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## A Solar Writer Report for George W. Bush



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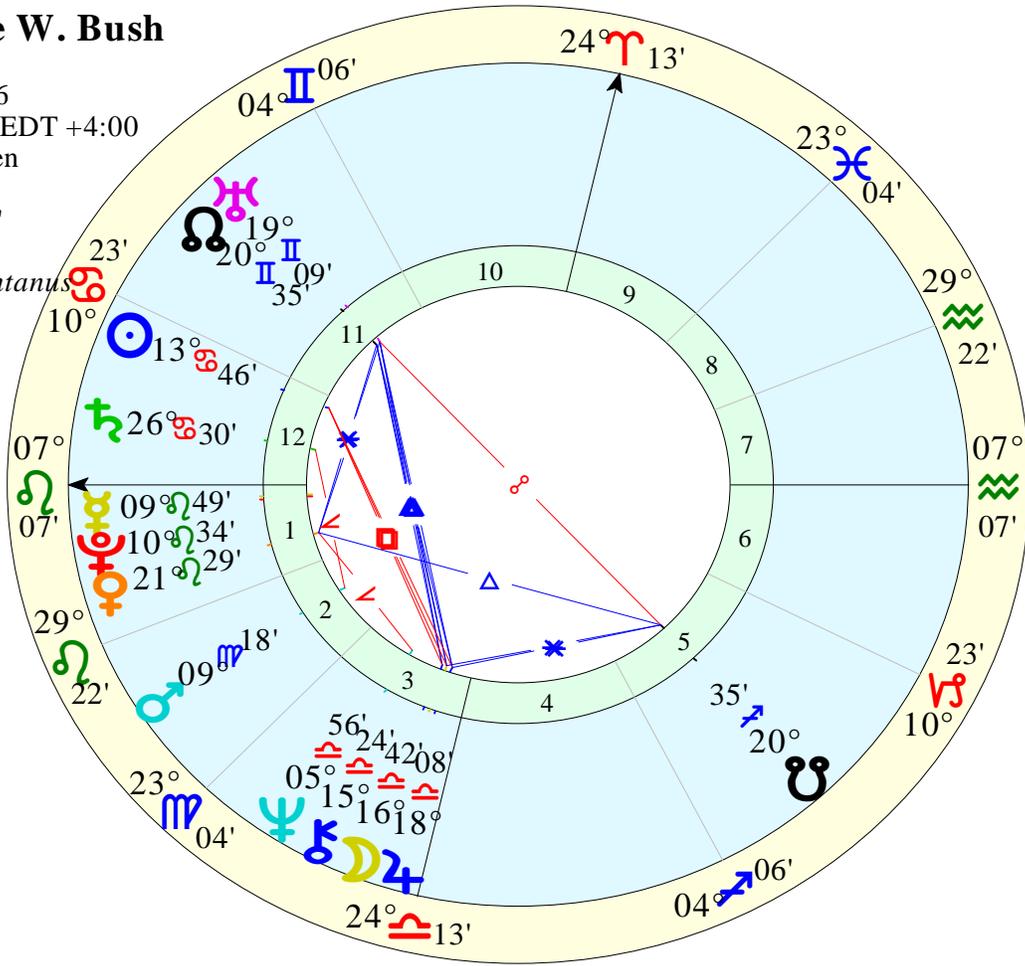
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Astrological SummaryChart Point Positions: George W. Bush

Planet	Sign	Position	House	Comment
The Moon	Libra	16°Li42'	3rd	read into 4th House
The Sun	Cancer	13°Cn46'	12th	
Mercury	Leo	9°Le49'	1st	
Venus	Leo	21°Le29'	1st	
Mars	Virgo	9°Vi18'	2nd	
Jupiter	Libra	18°Li08'	3rd	read into 4th House
Saturn	Cancer	26°Cn30'	12th	
Uranus	Gemini	19°Ge09'	11th	
Neptune	Libra	5°Li56'	3rd	
Pluto	Leo	10°Le34'	1st	
Chiron	Libra	15°Li24'	3rd	
The North Node	Gemini	20°Ge35'	11th	
The South Node	Sagittarius	20°Sg35'	5th	
The Ascendant	Leo	7°Le07'	1st	
The Midheaven	Aries	24°Ar13'	10th	

Chart Point Aspects

Planet	Aspect	Planet	Orb	App/Sep
The Moon	Square	The Sun	2°55'	Separating
The Moon	Conjunction	Jupiter	1°26'	Applying
The Moon	Trine	Uranus	2°26'	Applying
The Moon	Conjunction	Chiron	1°17'	Separating
The Moon	Trine	The North Node	3°52'	Applying
The Moon	Sextile	The South Node	3°52'	Applying
The Moon	Opposition	The Midheaven	7°30'	Applying
The Sun	Square	Jupiter	4°21'	Applying
The Sun	Square	Chiron	1°38'	Applying
Mercury	Conjunction	Pluto	0°44'	Applying
Mercury	Conjunction	The Ascendant	2°42'	Separating
Venus	Sextile	Uranus	2°20'	Separating
Venus	Semisquare	Neptune	0°33'	Separating
Venus	Sextile	The North Node	0°54'	Separating
Venus	Trine	The South Node	0°54'	Separating
Venus	Trine	The Midheaven	2°43'	Applying
Mars	Semisquare	Saturn	2°11'	Applying
Mars	Sesquisquare	The Midheaven	0°05'	Separating
Jupiter	Trine	Uranus	1°00'	Applying
Jupiter	Conjunction	Chiron	2°43'	Separating
Jupiter	Trine	The North Node	2°26'	Applying
Jupiter	Sextile	The South Node	2°26'	Applying
Jupiter	Opposition	The Midheaven	6°04'	Applying

Saturn	Square	The Midheaven	2°16'	Separating
Uranus	Trine	Chiron	3°44'	Separating
Uranus	Conjunction	The North Node	1°26'	Applying
Uranus	Opposition	The South Node	1°26'	Applying
Neptune	Sextile	The Ascendant	1°10'	Applying
Pluto	Conjunction	The Ascendant	3°27'	Separating
Chiron	Trine	The North Node	5°10'	Applying
The North Node	Semisquare	The Ascendant	1°31'	Applying
The South Node	Sesquisquare	The Ascendant	1°31'	Applying
The South Node	Trine	The Midheaven	3°38'	Applying

## INTRODUCTION



This report has been written to introduce you to the concepts of astrology and how to get started with your natal chart. Astrology is a complex and meaningful science which takes years to study and apply successfully; however, we would like to whet your appetite with this report, and encourage you to deepen your understanding through other means.

Astrology is a study of the connection between planets and life on Earth. It is based on a concept that energy patterns form between other planets and Earth; and that these energies affect our lives as individuals and communities.

An astrological chart, also known as a horoscope, natal chart, or birth chart, records the relationship between the planets and the signs of the Zodiac. Charts can be calculated for the birth of a person, a community, an event or anything that seems momentous. The horoscope is as individual and unique as a fingerprint.

When using these interpretations, please bear in mind that, inevitably, every chart will contain some contradictory influences, and as a result certain interpretations of different items in the same chart may seem difficult to reconcile. However, this may still be an accurate reflection of your chart, as it is likely that you do experience conflicting desires, events and circumstances in your life. Usually it is the responsibility of an astrologer to synthesise these apparent contradictions in order to present a cohesive and meaningful interpretation of the dilemmas of the chart.

Please also be aware of the fact that each person has positive and negative influences in the chart, and therefore in their lives. The challenge is to accept and overcome the negative influences, so that we can successfully focus on the positive traits. This report outlines both influences, and therefore parts may be difficult to accept. Any advice given is meant to be an aid to a person taking responsibility for their own lives. The ultimate decision rests with each individual. The author and publisher accept no liability for any adverse effects of this report.

## LIFE GOALS



*If you would hit the mark, you must aim a little above it;  
Every arrow that flies feels the attraction of earth.*  
Longfellow, *Elegiac Verse* 1880.

Just as the Sun is the centre of the Earth's Solar System, so does the Sun play a vital role in your life on earth. Your life goals are linked to your Sun - its zodiac sign and its position in your chart. Contrary to popular belief, the Sun isn't the only planet to be considered in a person's chart, but it is an important component. The Sun gives you an indication of how you can shine in your life. You will feel truly alive when you're living the traits indicated by your Sun. Therefore it's likely that you will spend much of your life on a journey to self discovery, aiming to incorporate these traits into your life. Understanding the energy of your Sun is a good starting point to understanding yourself and your purpose in life.

Your Sun is in the twelfth house of your birth chart meaning that much of your life is spent working behind the scenes, whether this means taking a back seat in your job or working in the relative anonymity of a large institution such as a hospital or the armed services. Although you've the ability to succeed in your life, it is likely to involve some form of self-sacrifice. You've the ability to overcome any difficulties entirely through your own efforts, although you can benefit from other people's charity at great times of need. You seem to be constantly forced into situations where you've to tackle things on your own and may sometimes feel overwhelmed by the forces of the world. Seclusion is a prominent theme of your life, whether it is enforced or by choice. It may be that you actually enjoy long periods on your own, recharging your batteries through moments of quiet reflection. It's also possible that you could have some difficulty spending time on your own, as this forces you to contemplate painful memories, particularly those connected with your father. It's likely that you've missed out on an opportunity to have a close relationship with your father. This separation could have been because your father was forced through circumstances to leave the family home, or perhaps he was unwell, or simply the type of person who lacked the strength to face up to his parental duties. In some cases it's possible that your father could have died when you were a young child, leaving a sense of loss. Although you may find it difficult, moments of quiet reflection will ultimately prove to have a healing effect on any emotional pain. You may even discover a sense of being deeply connected with the psychic world.

Your Sun is in the zodiac sign of Cancer indicating that you're a caring and nurturing individual with a strong need for family and comfort. Like the crab you may appear to have a tough outer shell but you're vulnerable underneath and will withdraw into your shell and home if feeling threatened. This withdrawal can happen quite often as you've strong emotional reactions. These strong emotions can be directed positively into caring for and

protecting others, particularly your family and loved ones. When you're feeling an emotional equilibrium you enjoy giving to others, sharing warm and loving moments, and also enjoy your own company. In particular though you yearn to look after those you love, nursing them through illness, cooking a favourite meal or curling up in front of a fireside alongside them with a good book. When upset it is a very different story, you withdraw from company and shield yourself from hurts, either real or imagined. This can feel like a wall has gone up between you and the outside world. You've strong home-making urges and a strong attachment to family members, and your home will be a great source of comfort to your friends and family. Your protective instincts can also be roused by animals, and you may find people or animals in need of comfort arriving unexpectedly on your front doorstep.

When the Sun and the Moon are combining unfavourably in your chart, it means that you're likely to have difficulty succeeding in life. You may have trouble in money matters, struggle with employment, and suffer at the hands of other people. You should be particularly wary of troublesome women, who could create obstacles to you achieving your goals. In some cases, this combination can also mean that you suffer from ill health, which further hinders your chances of success.

The Sun is making contact with the planet Jupiter in your birth chart indicating that you've the ability to achieve your life goals, but the path isn't always easy. On the positive side you are optimistic and enthusiastic and are likely to encounter good fortune at some stage during your life. It's possible that a father or grandfather figure gives you a helping hand towards achieving your goals. However, you've a tendency to jeopardise your own success through being grandiose in your goals and plans. You've an overly-optimistic and idealistic approach to life, which prevents you from making a realistic appraisal of most situations. You can be restless, needing excitement and adventure, finding it difficult to commit to a course of action or to settle in one place. Depending on other influences in your chart you're the typical ideas person who has difficulty putting in the hard work needed to achieve a finished product. Your challenge is to find a balance between stability and adventure. "Moderation in all things" could be a good motto to remind you to curb your excesses. Once you've learned self-restraint then you're able to reach all of your goals.

The planet Jupiter also tells you about your goals in life, in particular the areas in which you are likely to succeed. Jupiter is the planet of expansion, abundance and wisdom. Ancient astrologers believed that the planet Jupiter had a greatly beneficial effect on a person's life.

Jupiter is also in the fourth house of your chart signifying that home and family are two areas of your life that provide much satisfaction and pleasure. You put a lot of time and effort into your home, making sure that everything runs smoothly and that all is comfortable and attractive. Home decoration may be something for which you've a special talent. It's likely that your home or property is large and expansive, providing you with a sense of well being. If not then perhaps you live in a wide-open space or near the ocean. You like to be able to escape the petty details of daily life by relaxing in or around your home. Whether your home is large or not, there's a sense of peace and comfort which can be enjoyed by all. It's not only the building which is important, but also your loved ones. You like to know that they are comfortable and well cared for. Your immediate family may be quite large, or perhaps you have a large extended family. Depending on other aspects of your birth chart, you're likely to gain property through investment or inheritances. Ancient astrologers believe that the planet Jupiter has a beneficial effect in a person's birth chart. They also believe that it's in a favourable position in the angular fourth house. This means that you're likely to be successful in achieving your goals and live to a comfortable old age.

You've the planet Jupiter in the zodiac sign of Libra in your birth chart indicating that you are a mild and temperate person who has a strong concern for justice. You're a born diplomat, and your concern for justice

could be reflected in your choice of lifestyle or profession. Mostly you're obliging and sociable, fond of pleasure, particularly the joys of cultured entertainment or of travel abroad. However, other people would be wrong if they mistook your mild manner for meekness. You know the benefits of tackling tricky situations with diplomacy rather than aggression. Your skills in this area are formidable, and you can go a long way towards achieving your goals of justice and peaceful relationships. You're conscientious and compassionate. Social occasions are also a feature of your life, providing you with much pleasure. You enjoy being surrounded by your friends in pleasant surroundings. You're also likely to benefit through your relationships with other people, and are likely to form a happy primary relationship.

The planets Jupiter and Uranus are making a positive aspect in your birth chart suggesting that you're enthusiastic about new ideas and are always keen to learn about different subjects, whether through study or experience. At times your enthusiasm knows no bounds, leading you in to unexplored territory. This can be exciting and a little frightening! You've an enormous ability and energy to achieve your goals, which are likely to be linked to your belief in making a positive contribution to society. These goals may or may not be realistic, depending on your circumstances and other influences in your birth chart. It's possible that you can contribute to a grand-scale beneficial scheme, but you would also do well to remember that each individual's life can have a positive effect on the world. You've a tendency to be grandiose, and don't take well to being restricted by other people or circumstances. Fortunately your inventive nature means that you can adapt to most circumstances, rather than forcing conflict. Traditional or unorthodox religious beliefs could play a major role in motivating your life goals, and helping you achieve your objectives. Metaphysics, astrology, and science may also prove your forte.

### HOME



*Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
But yet in love he sought me,  
And on his shoulder gently laid,  
And home, rejoicing, brought me.*  
Hymn, *The King of love my Shepherd is* 1868.

Astrologers from different schools of thought allocate varying meanings to the Moon in a birth chart. Ancient astrologers say that the Moon changes its nature according to its phases, and merely passes on impressions from other planets rather than directly influencing a person's life. However, modern astrologers tell us that the Moon

depicts a person's roots, our home and family. They say the Moon also shows our habitual nature or subconscious patterns of behaviour which stand in the way of achieving our life goals. While the Moon can show us our strengths, it can also depict our weaknesses which need to be overcome in order to be successful in life.

The Moon is placed in the fourth house of your birth chart suggesting that your place of residence is constantly undergoing change. This can be that you frequently move home, that your house is constantly in a state of renovation or that the members of your household are constantly coming and going. Whatever the scenario, it's likely that as a result your home doesn't feel secure. Perhaps this doesn't concern you, but it's more likely that it does leave you feeling somehow without roots, perhaps even reminding you of childhood insecurities. It is possible that you were separated from one or both of your parents at a young age, perhaps even fostered to live with another family or adopted at birth. As an adult you may learn to adapt positively to the constant changes in your domestic life, or you may feel a constant sense of instability. You've a strong desire to live by the water, and this may provide a sense of deep satisfaction. You could also benefit from working on the land or dealing in property. Depending on the other sections of your birth chart, you could benefit from an inheritance from women. In ancient times the Moon was considered to be in a strong position when placed in the fourth house of a chart, meaning that you're in a strong position to achieve your personal ambitions.

With the Moon in the sign of Libra you love and appreciate beauty, and would prefer to share this appreciation with your loved ones. Not for you sitting alone on a hillside watching the hues of the sunset. You want your loved one close by your side. This enjoyment of others' company plays a major role in your life, and you may have some difficulty spending time on your own. However, you'll find that you've a good understanding of relationships and what makes them work, and what makes them fail. You also have an innate ability to please others, to create harmony, and to enjoy social occasions. You may find that you enjoy organising social functions. You're a people-watcher, enjoying noticing what makes them tick. You need to remember though that spending time by yourself and doing things for yourself is important. For you're likely to have creative talents which need developing. This could range from literally artistic talents, to the ability to create beautiful surroundings such as interior decorating or flower arranging.

The Moon is making a positive aspect to the beneficial planet Jupiter in your birth chart suggesting that you enjoy your home and family life. This is a favourable aspect for health, wealth and family life. Depending on other influences in your birth chart you're likely to enjoy good fortune with your home, and any property investments. It's possible that you've a large family, enjoying connections with close and extended family members. You've a generous and expansive nature and an easy-going, philosophical approach to life. This makes your home a very hospitable environment. You enjoy catering for friends and family in your home, and may live in a large home or in spacious surroundings. Your optimistic view on life means that you're usually rewarded with many visitors. Family relationships are favourable, particularly with the women. It's likely that your good fortune has been influenced by your positive relationship with your mother, or an important female member of your family. You have fond memories of a warm and loving mother and want to share your good fortune with others. Perhaps there's a benevolent matriarch in the family tree. In some cases it's possible that your childhood relationship with your mother wasn't a positive experience. In this case you may be determined, as an adult, to be everything that your mother wasn't. Either way you are likely to benefit through your relationships with family members. You may also benefit through shared religious or spiritual beliefs.

The Moon is making contact with the planet Uranus in your chart suggesting that your home life is never dull. You're a resourceful, inventive and independent person, who needs a stimulating household in order to feel fully alive. If your home and family don't provide a little excitement, then you're likely to find it difficult to settle in one place. As it is you're often restless, seeking adventure and change. You enjoy the unconventional side of life

and need excitement, and are likely to show the wilful side of your nature if forced to conform to other people's demands. You're a unique individual with many enterprising ideas, enjoying the freedom of expressing yourself in unconventional ways and attracted to exciting and different activities in which you excel. It's possible that you're drawn to unusual houses, or to out-of-the-way locations. You may enjoy living in a commune rather than a traditional family situation. Whether you realise it or not, others may see you as a little eccentric. As long as you can accept and enjoy your individual qualities, then your loved ones are also likely to appreciate your unique contribution to family life.

### EDUCATION AND COMMUNICATION



*There is no such whetstone, to sharpen a good wit  
and encourage a will to learning, as is praise.*

Roger Ascham, *The Schoolmaster* 1570.

Our academic schooling and learning through life experience are linked to the planet Mercury. This planet stands for the intellect, common sense, cold reason, commerce and business. It tells us about our communication and learning habits and our modes of thinking.

The planet Mercury in the first house of your chart signifies that, possessing a lively and enquiring mind, you are constantly seeking information and data about the world around you. You are curious, wanting to discover new things about the world, and this can take you to some very interesting places, both in your local neighbourhood and further abroad. "Curiosity killed the cat" is the old saying. However, you would be quick to add the often forgotten ending to the saying, "satisfaction brought him back"! You've a keen intellect and don't like to be bored, otherwise you can feel quite restless. You are fond of books, whether they be considered true literature or just a fun-filled novel. Resource books and cross-word puzzles also hold a strong appeal. You also enjoy studying new subjects, and may have literary talents. While other people may enjoy a quiet and unchanging routine, you prefer the stimulation of changing circumstances. You are resourceful and adaptable. These abilities can also stand you in good stead in the business world, where adaptability and resourcefulness can equate business acumen.

The planet Mercury in the zodiac sign of Leo indicates that you're enthusiastic in your quest for knowledge, and generous in sharing all that you've learnt even though it's sometimes to a somewhat reluctant audience. Mostly others enjoy listening to your creative story-telling talents, and find themselves enthralled by your lively

communication. You may even find yourself on the stage during some time in your life. You do like the sound of our own voice. And why not? You're proud of your learning abilities, and believe in the saying that learning is fun. Your enthusiasm can be contagious. You can be creative in your thought process, and have an appreciation of the arts. You can also enjoy conversing with children. While it's true that you're an enthusiastic communicator, it's also true that your mind often turns to thoughts of your own ambitions. You're confident in your ability to communicate with others, and know that this trait could push you into a leadership role. As long as you keep your tendency to be a know-it-all under check, then you should succeed.

The planets Mercury and Pluto are combined in your birth chart suggesting that your education and communications are coloured with highs and lows. On the positive side you've a probing mind and the ability to assess situations rapidly, which can lead to success in your studies. You're likely to excel in any education process which requires research and intense work. It's also likely that these gifts will help you excel in any professional or personal situation which involves counselling or crisis work. Your insightful mind proves invaluable in such situations. You enjoy investigating mysteries and probing for hidden truths. Secretive by nature, you find it easy to appreciate other peoples need for privacy. Your gift for being able to keep secrets means that other people often confide in you. It's likely that you've learnt to rely on your own judgement from an early age. Perhaps a threatening environment, at home, in your neighbourhood, or at school, meant that your instincts were a vital means of survival. It could also have been a crisis, ranging from a traumatic change of school or a death, that led to your ability to see situations clearly and honestly. These gifts can be used to benefit your adult life, and other people. However, problems are likely to arise because of your inability to see the lighter side of life, and to accept that occasionally you might be wrong! You are a deep thinker with wonderful powers of concentration, but you can become obsessive, seeing only innuendos and subtleties in communications, rather than the bigger and often brighter picture. This obsessive side of your nature means that you also tend to believe that others are opposed to your thoughts and ideas, when perhaps they're not. You need to battle to overcome your tendency to create conflict and then seek revenge in such situations by finding a positive outlet for your energy. For instance you may benefit from writing down your feelings of anger and resentment, making sure that they don't reach the party involved. If you believe that you're losing sight of the plot, then seek advice from a trusted friend or colleague. You are at your most powerful when using your insights for positive purposes. In particular your honesty and insights can be useful in a counselling situation, but be careful of taking these talents out of the consulting room unless invited to do so. Friends and loved ones may not always appreciate your ability to get straight to the point, particularly if they're feeling vulnerable or emotionally distraught. You need to learn tact and diplomacy and sensitivity to other people's pain. Your gifts, combined with compassion, make you a powerful advocate in any field.

### **RELATIONSHIPS**



*Let me not to the marriage of true minds  
 Admit impediments. Love isn't love  
 Which alters when it alteration finds.  
 Shakespeare Sonnet 116.*

The planet Venus tells about love and relationships. It reveals the type of relationship we value, and what we are seeking from our most intimate relationship, as well as how we like to show our love. It answers questions such as, are we attracted to strong, sensual and intense relationships? Or do we prefer some freedom and independence? This planet also depicts how we like to relate to our environment and other people, not just our primary partner, and how much importance we place on money and resources.

When the planet Venus is placed in the first house of your birth chart you've a natural inclination to express love, with a desire to make life a pleasure for yourself and other people. Whether you realise it or not you're physically attractive. This, combined with your pleasing nature, ensures that you're surrounded by loved ones seeking your company. You've a calm and harmonious demeanor, and your presence seems to bring peace to any environment. You've refined tastes and an appreciation of art, music, singing, dance and theatre. You use these gifts to bring beauty to your surroundings. Through you others discover the power of beauty and love. It's even possible that you inspire the artists and poets of the world in their creative efforts. Your attraction to romance and beauty means that daily life can sometimes seem dull. At these times you need to be wary of becoming involved in love affairs, which may enliven your life for a short time, but in the long term bring hurt and disrepute. This does largely depend on other influences in your chart. It's more likely that both you and your loved ones benefit from the strength of your love. Ancient astrologers believe that the favourable planet Venus in the angular first house brings good fortune.

With Venus in the sign of Leo you're affectionate and passionate in your primary relationship, enjoying a sense of play and romance. You're likely to ardently pursue your partner basking in the delights and pleasures of love, particularly in the first romantic stage. Your partner is likely to benefit from your generous and thoughtful nature, enjoying being the recipient of your spontaneous gestures. However, you do like your loved one to show an appropriate amount of appreciation, and your enthusiasm for the relationship is also likely to wane if your loved one doesn't return your affections in full, also showering you with gifts and attention. With the right person you'll take great pride in the relationship, eager to share your happiness with your friends. You enjoy attending social outings where you can take real pleasure in the company of other people. Anything that provides entertainment and fun will suffice, although you may prefer attending arts activities, such as dance,

theatre and art galleries. Depending on other aspects in your birth chart, you may be extraverted or introverted in your relationships. Either way it's difficult for others to resist your joyful approach to relationships, and as a result you're likely to benefit through your relationships with other people, in particular through people holding high places in society. You need to make sure that you don't fritter away the gifts that you receive from others, as you're generous by nature, and also have a tendency to be extravagant.

The planets Venus and Uranus are connected in your birth chart indicating that you value freedom and individuality in your most intimate relationships. In fact you're determined to be recognised as an individual by your primary partner, sometimes to the extent that you won't allow anyone to curb your sense of freedom. You're attracted to an unusual, active or lively partner, rather than someone staid. For this reason your primary partner is likely to be inventive, extraordinary or involved in an unusual occupation. This isn't everyone's idea of an ideal partner, but it suits you. You seek spontaneity and intellectual stimulation from your primary relationship. Depending on other influences in your chart, commitment isn't a major part of your vocabulary, and can be something that you tend to avoid, preferring to be "footloose and fancy free". It's likely that you're afraid of losing your independence, or perhaps you simply don't like the confines of a conventional relationship. Fortunately you're likely to have many friends and potential partners. Your bright and magnetic personality attracts potential life partners like moths to a flame. You enjoy socialising and have a wide circle of friends, and believe that it's important that a life partner share your friendships. Your best friend should be your partner, as far as you're concerned.

The planets Venus and Neptune are combining in a manner which indicates disappointment in your primary relationship. The problem is that you're idealistic and unrealistic when it comes to personal relationships, lacking the discriminatory powers needed to form a steady and lasting partnership. This applies to both your personal and business partnerships. Consequently you often feel disillusioned and sorry for yourself, blaming others for failing to live up to your expectations. It's possible that your partner is indeed deceiving you in some manner, but it's also possible that you're not being honest. Either way it's likely that you're seeing your primary relationship through rose-coloured glasses, and as a result conflict arises because of your lack of discernment. You're caught in a web of fantasies and romantic illusions, either of your own or your partner's making. Coming to terms with the reality of your relationship helps you obtain a better understanding of your primary relationship, and prevents you from becoming disillusioned. Taking off the rose-coloured glasses means that you can make a proper assessment of your primary relationship. As a result you'll experience fewer feelings of resentment and disappointment, and won't be in danger of overlooking some major flaws such as drug addiction or deceit. With the right partner you'll enjoy a sense of peace and fulfilment. You may also enjoy artistic or spiritual pursuits together. You're ardent and loving, responding quickly to your partner's need. In turn you benefit from acts of kindness, love and appreciation.

### MOTIVATION



*Dimidium facti qui coepit habet: sapere aude.*  
*To have begun is half the job: be bold and be sensible.*  
 Horace, *Epistles* 65- 68BC.

Mars is the planet that tells us about our assertion and drive. It tells us what motivates us and what desires drive us most powerfully. Are we ambitious for professional power, or do we desire a meaningful relationship? Do we pursue our desires aggressively? Or do we sit back, lacking the confidence to achieve our ambitions? These are the types of questions answered by the qualities of the planet Mars in our chart.

With Mars placed in the second house of your birth chart you're motivated by money. In fact money plays a major role in your life, either the lack of money or the accumulation of wealth. You have probably experienced both and realise the extent to which you money can make you feel powerful. As a result at least part of your life is likely to be spent working towards the ambition of monetary riches. Any wealth is accumulated as a result of your own hard work. You can be quite aggressive in pursuit of wealth driving a hard bargain with any potential employer. You also know how to barter with shop attendants for a better price, or where to find the best bargain for your money. You need to be wary of becoming too aggressive in your pursuit of material wealth, alienating others along the way. One of your challenges is to learn to rely own your own personal resources, rather than focussing only on material resources. You have a strong set of personal values, which can help keep you on the right track. There is, however, a danger that you can be too aggressive in your insistence that others adhere to your values.

The planet Mars in the sign of Virgo indicates that you're a shrewd person and will pursue your personal desires in a practical and methodical manner. You have a strong drive for perfection, and can often be found organising and re-arranging your environment in order that you live life more efficiently. You're keen to employ schedules and routines to help you run your daily life. It's also true that you find it difficult to cope if your routines are disrupted, and you have little patience for less-organised people. In fact you can be quite critical and judgmental, believing your methods to be the most practical and efficient, superior to other people's efforts. You don't suffer fools gladly and need to be careful to curb the perfectionist side of your nature. In some cases your interest is likely to be sparked by scientific pursuits, in particular medicine, but generally any science or research could be pursued. You prefer to be able to pursue your own interests without interference from other people and can systematically remove anyone who stands in your way. While this may sound harsh, it's true that you possess a vengeful side of your nature if opposed.

Conflict is likely to be a key feature of your life because of the influence of the planets Saturn and Mars in your chart. When these combine in an unfavourable manner it leads to troubles and discord. You're probably well aware of the difficulties that you face in some areas of your life, finding it difficult to motivate yourself to overcome them. Other people and circumstances seem to stand in the path of your success, which is frustrating. In some cases you could be frustrated by a physical illness, which prevents you working towards your ambitions. It's true that you shouldn't neglect your physical health, because you could be prone to illness and harm through accidents. You may find that resentment and thoughts of revenge are ways in which you motivate yourself into action. Of course you would do well to avoid acting on these feelings, otherwise you could end up in violent disputes or in trouble with the law. This influence in your chart can indicate achieving notoriety, which is very different from achieving success. It's possible that you've difficulty remembering a time when life didn't have its problems. Perhaps you had a tough life as a child either through difficult family circumstances or because of a strict and harsh parent figure. Of course much of this scenario depends on other influences in your chart. On a more positive note you're confident and ambitious, capable of driving yourself and others to achieve your objectives. You can be motivated by the thought of achievement, and are likely to succeed through hard work and self-discipline. In fact you're determined to succeed in certain areas of your life. Your will power can be indomitable, particularly when you've determined on a course of action.

### CAREER AND AMBITIONS



*The road up and the road down are one and the same*  
Heraclitus, *Die Fragmente der Vorsokratiker* c540-480BC.

The planet Saturn represents responsibility, boundaries and structure; structure that provides a positive framework within which we can build, or structure that limits our development and forces us to reassess our liabilities and assets. This planet is also linked with our ambitions, and how we approach the practical side of life. This planet often represents the professional side of our lives.

The planet Saturn placed in the twelfth house of your birth chart suggests that you're likely to work behind the scenes of an organisation, or in solitude rather than taking the limelight. You're somewhat reserved, preferring periods of solitude during which you can contemplate your own life, and life in general. Seclusion offers moments for reflection that are to be treasured. For this reason you seek a home or workplace that gives you time away from the rest of society. Unobserved by the world, you can work happily and peacefully on your

own. It's possible that an early childhood event, such as the death of or separation from a parent, has prompted this need for isolation. Therefore you need to be careful that you're not hiding from the world through an inability to face the demands of daily life. However, it's more likely that you simply enjoy your own company. In some cases you could be falsely accused of a wrong-doing, even resulting in a period in jail, but this is unlikely.

The planet Saturn in the sign of Cancer signifies that although you work hard to achieve your objectives in life, you suffer from feelings of discontentment. Sometimes you even feel jealous of all that other people seem to have. These mixed emotions can prompt you to change your aims, which can result in frequent changes of mood, pursuits and residences. You can become quite resentful if you feel that other people are standing in your way, putting up obstacles to your latest change of heart. As a result you can sometimes feel quite isolated from other people, and also quite vengeful and deceitful. You need to be wary of feelings of suicide. The reason for your struggles, astrologically speaking, is that the planet Saturn is considered to be in detriment in the sign of Cancer. On a brighter side you do have the ability to overcome this side of your nature and to aim towards emotional satisfaction at work and home. You need to make sure that the vengeful and restless side of your nature is kept to a minimum, and to be honest with yourself and other people. In this way you can slowly and surely work towards achieving a happy home and workplace.

An unfavourable combination of the planets Saturn and Mars can indicate difficulties in your profession, particularly in partnerships or companies. You need to be careful to avoid litigation, which you're like to lose. Of course this depends largely on other influences in your chart. Nevertheless you need to act with the utmost integrity within your career to ensure success rather than scandal.

The Midheaven is one of the important angles in a birth chart and is also known by astrologers as the MC or Medium Coeli. This angle tells us of our public life, our profession and social status. In other words how we are viewed by the public, how we want to be viewed by the public and what type of profession we are likely to choose. It's also important to note the house position of the ruling planet of your Midheaven for further information about your career as this can greatly influence the interpretation.

With a Midheaven in the sign of Aries and ruled by the planet Mars, you're likely to choose any career which gives you the freedom to follow your own path. You're a leader, rather than a follower, and prefer a profession which provides independence and autonomy. In fact you have difficulty settling into a job which doesn't give you plenty of authority. You don't like to work with someone watching over your shoulder, preferring to go at your own pace. You may even have difficulty working in an office, where routine and schedules are the order of the day. You prefer to be on the road, or to work your own hours. Assertion, power and initiative are keys to you succeeding in your chosen career. Examples of famous people with the same Midheaven include Hollywood actress Meryl Streep, Prince Charles of England, UK politician Neil Kinnock, and Australian opera singer June Bronhill.

### **CREATIVITY AND ORIGINALITY**



*The artist must be in his work as God is in creation, invisible and all-powerful; one must sense him everywhere but never see him.*  
Gustav Flaubert, *Correspondence* 1857-64.

The planet Uranus represents originality and unconventionality. This can be both the unusual and brilliant genius or the wilful rebel without a cause. This planet tells us the areas in which we break with convention, become innovative and experiment with new and exciting ways. In some circles of astrology Uranus represents the creative genius which comes directly via our soul or higher self.

The planet Uranus is in the eleventh house of your birth chart suggesting that you've unusual hopes and wishes, which you would like to achieve with a little help from your friends. You're attracted to unusual and eccentric friends and acquaintances. Depending on other aspects in your chart these friends may have a positive influence on your life, surprising you with their generosity. You're the recipient of unexpected gifts, which help you achieve your goals. You enjoy the company of extraordinary people, finding them stimulating and inspirational. Your friends and acquaintances may be associated with occult activities, or work in unusual fields - eccentric geniuses. However, it's also possible that your friends and acquaintances are eccentric and unreliable, wavering in their loyalty and failing in their ability to support you. Either way these friends are certainly original.

The planet Uranus was in the sign of Gemini from 1942 - 1949. It's important to note that Uranus spends a long time in each sign, and therefore the interpretation applies to a generation rather than the individual. For a more individual interpretation you need to look at the house position of Uranus in your chart. Uranus in the sign of Gemini indicates that you belong to a generation which becomes focussed on new forms of communication and the world's networks. This generation is responsible for original and inventive ideas which change the world's communication network. Your creativity soars when you're tackling these issues.

Neptune is the planet of creativity and spirituality. It represents both the bliss of spiritual attainment and the heights of creativity. This isn't personal spirituality and creativity which comes at the expense of others, but gifts which can benefit humanity. This planet also represents the confusion that can accompany the road to discovering when we are being selfish, as opposed to when we are generously thinking of how our gifts can benefit others.

The planet Neptune placed in the third house of your chart means that you're full of creative ideas, and may

excel in artistic or spiritual pursuits. You're most effective when listening to your intuition, rather than trying to pursue a logical train of thought. You enjoy investigating spiritual truths and phenomenon, or applying your understanding to a creative pursuit. Your insights into human nature and spiritual matters, and your ability to communicate these insights are quite astounding. You've an almost psychic understanding of other people and events. For these reasons you're likely to be drawn to activities or work that require psychological insight, spiritual perception or artistic inspiration. Depending on other aspects in your birth chart, you may also suffer from moments of confusion, particularly if you're trying to listen to logic rather than intuition.

The planet Neptune was in the sign of Libra from 1942 - 1957. It's important to note that Neptune takes about 164 years to make a complete cycle, spending about thirteen years in each sign, and therefore the interpretation applies to a generation rather than the individual. For a more individual interpretation you need to look at the house position of Neptune in your chart. Neptune in the sign of Libra indicates that you belong to a generation possessing the ability to view human relationships from a more spiritual overall viewpoint, rather than the rules and regulations of the previous (Virgo) generation. It's during this time that some confusion over right human relations may reign. People of this generation will aim to achieve a balance in human relationships. You'll also be concerned with justice.

### CHALLENGES IN LIFE



*The spirit of self-help is the root of all genuine growth in the individual.*  
Samuel Smiles, *Self-Help* 1859.

The planet Pluto challenges us to transform our lives by clearing out our old habits to make way for the new, more rewarding ways of living. The process isn't necessarily an easy one, as most of us cling tenaciously to the comfort offered by habitual patterns, and are rather scared of new paths. Pluto shows us in which areas of our lives we need to grow, and to a certain extent whether we're likely to find the process of growing painful or joyful.

The planet Pluto is in the first house of your birth chart indicating that you're a powerful person, who really makes an impact on your surroundings. You may be surprised to realise just how powerful an effect you've on those around you. You're constantly challenging yourself and other people to embrace all that life offers, and to forge ahead towards goals. You're likely to be a trend-setter in your field, embracing new methods of approaching projects and people, and breaking down barriers that stand in your path. You need to be careful

that you don't push other people too far, but that you respect their limitations. As a leader you need to find the right mix of progress and stability, otherwise you could be faced with a mutiny. You may be a pioneer in an area of your life, enjoying the challenge of being the first, but you need to remember that not everyone shares your zeal.

The planet Pluto was in the sign of Leo from 1939 - 1957. It's important to note that Pluto takes about 248 years to make a complete cycle, spending 12 - 32 years in each sign, and therefore the interpretation applies to a generation rather than the individual. For a more individual interpretation you need to look at the house position of Pluto in your chart. Pluto in the sign of Leo suggests that you belong to a generation of people concerned with the lack of or acquiring of power. People of this generation have the ability to use power both positively and negatively. World power and leadership are also important issues for these people.

### PURPOSE AND JOY



*He who binds to himself a joy  
Doth the winged life destroy  
But he who kisses the joy as it flies  
Lives in Eternity's sunrise  
William Blake, MS Note-book.*

A sense of purpose can help us overcome the most onerous difficulties in our lives, by taking the focus away from our failings and problems, and shining the light on our strengths and talents. By concentrating on our purpose we can distract ourselves from our troubles, and maintain the forward momentum of our lives. A sense of purpose can also lead to feelings of happiness and joy. Ancient astrologers believed that a person could either identify with their human body and human life, or could focus on a spiritual life. A rewarding spiritual life can help ease human pain and suffering, and inject joy into every day life. A sense of purpose can assist the process of transferring our identification from our human selves to the spiritual sides of our nature, and one of the greatest gifts of astrology is to help us determine our purpose.

The North Node and South Node form an axis in astrology, which is said to represent one's destiny or spiritual quest in life. This axis is also linked with our purpose. The North Node points to a key lesson in our lives. It represents new experiences towards which we must aim during this life. We have already learnt the skills of its opposite point, the South Node, in the past. Now we must grow and stretch ourselves through the North Node.

Your North Node is in the eleventh house and your South Node is in the fifth house of your birth chart indicating a quest to learn to serve humanity. You need to let go of possessive and passionate personal relationships in order to carry out detached service to humanity.

Your nodal axis has the North Node in Gemini and the South Node in the sign of Sagittarius denoting that you're destined to learn to see life from other people's point of view and to become adept in the art of communication. You've a tendency to be restless and scatty. You need to develop focus and the ability to communicate your ideas in a way that helps the many people in your life.

The North Node and the Moon are combining to suggest that you're being urged to come to terms with the emotional side of your nature. You may have difficulty expressing your emotions, particularly in groups of people. This is an area which you need to develop throughout your life, so that you can learn to use your intuition. This will better help you to pursue your purpose in life.

The North Node and the planet Venus are combining in your chart suggesting that your destiny is linked with the need to develop harmonious and balanced relationships. Relationships play an important role in your accomplishments. You are joyous when you're part of a team, working in collaboration with other people to achieve your objectives.

The North Node and the planet Jupiter are combining to suggest that your current life challenge is to embrace adventure. This can be travelling to foreign places, or taking more risks in your daily life. Either way you may find yourself in some challenging situations! Inspiring others, possibly through preaching or teaching, may be part of your life's destiny. Benevolent groups may also play a key role.

Your destiny is linked with the discovery of new and exciting thoughts and concepts because of the combination of the North Node and the planet Uranus. You need to make sure that you do not seek excitement at all costs, but direct your energies wisely. In this way you'll achieve your purpose, which is likely to be linked with making a contribution to humanity.

The South Node and the Moon are combining to suggest that you're particularly aware of the importance of emotions, and are being encouraged to use your knowledge in a constructive way. However, there is a tendency for you to become stuck in negative emotional patterns of relating to other people. In other words you have difficulty expressing your emotions, and this may lead to periods of self-imposed isolation and needless worry about the future. This also creates obstacles for you achieving your purpose in life. Your challenge is to forge ahead with your life without relying too heavily on your emotions, and yet remaining responsive to other people.

The South Node and the planet Venus are combining in your chart to suggest that relationships play a key role in either helping or preventing you from achieving your purpose. Perhaps you struggle to relate intimately with other people, or perhaps you need to learn independence in order to focus on your own objectives. Either way, a major part of your life is spent learning about personal relating skills so that you can achieve your mission.

The South Node and the planet Jupiter are combining to suggest that you'll strike problems if you take part in grandiose schemes which are not based on solid groundwork. You're being challenged to develop your expansive ideas in a practical manner. Your quest is to work in a realistic and down-to-earth manner towards your goals.

The Ascendant, or Rising Sign as it's sometimes called, is a key to discovering our purpose. Ancient astrologers

believed that the Ascendant depicted our primary motivation as individuals. Some believed that it was one of the links to discovering what makes a person happy. When we're accomplishing our primary motivation then we're happy. The more modern Esoteric astrologers believe that this sensitive chart point reveals our soul's purpose. When we're carrying out our soul's purpose then we're joyful. They believe that acceptance of our purpose, or fate, can help us achieve success and satisfaction, and that meditation on the qualities of the Ascendant can help us focus on our life's purpose.

The sign of Leo is considered to be "masculine" by Ancient astrologers suggesting that you're more likely to actively seek your purpose in life, taking the initiative rather than waiting until circumstances are comfortable. Leo is also a fixed sign denoting fixity of purpose, resolution, self-reliance and independence.

You're sincere, generous and ambitious, enjoying a sense of autonomy in all that you do. You're adept at organising your own life, and enjoy the independence. Generally speaking you're assured of your own purpose, and your life is full and eventful. However, there are times when your passion and haste lead to downfalls, and you also have to be wary of the dictum "pride before a fall". Fortunately you're usually back on track quickly thanks to your vital and sunny nature. Other people may be buffeted by the vagaries of fate, but your lessons are connected with will power. In the balance of fate versus free will your purpose is to learn to use your strength of character and strong will power in a positive and powerful manner, rather than simply rebelling against society.

In Esoteric astrology the sign of Leo is linked with conviction of spiritual purpose. While it may seem second nature to you, your strength lies in your sure knowledge of your own and other people's purpose. Others may not share your conviction, and this can be your gift to them. You need to be both single-minded in your spiritual purpose and inclusive of other people. Compassion should be your rule of thumb. Your purpose is connected to gaining and sharing a knowledge of both the personal self, and the higher self or soul.

### CONCLUSION

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Stephanie's background in medieval astrology can be detected in the direct style of the report. Medieval astrologers differed from modern-day astrologers in several ways. They didn't have a psychological approach to chart interpretation, but took a much more literal approach. They were very much concerned with the fortunes of an individual, whether a person would survive or not, and whether or not the person would experience good or failing fortunes. The author's particular area of interest in Esoteric astrology can be mainly detected in the section labelled "Purpose and Joy". In Esoteric astrology the purpose of an individual is linked to the soul. In other words it is believed that our souls determine our sense of purpose in the world, motivating us to put our gifts to good purpose.

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This report is meant more of an introduction to the wonders of astrology rather than a complete course in its intricacies. Further studies, or a consultation with a professional astrologer, are encouraged to explore this most ancient scientific and philosophic tool.

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