can not hide your emotions.

There is a side to you which loves comfort and the easy life, and unless other factors in your chart indicate strong drive and ambition, you can be lazy and overly permissive with yourself. You enjoy being taken care of and pampered, and self-indulgence is always a temptation for you. If your parents made the unfortunate mistake of indulging you too much as a child, this may be a very hard habit to break. You can be so soft and affectionate that it is hard to say no to you. Eating too many sweets is a vice you are particularly prone to, also.

You often feel that you must do something or be something other than what you are in order to receive approval and acceptance from others. You are very sensitive to criticism and easily feel left out or neglected, and though you may appear cool or distant, you actually care very much about being included. Because you are so sensitive, it may seem easier for you to withdraw into a shell rather than risk the emotional bumps and bruises that can occur when you let others really know you in an intimate, personal way. Your reserve and caution make establishing a close emotional rapport with others difficult for you, and you become very attached to the few people you consider "real friends". You can gain inner security and strength through periods of solitude if you view them as times to nourish yourself and develop your own interests, rather than as times of loneliness.

In addition to your rather introverted, serious, or self-contained side, you have a wild streak and urge for emotional freedom that breaks through erratically. You crave both stability and excitement, and the conflict between these two impulses can make you rather tense and irritable. However, they can also balance one another. Your more free and unpredictable side will now be described.

You tend to have strange quirks, idiosyncrasies, or domestic habits, and you may feel that you don't fit in with "normal" people. These could be endearing eccentricities, or truly outlandish tastes and behavior. Establishing a steady routine and rhythm in your life would be very beneficial but may not be easily achieved. Ideally you can create a unique lifestyle that affords you a lot of personal space, freedom, and flexibility to follow your own somewhat erratic rhythms -- while at the same time providing some order and consistency. There is a current of emotional discontent or restlessness within you also, which may be reflected in unstable personal relationships of the on again/off again variety. Whether you realize it consciously or not, you crave change and excitement.

Warmhearted and generous in love, you cannot tolerate pettiness or stinginess in your partner. You want a Hero, a Prince or Princess to idolize and adore, someone you wholeheartedly admire and can be proud of. You are tremendously loyal and devoted once you give your heart to someone.

You crave love, appreciation, and attention from others and hate to be ignored. You are rather susceptible to flattery and love to feel SPECIAL. You enjoy some drama and color in your love life and grand romantic gestures or an extravagant expression of generosity impresses you.

When you care about someone, you like to serve them, doing small thoughtful favors, helping them, or doing something tangible to show your affection.

You also have considerable artistic or creative skill and may sew or do other handiwork or crafts. In fact, you are suited for a profession involving beauty or pleasure or making people happy in some way.

You are intensely amorous and attractive to the opposite sex, and are not inclined to friendly platonic relationships. There is much tension in your love life - often because you put your desires ahead of your partner's, and are impatient about having your love needs satisfied. The whole arena of love, romance, and sex is endlessly fascinating for you and you are not happy without a love partner. You can "burn yourself out" by pouring so much of your energy into romance.

Loyalty, fidelity, and security are very important to you in love. You are cautious about giving your heart away but true to the one who does win your love. Your tastes are simple, even austere, and you do not appreciate frivolity. You are interested in a person's character and inner qualities far more than their appearance. Casual or superficial relationships don't interest you at all, for love seems to get deeper and richer and more satisfying for you with time.

When it comes to love, you are apt to feel pulled in several directions at once. In addition to your desire for depth and for security in your relationships, you have an impulsive side and need a lot of variety and excitement, as discussed in the following paragraphs. These urges do not have to conflict, but they certainly can, especially if you act on your spontaneous impulses without much consideration for their long-term effects on your personal life.

You are excitable, spontaneous, and easily aroused emotionally and sexually. You fall in love very quickly and have little self-restraint or concern for propriety when your feelings have been stirred. However, it may be difficult for you to sustain a relationship after the first rush of excitement wanes, especially if your partner is basically a conservative person who does not like to change or experiment. Nontraditional relationships appeal to you, and personal freedom is highly important to you.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 5:

Moon in Pisces

Moon in 1st house

Moon Quincunx Venus

Moon Square Saturn

Moon aspects Saturn and Uranus

Moon Quincunx Uranus

Venus in Leo

Venus in 6th house

Venus Square Mars

Venus Trine Saturn

Venus aspects Saturn and Uranus

Venus Conjunction Uranus

Chapter 6: Drive and Ambition: How You Achieve Your Goals

Once you set your mind on a goal, your dedication, determination, and commitment to it are extraordinary. You pursue your ambitions tenaciously and will stubbornly refuse to give up, let go, or be influenced in any way. Like Aesop's tortoise, you labor patiently and steadfastly until you achieve what you want -or until it is clear beyond a shadow of a doubt that all is lost. You are a reliable, consistent, and productive worker, and often shoulder more of the workload than your co-workers, usually without complaint. The nitty-gritty work often falls to you. You prefer a regular routine, with definite hours and clearly defined responsibilities and tasks. In fact, establishing a pattern or routine is very important to your success because once you get started in a certain direction, is easy for you to follow it through to its completion. Getting started is more difficult. You have a lazy, comfort-loving side and there is often a good deal of inertia for you to overcome before you get going. Once you get a momentum going, your energy level is strong and steady.

You are interested in concrete results and solid, practical achievement. You need to have some tangible product or contribution to show for your efforts, and cannot be content with only intangible rewards (such as having a good time, learning, or spiritual enrichment). Material well-being and security is also a large factor in determining what you do. Your stamina and persistence is your great strength but it can also work against you; you can get caught in a rut and refuse to seize new opportunities. You also tend to play it safe, and to limit yourself in that way.

You often buy things on impulse and you can be reckless with your material resources and money. You have certain possessions that you are extremely attached to and possessive of.

You frequently meet a tremendous amount of resistance whenever you want to assert yourself in a decisive way, or do something just for yourself. This resistance comes from within (in the form of self-doubt, fear, or a heavy sense of responsibility to others), as well as from practical and circumstantial limitations. Especially when initiating a project or acting independently, you may tell yourself that you aren't really prepared, or that you aren't good enough (yet), and you put a lot of pressure on yourself. Despite the obstacles, setbacks, or lack of support you encounter, you can accomplish a lot in a patient, steady fashion. However, you're apt to aim too low, and not realize how much you are truly capable of.

Try to recognize that you do not have to justify your existence or prove your worth by your accomplishments.

You are likely to feel depressed frequently and have a strong desire to overcome it, but may not be able to count on much support from others. You tend to separate yourself from others and feel like being expelled from society.

You have a good team-spirit and intensely work together with your colleagues. You may join an organization or association that fights for upholding common issues and principles. You are likely to accomplish more as a team.

Your role in life is apt to be one of great responsibility and you take your tasks very seriously. A certain heaviness weighs on you because of this. You may have been unusually ambitious or mature at a tender age. You advance and attain your aspirations through dedication and perseverance, rather than fortune.

You may have to overcome something in your background or personal past in order to achieve your long-range goals and ambitions. Sometimes you're apt to feel pulled in two different directions -- what others expect of you or what you need to do to progress, versus what your old conditioning or your emotional predisposition would have you do. Overcoming the pull of the past is the key.

In many ways your rise in the world is an easy one, aided by your personal charm and attractiveness, your ability to please people, and your excellent social instincts. Artistic ambitions are also an aspect of this.

You can be rather antagonistic toward those in authority. Even without realizing it, you may convey this attitude and you may well be threatening to those in power. Thus, however well-meaning you are, you may find your initiatives or projects meet with little favor. Working independently might be your best option.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 6:

Mars in Taurus

Mars in 2nd house

Mars Quincunx Saturn

Mars Opposition Saturn/N. Node

Mars Opposition N. Node/MC

MC Conjunct Saturn

Moon Square MC

Venus Trine MC

Mars Quincunx MC

Chapter 7: Growth and Expansion: Areas That You Enjoy

Your strengths lie in your ability to cooperate, to be diplomatic, and to know just what behavior is called for in whatever social situation you find yourself. You also possess a strong sense of fairness, the willingness to listen to opposing viewpoints and opinions, and the ability to be (or at least seem to be) impartial and moderate, rather than extreme and one-sided.

You are successful in dealing with other people's money or material assets, either through your work or by combining and sharing what you have with someone else (marriage or business partner). An "inheritance" (either material or psychological) which comes through your spouse or other close partner is likely to benefit you immensely.

You have an unusually expansive, far-reaching outlook on life. At times the everyday routine is far too dull and boring to you, and you are inclined to travel, daydream, fantasize, or philosophize on a grand scale.

Your willingness, even eagerness, to embrace change and to undergo deep, transformative experiences for growth and self-improvement is one of your finest attributes. You are also likely to be an instrument for positive reform in the world. You coordinate well with other people when you share a mission or higher purpose.

Your manner is a bit phlegmatic and you could give the impression that everything is too much for you. You also have an innate inclination to be a little on the heavy side and seem to be content and happy leading a secluded and solitary mode of life.

You have a happy disposition along with an optimistic and positive outlook on life. You plan your objectives in a clear-cut fashion and have the ability to succeed. Admiration and success is important to you, and you can achieve great heights in any field.

Because of your impractical idealism and somewhat inflated expectations, you may leave yourself open to exploitation by other people. By the same token, at times you also could have a desire to use others to your advantage.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 7:

Jupiter in Libra

Jupiter in 8th house

Jupiter Conjunct Neptune

Jupiter Sextile Pluto

Jupiter Conjunct Sun/Saturn

Jupiter Conjunct Sun/MC

Jupiter Conjunct Neptune/N. Node

Chapter 8: Areas That Challenge You Or Are Difficult For You

You have a critical, cynical attitude towards many religions and philosophies. Without realizing it, you prevent yourself from appreciating new viewpoints and attitudes. You are more rigid and dogmatic than you realize. Your approach may also be too intellectual or moralistic. You take your own political beliefs and spiritual philosophy very seriously, worrying and fretting if you are not 100% clear about some ideology or theory.

Your attitude toward religion, philosophy, and politics is very conservative and possibly narrow or rigid. On the one hand, you may believe in nothing that is speculative or intangible, requiring proof for any idea presented to you. Each idea is thoroughly and systematically examined. On the other hand, you may tenaciously cling to your grand philosophical or metaphysical beliefs and opinions, refusing to modify them or to be open and receptive to others' insights and perspectives.

Your overall outlook on life is serious, and you may feel that life or God will punish you if you do not watch your step!

Now we will discuss patterns of behavior which you instinctively and habitually revert to when under stress - a mostly unconscious process and one which you are apt to overdo because it is so familiar and thus easy for you. The direction you need to follow in order to develop balance, greater awareness, and wholeness is also described.

Instinctively you are a fighter and an individualist who can stand alone when necessary. Very often, however, you stand alone when you don't need to, not realizing the support, assistance, and resources others may have to offer. You have a tendency to "reinvent the wheel"! - that is, to feel that you must be self-reliant and that only you can come up with the answers you need. Implicit in this attitude is a kind of arrogance as well as a rather competitive approach which at its worst can alienate you from others, or make you feel that "it is me versus the rest of the world".

Social skills and graces and what you call social "games" are not really natural to you. You need to learn how to share and join with others, and how to negotiate and resolve conflict with others in a cooperative way.

The arena you are most likely to wrestle with these issues is in your marriage and other intimate, one-to-one relationships. You may see the qualities you need to develop more fully (described above) in your partner. It is important for you to recognize, appreciate, and listen to the people in your life who express such attributes, as well as developing them yourself. Put energy and attention into learning about others, and about yourself through others.

The following are specific activities that will support you in your growth. These may or may not feel natural to you, and often there is some feeling of resistance or initial awkwardness about doing these things, but they are important on your path to wholeness.

Develop faith and confidence both in yourself and in a higher power which can guide, nourish, and help you. Expand your willingness to dream and envision better things in life. Study religion, philosophy, and other subjects that enable you to see a larger, more inclusive view of yourself and the world.

Be generous with your time, energy and resources in helping others achieve a better life, and this in turn will benefit you.

You are reserved and somewhat conservative in presenting your viewpoints to others and prefer a philosophical discussion rather than small talk. You are quite selective in your choice of subjects and only want to study what really is of interest to you.

You have a strong desire to share your opinions with others and are inclined to seek out people who have the same ideas that you have. You may enjoy studying and developing your intellectual interests with them.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 8:

Saturn in Sagittarius

Saturn in 9th house

N. Node in Libra

N. Node in 7th house

N. Node Conjunct Jupiter

N. Node Conjunct Mercury/Saturn

N. Node Conjunct Mercury/MC

Chapter 9: Originality and Imagination

Areas Where You Are Creative, Unique, Unstable, or Compulsive

Your work habits may be unstructured and you may find it difficult to settle down to a routine task or work situation.

You are interested in new technologies or unusual, even revolutionary methods of solving problems in your work. Nontraditional methods of healing and medicine also fascinate you. You may work in an alternative health field or work for change and reform in whatever field you choose.

You have a very active imagination and powerful fantasies. You may develop an interest in the supernatural, psychic phenomena, or occult subjects. You may have strange fantasies and/or nebulous fears of "ghosts", "the astral plane", or death. It's better for you not to dabble in such areas unless you are thoroughly grounded in the practical world as well.

You can become obsessed with your health, self-improvement and personal development. The psychological elements of disease interest you, and you may endlessly psychoanalyze yourself and others.

Also, you may work compulsively and exhaust yourself through overwork. You can be a tyrant with co-workers, and it may be easier for you to work in solitude.

A frequent change in your energy level could bring about sudden feelings of fatigue. You may not plan your objectives very carefully and feel disillusioned when you suddenly realize that you miscalculated the results and your efforts are for naught.

You seem to have nerves of steel and you are ambitious and courageous with a strong desire for power. You impress others as someone not to be trifled with. You have far-reaching plans and are likely to reach success early in life.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 9:

Uranus in 6th house

Neptune in 8th house

Pluto in 6th house

Uranus Conjunct Mars/Neptune

Pluto Conjunct Sun/Mercury

Chapter 10: Generational Influences: Your Age Group

In this chapter we will discuss characteristics and traits of your generation. Of course, you may not share all of the characteristics of your generation, but you are greatly affected by the tone that is set by your generation.

The first topic is "The Subconscious and Emotional Drive of Your Age Group". In this section we will describe a deeply felt urge, even compulsion, of your age group. This deeply felt drive comes to the surface with great force and power, and consequently leaves in its wake considerable upheaval and change. The second topic is "The Ideals and Illusions of Your Age Group", that describes the dreams, fantasies, and spiritual aspirations of your age group. The third and last topic is "What is New and Different in Your Age Group", which describes areas in which your age group tends to be innovative, inventive, unusual, and also where it may be unstable and unreliable.

The characteristics described below may affect a group of people for anywhere from a few years to about 30 years. There are one or more different astrological factors described in each of the three sections below.

The Subconscious and Emotional Drive of Your Age Group

You are part of a 15 year group of people that are driven by the need to find an ethical standard and a clear sense of what is right and what is wrong. There is a subconscious drive to straighten out all the world's evils and create a world of perfect order. There is a feeling of repulsion to anything ugly, dirty, or grotesque. Oddly enough, there is also often a fascination with these very things that are so distasteful, and often a feeling of hopelessness and despair about the world's condition.

These inner, emotional and conflicting qualities are reflected in the attitudes and life styles of your generation. Most people of your age group are conservative and ethical, and a small minority goes to the opposite extreme and relishes being strange or unusual in appearance, and sloppy or even grotesque in manners and appearance. There seems to be no middle ground for your generation. Usually, the rebellious type of behavior comes out during adolescence, and tends to subside thereafter, and your age group tends to be very conservative in later life.

Your age group is not very good at compromising and tends to have strong ideas about what is right and what is wrong. There is a strong feeling that you must extinguish evil in the world. Certainly, fostering good works is very commendable, but a categorical and simple-minded

response to complex issues is not helpful. Your age group will undergo great transformations in attitudes regarding Good and Evil and will swing to great extremes. Your generation will also make great contributions in the areas of medicine and nutrition, ecology, and education.

The Ideals and Illusions of Your Age Group

You are part of a 14 year group of people that have very intense psychic sensitivity and imagination. Your age group is very attracted to the strange, weird, and unusual. The sense of the macabre and bizarre is strong, and this is reflected in much of the music, art, and fashions of your age group. Novels and movies with mystery and chilling suspense are also popular with your age group. Emotional depression, drug use, and suicide are likely to be relatively high in your age group. There is also a deep mystical sense, and Eastern religions and meditation are very attractive to your age group.

The entire generation to which you belong has tremendous opportunities for spiritual rebirth and awakening. This will not be forced upon you or precipitated by unavoidable events, rather it comes from an inner yearning and a natural propensity to seek the depths.

What is New and Different in Your Age Group

You are part of a 7 year group of people who are unusually self-willed, proud, and egotistical. You are a group that defies authority and insists on having its own way. Parents and school teachers found that it was extremely difficult to discipline your age group. Governments that are repressive to individual expression and freedom meet a great deal of resistance from your age group, and you tend to rise up against any form of tyranny and oppressive rule.

Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 10:

Pluto in Virgo

Neptune in Scorpio

Neptune Sextile Pluto

Uranus in Leo