

# Just for Women

## An Astrological Profile for Marie Antoinette

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Planet	Sign	Position	House	House Cusps
Sun	Scorpio	10°Sc 03' 0	5th	1 02°Ca 56'
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Mercury	Sagittarius	03°Sg 10' 0	5th	3 13°Le 21'
Venus	Scorpio	11°Sc 28' 0	5th	4 02°Vi 11'
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Jupiter	Libra	07°Li 45' 0	4th	6 06°Sg 05'
Saturn	Capricorn	23°Cp 23' 0	7th	7 02°Cp 56'
Uranus	Pisces	11°Pi 31' R	10th	8 24°Cp 06'
Neptune	Leo	10°Le 56' 0	2nd	9 13°Aq 21'
Pluto	Sagittarius	14°Sg 46' 0	6th	10 02°Pi 11'
Midheaven	Pisces	02°Pi 11'		11 25°Ar 21'
Ascendant	Cancer	02°Ca 56'		12 06°Ge 05'

Planet	Element	Mode	Elemental Balance	Modal Balance
Sun	Water	Fixed	3 Fire	5 Cardinal
Moon	Air	Cardinal	1 Earth	3 Fixed
Mercury	Fire	Mutable	2 Air	4 Mutable
Venus	Water	Fixed	6 Water	
Mars	Water	Cardinal		
Jupiter	Air	Cardinal		
Saturn	Earth	Cardinal		
Uranus	Water	Mutable		
Neptune	Fire	Fixed		
Pluto	Fire	Mutable		
Midheaven	Water	Mutable		
Ascendant	Water	Cardinal		

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## An Astrological Portrait

### Prepared for Marie Antoinette

Your astrological chart provides an amazing guidepost to the most important aspect of your life: an understanding of yourself. As a woman today, you face the challenge of discovering yourself within the context of many life experiences. You wear a variety of faces and play many roles, experiences which can both enhance and complicate your feeling of satisfaction with yourself and your life. Your astrological chart provides indicators that help to define who you are, strengthening an understanding of your needs on every level. Each chart is different in its make-up, and the myriad combinations of influences help to underscore the importance of each person as an individual. One thing you must remember when working with astrology: it is through your free will that you make choices. Your "chart" does not make you do anything!

We are finally acknowledging and realizing within today's world, that men and women experience life differently. The workings of your psyche, symbolized by your astrological chart, are likely to be experienced quite differently through your filter as a woman than they would be if you were born male. This report is designed for you, a woman in a world of change, a woman seeking to become whole.

Your natal, or birth, chart is made up of several factors. Drawn upon a circular wheel, your natal chart shows the positions of the planets relative to your place, date and time of birth. Everything is indicated symbolically, with each symbol having specific meanings. The planets, Sun and Moon are placed around the circle, and each is placed within a particular degree of a sign of the zodiac. The planets, Sun and Moon represent qualities of energy, and the astrological signs indicate how these energies work. Just as you are a complex of feelings, needs, drives and desires - your natal chart maps these qualities. You will also notice that the planetary symbols fall within particular segments of the circle. These segments, called "Houses", indicate the specific environments and relationships which are part of your life. You may find, upon reading your report, that there are a few contradictions. For example, one factor may indicate independence, while another shows strong dependency. It is not unusual to experience contradictions within yourself, and that is just what your chart illustrates about you! But when you reflect upon these qualities within the context in which they are explained, you may discover some self-illuminating facts about yourself. Self-understanding has a marvelous way of emphasizing your personal power!

# An Overall Glimpse at Your Astrological Chart

The astrological signs are defined by one of four elements: fire, earth, air or water. The fire and air elements have a yang (masculine polarity) quality, and tend to be more outgoing and assertive in their nature, whereas the earth and water elements have a yin (feminine polarity) quality, and are more receptive by nature. The elemental balance in your chart is determined by the amount of energy within each elemental sign. The factors added together to find this balance of energy include the Sun, Moon, planets and the angles of the Ascendant and Midheaven.

You are a “feeling” type of woman with water strongly predominant in your chart. Your sensibilities can range from psychic to moody, but one thing is certain: you are definitely impressionable. Your artistic endeavors and creative expression may elicit a strong response from others, since you have a deep sense of passion. Your insightful nature can be especially keen, and your compassion for others can extend strong support. You may find it difficult to separate your feelings from those of everyone around you, and building some emotional boundaries can strengthen judgment of personal relationships. However, your concern for others can be a positive thing if you have a healthy way of channeling it. The elemental balance in your astrological chart indicates that earth is a weak factor, signifying that you may sometimes feel a need for greater stability. Practical matters may not always be a primary consideration when making major decisions. The problem with little earth is usually related to not being in touch with the physical plane, which can cause you to lose your focus or to ignore physical reality. During the times in your life when you feel out of touch or uncertain, get back to nature. Take a walk in the park or woods, garden, hug a tree, work with clay, or get a massage to remind yourself that you are part physical, too!

Another aspect of your basic nature is determined by the balance of the modes in your chart. These qualities indicate your basic manner of doing things - your mode of operation. The modes are also defined by sign, and these are grouped together as either cardinal, fixed or mutable. Your strongest mode is Cardinal, indicating that your basic approach to life is one of getting things started. You're an initiator, and are happiest when you're beginning something new. This factor sometimes indicates an enhanced sense of courage and enthusiasm. A strong ability to get things going, maintain your inspiration, carry through with your commitments and complete projects. Your ability to deal with different styles and human diversity enhances your spirit of cooperation, and makes you a good choice for leadership positions. However, you also have adequate amounts of mutable energy, which is expressed through your ability to remain flexible when necessary.

When you view your chart as a whole, you'll notice that there is an emphasis of planets on the bottom half of your chart. This hemisphere emphasis signifies that you are most comfortable away from the glare of the public, and that you safeguard your privacy. Building stability and security are a strong focus in your life, and your career may be a means to an end in that regard. You can be uncomfortable in situations where you feel that you are put on display, and may need to cultivate your ability to speak or appear in front of groups, since this may not come easily for you.

You may also be concerned with the areas in your chart that appear to be empty. Never fear, these houses are not really vacant! You are just not placing as much emphasis in these relationships or environments, or you may be satisfying these needs through other dimensions of your life.

# Projection of Your Real Self

Sometimes showing the world who you really are is not easy, and sometimes the world may not respond as you had hoped! It's helpful to take a look at the differences and similarities between the attitudes, impressions and images you project and the person who resides at the core of your being.

With your Sun in Scorpio your ego is driven by a need to be almost enigmatic. You're more comfortable when at least a little mystery surrounds you, and you can exude a strong level of sensual charm. You're rarely halfway about anything, and your intensity can be daunting to those who are uncomfortable with confrontation. Since your Sun speaks of "who you think you are," you may think that you're more mysterious than you are in actuality! No bother - you're still a mystery to most, so you're safe!

Your Ascendant is the face you present to the world, and shows how others see you. Your Ascendant, or rising sign, is Cancer. Through this influence, you may project a motherly quality - whether or not you have children. You may draw others to you who need support and care, even in the work place you may take on the role of protector. But you can also initiate emotional responses from others, and can use this quality to your advantage in many situations. Watch for your tendency to hide behind your shell, though. Sometimes those protective barriers can be quite cumbersome. The energy associated with your Ascendant is the Moon. With your Moon in Libra, your flair for color and design extends to your personal appearance, and you prefer stylish dress and refined mannerisms.

In addition to the sign on your Ascendant, your chart might also indicate connections from other planets to your Ascendant. These connections, or "aspects", add significant qualities to the way you express yourself to the world.

With your Sun in trine aspect to your Ascendant, you may easily win respect and cooperation from others. This can be quite helpful when you need to accomplish important tasks. Your sense of confidence may be very strong, and you have high hopes for yourself and your life. Although you may have to learn to take advantage of your personal strengths, ultimately you discover that you can accomplish the goals you set for yourself, both in a personal and professional sense.

Mercury is in quincunx or inconjunct aspect to your Ascendant, indicating that you may have the embarrassing tendency to put your foot in your mouth! Speaking before you think can get you into hot water, but you are just as adept at dealing with these uncomfortable situations as you are at getting into them! You can benefit from learning to work effectively with others, regardless of their status on the totem pole of life.

With Jupiter in square aspect to your Ascendant, your eternal optimism can get you into trouble. Certainly a positive attitude can be a magical elixir in creating what you want from life, but your expectations can definitely surge out of proportion with possibility some of the time. If you are unsure of yourself, you may overstate a situation just so you feel better and then realize that you're caught in a rather prickly circumstance. In order to create the most honest and positive relationships, you need to learn to accept yourself first and then to strive toward achieving those aims which are so delicious. Otherwise, you will run into problems with trust, which can be another very convoluted tale.

There are many different facets of the Moon in your chart. But when it comes to your identity, your Moon speaks volumes about who you are at the deepest level: the soul of your being. Your Libra Moon is the part of you which feels most alive when you share those special moments in your life with a partner or companion. Somehow, life is better when you have a true, balanced, working partnership. But getting to that point can be a bumpy road. This drive actually stems from the duality which exists within yourself. Your inner self needs as much recognition and support as the part of you which exists in and is validated by the outside world. Herein lies your true partnership. And from this point, a relationship with someone else can become a reasonable reality.

# Meeting the World on Your Terms

Career and financial arenas were for many years primarily part of the “man’s world.” Women stayed at home, cared for children, and took care of the social needs of the family. Now that so many women are in the work place, and with the advent of more open relationships where both partners are likely to share paying bills and making financial decisions, the world is changing. You can define your identity in the world in many ways today, including developing a career. Meeting the world on your own terms involves uncovering the manner through which you might shine most effectively. It also is defined by the way you use your resources, and how you create a pathway which allows you to realize your goals.

The Midheaven, usually near the top of your astrological chart, is signified by an astrological sign. This point in your chart represents your vocation, your calling in life, and the sign at the Midheaven gives you several clues about your path in the outside world. Just as importantly, the Midheaven signifies your blossoming into wholeness and how you might best accomplish this experience. Your 10th House also provides information about your career path.

With Pisces at your Midheaven your aim for a fulfilling life path may be spiritually focused, and needs to capture your imagination if you are to reach a sense of wholeness. Your dreams can be your beacon to happiness, but uncovering the difference between dream and illusion can be difficult. For this reason, grounding yourself through establishing a sound connection between mind, spirit and body will help you clarify those dreams which you need to pursue. You may feel a deep need to do something with your life that will ease suffering or provide escape from the painful realities of life. A career in the healing arts, developing your talents in performing arts or otherwise strengthening your artistic expression can provide outlets for an uplifting life. You may be a gifted beautician, designer, decorator, photographer or counselor! You may also feel that you want to work in one area, but that your ministry to the world is accomplished through other means. Neptune’s energy plays an influential part in developing your path toward self-fulfillment.

With Neptune in Leo, you have reached a stage in your life which may allow you to retire from caring for others and to focus more upon fulfilling some of your personal dreams. It is through love that you have always experienced the greatest satisfaction, and by focusing on the heart of divine love which guides and protects you, you may be inspired to reach new horizons in your sense of fulfillment and happiness. Your energy and ideas can inspire others, and you may become the link between what has gone before and what is yet to come.

The process of work itself is usually seen through the 6th House in your chart. Through this facet of yourself, you express your approach and attitudes about working, and your ability to cooperate with others is also indicated here. This house is related to your physical health, and it’s no surprise that you might hear the complaint (or feel it yourself), “I’m sick of my job.” Instead of feeling thrown off balance by the tasks required to get through life, there are ways to use this part of your time and energy to strengthen your life.

Sagittarius on the cusp of your 6th House stimulates a need for diversity and activity in your work. If you work in sales or the travel industry, you might perform best when you can get up and go some of the time. You might not even mind commuting to your job! You prefer to operate independently whenever possible, and will not perform at your peak when you feel penned in. Jupiter’s energy also influences this area, adding a need for a sense of play and adventure through your work. You’ll appreciate working for and with others who are ethical in their business practices.

With Pluto’s energy focused in your 6th House, your work can be a phenomenal source for regeneration. You may be drawn into jobs in the health care fields, including mental health, which will allow you to experience the power of healing more directly. You may also be interested in employing your restorative energies in environmental areas or with animals, or you may be quite adept at refurbishing historic homes, monuments or furniture. Your work needs to provide an outlet for you to bring about change, rehabilitation and revitalization, and as long as that’s happening, you’ll be content. If you feel stagnant, abused, or resentful, then your work can be a source of great agony.

As a woman, you are innately creative. Although you may not consider yourself an artist, your creative spirit and drive are the mechanisms through which you shape your own life. Creative self-expression is seen strongly in the 5th House of your chart, and by incorporating these elements into your career, you will gain greater satisfaction from your work. If you have the time to concentrate on more recreational forms of creativity, this is the part of your chart which indicates what brings you pleasure. Life itself can certainly be a pleasurable experience - all the time, not just on holidays!

Libra's influence on your 5th House indicates a love of beautiful things, talented people and gorgeous places. The peace you experience in the midst of beautiful surroundings can provide the inspiration you need to get through a difficult day. Your enjoyment of the arts can be an integral part of your life, and taking advantage of the cultural experiences in your city or area may be among your favorite pastimes. But you may also be quite talented yourself, and having the time to paint, write or design is more than just time out. These things may become the driving force behind your life. Venus' energy also plays a special role in this area through its association with the sign of Libra, indicating that you need to be involved in creative pursuits which reflect your values and personal tastes.

The Sun's energy in your 5th House brings a powerful emphasis to your creative self-expression, and to your need for play. You may have a lot invested in your personal artistry, and even if you don't think of yourself as an artist, when you think about it, you are creating your own life. Now, that's a work of art! You may have a special affinity for children, and can be quite influential in arenas which support the creativity of children. This position also adds a flair for the dramatic, and you may be known for your sense of style. Your abilities to direct and inspire others is also strengthened.

Mercury's energy in your 5th House stimulates strong communicative talents. From public speaking, to writing, broadcasting, journalism or public relations - you have a special knack for getting your point across. Your mind may drift frequently into matters of the heart, and creative avenues which allow you to express these thoughts can be both revealing and fulfilling. You may also excel in expressions which require good manual dexterity, like playing an instrument, drawing or drafting.

With the energy of Venus in your 5th House your artistic sensibilities are best expressed through a creative venue. The arts are especially important in your personal development, and are also likely to provide fortunate opportunities for you as well. You may enjoy sharing your talents with young people and guiding them to open to their own creativity and appreciation for the arts.

One of the most powerful creative drives in your chart is your Sun. Since this is the energy that drives you to be noticed, learning to cultivate this aspect of yourself in a positive manner can amplify your success in life.

Even though you can be somewhat enigmatic with the Sun in Scorpio, you are also driven to attain the realization of your desires. For anything to be successful in your life, it must be personally meaningful to you, and you must have a strong feeling about it. You simply do not care to waste your energy. But you have to know when to back off because with your intensity, you can set the world on fire. Be gentle. Just remember that after all, as long as you know how to function in a crisis, there's no problem.

Your individuality is expressed through many different energies in your chart, but the energy most closely associated with the unique and individualistic part of yourself is Uranus. Through Uranian energy, you display your ingenuity and make the breakthroughs which allow you to move into new experiences. Uranus also prompts your rebellious nature, and the placement of this energy in your chart shows you where you are staging your own personal revolution.

You have Uranus in Pisces, an influence which can enhance your intuitive flow and psychic impressionability. Your personal revolution occurs in the realm of spirituality and compassion, and you may feel that it is important that your life shows the effects of your outreach and caring. Along with other women born from 1919 to 1927, you've fought a revolution centered upon a need for a devotion to higher principles. Your religious beliefs and ideals have played an important role in all your life decisions, and those ideals grow more powerful when you realize the light of truth which is found within all doctrines: the importance of love. The area in your life where you experience the most profound release and transcendence is represented by the house in which Uranus is found in your chart.

The influence of Uranus in your 10th House can have a monumental impact upon your career devel-

opment and work. You need to follow a path which allows you to shine as an individual. You may also need to integrate your energy into a direction which somehow influences the evolution of the collective. Even if you choose a “traditional” career of some sort, you’re very likely to accomplish its tasks in an untraditional manner! You’re an innovator, and can attract a lot of attention for your efforts. For this reason, you may be either famous or notorious, and sometimes it’s not so much a matter of choice as it is circumstance!

The energy of Chiron is also a powerful factor for your outreach into the world. Through Chiron, you discover both strength and vulnerability. The vulnerability represented by Chiron is, in many ways, like a doorway that allows you to penetrate a deeper level of personal mastery. This is the process of initiation much like that which a Shaman must endure in order to learn how to travel between the worlds. Through Chiron, you learn how to travel between the world of your inner self and the world outside to achieve a sense of true purpose and wisdom.

You have Chiron in Capricorn, adding a need to accomplish a life purpose which is based upon achieving a true sense of success. These successes can be in any area, and are not always related to career. Supporting a child as a patient mother or teacher, providing resources when something need to be built in your community, or lending a helping hand can all be part of this. On a personal level you need to establish goals and find ways to realize them. Sometimes, the goal may just be getting through the day. On a larger scale you are also learning about positive self-control. It is here that you will experience the greatest satisfaction, when you’ve found the best ways to direct your own energy toward accomplishing something which is meaningful to you.

With Chiron in your 7th House a significant element in achieving your life purpose revolves around your connection to human society. Your personal relationships, especially partnerships, are part of this experience. You may also find that developing a real sense of objectivity about your own talents and abilities allows you to move further along the path toward experiencing a truly purposeful life.

# Opening Your Heart

Ah, Love.... Songs, poems, novels, fairy-tales, movies all extol the power and pleasure of love - and for good reason: love is the food of life! There are many opportunities to love, in fact, a love affair with life is not a bad idea. But you also may need to “grow” love by sharing it, and therein is the seed of all relationships.

The planetary energies most usually associated with Love are Venus and Neptune. Venusian energy radiates directly from your heart, from the center of yourself, where love resides deep within. Loving is an inner experience. The more you open to the love you hold within yourself, the more it grows. Plus, your feelings of worthiness are represented by Venus, and as you grow to understand and appreciate your own value as a woman, it becomes easier to let this love energy flow through your life. Neptunian energy is Divine compassionate love - the love that does not judge and readily forgives. Neptune is the realm of romance, mysticism and heavenly perfection. Truly transcendent Neptunian love arises when you have healthy boundaries of your own, otherwise, you can become a victim of your own illusions!

Love is a total experience for you with Venus in Scorpio. You need to know the absolute depths of loving, and your life will prosper on every level when you feel fully immersed in the experience of true love. You do not easily give your heart, and once you do surrender it, you may never change your feelings. That does not mean that you can love only once, but you may believe that's the case when you're deeply in love. You can become addicted to love! There are many forms of love, which you know, and that real bond - the magical alchemy of connecting to someone through heart and soul - is what you seek from romantic love. You can weave a magical spell and may be quite sensual and charismatic in your approach to loving. For excitement in love you enjoy a bit of mystery and intrigue, and may play a few power games just to get your energy going. (That does not equal abuse, by the way.) If a relationship changes, you may have to change in order to keep the love alive, since trying to hang onto to things staying the same all the time can lead to extreme stagnation. And if you're hurt by loving, you may close your heart away just to avoid feeling that kind of pain again. You have to ask yourself if it's worthwhile to keep those doors so firmly shut. After all, you may be closing yourself out, too.

With your Sun and Venus conjunct you can love warmly and openly. However, you be a little self-involved when it comes to matters of the heart, and may feel that just because you feel strongly about someone that they must, in turn, feel the same way about you. You're probably charismatic enough to have a powerful influence on the feelings and opinions of others, but you really do want a love which is based upon honest sharing between both partners. To have this, you have to be just as attentive to the needs of the other as you are to your own.

When you're sure of what you want from a love relationship, it's reasonably easy to achieve it with your Venus and Mars in trine aspect. Your good fortune in love may seem uncanny at times, and learning to show your appreciation for the positive things in your love relationships will assure that this productive cycle will continue. Your kindness and tenderness are easily expressed through your actions and attitudes, and will attract the same from others. You may be quite demonstrative in intimate relationships, and can enjoy a satisfying sexual and emotional bond with your partner.

With Venus and Uranus in trine aspect to one another, you possess an unusually magnetic and attractive quality. You can love with abandon and enjoy the pure pleasure of sensuality. Loving can be purely thrilling, and the high energy you experience when you're in love can alter your entire life. You prefer relationships which allow ample freedom, and will strive to offer the same liberties to your partner you demand for yourself. Non-traditional relationship styles may be quite appealing, and you are capable of creating a truly unique experience of love.

In square aspect to Neptune, your Venusian expression takes on an other-worldly quality. Your yearning may be for that perfect lover whose spirituality, passion, purity of spirit and drive all stem from the highest possible level. Loving in such a manner would seem to remove you from the bondage of ordinary life and transport you into true bliss. Although this seems possible in fairy tales or movies, it's really difficult to find those elements in another human being. You may also operate under the illusion that you

must first sacrifice yourself before you are worthy of love. It's all too easy to project unrealistic feelings onto your lover, and it is just as tempting to try to alter yourself to please a man so that he will love you. Whether those alterations are in your behavior, your appearance or your attitudes, if you submerge your real self beneath the illusions of what you feel will make you more lovable, you're selling out. If you want to experience the ecstasy you dream about, you'll surrender to a love which honors your real needs and learn to avoid situations where you become addicted, co-dependent, victimized or abused. Forgiving the shortcomings of the man you love is one thing; allowing him to deceive or victimize you is another! Know when and how to give help, but be careful of emotional rescue ventures!

As one of the generation of women born with Neptune in Leo, your belief that the energy of God is an energy of Pure Love is at the core of your own ability to love another fully and completely. You are quite capable of sustaining love and may be driven by the ideal that love is the ultimate healer. When you surrender your own will to that of divine love, your heart opens and allows acceptance, forgiveness and understanding. You may hold the belief that men should be the head of the household and take care of the family, but have also struggled with the fact that this is not always the case. The contrast between the reality and the ideal has led you to discover your own individual power, which, when blended with that of your partner, can be even more effective if you are each driven by a common sense of love and compassion. But most importantly, the experience of this energy allows you to accept your own power as an individual woman who has played the integral role of focus and power for many years. It's time that you appreciate yourself, and that you allow regular contact with your divine essence, which is there to recharge and revitalize you whenever you need it.

With your Sun in square aspect to Neptune you may have a history of rescuing men who don't really appreciate or acknowledge your sacrifice. If you're sacrificing your own dreams and needs so that the man in your life can have his, then you're in trouble! If you're making excuses to yourself because your man drinks too much, uses drugs, is not available for the kids, runs around on you - whatever they are - you have lost yourself to an illusion. By learning to set reasonable boundaries and to identify the situations which you can and cannot support, your life will change. Your ability to love fully will change. If you stay stuck in the same old dependencies, then your life will be more like a nightmare than a wonderful dream.

Since you have Mercury in trine aspect to Neptune, you're the perfect candidate for creating wonderful representations of love and compassion through your words. Your lyrical abilities can extend to the way you talk and your mannerisms may be quite fascinating. You may actually attract more men than you realize, since you do spend some time in your own inner world. And it is that quality which is at work when you finally let go and share your life and fantasies with someone you adore. Promise yourself to always make time to get away with your lover so your dreams have a safe place to overtake your life - for at least a little while.

With Jupiter in sextile aspect to Neptune you may find that you attract relationships with men whose moral and spiritual values are similar to your own. Even if your religious backgrounds differ, you can be flexible and open to the possibility of other options as long as they are based upon higher truth. You may need to incorporate spiritual practices into your relationship, and when you make a commitment to a relationship, will find that the spiritual focus of that commitment is a powerful source of inspiration and hope.

The quincunx between Uranus and Neptune in your chart also effect other women born in your generation. These generational aspects set a tone for changes in the collective but also symbolize quests which are important to you as an individual. You may not be comfortable around others who are radically different, and extreme differences in religious beliefs or cultural backgrounds between you and a man might be very difficult for you to bridge. However, you probably do have some curiosity about what else might be out there, but just don't like having those alien situations present inside your personal boundaries.

The houses in your chart that amplify love relationships are the 5th, 7th, and 11th Houses. Through the 5th House, you experience giving love. It is through this facet of yourself that you have love affairs, playful and recreational relationships and where you produce the offspring of loving. The offspring can range from artistic endeavors to children. But when dealing with relationships, this is the space which is usually occupied by loving another in an intimate sense.

You have a powerful need for love relationships with Libra influencing your 5th House. The feedback and support you experience through heart-centered connections can be positively self-confirming. You probably like giving the same support to those you love, too. You don't like having to deal with heavy responsibilities in your love relationships. You like for loving to be fun, pleasurable, and comforting. All the hard stuff just does not fit with your image of the perfect love - even if it is reality. Well, you don't have to like it, but at some point, will find that you have to deal with it! You must be careful to avoid falling into the trap of believing that the only thing that confirms your worth is the kind of love relationship you have. The influence of Venus on this house adds a strong desire to play the role of the temptress, luring the man you adore. You may enjoy the game of love, even when it becomes too "gamey." When you open your heart, a level of beauty emerges which you cannot experience any other way. It is important to learn that this opening is a two-way street.

With your Sun energizing your 5th House, you may invest a great deal of energy in doing what you love. Life needs to be pleasurable and fun, and part of that is the fun of giving love to others. The manner in which you approach giving love through love affairs and in relationships with your children is important, since if you are only self-serving, your actions and energy may usurp another's needs in favor of your own desires. But when you are attentive to the give and take of love relationships, you can experience exceptional joy through loving. The choice is yours.

Mercury's energy in your 5th House adds a need for relationships which stimulate communication and open exchange of thoughts and feelings. It may be easier to talk about what you think than it is to express how you feel, but if you work on it, you'll find you can do both quite nicely. You may think about love a lot, and are learning about the importance of attracting what you hold in your consciousness. The mind is the generator of the offspring of your life. Think about it.

Venus feels good in your 5th House. This energy stimulates the expression of your feelings of love, and is quite helpful in opening your heart. Giving of yourself, your creativity and your energy allows you to take love to a higher level. You may be very attracted to a lover whose artistic tastes and sensibilities are compatible with your own, and may fall in love with his creativity as much as you fall in love with him. You'll appreciate a lover who acknowledges and supports your own creativity, and may lose interest if he is too self-absorbed.

The 7th House of your chart illustrates what you're seeking from a partner. More importantly, this part of your chart also tells a story about the kind of partner you really want to become. This is also the realm of social contact, and provides information about your approach to socialization. Although marriage agreements are shown through the 7th House, planets here (or a lack of planets here) do not "promise" marriage or its lack. But if your 7th House is highly activated, you may be more motivated to find a partner.

With the influence of Capricorn on your 7th House you may experience some frustration in finding the right partner. Your own emotionality and neediness can attract men who are also very needy themselves, and you can be caught in emotional traps which are only anxiety-producing instead of mutually supportive. If you attract men who want to be mothered, you may at first feel that you can do it, until you confront your own need for a little comfort and support. For this reason it is crucial that you share your needs and feelings with your partner and determine whether or not you can be mutually supportive to one another. Since Saturn drives your needs in partnerships, you can become entangled in relationships out of a sense of obligation or responsibility, and it can be difficult to extract yourself from a marriage even if it is not working. Realizing this, it is very important that you make an effort to understand your aims, obligations and needs before you make a commitment.

Your motivations for getting married are important to understand since you have Saturn in your 7th House. Marriage may seem like a security arrangement, and can definitely provide a structure and support in your life. However, if you rely on another person to generate your sense of security, you will always wonder if you're really secure. You may instead, end up in a situation where you feel controlled or inhibited. Learning to be personally responsible as an individual and within the context of relationships is one of your primary lessons. You do not need to marry to find someone who will care for you like a father. If you do, you may wake up one morning to discover that you are a prisoner of your own fears. However, you may prefer to marry a man who is older than you, because you do need a partner

who has some maturity. Sometimes, Saturn in the 7th House delays marriage, and in today's world the delay is frequently a result of a woman's choice to establish herself in a career or profession. One thing is certain: when you do make a commitment, you intend to honor it and will expect the same from your husband or mate.

It is through the 11th House that you learn about unconditional relationships, and where you open to receiving love and support from others. Here you find your friends, your supportive professional allies, and your community. Through this facet of yourself you develop your special interests. And here you set your goals for the future. It's wonderful the way friends can support your aims, provide feedback when you need objectivity, and comfort you when you're facing challenges. Your approach to friendship is also seen through this part of your chart.

You have Aries on the cusp of your 11th House, signifying that your friendships play a very active part in your life. Your friends may provide the impetus for many of your ideas, and inspire you to take action which will assure your independence and personal autonomy. You may enjoy getting together with your friends to play sports, take aerobics classes or share a challenge of some sort. You enjoy friends who take an active, assertive approach to their own lives. However, you may not share everything with your friends, which is probably okay, since you are all rather independent-minded. Your free spirit will attract friends, men and other women, who are comfortable with the fact that you need your independence. In opening your heart to receive love, you may find that you are the one with the keys. If you're waiting for someone else to open the door to your heart, you may be sadly disappointed, since you are the one who has to initiate this process. Then, once you've done that, it's easy for others to give their love to you. With Mars ruling your 11th House, you may find that you are frequently the one who takes the first step, with friends or lovers. That may just mean that you smile first, so don't think there's anything complicated about it!

The lack of planetary energy in your 11th House can be indicative of your ability to accomplish many of your aims on your own. There is, however, no particular meaning which is related to a lack of friends or inability to create friendships. Look to the planet which rules this house to understand the qualities you will seek in your friends and the kinds of activities you might prefer to share with them.

# Power Issues: Sex, Money and Control

Personal power is an individual expression, and has different meanings for each person. As a woman in the world today, your opportunity to experience and express your personal power is largely dependent upon the manner in which you develop it. Particularly in the Western World, as times have changed and the power base has gradually evolved beyond the patriarchal control of the last centuries, women are seeking to define their place in the world: collectively and individually. Gaining influence in the world through career and financial development, you begin to understand the different levels of power. Within the family, your roles are also evolving. You are also more free to express your sexual needs and desires, and demand that you are respected as a person and not sexually abused. But everything stems from your ability to identify, embrace and assimilate the true nature of your power as an individual woman.

On a personal level, you can begin to identify much about your own power by looking deeply into the meaning of your 1st House: Your Personality Self. Early in your report you read about what you project about yourself as identified by your Ascendant. Your first House further defines that projection of the Self, and is an area where you carve out much about the way you show yourself to the world on your own terms.

Through your Cancer Ascendant you can appear caring and nurturant, and may seem to be open to the needs of others. This may attract all sorts of relationships, especially from people who need to be mothered. You do not enjoy having to take responsibility for everyone else when they need to learn how to carry their own burdens, and rather than face up to the challenge of telling them to pick up their bags and move along, you can take the indirect approach which leaves questions and confusion. When you're too indirect, you lose power. You may not want to get into a fight, or cause someone to be upset with you, because you just don't like the emotional fallout. You can play hide and seek forever and never get your point across. You may also feel emotionally vulnerable, and may create a kind of "shell" to protect you from possible harm. That shell can even be physical, like excess weight or layers of clothing. These things destroy your power by inhibiting it. On the other hand you have the choice of talking about your feelings, soliciting the feelings and needs of others, and creating a forum which allows those within your circle to be comfortable taking care of themselves while supporting the needs of their family - your family. Instead of creating a dysfunctional family, whether at home or at work, use your nurturant sensibilities to change the atmosphere. Become personally powerful by learning how to say good-bye when necessary, and by welcoming newcomers with a clear projection of who you are. Most of all, be aware of the manner in which you can manipulate others because you can lose a lot of ground if you're always trying to maneuver everyone into position instead of just recognizing where they stand and what they need in the first place.

You like to win with Mars in your 1st House and may prove your power through competitive or challenging ventures. Whether you're running a marathon or climbing the ladder in your profession, you like to feel that you can conquer anything. You may have amazing courage which is exceptionally empowering. In the process of meeting some of life's challenges, you can be a bit abrasive, and must be aware of the way others are responding to your assertive nature if you are to avoid generating hostility. You will fight for yourself when necessary, but you can also be belligerent in a negative sense unless you're aware of the impact of your actions. Just reacting spontaneously to every situation can get you into trouble and may weaken your effectiveness. If you are accident-prone, part of the problem may be the result of jumping into situations without thinking or moving too quickly for the circumstances. To be really powerful, you need to establish your independence and autonomy without creating extreme disruption or destruction in your path.

Another power space on your chart is your Midheaven. This point, usually at the top of your chart, marks the cusp of the 10th House, and is like the crown and torch of the Statue of Liberty. Here too, are the indicators of the types of people you most admire, and the clues to what you need to develop within yourself to attain unshakable self-respect.

Through your Pisces Midheaven you are drawn to the power of that which is beyond the limitation of the physical plane. Your interest in spirituality, creative artistry, serving the needs of those less fortunate, making the world a better place - all stem from this influence. Your admiration for those who go the extra mile and for those whose devotion to improving the quality of life can inspire you. When your life is oriented in such a way to allow time and room to explore and participate in such endeavors, you may feel more whole and alive - more powerful. The power of compassion is paramount in your life, and active compassion can be personally strengthening on many different levels.

With Uranus in your 10th House you're most interested in a career which gives you ample room for individual self-expression. In the arts you may opt for the unusual; in business you're the perfect candidate to run your own shop or to work independently. You may exhibit special genius in particular areas, and will prosper in fields which allow you to show your outstanding abilities. You're the kind of woman who likes to break through old barriers and shatter old stereotypes and will be happiest in a career which is out of the ordinary. You can be a Bohemian rebel or an inspirational revolutionary. You may have a keen interest in astrology, psychology, computers or technology, the television industry or fields which have not yet been invented! You like being on the leading edge, no matter what profession you've chosen, and by listening to your intuitive urgings will find the perfect outlet for your special abilities.

Success looks good on you. With your Sun in trine aspect to your Midheaven, you can utilize the personal power gained when you accomplish your aims to boost you further toward new goals. You may also be very comfortable using your own success to influence or facilitate the success of others.

You will accomplish your greatest sense of success when you are mentally challenged and learning something. With Mercury in square aspect to your Midheaven, your desires to share your ideas may sometimes run into confrontation, but that may only strengthen your resolve to get your point across. Developing your intellectual capacities and cultivating positive communication skills will go a long way toward helping you achieve the success you desire.

Someone once said that money makes the world go around, and from all evidence, it certainly seems to be a powerful force. Money, in fact, symbolizes power. With money, you can have what you want. With more money, you can have more of what you want. Without money, you may want what you cannot have. Your relationship with money is an extremely intimate and seductive force. The way you use your resources - money, time, energy - says a lot about how you perceive your own power and personal worth. This facet of yourself is expressed through the 2nd House of your chart. Here, you express your value systems. The important special link between finances and self-esteem cannot be understated, and is especially important for you as a woman. In order to extract the real value of your talents and services from others in the world (such as what you are paid from your job), you must first value yourself.

The qualities of Cancer radiate through your 2nd House, indicating that you take a protective approach to handling your finances and personal resources. Your emotional attitudes about material things plays an important role in your values, and you may find that you hang onto some things simply out of sentimentality - including your deeply ingrained attitudes about money. If you've been taught that money is the root of all evil, you may find it quite difficult to abandon that attitude and allow yourself to feel good about financial success. When you stop to evaluate your own need for material security, you'll find that establishing a solid financial base is an important step toward strengthening your worth on many levels. The energy of your Moon plays a major role in your approach to finances, and you need to recognize the cyclical nature of the economy if you are to deal with it effectively. You may even work well in a profession which is cyclical in its production and demand or can be successful in areas which rely on time-honored resources, like real estate, antiques, or the food industry. Since you may feel drawn to use your resources, including time money and energy, to assist others, it would make sense that you'll be more effective when you know how to attract, develop and positively maintain your own.

Since Neptune's energy operates best on the spiritual plane, it does not always have the best effect when residing in a material house like the 2nd House. Your financial judgment may not be very good, since you may not pay much attention to the details involved. Keeping track of your finances is simply not a high priority, but it is a necessary one. If you're in the dark concerning your finances, your self esteem ultimately suffers, because you're only fooling yourself by running away from your need to stay connected to where your resources are being used. But you can become more financially stabilized

when you learn to trust the right people to help you manage your money, time and resources. You'll make connections to those individuals more easily when you make the effort to see others realistically. You may experience your greatest rewards when you're doing things for others and when you're allowing your compassion to flow freely and completely through your creativity. Music, the arts, and nonprofit agencies are good options for career.

Resources you share with others are reflected in the 8th House of your chart. Whether you're considering joint property and finances, inheritance, insurance settlements or tax obligations, this area is not as free and easy as the 2nd House, which seems more like what you want for yourself alone. Another layer of this part of your life deals with your sexuality, and the manner in which you open intimately to others. This is a very personal space, and it is probably one of the most guarded aspects of any woman's psyche. It is here that much wounding has taken place over many centuries, and it is here that the mask of propriety has to be removed in order to openly accept and integrate that fact that you are a person who needs wholeness and healing, and who yearns to bond at the most alchemical level with life itself.

Here you also find your compulsions. It's no wonder that you don't display this part of yourself to just anybody. You have to feel safe to open this facet of yourself, and you realize that this vulnerability can be used against you in power plays. But what you may not always remember is that this is also where you have the power! In true tantric traditions, it is through the vessel of a woman's sexual energy that a couple can ride the wave of sexual ecstasy. This also extends to the other power aspects of any relationship. If your transformational and magical qualities are blocked, the whole of the relationship will suffer.

Your approach to sexual intimacy may be quite cautious due to the influence of Capricorn on your 8th House. Although you may enjoy the games of love, when it gets to intimacy, you're not entirely foot-loose and fancy free. Before you achieve real intimacy, you need to establish trust and mutual respect. Otherwise you may never fully open your heart and soul to the relationship. You can be quite sensual, and will find it easier to experience the levels of sexuality which transport you into ecstasy when you indulge your sensual side. Once you've made an emotional commitment in a relationship, you may not relinquish it easily, so it's very important that you make choices for reasons which fit your deeper needs. You need to be careful of your tendency to be attracted to someone for the things or financial security he can provide. If this is your basis for getting together, you may ultimately feel trapped by the relationship.

Since you have no planets in the 8th House you may not be obsessed with too many problems or hassles with the issues of this area in your life. But you may not get off free on this one, either. Study the sign on the cusp of this house and read everything noted about the planet associated with that sign, because this is the energy tied up with your emotional attachments!

Mars energy is about getting what you want by going after it. Mars is drive. Mars is courage. Mars is desire. Mars is unabashed sexuality. Mars is the fuel for personal power. Men do Mars quite effectively, right down to fighting and war. But you also have a warrior spirit, an Amazon Self. This is your Mars. If you fail to own and utilize your own Martian force, you lose power.

Your sensitivity can undermine your power with Mars in Cancer. When you're fearful or uncertain, you may not feel confident about taking assertive action and can miss opportunities to get what you want from life. This can lead to feelings of insecurity which weaken your sense of personal power. Your desires may run deep, but your ability to stand up for yourself or fight for what is not very strong. You may really love a steamy sexual relationship, but may not feel comfortable requesting what you want from your partner. Sometimes you just have to take the risk and show him what to do, and then all sorts of amazing things can happen! You'll enjoy a relationship with a sensitive man but may not like overly sensitive men who need to be mothered all of the time - mothering is okay in some instances, but there are places you'd like to drop it. You can strengthen your power and vitality by working on your solar plexus. Yoga breathing exercises may help, or you might benefit from practicing tai chi.

You can be overly controlling with your Mars in opposition to Saturn. Not only can you hold yourself back, but you can try to inhibit the actions and energy of others. You may not necessarily look for opportunities to get in somebody's way. When you're in a negative frame of mind, feeling threatened, or insecure, your own fears can work like a wall of resistance. Watch for your first response to new situations. If you feel a big, "No" welling up inside you, stop for a moment and look at your fears. Caution is one

thing. Excessive fear drains your power. You may also need to learn about the difference between directing your anger and stuffing it. When you repress angry feelings, they will ultimately come out in destructive ways and may be directed toward the wrong target!

The energies of Mars and Pluto in quincunx to one another can be frustrating, especially if you're repressing your desires. If you wonder why you're so drawn to people and situations that test your idea of power and control - this is the magnet that attracts those things! Learning where the boundaries are drawn is quite important, since you need to exercise your own power and also must learn to allow others to use their own. Your sexual energies may wax and wane according to the pressures you're feeling in your life, and making the necessary adjustments which will allow you to experience the satisfaction you yearn to achieve can make a big difference in the way you feel about yourself.

Saturn plays the role of the big controller in your life. Sometimes that control seems to come from outside. You know - all the rules and regulations, the authority figures, the intimidating people who tell you what to do - this is the Saturn of the outside world. But you have the same traffic cop in the back of your own mind, telling you what is right and wrong, chiding you when you make a mistake, holding you back when you're about to do something stupid. Saturn control can be a good thing. This is your energy for self-discipline, clarity and focus. You need Saturn. But you need Saturn in its most productive sense. You do not need the guilt, intimidation and self-limitation that keep you from having what you require from life.

When you're climbing toward the realization of your ambitions, you feel your power as a stabilizing force. Since you have Saturn in Capricorn, you have a strong desire to be in control, and will perform at your peak when you have a chance to take charge. But there is a difference between being in control and browbeating others into submission! The way you use your power will determine whether or not you really own it. You also need to take a careful look at your attitudes toward the responsibilities in your life. To truly take responsibility for yourself, you need an attitude which allows you to grow, change and accept things as they are. From this standpoint, you can assert your own energy and manifest a reality which creates true stability. In your relationships, you may have to learn to allow others to make their own mistakes. It's too easy to just do things yourself, since you don't really like having to clean up the mess others make. Learn to say "No" for the right reasons! The illusion of power conferred by social standing and prestigious positions will be meaningless unless you've really earned those positions and then use them to create opportunity and support in the world around you.

The square aspect between your Moon and Saturn can stimulate negative attitudes toward yourself and your needs, and may even add a feeling of resentment toward yourself for being a woman. Your relationships or your conditioning have illustrated that being a woman is a liability, you have two choices. By accepting this condition, your power as a whole person is inhibited. By deciding to overcome the obstacles in your path, your power grows. But you must guard against a tendency to develop harsh emotions, since when you are cold or unfeeling, you're denying a part of yourself. Taking responsibility for your feelings is very different from inhibiting your needs or repressing your nurturant qualities. You can be powerful and be a woman, too.

Dealing with authority is not always easy for you with Saturn in semisquare aspect to Uranus. You may also be uncomfortable in traditional roles, and are most empowered when you can bring innovation and change into your life through exercising your talents and individuality. But you may have to do this within the existing structure, which means you'll have to be a little more patient and much more aware of the limitations around you. If you resist the emergence of your own individuality out of fear or guilt-ridden responsibilities, your power will dwindle away, and you'll end up with a life filled with dissatisfaction.

Plutonian control is sometimes difficult to grasp, but it's definitely there. When you feel this control from outside yourself, it is undermining and extremely intimidating. The force of Pluto is buried deep within your psyche. It is unleashed and grows in a manner like the process of mitosis in a fertilized cell, which is altered, splits off, combines with other cells and ultimately becomes an organism. Through Pluto, you experience the power of life, birth, healing, and the ultimate change of death. If you are trapped in a mire of shame, guilt and self-destructiveness, you may have undergone a Plutonian transformation as a result of trauma earlier in your life. But it is this same force which plants the seeds of change

that eventually can lead to the creation of a new self.

Pluto's energy in your 6th House prompts you to unlock the power you have to alter and transform your own life through self-improvement. The quality of your life depends upon the way you handle experiences which may seem to be beyond your control, like your genetic heritage, or an illness, or the society within which you live. Taking care of your health through finding the root of real healing power in your life is one of the most crucial factors you must face. Completely surrendering control of your life to the will and direction of others will leave you feeling disconnected to yourself. You can find the right healers, helpers and supporters, but first you must acknowledge the part you play in these processes.

You were born at a time when Uranus and Pluto were in square aspect, a cycle which occurs rarely and which influences an entire generation. These energies in square aspect bring great turbulence and unrest, and indicate that those born under its influence face the task of dealing with unpredictable change which may not be under their control. If you are channeling this energy into your personal life, you may face power issues in their most negative and intense manifestations, but can also experience the true nature of release and rebirth of the spirit. Attempting to take control over things which you cannot control can have a negative influence in your life.