

KINDRED SPIRITS REPORT

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Astrological Summary

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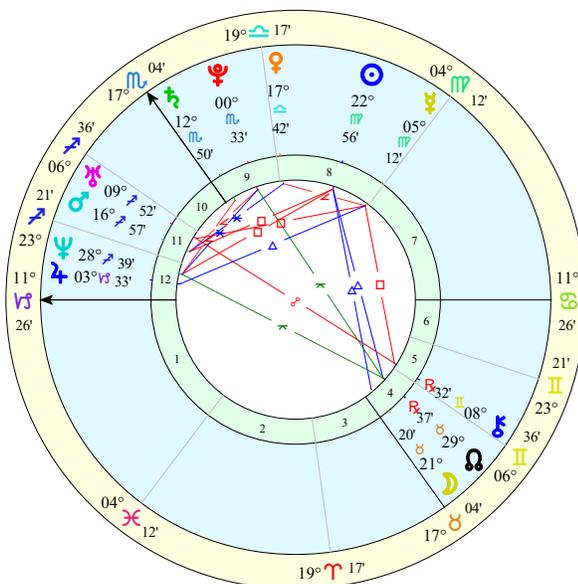


Chart Point Positions: Prince Harry

Planet	Sign	Position	House
The Moon	Taurus	21°Ta20'	4th
The Sun	Virgo	22°Vi56'	8th
Mercury	Virgo	5°Vi12'	8th
Venus	Libra	17°Li42'	8th
Mars	Sagittarius	16°Sg57'	11th
Jupiter	Capricorn	3°Cp33'	12th
Saturn	Scorpio	12°Sc50'	9th
Uranus	Sagittarius	9°Sg52'	11th
Neptune	Sagittarius	28°Sg39'	12th
Pluto	Scorpio	0°Sc33'	9th
Chiron	Gemini	8°Ge32'	5th
The North Node	Taurus	29°Ta37'	4th
The Ascendant	Capricorn	11°Cp26'	1st
The Midheaven	Scorpio	17°Sc04'	10th

Chart Point Aspects

Planet	Aspect	Planet	Orb	App/Sep
The Moon	Trine	The Sun	1°36'	Applying
The Moon	Conjunction	The North Node	8°17'	Applying
The Moon	Opposition	The Midheaven	4°16'	Separating
The Sun	Square	Mars	5°59'	Separating
The Sun	Square	Neptune	5°42'	Applying
The Sun	Trine	The North Node	6°40'	Applying
Mercury	Semisquare	Venus	2°29'	Applying
Mercury	Trine	Jupiter	1°38'	Separating
Mercury	Square	Uranus	4°40'	Applying
Mercury	Square	Chiron	3°20'	Applying
Mercury	Trine	The Ascendant	6°13'	Applying
Venus	Sextile	Mars	0°45'	Separating
Mars	Semisquare	Pluto	1°23'	Separating
Jupiter	Conjunction	Neptune	4°53'	Separating
Jupiter	Conjunction	The Ascendant	7°52'	Applying
Jupiter	Semisquare	The Midheaven	1°29'	Separating
Saturn	Semisquare	Neptune	0°49'	Applying
Saturn	Sextile	The Ascendant	1°24'	Separating
Saturn	Conjunction	The Midheaven	4°13'	Applying
Uranus	Opposition	Chiron	1°19'	Separating
Neptune	Sextile	Pluto	1°53'	Separating
Neptune	Quincunx	The North Node	0°57'	Applying
Pluto	Quincunx	The North Node	0°55'	Separating

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INTRODUCTION



"Kindred Spirits are not so scarce as I used to think. It's splendid to find out that there are so many of them in the world." – L M Montgomery, 'Anne of Green Gables'

Kindred Spirits and Soulmates

Anne Shirley, the heroine of the delightful *"Anne of Green Gables"*, innately knew when she had met her soulmate, whom she endearingly referred to as a kindred spirit. It was not the person's age, sex, race, what they were wearing, their social status, income, physical appearance, charm or any other visible clue that gave her this sense of profound knowing. Nothing purposeful or intentional drew her to her soulmates. Her heart inexplicably knew that a divine grace brought them both together.

Such is the nature of the mysterious force that brings two soulmates into contact. Relationship is a sacred rite that brings us into a close encounter with the truth of our own heart and the elusiveness of our soul. True relationship cannot be arranged, figured out or fixed up. Any attempt to control a relationship flows against the current of our soul. The best that we can do is to enter into its mystery, engage in its paradoxes and know our selves intimately enough to be in relationship, whatever that might bring.

The term 'soul' has a long history and been used in various ways philosophically and non-philosophically, contributing to its confusing and ambiguous nature. In contemporary terms it often refers to an 'X' factor that brings a piece of music alive, renders a poem inspiring, animates a theatrical performance or makes work meaningful. When applied to a relationship it describes the mystery that unites two individuals and enchants and animates the quality of each one's life. It does not suggest that the pain of daily living subsides or that life is

transformed. But it does bring a depth and resonance, allowing meaning, imagination and fantasy to re-animate life. We meet our kindred spirits throughout the course of our lives, first in the family then later as friends, colleagues, lovers, partners at work and play. Soul is not generally found in the lofty heights of idealisation and illusion but in the valleys of pain and despair.

Soul is also what gives life its value and is the lynch pin of our individuality. Our soulmates honour our individuality and allow us to become more of who we are. Paradoxically by nature the soul moves towards attachment, belonging and fusion with another; yet, it also strives for separation, individuality and freedom. Our relationships become a vessel where we submerge ourselves yet from which we also attempt to flee.

This report encourages you to reflect on what it means for you to love, to be a brother, a sister, a friend, a colleague, a partner and a lover. What does your soul need in these relationships? What patterns weave themselves into the nature of your intimate relationships? Astrology is a great ally of the soul, as the Horoscope has an abundance of rich images that help us reflect on and imagine our authentic self; imagination being the language of the soul. This report will strive to veer you towards reflection by illustrating images within your Horoscope, images that may reveal powerful patterns of relationship and bring you more closely aligned with your soul's intent. Astrology helps us focus on our personal view of the cosmos and soul. Therefore this report contains some standout astrological images that may help you reconsider your relationships in a different light.

IN THE BEGINNING IS FAMILY



*“It begins with your family
But soon it comes round to your soul”*
- Leonard Cohen, ‘The Sisters of Mercy’

Lunar Legacies

The very first relationship begins within family. No matter what your individual fate may be, your family is where you forged your earliest relationships, took your beginning steps and first experienced an attachment to someone else. Your earliest experiences of forming an emotional bond have a decisive influence on your capacity to feel safe enough to explore relationships beyond the foundation stones of your family. If you experienced a secure attachment then mastery over your environment as you grow up is a lot easier. This is because you were more aware of feeling safe and knowing you were loved. Human beings gain a greater sense of self, distinct from the family, in the shelter of a safe nest and with adequate protection. We learn to develop our individuality when we have developed a sense of belonging. In a perfect world the family matrix supports and secures our sense of self. Ironically, the deeper the sense of safety and belonging, the more capacity there is for individuality and forging intimate adult attachments.

Without an early sense of acceptance and attachment, feeling secure enough to forge bonds outside the family is more complex. In this case, later relationships can become a test of our sense of safety and acceptance. Also our family is a training ground for the ways that we view relationship patterns. Father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter are all relationships that are illustrated in your Horoscope not only as literal figures, but depicting the patterns of relationships. A helpful way of thinking about your mother or father is not who they are, what they did, how they behaved but how this impacted on you and hence created patterns of behaviour in your life.

In astrology this early bonding process is depicted by the Moon. The Moon symbolises what you need to feel accepted and loved. It indicates the nature of your home and your quest to belong. As the symbol of your deepest emotional patterns, it reflects how you nest and protect yourself. Therefore, through the Moon, you can see indications of your living space, eating patterns, and habitual routines. It also represents 'mother love', your ability to feel loved and your experience of being loved. It symbolises not only your earliest associations but also your adolescent and then adult relationships.

If your earliest experiences have not been life-enhancing then you may need to change some of your innate relationship expectations and patterns. Modern psychologists would emphasise the need "to re-parent" this part of yourself in adult relationships. The Moon can help in this process by indicating the ways in which you can find solace and comfort in the depths of yourself. It is important to recognise your own needs, so you are not subconsciously expecting your friends and partners to fulfill them. Unmet needs can contribute to feeling dependent and hinder your ability to enjoy true intimacy. The idiosyncrasies, habits and routines you bring into relationships are a function of the Moon. Ironically destiny challenges you in your adult relationships to find healthy ways to nurture your personal needs. Therefore it is of prime importance to come to know your Moon as intimately and as respectfully as you can.

The Moon is in Taurus

Your Moon is in Taurus, which is an Earth sign. When you are born with your Moon in the Element of Earth this suggests that you feel bonded to another only if you feel safe, comfortable and secure, knowing your physical needs are going to be met. In classical astrology the Moon was considered to be exalted in the sign of Taurus, because of its links with the rich fields, fertile valleys and luscious orchards of a bountiful earth. Taurus' icon of the powerful bull also symbolises the development of the lunar needs, as the harnessing and domesticating of the powerful ox. Your Moon in Taurus needs to feel nurtured, settled and pleased. Taurus is also the sign of the senses and the Moon placed here suggests that you are comforted when the senses are indulged and satisfied. Therefore in popular astrology the Moon in Taurus is often cited as a chocoholic. And perhaps while true, the underlying urge of Moon in Taurus is to feel comforted through the world of the senses, whether that is taste, touch, smell, sight or hearing.

If you reflect on your childhood you may recall that you felt more attached and receptive to others when you were warm, fed and in comfortable surroundings. Instinctively your need for affection is also strong. A great defence when your needs are not met is to dig in your heels and stand your ground. As a child you might have done this to make your needs known. Attachment to others depends not only on levels of comfort and safety but also being sure that you have a firm foundation in other areas of life. You need to feel a solid base and that any relationship has meaning. When you are insecure then you might recognise that you instinctually reach for sensual pleasure, whether that is comfort food, a shopping spree or a massage. You have a great eye for quality not just in merchandise but in others.

With the Moon in Taurus it is important that you feel a strong sense of self-worth. Otherwise a lack of self-esteem can lead you to become fixated on security. In other words you try to accumulate possessions or large amounts of money as a way of compensating for feeling emotionally insecure. In this state it is hard to let go and trust in the world outside which is coloured by your feelings of lack. Your need for possessions, money and other forms of physical comfort may become insatiable and you may try to meet these needs in your significant relationships so that you can then feel valued and accepted. The problem is that no-one can fulfill all of your needs and you need to be careful that you are not alienating your

loved one, leaving your partner feeling that whatever they might do for you is not enough. Building self-esteem is necessary to break the cycle of needing your friends and partners to nurture your insecurities.

In adult relationships, you have learned that your best pace is to take your time. You need quality, not quantity, and seek out others who help you feel secure in yourself and can provide you with the quality and security you need. Emotionally you are down to earth although sometimes you've been known to charge like a bull. Hopefully, this is rare and for a good reason. Your manner is more placid, mellow and reliable when you have learned to trust and take your time rather than rushing into things. When you are in a rush, especially in relationship, then it is best to stop and reflect on your motivations. You are naturally drawn to what you can see or touch, therefore you are often suspicious of fantasy and idealism. Therefore, in relationship, you need stability, straight forwardness, a sense of moral and ethical value, as well as meaning. You feel nourished when your physical needs and spiritual values are encouraged and supported.

Feeling Secure in an Insecure World

Planets that affect the Moon need to be honoured and acknowledged in each individual's style of attachment, as they reveal an authentic way of being in relationship. When aspecting the Moon, planets influence your early development and your ability to be intimate in adult relationships. Hence planets aspecting the Moon influence our capacity for closeness, comfort and trust in relationships.

Sun trine Moon

When the Sun is forming an astrological aspect to the Moon, the relationship between your parents is emphasized. Archetypally speaking, the Sun personifies your father; while the Moon symbolizes your mother. In terms of early attachment and bonding, a positive aspect between the Sun and Moon signifies that you had a good relationship with both your parents, and may have received an equal amount of care and attention from them.

In terms of early attachment and bonding, it is important for children to see different aspects of their identity reflected back to them by others - and a positive aspect here between the primary 'lights' in your life suggests that this was, indeed the case. It is also important as you learnt to bond and feel safe within the family unit. Hearing the applause of your achievements and feeling supported in your development and identity would have instilled a sense of confidence and achievement. This placement points to the ability of both parents to work together to create an environment in which you were able to get these emotional needs met. So that even if they did not see eye to themselves or remain together as a couple, they were still able to put these differences aside and focus on ensuring that you got the attention, love and care - as well as recognition and acknowledge - that you needed to become a well-adjusted adult.

Home is Where We Start From

In astrology the 4th House signifies the environmental atmosphere of the family home. It is also the terrain of our innermost life where basic needs for emotional security and nurturing are first experienced. It is in this section of the Horoscope where we first experience feelings of belonging, being at home, and being connected. These experiences lay the foundation for security levels in adult relationships. When considering relationships with others, the 4th House symbolises our most intimate ties with family and those who support and nurture us. As well-respected psychotherapist D.W. Winnicott said "home is where we start from".

Planets in the 4th House describe the climate of your family home and the attitudes and influences of your family of origin. These attitudes shape your sense of inner security and the degree to which you feel safe enough to reach out to others. Because 4th House patterns are not always conscious, the planetary energies may not be fully known or understood until they surface in adult relationships as non-supportive habits and unclear behavioural patterns. A planet or planets located in the 4th House are bedrock and foundation for the security, inner strength and self-acceptance that you later bring into your adult relationships.

Without planets in this sphere, the conditions of the House can be described in other ways such as the Sign on the Cusp and its Ruler. Planets, however, personify archetypal images and without a planet in the 4th, the astrologer's focus would be on the Moon to describe the attachment style moulded through the family. Take a moment to reflect on how you feel the level of emotional safety in your family influenced your relationship blueprint.

Moon in the 4th House

With the Moon in your 4th House your emotional security and your sense of belonging was considerably shaped by your family of origin. A strong link to your family develops because you need their support, guidance and nurturing to feel safe. Of course this is a human need, but for your need to belong and feel attached is highlighted by this placement in your Horoscope. With a positive attachment to your family, you are able to leave the nest and return on your own terms. However if your family experience was fractured and unsettled, then you have a more difficult time separating and becoming independent. Your ability to develop a sense of independence may have been compromised by others' needs, your parent/s' dependence upon you or undertones and moods that remained unspoken in your family.

You have a sixth sense about what others need. You first experienced this in your family. It might not be something that you are conscious of, but you innately respond to what is in the atmosphere, sensitive to emotional undertones, jarring vibrations or darkened moods. This is not an intellectual knowing; rather it is a gut knowing. The emotional climate in the environment is absorbed by you, often settling in the stomach or solar plexus. Without conscious knowledge of this pattern you might be responding to everyone else's needs rather than your own, unaware of what it is that you need because of the unfulfilled needs of those around you. When this occurs you feel out of sorts, alone, unsupported, as if no one really understands. Establishing a clear sense of self when it comes to your feelings is difficult for you, but it is a necessity. Hopefully you have an emotionally mature mother and family to help you feel supported and separate enough to know what you need. But if you grew up in a volatile or dysfunctional environment, you probably took responsibility for some of the stress, leaving you feeling insecure and unloved. In this environment you feel that to be loved you need to take care of others and put their needs first. Love becomes dependent rather than unconditional. Therefore, it is always wise in later years to reflect on the extent to which you care for others at the expense of your own needs. Your tenancy to bond, merge, be symbiotic

is great for nurturing a child, but not necessarily supportive in developing friendships and relationships.

Home is important both literally and metaphorically as an image of belonging. Country too. Therefore your natural state suggests you love to be nestled in your home, active in the community and even may wave the flag on the national holiday. In a perfect world you want everyone to come to your house as you have a heart that opens wide to let people in. You are loyal and devoted. But big hearts also hurt big and over time this may have affected the way you love. In an adult context remember your task to provide enough emotional containment and boundaries to protect your sensitivity; be selective about who you invite into that private and sacred space you call home. Your home is the reflection of your inner life and security. When you are unsettled in your self you are unsettled in the home and many of your great life changes will go hand in hand with an important move.

While you do not need to learn to love you do need to learn who you can love. You also need support and encouragement in your closely-knit circles. Remaining conscious of this helps ward off the instinct to care for others when there is nothing in it for you. Common sense dictates you do have to leave home at some point and that may be difficult emotionally and psychologically. Being habitual change does not come easily. But on an emotional level you will return home time and time again, recreating the habitat that is most familiar to you. You want to bring your friends home; you might even bring your work into your home. And from home to home you carry those transitional objects that have become dear to you. Stuffed toys, childhood photos, greeting cards are all-important mementoes of your past. It is natural to collect memorabilia from your life and give it an honoured place in your home.

Your kindred spirits will nurture you just as much as you nurture them. There's nothing like dinner parties with your closet friends or intimate gatherings to bring it back home to you just how important the image of family is. Family is belonging. Whoever is in your orbit feels like family so just be more select about who that might be. You couldn't choose your family but you can be choosy about those you share your adult life with. Making a nest is important and in your adult life home plays a major role in your relationships.

PRIMARY RELATIONSHIPS

*Our Early Soulmates: Siblings, Cousins, Neighbours, Playmates
and School Chums*



*“One would be in less danger
From the wiles of a stranger
If one’s own kin and kith
Were more fun to be with”
- Ogden Nash*

The Third House

The 3rd House significantly contributes to shaping relationship patterns, as this is where the first connection with peers is located. Initial experiences of these relationships make their impression on our attitudes towards companionship, partnership and friendship. Feelings, reactions, trauma, trust, freedom, love, fear, in effect the full spectrum of early relationships, lay the foundation for our adult attachments to friends and partners. This sector of the Horoscope is the storehouse where attitudes towards others that shared our early environment, mainly siblings, but also cousins, neighbourhood friends and primary schoolmates, are contained. Social interactions with partners, colleagues and acquaintances have their origins in these experiences, suggesting the 3rd House of the Horoscope reveals the template for relationship pattern.

The 3rd House is critical when analyzing relationships since it illustrates how we first experience peers and the impact they may have on future relationships. We first test the response from the world through the action or reaction of our siblings and early childhood playmates. The sibling relationship can extend to friends, classmates and others, particularly for only children. In many

cases of an only child, fate arranges it so there is a replacement sibling: a cousin, a neighbour, a step-sibling or special friend.

When investigating the 3rd House it is important to recognise our position in the family. Our birth order, along with the number and gender of our siblings, has a considerable impact on personality. Birth order was often a theme in the myths, fairy tales, fables and biblical stories we grew up with. It is often enlightening to consider your birth position and how that impacts on your relationships. Expectations, patterns we repeat with partners and even our choice of mate may be more influenced by our siblings than we realise.

Following are some illustrations of your 3rd House energies which may help you reflect on your earliest relationships, especially those with siblings, cousins, neighbourhood chums, schoolmates, sports buddies and friends.

3rd House Cusp is in Aries

Aries on your 3rd House Cusp suggests that openness, individual freedom and spontaneity are primary qualities of any relationships that are important to you.

This also suggests that the fiery emotional nature of Aries may have been encountered early in your sibling relationships or friendships. Competition, rivalry, adventure and challenges may have confronted you with finding a way to be independent, yet engaged in your earlier relationships. Competition through games, play and adventure are a healthy way to be in relationship, as you may remain separate and focused on your best outcome, yet be in relationship. Or the other extreme may be that aggression and bullying harmed your sense of feeling accepted in relationship. Either way early experiences of opposition, competition and rivalry find their way into adult relationship in some form. Your task is to recognise that individuality and difference of opinion do not exclude relationship but contribute to a healthy, active and dynamic partnership.

Fate may dictate that in your early relationships you were confronted with your own independence and desires. With your siblings, you might have learned to take a stand, have the courage of your convictions, argue and fight for your rights and share in the adventure and discovery of relating. It might have been a battle but you learned how to be yourself in relationship. Soulmates will dare you to be more of who you are, even more of who you might be. While the challenge might be tough you are up to it; the irony is that to be the winner in relationships, you have to give your all, even if that is not compatible with the other.

Being Kind to our Kin

Another lens we can use to focus on early peer relationships is to look at planetary aspects to Mercury. Mythologically, Mercury was a younger son determined to be noticed by his older brother and father and take his rightful place in the family. While he is a mascot for the younger sibling he also personifies the themes in sibling relationships. Rivalry, reconciliation, envy, companionship, separation, communication, support, loyalty and the bond of friendship are all elements of our first peer relationship with our siblings and early childhood sibling substitutes.

Chiron is Square Mercury

The combination brings the themes of mentoring, wounding and healing together with the image of your sibling. Perhaps your sibling fostered your spiritual development, encouraging you to be heroic. On the other hand, your brother or sister may have been an agent of wounding. This could have manifested in many various ways like name-calling, abandonment or rejection. At some stage in your life, you may have felt alienated or separated from your

siblings, as if exiled from your community of peers. Literally, this image suggests a sibling that is handicapped in some way, an adopted sibling or the separation from your sibling through death or a schism in the family.

While this not necessarily may be your experience, you may feel that you are separated from the others in some way. You might feel cut off from others due to having an early experience of wounding through communication, speaking a foreign language, distinct learning patterns or simply feeling misunderstood. Therefore, your kindred spirits are likely to be unique individuals who are somehow outcasts or rejects from the mainstream - and in communicating with them, you will find the freedom that comes from not being identical to others. Through your adult relationships with these types of soul mates, it is likely that you will be able to heal your earlier feelings of exclusion.

Uranus is Square Mercury

When the zany planet Uranus combines with the mischievous Mercury there is likely to be evidence that individuality and freedom took precedence in your early experiences with peers and friends. With siblings, and later friends and partners, you need avenues to express your freedom and unique character. With communication and learning, you want to adventure and experimentation. You have your own way of thinking about things, which might not always dovetail with the ways others think.

Your sibling may have been your first image of independence and individuality. Yes, you are attracted to the freedom fighter and rebel because you too are self-determined in many ways. However, the other side of the coin may be that your experience of early peer encounters was distant, aloof or cold. In its negative manifestation Uranus-Mercury may feel disengaged, bored, non-committal, leaving you feeling cut off or outside the circle. This is your way of knowing no connection has been made.

When connection exists you are lively, wired and expressive. These extremes are part of your early relating until you feel you find your place and your independent nature is accepted and valued. In adult relationships you have an eclectic circle of friends who encourage you to be free and independent enough to feel that you are well connected. Your kindred spirits know how you are wired and love your adventures into outer space, cyber space, and all spaces in between.

KINDRED SPIRITS

Friends, Acquaintances and Colleagues



“Friendship is a single soul dwelling in two bodies.”

- Aristotle

The Eleventh House

The 11th House is where we hope and wish for a better future, not only for our loved ones and ourselves but also for our wider family. While the 11th House suggests participation with others outside our household we are still prone to recreating unresolved family and relational patterns in the groups, social circles and professional associations we join. Underlying the social relationships of the 11th House represented by friends, colleagues and associates are the primitive patterns and expectations from our earlier peer relationships. Friendship is one of the keynotes of this House and while we feel we have more choice in creating our friendships, we may also discover left over sibling rivalries. The ideal scenario is that we become greater than who we are on our own and in this way friendship helps to expand our boundaries and encourages growth and exploration. The relationships of the 11th House refer to those forged outside the family circle.

This House of relationship is where we meet the kindred spirits who we encounter in the world. Roles and positions have already been forged in our sibling and other relationships and we instinctively take these into our relationships in the broader community. Our impact on society and society's impact upon us is interconnected with our primary experiences of relationship. In the 11th House we become citizens of a larger community and meet our soul friends.

Relationships feel familiar, as they are kin, allies who are kindred spirits. Hopefully, the spirit that inspires and infuses us is the common link in our friends and colleagues. We can find the sense of belonging to a larger family, being individuals in a larger collective. However, the groups of

friends, the group of colleagues, and the organisations we join reawaken incomplete relationship experiences and rivalry once again is experienced. Our friends, close colleagues and kindred spirits can also be the healing agents that help us reconcile and heal the pain of our earlier relationships.

In ancient Greece the polis was not only a representation of the city but also the spirit of the city-state. Here was where democracy flourished, the rights of citizens were respected and the early experiments at sharing power and influence were attempted. The 11th House of the Zodiac is political in that it links the individual in a spirit of equal relationship to others in the collective. Your understanding of the 11th House will help you consider how you forge a democratic, equal and co-operative relationship with others. Impinging upon the success of this is your earlier experiences of relating, your trust in human relationships and your unconscious expectations that you still harbour in relationships. Here you meet your kindred spirits in the world, who share your passions, witness your successes and share your burdens. Both the Zodiac Sign on the Cusp of this House and the planets contained in this sphere will help you reflect on your friendships and group affiliations

11th House Cusp is in Sagittarius

The 11th House represents your community, the groups you encounter and belong to outside the family: groups that you belong to because of your interests, your passions and your professional affiliations. In this House are kin, not bound by blood, but by a similar spirit of interest. Eleventh House experiences include your first class photo, your circle of friends, Girl Guides and Boy Scout experiences, the school council; groups where you were part of the community without other family members. This House also describes your friends and kindred spirits who share your hopes and wishes and who contribute to making your world the ideal place to live in.

With Sagittarius on the Cusp of the 11th House, your friends are your fellow travellers through life. You seek companions who share your philosophy of life, who are freedom-loving, good-humoured and have a vision. Potentially you bring abundance to your friendships and in many ways friends are your *raison d'être*. Whether it is on the sporting field, in the university, on an aeroplane or in an ashram you draw your kindred spirits to you through your honesty and straightforwardness, along with your faith and zest for life.

From the beginning, you were interested in others from all walks of life, especially those that were foreign to you. Anyone foreign seemed so much more interesting than the locals did. Your early friends helped instill in you a sense of wanderlust, an exploration into the unknown and a curiosity about life. Today that means your friends might be from distant parts of the globe, different cultures or backgrounds. However you experience this, your friends are an eclectic congregation who share your philosophy, ideals and values. It is so important for you that your mates are farsighted, broadminded and big hearted. However, in your search for open minded others, your encounter with prejudice and the unethical side of human nature can leave you feeling despairing. On the other hand it also whips you into a state of action and community concern.

Community is important to you, especially the social groups that advocate human values and morals. However, you are also drawn to groups that defend ethics, stand for philosophical ideas, demonstrate spiritual ideals and pursue intellectual knowledge. Therefore, you participate in the community and are a welcome addition to the side, whether that's the soccer or the debating team. Welcome because you are identified, outspoken about your beliefs and put your spirit fully into what you are involved with. Whether friendship is shared in

the religious community, in the university, through travelling together or being on the same team your spirit and optimism is a boon for others.

Your friends admire your spirit and faith in life. You have a knack of being able to see the horizon when others cannot and finding the reason behind what seems unreasonable. Therefore others are drawn to your spirit and faith. You need your friends to share the bigger picture of life with you, to help answer the larger questions and to journey through life together. You bring a sense of abundance to your friendship and your kindred spirits reciprocate, sharing the bigger pictures of life with you. Your soul friends are fellow travellers on the road of your life.

Mars is in the 11th House

Mars is the archetype of the warrior and its House position locates the sphere of life where anger and aggression may be ignited, where an individual may feel competitive or where the entrepreneurial and self-motivated spirit are able to be expressed. The 11th House is the social environment of others and therefore this suggests that any festering sibling rivalries, incomplete anger with current or ex-partners might spill over into your friendships. Therefore it is prudent to be aware of any simmering or contentious issues and not to let them inappropriately interfere with friends or pollute the atmosphere of any groups you belong to. Assertive impulses are best focused towards leading the group. Mars in the 11th suggests you have a passion for group involvement whether that is through sports, political issues or other causes. You have the ability to confront the group and spur them into action. This role takes you into the group to lead them onto new challenges and inspire them in new directions.

However Mars in the 11th may also suggest that you become a target for the group's hostility or the one signalled out as the cause of the conflict. When issues of anger and aggressive instincts are denied or when your Martian qualities are projected onto others they may be set aflame in the atmosphere of the group. What seems like a random act of violence directed at you could be sublimated anger lashing out. Therefore it is important to reflect on your frustration and anger and what this means in terms of group participation. No doubt Mars in the eleventh will experience rivalry and competition with a group setting; therefore it is important that you become clear about your motives, desires and inclinations.

Friendships are important to you and while you may be conflict with others or disagree, you also feel respect and passion. Again it is important to be aware that conflict and difference of opinion are a natural part of every friendship and your challenge with Mars in the 11th is to manage this so it does not create tension and bitter conflict. Mars is the urge to assert your individuality and in the 11th it is often directed towards a friend. Therefore there may be differences of opinion, urges to move in different directions even challenges to your identity. But with this placement it is important to recognise all these are aspects of both friendship and group involvement. The challenge is to allow the disagreements to be stimulating, the differences exciting and the companionship passionate. You are willing to go into battle for your friends and for the group in order to defend rights and freedom that are important to you.

Mars' urge is for independence while the 11th House environment denotes the social sphere and community. Therefore the paradox of asserting your identity as a social being comes into play. However this need not be a conflict. With this placement it important to recognise that in your socialisation processes the need for independence and autonomy will be activated. You need to be aware not to become so aligned with the group that you lose your identity or so independent you feel you are never part of a group. The challenge is to be part of a group

without feeling a loss of your identity. Ironically with Mars in the 11th it is with your friends and also through group involvement that you can begin to assert your identity as the mirror of others helps to reflect your uniqueness and singularity. Your kindred spirits will also be warriors who champion your individuality, verve and courage.

Uranus is in the 11th House

As the modern ruler of Aquarius and therefore the 11th House, the planet Uranus seems at home in this sphere. As a transpersonal planet in the collective sphere it suggests that you have a capacity to bring idealism, innovation and enlightenment into any group situation. While Uranus is rebellious by nature, being in the 11th House you have an innate understanding that unity comes through diversity and the capacity to understand, tolerate and accept other points of view. Uranus in the 11th symbolises a form of utopianism where all are equal; you are democratic by nature.

While kinship with others is important your Uranus in the 11th suggest you can also act out rebelliously within a group. If the group is too static, traditional or stuck in a rut you become the revolutionary that disrupts the status quo. Therefore this placement can also suggest that you might feel separate from the group, the outsider, the black sheep, the 'strange one'. Therefore your creative role in the group is the one who catalyses the group into change. You are the one who brings in another point of view, perhaps out of left field. You might shock and awaken the group and its leaders out of its complacency, propelling the group into a new and liberated direction. As the agent of change it might be important to reflect on differentiating between the compulsion to change the system for change sake and the authentic need for revolution. With this placement you are able to sustain many different friendships. All become a part of the whole and it is necessary for you to cultivate different relationships and nourish the differing parts of your self that are brought out in exchanges with others.

Like lightening, Uranus strikes, then disappears. For you, group involvement may be sudden and unexpected and may not last. Friendships too may flare up and be unpredictable. While your role may be the one to stir things up, it is also important to recognise the difference between this and being disengaged and detached. With your Uranus in the 11th groups and friends are important yet it is necessary that you retain a sense of separateness and space, or you may unexpectedly separate from the group or leave the friendship. Your urge for space, distance and adventure may be experienced when you feel stifled by commitments. With Uranus here it is important that you have many varying outlets for your independence and individuality so you do not project the need for space and freedom onto the group and view every collective as smothering and limiting. With Uranus in the 11th the freedom to be who you are is found through associations with others in the community. Your kindred spirits recognise you as unique and allow you to be who you are on any given day.

SOUL AND RELATIONSHIP

Intimate Friends and Committed Partners



“Love consists in this ... that two solitudes protect and touch and greet each other.”

- Maria Rilke Rainer

The Seventh House

As the poet describes, loving and committed relationships are forged by the alchemy of two individuals. Soul is expressed through individuality and when its unpredictable and mysterious nature is brought into intimate contact with another, a genuinely soulful relationship is possible. The 7th House is the astrological site where individuality and relationship converge. Astrologically, it is the quintessential House of relationship and its process embraces the experience of being with an equal other in a committed and intimate way. From the soul's viewpoint this is the arena where mutuality, reciprocity and respect for individuality can work to fashion a soulful relationship that embraces the unique character of each partner. Seventh House partners are not just marriage or life partners, but also close business partners and others engaged with you in a committed relationship.

Traditionally this sphere was known as the House of 'open enemies'. Whereas traditional astrology might literally ascribe qualities to a partner, contemporary astrology sees these qualities as mirror images of what is innate in us. In remaining unconscious of your 7th House energies, you proclaim them as belonging to someone else, generally your partner. We enter a mystery where we are drawn to what appears as opposite and different, yet is only a partial reflection of what is not yet conscious in us. What we sense is kin, congeniality, familiarity, yet not from the system we have known. Destiny hovers on the threshold of the 7th House; therefore the Sign on the Cusp is very often prominent in your partner's Horoscope.

We can draw an analogy between the arrival of the partner and the birth of a sibling. Powerfully conflicted feelings of love and rivalry, fascination and anger, closeness and separateness are ignited in new relationships. But this is the nature of intimate relationships as strands of each soul are woven together. Astronomically the 7th House is where the sun prepares to set. It is twilight, when the light elongates the shadows and we prepare to meet the dark. Therefore it is the partner who awakens an earlier stratum of psyche where unresolved or incomplete issues and patterns from other relationships may enter into our current relationship.

Our partners are companions, kindred spirits and intimate others. But human nature inclines towards moulding our partners with the clay of our own unresolved patterns and complexes. The material we use for this is often our own projections, fantasies and ideals. Following is a description of your 7th House energies which might help you recognise your own ideals or those you carry for your partners. In reflecting on these and becoming more conscious of underlying patterns, you can embrace these energies more fully in yourself allowing your relationships to be less focused on the past and more anchored in the present and, hopefully more soulful.

7th House Cusp is in Cancer

Astronomically your 7th House begins on the western point of the horizon. Astrologically this is the sector of the Zodiac that was setting when you were born. This Zodiacal location is exactly opposite your Ascendant or Rising Sign. Your Rising Sign depicts your personality and independent outreach into life. Your descending Sign or Descendant, as it is known, represents "others". Therefore the Ascendant-Descendant axis becomes vital in any relationship analysis. It describes the intimate dance between yourself and your partner.

Your Ascendant is Capricorn; therefore the Water Sign Cancer is on your 7th House Cusp.

The Water Element contains the signs Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces, bringing a depth of feeling and love to the area of relationships. Water flows towards the mysterious and mystical side of relationship, and is attracted and repelled by the 'energy' and 'vibrations' of others, unable to articulate neither the invisible thread that pulls them towards another nor the impulse that drives them away. Water also idealises the sphere of relationship along with those who inhabit its terrain – siblings, partners, friends and associates. While fire may be conceptually idealistic about relationship, water is emotionally idealistic, often drawn to unrealistic relationships. Led by feelings, aroused by empathy and compassion for another, water can contribute to a power imbalance in relationship.

Your natural inclination is to bring nurturing, care, empathy and concern to the sphere of relationship. The problem is that these feelings may not be reciprocated, leaving you feeling unsupported emotionally. Water's power to obliterate emotional separateness can create enmeshment with others; therefore it is wise to recognise the power of your own feelings that are inspired by others. Your ability to feel the other's feelings, to serve the other's needs and to care for another person's insecurities is very instinctive. This is admirable; however, within the arena of an equal relationship, some may experience this as smothering or invasive. Without your conscious discrimination in the employment of your care and empathy for others, you may find yourself feeling hurt by others who do not reciprocate your caring. This sense of abandonment and emotional inequality is enormously painful, yet ultimately necessary in learning the difficult task of separateness and discrimination in relationship.

With the Element of Water on the 7th House Cusp you enter a relationship with a sense of deep connection, moved by your need to nurture, care and merge with the other. Water's tendency is to confuse boundaries, and when it is important to separate, you may find it

difficult to leave. And the irony too is that when it is important to be there, you might be unavailable. The flow of water fuses and merges with what it encounters and therefore is not always comfortable to feel separate. This transformational power of water is discovered and celebrated through its multi-layered relationships with equal others.

The Cusp of a House is the gateway that opens into a new realm of experience. The Cusp of the 7th opens onto the territory of equal and adult relationship, quite separate to the relationships with family and childhood sweethearts. In this House you find not only the soulmates of your life, but the relics, symbols, images, feelings, patterns and memories of relationship, discovering the depth of emotion that you are able to bring to your close encounters.

What you are first attracted to in others is their emotional and loving nature, their warmth and concern for your feelings. Sentimentalists, you feel right at home in their presence attracted to their protective and sympathetic nature. While you may attract these qualities in your quest for equal relationship, you will also attract the shadow of these qualities. Their protection may also seem smothering and their concern unnecessary. What once felt like sensitivity now feels like hysterics. You might feel a bit stifled, unable to get away without unnecessary explanations or white lies. And you're begin to wonder whether you have confused care for love, and concern for passion. You need to feel emotionally secure not just with others but in the deep recesses of your own being. Your relationship with your mother and other family members, as well as the pattern of love and care in your childhood family, has a tendency to surface in your adult relationships. Your own sensitivity, nurturing qualities and family patterns will become apparent in your quest for a mate. But once you bond with a mate then you want it to be for life with the bigger picture of family, homestead and all the traditions that come with family life.

Qualities you admire and are attracted to in others include tenderness and kindness, caring and nurturing abilities as well as the sense of tradition and emotional expression. And it is these very qualities that a partner helps you find in yourself. So don't be surprised when your kindred spirits have their Sun, Moon or Ascendant in Cancer or are excellent chefs and loving cooks.

PLEASURE, PASSION AND LOVE

The Joys of Venus and Mars



“There is only a single magic, a single power, a single salvation and a single happiness, and that is called loving.” - Herman Hesse

Venus and Mars

To the ancient mythmakers, Venus and Mars were consistently paired together as companions, either lovers or close sibling allies. In Roman mythology they are the deities who preside over the Empire. To the Greeks Aphrodite and Ares were deeply attached passionate lovers or siblings. In the story of “The Odyssey” they are caught in a golden web woven by Hephaestus who wove the fine filament in order to entrap Aphrodite in bed with Ares. Their relationship is an erotic one. In Homer’s earlier epic “The Iliad” their relationship is depicted as less magnetic, yet just as close. Aphrodite refers to him in this epic as ‘dear brother’. Their relationship is devoted and warm-hearted. When we imagine these gods we think of them as eternal lovers, sometimes married, other times not. They represent two layers of soulmates: erotic and emotional intimacy as well as companionship. In psychological terms they represent our inner orientation to pleasure and passion, while in astrological terms they help identify what qualities attract us to others, what we value and desire. Physiologically they are our scent and libido, the innate attractive and active forces that draw us towards companionship.

In term of compatibility and conflict in relationship, Venus and Mars play a leading role. The complete picture of their placement in your horoscope can be fully assessed by a professional astrologer. For this report we are only analysing the planetary sign which signifies qualities and essences important in your intimate relationships.

Being opposite in nature, Venus and Mars are naturally attracted to one another and often a highlight of your soul mate’s astrological constitution. Therefore take note of the sign placements of both Venus and Mars and how they are reflected in the horoscopes of intimate others. Use these descriptions to reflect on your values and desires. Venus themes in relationship focus on

shared values, feeling loved and appreciated, money and pleasure, affection and sensuality while Mars brings themes of sex and desire, independence and individuality, dealing with conflict and the sharing of goals out into the open. By nature Venus is feminine and Mars is masculine; therefore gender wise Venus might be more integrated into the personality for women while Mars might be more accessible for men. That "Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus" thing again. Hence a man's Venus might be a fair description of women he is attracted to while a woman's Mars often describes the men she attracts.

Venus is pleasure and beauty.

Both in body and in spirit, Venus symbolises what you find attractive and the values you place upon your relationships, what you need to feel partnered and your own inner sense of worth and value that wants to be appreciated, honoured and respected. Your Venus sign is a metaphor for those qualities you need in relationship to feel complete.

Venus is in Libra

Art Enthusiast seeks Elegant Other

Imagine this advertisement in the personal column of your local paper. Well it's not quite your style, but there may be a grain of truth in it for you. Be honest. You don't want people who are ordinary, uncivilised, bad mannered or rude answering your ad or showing up at your door. But what if they did? Well you would be polite I am sure, but you would hold your ground and get your point across. Libra is supposed to be sweet, but perhaps it just gets what it wants in the sweetest way. With Venus in Libra, you could swing between being too accommodating and then counterbalancing that with aggression. It's hard for you to create waves, which means you might end up going along with something that does not suit you because you do not want to offend someone. You say to yourself "what the heck, it doesn't really matter" when it does. Sooner or later, it is going to blow up. Other times you are just ambivalent and then it doesn't really matter.

It is difficult for you to be confronting or show your displeasure. You value harmony and aesthetics because you have a natural affinity with beauty. Whether it's a pre-Raphaelite or a Monet is not that important, what matters is its beauty. From an early age, you appreciated art, sculpture and all things sophisticated. Unfortunately, people aren't works of art or museum pieces, which is a great shame. Therefore, you will have to get used to the idea that those you love can sometimes appear tired, dishevelled and crude. It's not that much of a problem as you do love to share and be part of the ups and downs of their life script. You make a great partner because you love to please and take care of those you love.

Innately you are social and people-orientated. You are romantic too. However you also need your own space which sometimes gets a bit crowded because you've agreed to do so many things with so many people. You need to learn that intricate balance of saying no when you do not want to be involved, and yes when you truly do. No is not easy to say, but necessary. You value relating and are genuinely interested in others but you also need to balance that with your own time and space, which you often forget. When you figure that one out, you will be blessed to find many kindred spirits who love you for being so loving.

Mars is passion and desire.

Whether spiritual, physical, intellectual or emotional Mars symbolises how you express your desires, frustrations and energy. In terms of relationship it suggests how you assert yourself, deal with conflict and make your desires transparent. Your Mars sign describes how you might express yourself, go after what you want and how you may deal with anger in relationship. In essence it is a symbol of how your life force naturally seeks expression.

Mars is in Sagittarius

How you assert yourself in your relationships and take the courage to be your own person is the domain of the Planet Mars. In the fiery Sign of Sagittarius, it suggests that you shoot from the hip, but sometimes too much from the tip of your tongue. It's second nature to say it the way it is. To your mind, who has got the time to spend trying to make it any other way? You're also very far-sighted and can see way beyond the personal details and reactions into what you consider to be more meaningful. And that's the truth, as far as you are concerned. But as they say, truth hurts. You are learning that, while it's natural to be impulsive, maybe a little discretion might be wise. For example, you go straight for what you desire like jumping headlong into a relationship. However when the relationship turns out to be not quite as freewheeling as you thought, you bail out just as impulsively. And you dash away, unconsciously humming the Mac Davis hit "*Baby, don't get hooked on me*".

To be fair, you've probably added some excitement and adventure into other people's lives and so when you leave, you do so having injected a certain element of fun and stimulation. Your warmth, generosity and optimism brighten up all your interactions. Perhaps in looking back you could have been a bit more communicative about what was happening for you, or perhaps admitted when you were wrong. But that's difficult because you don't like to stay in one place for too long, or to face the fact that you don't hold all the answers. By nature you are an explorer and your desire for learning and cross-cultural experiences is high. You are called by a faraway horizon, therefore in terms of being in relationship, it is important that you find the way to feel connected and be able to move.

You have a vital spirit which is a good barometer for how you are feeling. When you feel lethargic, even depressed, it's because you feel trapped. You might be inclined to try and rationalise your position but the truth is you need to move and express yourself. The more energy you expend the more you seem to get. This works well in terms of personal connection too, as you need to express that restless energy without fear of judgement. You love stimulation and variety in all your endeavours and you need your intimate others to be open to that as well. You bring a great deal of vitality and excitement into any relationship and what you hope to find in return is an accomplice who shares your search for meaning.

DARK SIDE OF THE MOON

Blindspots, obsessions, compulsions and addictions



*“You had a temper, like my jealousy: too hot, too greedy
How could you leave me when I needed to possess you?
I hated you, I loved you, too.”- ‘Wuthering Heights’ by Kate Bush*

Black Moon Lilith

This is not a heavenly body as such, but a point of power like the Nodes of the Moon. Geometrically, Black Moon Lilith represents the empty focal point of the Moon's elliptical orbital path around the Earth. As an astrological symbol, Lilith seems to show the unfolding of the ancient archetypal feminine power of creation, growth, stasis, decay and destruction. It is connected with maturity, especially emotional maturity, and seems to be involved in working with turbulent feelings, jealousy and rage to create more inner balance and harmony. This leads to Black Moon Lilith's gift of self-empowerment. Its dark face is revealed in volcanic eruptions of destructive anger, intense passion, emotional manipulation and disordered aggression. There seem to be themes of spiritual (or even material) renunciation associated with Lilith, and these then create resonances with Ketu, the South Node of the Moon.

The Black Moon is in Aries

The Black Moon is in the fiery Sign of Aries indicating that you may not be aware of the impact of your behaviour on those around you. You may feel that others are overly asserting their rights and that you are not having a fair say. In fact, it is probably the other way around. You are not realising the extent to which you are asserting yourself. You may be quite passive aggressive in getting your own way. Even as you read this, you are likely to be denying the truth of this interpretation, ready to skip through. The planet Mars is said to rule the sign of Aries. Therefore, you need to look at this planet in your Horoscope and claim your independence in a positive manner. Once you realise just how powerful you are, then you no longer feel the need to overcompensate by forcing your way. The Black Moon's gift is the opportunity to bring unconscious or self-defeating behaviour into the light of day where it can no longer run amok.

The Black Moon is in the 2nd house

Problems arise in your life when it comes to money. You are likely to blame others for your money woes, but actually it is unlikely to be their fault. Your own self-defeating behaviour is, in some way, contributing to any short-fall in your income that you may experience. The good news is that you can break the cycle once you acknowledge and discover the ways in which you are sabotaging your own financial success. It is possible that your self-esteem is somehow linked to your monetary challenges. Perhaps you need to value your skills more and charge more for your services if you are self-employed, or change jobs if you work for someone else? Maybe you are procrastinating on a business deal? Or are you afraid of taking a financial risk? Perhaps you are too rash? Are you overspending, compensating for a lack of esteem and happiness? Whatever the scenario, you are able to face the truths and create more financial freedom for yourself, and your loved ones once you own up to this blind spot in your emotional make-up.

CROSSING PATHS

Close Encounters with Kindred Spirits



“Lovers don’t finally meet somewhere. They’re in each other all along.”- Rumi

The Nodes

You won’t meet your kindred spirits accidentally. In the chronicles of the soul, there are no accidents, only meaningful coincidences; therefore your soulmates are already familiar to you. Whether you come across them in the sacred circle of your family, the playgrounds of your childhood, in your adult establishments or your elderly neighbourhoods, they are already part of you. Whether these relationships last a minute or a lifetime, are filled with happiness or conflict, they are destiny’s design woven into your life’s intricate tapestry. Therefore it is inevitable that at some time your path will intersect the paths of your soulmates.

But when? Well this is the riddle of relationship. Whatever arrangement or timing brings you into alignment with your kindred spirits is the inexplicable mystery of the soul. Astrology is a great aid in this regard as it can bypass layers of rational minds to explore timing in relationships. Astrology’s timing techniques are invaluable in helping to focus on major and meaningful passages in relationship. Consulting a professional astrologer to explore these questions can be highly revealing and rewarding. Within the limits of this report we can draw on an aspect of your horoscope that will help you reflect on your encounters with kindred spirits. This is the House position of the North Node, a signpost that points to where soul may be encountered in relationship.

The House positions of the Nodes illustrate environmental factors that shape and influence your fate, including relationship. This is where the inner and outer worlds lead us to a rendezvous with soul. North Node experiences are out of the ordinary, since its nature is both subjective and participatory with the spiritual world. Therefore the House position of the North Node locates one of the settings where engagement with the spiritual self occurs. The South Node is in the opposite

House and describes a familiar place, an area of safety, and a comfort zone that supplies an anchor for our relationships. However it is also a place where we can become fixed, caught in the safety zone of our complacency and neglect the invitation of the North Node. That would be a shame as it is at this pole where you might cross paths with a kindred spirit.

Considering this one image in your Horoscope invites you to feel more masterful in participating with your soul's journey and more receptive to close encounters with kindred spirits.

The North Node is in the 4th House

Having your North Node in the 4th House in your birth chart does not always guarantee a close knit family or happy memories of home. However what it does imply is that you are destined to search for the place where you belong. Part of this quest involves an in-depth probe into your ancestry and your beginnings, as you instinctually know that your genealogy and ancestry play an important role in your destiny. Sometimes we need to untangle the root system of our own family tree before we can plant our own. Going back into the family history might let us go forward into our own. Deep in the annals of the family history you might unearth some kindred souls whose spirits are part of you. So while you might never have realised it, you are secured in a past brimming with history. Your soul is deep-toned, forged out of the complexities that have gone before. Yet, as we know, soul is more often crafted in the depths of the underworld than in the lofts of heaven. You prepare to meet your soulmates through encountering your own soul, its needs and its foundation principles.

Your 4th House North Node has its South Node polarity in the 10th House highlighting your instinctual awareness of the world, its rules and morals. In relationship, when you feel insecure, you may unconsciously revert to control, authority or laws to regain your sense of belonging. Such a fine line between relating and controlling exists that you need to be careful that you do not sacrifice closeness for being in control. When rules become decrees relationships are compromised, a pattern you need to be alert to. However, your fate might be that you are elevated easily to positions of authority, not to rule the roost, but create a safe and nurturing community. Kindred spirits seek your advice and expertise and you are able to care for them in this way.

This Nodal Axis brings the private world and public life into focus. The demands of the inner and outer worlds might seem at odds and therefore you are challenged to find a meaningful balance between your private and your public life. Your natural tendency might find it easier to be in the world, be public and involved with your career; however, your 4th House Node highlights the importance of the inner and private world. You need quiet time and a private space to recharge. But you also need to share this inner sanctum with your soulmates. Therefore you are challenged to communicate your deepest feelings, risk being vulnerable and intimate and trust your own responses. When you do you are amazed at how your kindred spirits understand and respect your private self. You don't have to be in charge to be loved. In reality this means you often experience a tug of war between your career and your family, outer achievements and inner peace or the feeling of being successful versus the feeling of being settled. In terms of the soul your task is to become sensitive to your deepest needs relinquishing the inauthentic values of the world.

Destiny points to the need to consciously create a strong and secure base before launching yourself. It is important to recognise where your foundation lies, as you need a strong rock to build upon. Ironically, your outer world opens its arms to you when you make the effort to develop your inner nature. Whatever way fate weaves her pattern the two threads of career and family are the brighter colours in the fabric. Innately you have a successful relationship with the world and what it has to offer when you are able to build your own nest and family

life. Kindred spirits are those rare individuals who are able to share your private world, who see you as you truly are, not what you accomplish, nor your rank or profession, but simply you.

CONCLUSION

*“Love to some is like a cloud, to some as strong as steel
For some a way of living, for some a way to feel
And some say love is holding on and some say letting go
And some say love is everything, some say they don’t know.”*

-John Denver, Perhaps Love

Songwriter John Denver's lyrics capture the paradoxical nature of love for each individual. Every relationship whether it is familial or formal, professional or personal, intimate or casual is an invitation to self-discovery. We bring our hopes, secrets, expectations, resources and desires to our relationships and through the alchemy of interaction come to better know ourselves and others. Soul does not strive to work out or control relationship but inspires us to consider what is being asked of us; what is the fate of this relationship? In this way astrology is a unique tool in helping us reflect on the purpose and patterns of our relationships, not to fix or control them, but to understand their complexity and place in our lives.

Kindred spirits are relationships in which a deep bond is present, not inspired by the teachings of a self-help manual but through the soul's grace. And that is a mystery which astrology helps us to consider. I have written this report to promote a spirit of inquiry into the patterns and purposes of soul in your relationships. Like soul there may be contradiction and confusion, as it seeks understanding not clarity. Also the report is limited in its nature to explore the more detailed and intricate patterns of your horoscope. However it is the author's sincere hope that it provides an initial step to your reflection on relationships. Perhaps love in the end is what we are willing to bring to it, like the poet Ovid implied in *“The Art of Love”*: *“If you'd be loved, be worthy to be loved”*.