

# Complete Relationship Report

*for*  
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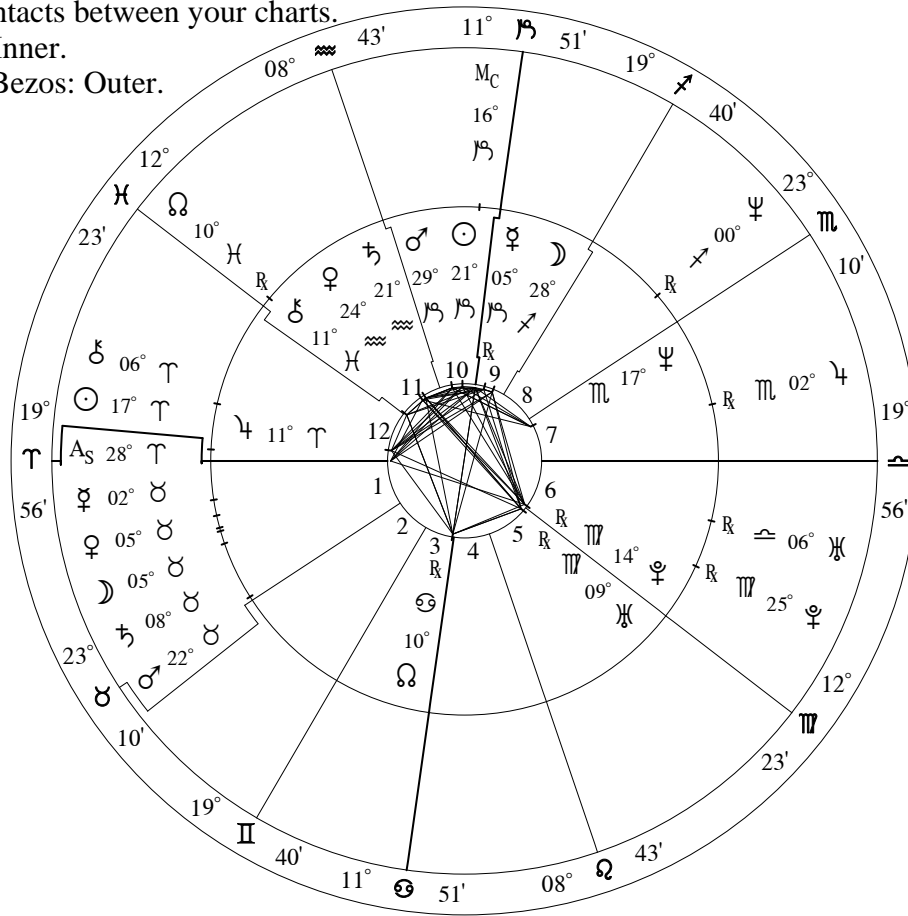
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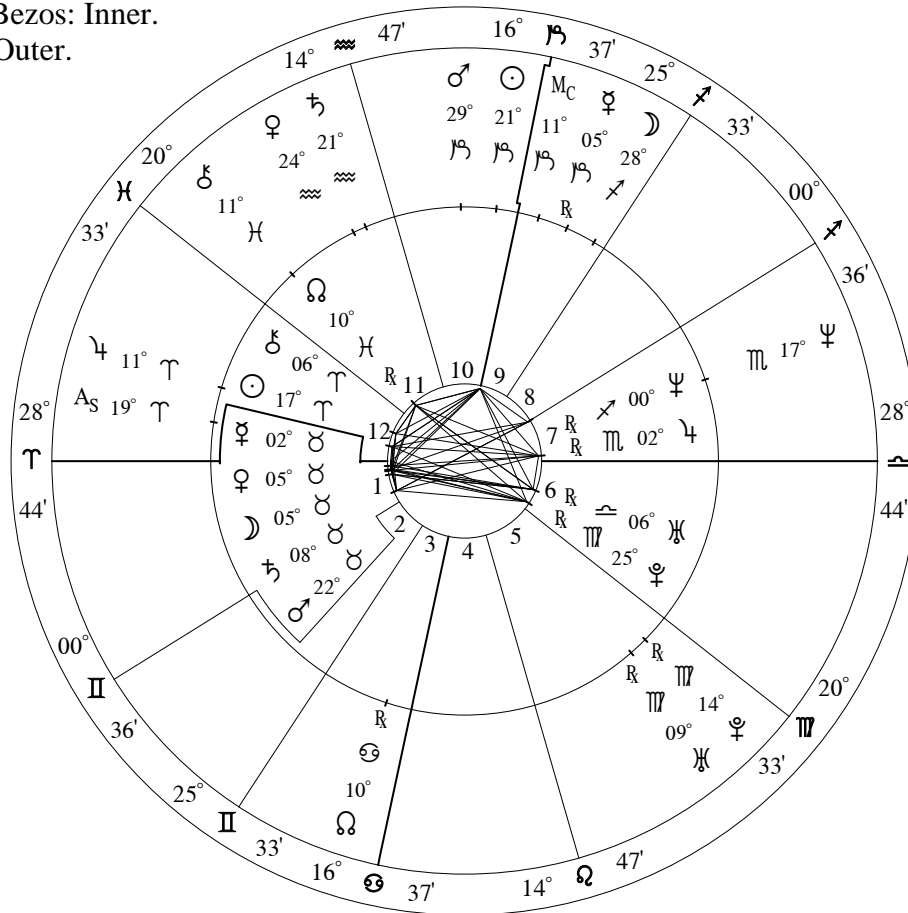
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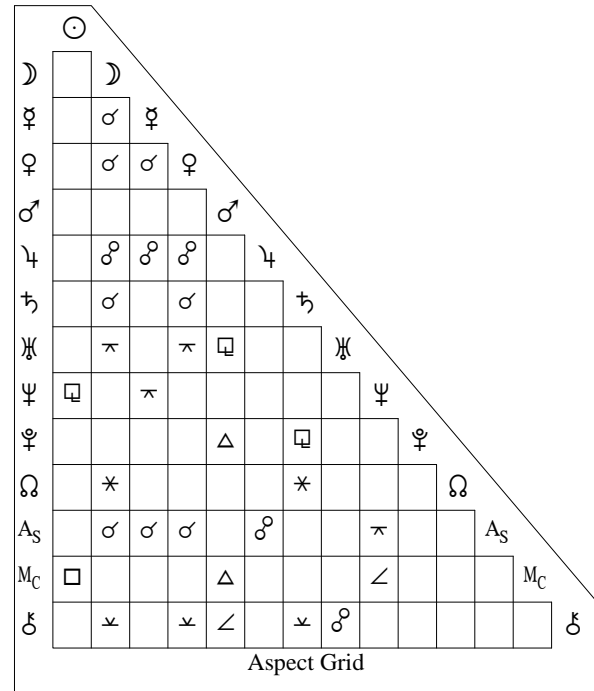
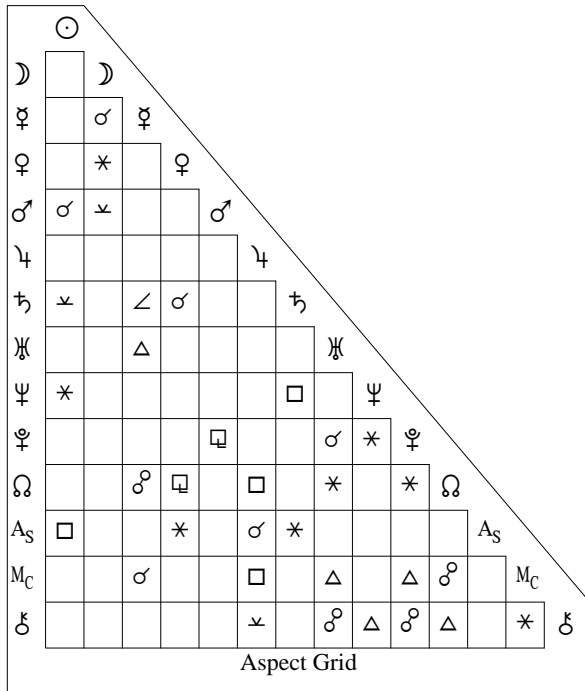
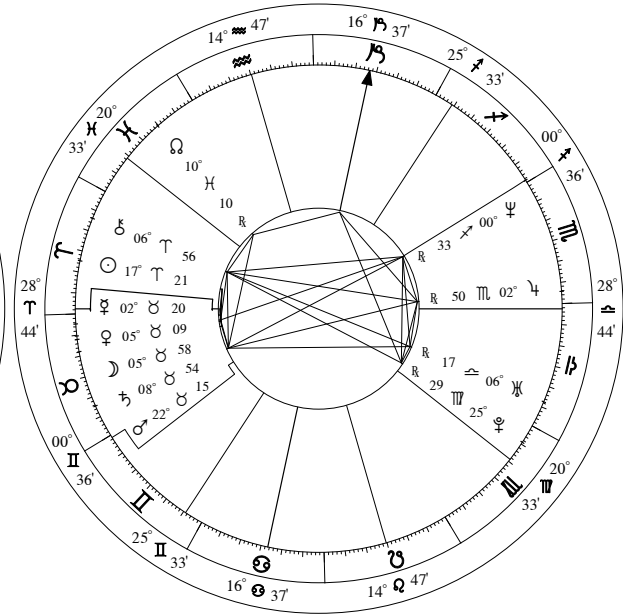
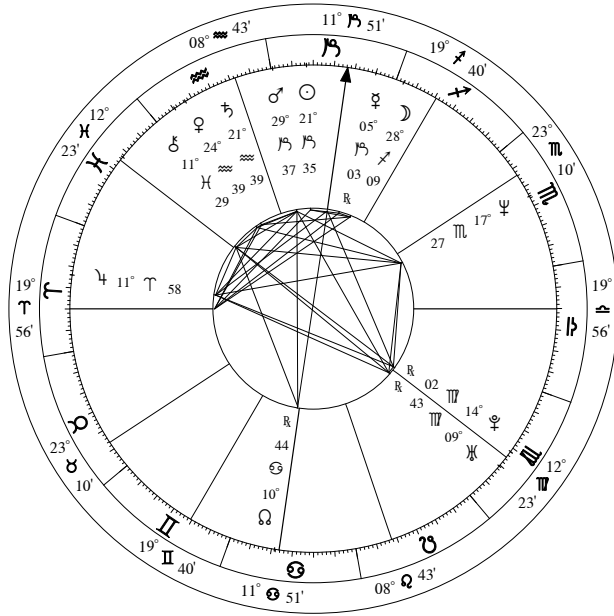
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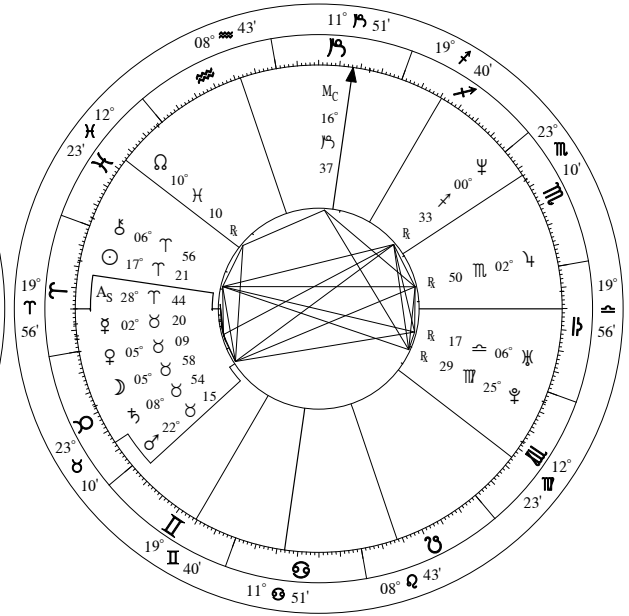
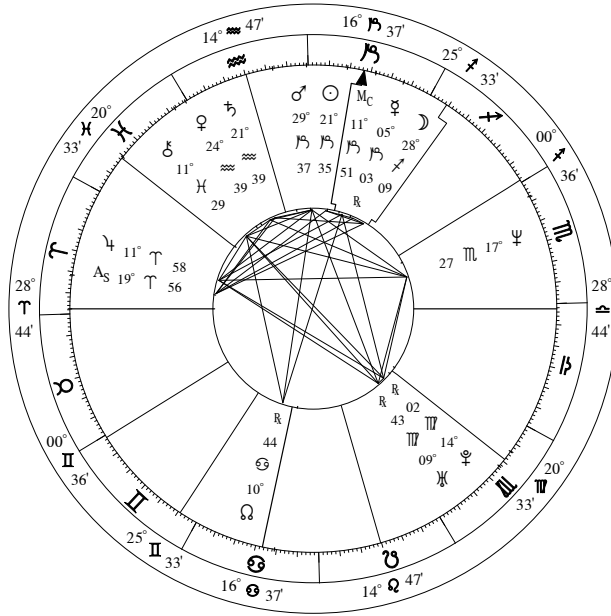
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Jeff Bezos's Planets in Mackenzie Bezos's houses.

Mackenzie Bezos's Planets in Jeff Bezos's houses.



|            |        | Mackenzie Bezos |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |
|------------|--------|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|            |        | ☉               | ☾      | ♀      | ♁      | ♂      | ♃      | ♄      | ♅      | ♆      | ♇      | ♈      | ♉      |
| Jeff Bezos | ☉      | ☐ 4S14          |        |        | △ 0A40 |        |        |        |        | △ 3A54 |        | ♂ 4S58 |        |
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|            | ♄      | * 4A19          |        |        | ☐ 0S36 |        |        | ☐ 0S22 |        |        |        | ∠ 0A17 |        |
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## Composite Chart Positions

| Planet                   |       | Sign        | Longitude   | Declination  |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| ☉ Sun                    | is in | ♓ Pisces    | 4° 28' 12"  | -21° 42' 00" |
| ☾ Moon                   | is in | ♓ Pisces    | 2° 03' 36"  | -22° 13' 00" |
| ☿ Mercury                | is in | ♓ Pisces    | 3° 41' 51"  | -20° 07' 00" |
| ♀ Venus                  | is in | ♓ Pisces    | 29° 54' 32" | -14° 53' 00" |
| ♂ Mars                   | is in | ♓ Pisces    | 25° 56' 20" | -21° 16' 00" |
| ♃ Jupiter                | is in | ♑ Capricorn | 22° 24' 41" | +3° 34' 00"  |
| ♄ Saturn                 | is in | ♈ Aries     | 0° 17' 17"  | -15° 24' 00" |
| ♅ Uranus                 | is in | ♍ Virgo     | 23° 00' 37" | +8° 39' 00"  |
| ♆ Neptune                | is in | ♏ Scorpio   | 24° 00' 29" | -15° 22' 00" |
| ♇ Pluto                  | is in | ♍ Virgo     | 19° 46' 08" | +19° 12' 00" |
| ♁ N. Node                | is in | ♉ Taurus    | 10° 27' 10" | +23° 00' 00" |
| A <sub>S</sub> Ascendant | is in | ♉ Taurus    | 0° 43' 19"  | +11° 43' 00" |
| M <sub>C</sub> Midheaven | is in | ♑ Capricorn | 14° 14' 26" | -22° 40' 00" |
| ♄ Chiron                 | is in | ♓ Pisces    | 24° 12' 59" | -2° 51' 00"  |

## Composite Aspects

|           |    |   |             |             |            |        |
|-----------|----|---|-------------|-------------|------------|--------|
| ☉ Sun     | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ☾ Moon      | The orb is | 2° 25' |
| ☉ Sun     | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ☿ Mercury   | The orb is | 0° 46' |
| ☉ Sun     | is | * | Sextile     | ♈ Ascendant | The orb is | 3° 45' |
| ☾ Moon    | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ☿ Mercury   | The orb is | 1° 38' |
| ☾ Moon    | is | ♌ | Semisextile | ♄ Saturn    | The orb is | 1° 46' |
| ☾ Moon    | is | * | Sextile     | ♈ Ascendant | The orb is | 1° 20' |
| ☿ Mercury | is | * | Sextile     | ♈ Ascendant | The orb is | 2° 59' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ♂ Mars      | The orb is | 3° 58' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ♄ Saturn    | The orb is | 0° 23' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | ♊ | Trine       | ♆ Neptune   | The orb is | 5° 54' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | ♌ | Semisextile | ♈ Ascendant | The orb is | 0° 49' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 5° 42' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | * | Sextile     | ♃ Jupiter   | The orb is | 3° 32' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ♄ Saturn    | The orb is | 4° 21' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | ♁ | Opposite    | ♅ Uranus    | The orb is | 2° 56' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | ♊ | Trine       | ♆ Neptune   | The orb is | 1° 56' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | ♌ | Semisquare  | ♁ N. Node   | The orb is | 0° 29' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 1° 43' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | ♊ | Trine       | ♅ Uranus    | The orb is | 0° 36' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | * | Sextile     | ♆ Neptune   | The orb is | 1° 36' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | ♊ | Trine       | ♇ Pluto     | The orb is | 2° 39' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ♍ Midheaven | The orb is | 8° 10' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | * | Sextile     | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 1° 48' |
| ♄ Saturn  | is | ♌ | Semisextile | ♈ Ascendant | The orb is | 0° 26' |
| ♅ Uranus  | is | * | Sextile     | ♆ Neptune   | The orb is | 1° 00' |
| ♅ Uranus  | is | ♋ | Conjunct    | ♇ Pluto     | The orb is | 3° 14' |
| ♅ Uranus  | is | ♁ | Opposite    | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 1° 12' |
| ♆ Neptune | is | * | Sextile     | ♇ Pluto     | The orb is | 4° 14' |
| ♆ Neptune | is | ♊ | Trine       | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 0° 12' |
| ♇ Pluto   | is | ♊ | Trine       | ♍ Midheaven | The orb is | 5° 32' |
| ♇ Pluto   | is | ♁ | Opposite    | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 4° 27' |
| ♁ N. Node | is | ♊ | Trine       | ♍ Midheaven | The orb is | 3° 47' |
| ♁ N. Node | is | ♌ | Semisquare  | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 1° 14' |



## Composite Planets in Elements and Modes

|          |   |           |                     |
|----------|---|-----------|---------------------|
| Fire     | : ♃                                     | Total = 1 | Weighted Score = 1  |
| Earth    | : ♄ ♁ ♀ ♃ A <sub>S</sub> M <sub>C</sub> | Total = 6 | Weighted Score = 9  |
| Air      | :                                       | Total = 0 | Weighted Score = 0  |
| Water    | : ☾ ♀ ♀ ♂ ♃ ♃                           | Total = 7 | Weighted Score = 13 |
| Cardinal | : ♄ ♃ M <sub>C</sub>                    | Total = 3 | Weighted Score = 5  |
| Fixed    | : ♃ ♃ A <sub>S</sub>                    | Total = 3 | Weighted Score = 4  |
| Mutable  | : ☾ ♀ ♀ ♂ ♁ ♀ ♂                         | Total = 8 | Weighted Score = 14 |

## Weights Used Above

|           |     |         |     |         |     |           |     |
|-----------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|-----------|-----|
| Sun       | = 3 | Moon    | = 3 | Mercury | = 2 | Venus     | = 2 |
| Mars      | = 2 | Jupiter | = 1 | Saturn  | = 1 | Uranus    | = 1 |
| Neptune   | = 1 | Pluto   | = 1 | N. Node | = 0 | Ascendant | = 3 |
| Midheaven | = 3 | Chiron  | = 0 |         |     |           |     |

## Synastry Aspects

|           |    |                  |                          |            |        |
|-----------|----|------------------|--------------------------|------------|--------|
| ☉ Sun     | is | □ Square         | ☉ Sun                    | The orb is | 4° 14' |
| ☉ Sun     | is | △ Trine          | ♂ Mars                   | The orb is | 0° 40' |
| ☉ Sun     | is | △ Trine          | ♃ Pluto                  | The orb is | 3° 54' |
| ☉ Sun     | is | ♌ Conjunction    | M <sub>C</sub> Midheaven | The orb is | 4° 58' |
| ☾ Moon    | is | △ Trine          | ♃ Mercury                | The orb is | 4° 12' |
| ☾ Moon    | is | * Sextile        | ♃ Jupiter                | The orb is | 4° 42' |
| ☾ Moon    | is | □ Square         | ♃ Pluto                  | The orb is | 2° 39' |
| ☾ Moon    | is | △ Trine          | A <sub>S</sub> Ascendant | The orb is | 0° 35' |
| ♃ Mercury | is | △ Trine          | ☾ Moon                   | The orb is | 0° 55' |
| ♃ Mercury | is | △ Trine          | ♃ Mercury                | The orb is | 2° 42' |
| ♃ Mercury | is | △ Trine          | ♀ Venus                  | The orb is | 0° 06' |
| ♃ Mercury | is | * Sextile        | ♃ Jupiter                | The orb is | 2° 12' |
| ♃ Mercury | is | △ Trine          | ♄ Saturn                 | The orb is | 3° 52' |
| ♃ Mercury | is | □ Square         | ♃ Uranus                 | The orb is | 1° 15' |
| ♃ Mercury | is | □ Square         | ♄ Chiron                 | The orb is | 1° 54' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | □ Square         | ♂ Mars                   | The orb is | 2° 24' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | □ Square         | ♃ Neptune                | The orb is | 5° 54' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | ⋈ Quincunx       | ♃ Pluto                  | The orb is | 0° 50' |
| ♀ Venus   | is | * Sextile        | A <sub>S</sub> Ascendant | The orb is | 4° 05' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | □ Square         | ♃ Mercury                | The orb is | 2° 44' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | □ Square         | ♀ Venus                  | The orb is | 5° 32' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | □ Square         | ♃ Jupiter                | The orb is | 3° 14' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | * Sextile        | ♃ Neptune                | The orb is | 0° 57' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | △ Trine          | ♃ Pluto                  | The orb is | 4° 08' |
| ♂ Mars    | is | □ Square         | A <sub>S</sub> Ascendant | The orb is | 0° 53' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | ♌ Conjunction    | ☉ Sun                    | The orb is | 5° 23' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | ♁ Opposition     | ♃ Uranus                 | The orb is | 5° 41' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | ⋈ Semisextile    | ♁ N. Node                | The orb is | 1° 48' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | □ Square         | M <sub>C</sub> Midheaven | The orb is | 4° 39' |
| ♃ Jupiter | is | ♌ Conjunction    | ♄ Chiron                 | The orb is | 5° 01' |
| ♄ Saturn  | is | * Sextile        | ☉ Sun                    | The orb is | 4° 19' |
| ♄ Saturn  | is | □ Square         | ♂ Mars                   | The orb is | 0° 36' |
| ♄ Saturn  | is | ▣ Sesquiquadrate | ♃ Uranus                 | The orb is | 0° 22' |
| ♄ Saturn  | is | ∠ Semisquare     | ♄ Chiron                 | The orb is | 0° 17' |
| ♃ Uranus  | is | △ Trine          | ☾ Moon                   | The orb is | 3° 45' |
| ♃ Uranus  | is | △ Trine          | ♀ Venus                  | The orb is | 4° 34' |
| ♃ Uranus  | is | △ Trine          | ♄ Saturn                 | The orb is | 0° 49' |
| ♃ Uranus  | is | ♁ Opposition     | ♁ N. Node                | The orb is | 0° 27' |



|             |    |   |                |             |            |        |
|-------------|----|---|----------------|-------------|------------|--------|
| ♆ Neptune   | is | ⋈ | Quincunx       | ☉ Sun       | The orb is | 0° 06' |
| ♆ Neptune   | is | ♁ | Opposite       | ♂ Mars      | The orb is | 4° 48' |
| ♆ Neptune   | is | * | Sextile        | ♁ Midheaven | The orb is | 0° 50' |
| ♇ Pluto     | is | △ | Trine          | ♄ Saturn    | The orb is | 5° 08' |
| ♇ Pluto     | is | ♁ | Opposite       | ♁ N. Node   | The orb is | 3° 52' |
| ♇ Pluto     | is | ◻ | Sesquiquadrate | ♁ Ascendant | The orb is | 0° 18' |
| ♇ Pluto     | is | △ | Trine          | ♁ Midheaven | The orb is | 2° 35' |
| ♁ N. Node   | is | * | Sextile        | ☾ Moon      | The orb is | 4° 46' |
| ♁ N. Node   | is | * | Sextile        | ♄ Saturn    | The orb is | 1° 49' |
| ♁ N. Node   | is | ◻ | Square         | ♅ Uranus    | The orb is | 4° 26' |
| ♁ N. Node   | is | △ | Trine          | ♁ N. Node   | The orb is | 0° 34' |
| ♁ N. Node   | is | ♁ | Opposite       | ♁ Midheaven | The orb is | 5° 53' |
| ♁ N. Node   | is | ◻ | Square         | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 3° 47' |
| ♁ Ascendant | is | ♊ | Conjunct       | ☉ Sun       | The orb is | 2° 36' |
| ♁ Ascendant | is | ♊ | Conjunct       | ♁ Ascendant | The orb is | 8° 48' |
| ♁ Ascendant | is | ◻ | Square         | ♁ Midheaven | The orb is | 3° 20' |
| ♁ Midheaven | is | ◻ | Square         | ☉ Sun       | The orb is | 5° 29' |
| ♁ Midheaven | is | △ | Trine          | ☾ Moon      | The orb is | 5° 54' |
| ♁ Midheaven | is | △ | Trine          | ♄ Saturn    | The orb is | 2° 57' |
| ♁ Midheaven | is | ◻ | Square         | ♅ Uranus    | The orb is | 5° 34' |
| ♁ Midheaven | is | * | Sextile        | ♁ N. Node   | The orb is | 1° 41' |
| ♁ Midheaven | is | ♊ | Conjunct       | ♁ Midheaven | The orb is | 4° 46' |
| ♁ Midheaven | is | ◻ | Square         | ♄ Chiron    | The orb is | 4° 55' |
| ♄ Chiron    | is | * | Sextile        | ♄ Saturn    | The orb is | 2° 34' |
| ♄ Chiron    | is | ♊ | Conjunct       | ♁ N. Node   | The orb is | 1° 19' |

## A Comparison of Your Charts

This astrological report looks at your birth charts to see how the two of you will tend to interact in dating, a love affair, or -- especially -- in a long-term partnership like marriage. Its aim is to make you more conscious of what's really going on between you. As you read, you'll get a better appreciation of what each of you wants and needs when you pair off with someone else. Regarding your relationship with this particular partner, you'll see strengths that you can cultivate, and also learn about the possible problems that could get in the way of your happiness.

If you read about problems, don't worry. Almost every astrological combination has both positive and negative possibilities. You'll read about the ways people tend to misuse various astrological combinations, but you may never experience these negative sides. Much depends on other things in your chart and on the way you're handling what's been given to you.

The important thing is to be aware of your choices. As you read, you'll see that when faced with virtually any so-called problem between the two of you, you can choose a desirable or an undesirable way to act. This report will try to show you where the problem is coming from, and suggest constructive things that you can do. It will also alert you to the strengths that you can build upon to create an increasingly strong and satisfying relationship.

In this report you'll find sections on:

- *Your Styles of Relating.* We'll first look at each of you as individuals. We'll start with your basic personality type, and then look more closely at your needs and attitudes regarding romance, partnership and sex. Your section is addressed to you as an individual, but if your partner also reads it, he or she may better understand your overall approach to life and the way you go about relating to people.
- *How You See Each Other.* For each of you, we'll explore how the way you see your partner is shaped by the lens of your own horoscope.
- *The Dynamics between You.* Here we'll look at the kinds of dramas that tend to occur when the two of you are together. The aspects that link a point in your chart to a point in your partner's chart will show both the assets and the potential problems in your relationship.
- *The Chart of the Relationship Itself.* Finally, we'll analyze the relationship itself by combining the birth charts of each of you into a single "composite chart." When your relationship is well established, the composite chart shows how you as a couple approach the rest of the world, and how you're viewed as a result of being together.

Jeff Bezos

## Jeff Bezos's Chart Positions

| Planet                   | Sign                | Longitude   | Declination  |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--------------|
| ☉ Sun                    | is in ♑ Capricorn   | 21° 35' 25" | -21° 42' 00" |
| ☾ Moon                   | is in ♎ Sagittarius | 28° 09' 05" | -22° 13' 00" |
| ☿ Mercury                | is in ♑ Capricorn   | 5° 03' 01"  | -20° 07' 00" |
| ♀ Venus                  | is in ♒ Aquarius    | 24° 39' 57" | -14° 53' 00" |
| ♂ Mars                   | is in ♑ Capricorn   | 29° 37' 08" | -21° 16' 00" |
| ♃ Jupiter                | is in ♈ Aries       | 11° 58' 25" | +3° 34' 00"  |
| ♄ Saturn                 | is in ♒ Aquarius    | 21° 39' 39" | -15° 24' 00" |
| ♅ Uranus                 | is in ♍ Virgo       | 9° 43' 28"  | +8° 39' 00"  |
| ♆ Neptune                | is in ♏ Scorpio     | 17° 27' 18" | -15° 22' 00" |
| ♇ Pluto                  | is in ♍ Virgo       | 14° 02' 38" | +19° 12' 00" |
| ♁ N. Node                | is in ♋ Cancer      | 10° 44' 10" | +23° 00' 00" |
| A <sub>S</sub> Ascendant | is in ♈ Aries       | 19° 56' 50" | +7° 48' 00"  |
| M <sub>C</sub> Midheaven | is in ♑ Capricorn   | 11° 51' 40" | -22° 54' 00" |
| ♄ Chiron                 | is in ♓ Pisces      | 11° 29' 00" | -2° 51' 00"  |

## For Jeff: Your Style of Relating

To find someone who's right for you and then form a happy and lasting relationship, you first need to have a sense of who you really are and what you need and want. A look at your own birth chart will show where your strengths are and what you tend to lack. It can give you perspective on your own nature, helping you to make allowances for the blind spots that can harm your interactions with others. It can also give clues about what sort of love partner would make you feel most happy and complete.

### Your Basic Character

#### **You have many planets in Earth signs or houses.**

With an abundance of Earth symbolism in your chart, you're probably quite down-to-earth in a psychological sense. Before you act, you look for reasons. To clarify where you stand and to motivate you to initiate, you like people to explain the situation complete with concrete examples. Because you wish your actions to be based on the facts, your insistence on practical reasons for initiating could sometimes make you seem callous. Also, you may need to know what's in it for you. This, too, could make you appear unfeeling. However, if you consciously do your duty, and assist the significant others in your life to reach their goals, they will see how useful and important you can be in their lives.

It can be hard for you to take unfamiliar routes, so you tend to be habit-oriented. Though repeated patterns may provide security, they can also become boring. One way to deal with this is to make lists of actions you might take, and, among them, consider some new alternatives. Starting in this way with small changes can lead to greater moves. It's also good to have a partner who can help you to stretch your boundaries without pushing you too far, too fast. Whether you motivate yourself or get help from others, when change is necessary, the keyword is "gradual."

#### **You have few or no planets in Air signs or houses.**

An overall lack of the Air element in your chart suggests that you tend to have little patience with people who are vague and abstract in their communications. You want people to get quickly to the point. Preferring actions to words, you want to see progress, not listen to or create elaborate plans. Because of this, you may find it difficult to visualize the general overview of any project. Perhaps you could join forces with someone who can guide you along the correct path while you concentrate on small segments of it. You may have to suffer through some seemingly unnecessary verbiage, but if you attain your goal, it will all seem worthwhile.

**You have few or no planets in Water signs or houses.**

An overall lack of Water symbolism in your chart suggests that you seldom rely on your intuition to guide you through life. Also, because you don't easily express emotion, you may not seem very sensitive to others. Contrary to popular belief, however, you do have feelings. You just don't have universal compassion, nor are you comfortable in emotional situations. Therefore, emotional outbursts are not the way to reach you. In fact, if someone tries to get your attention with tears or anger, you'll quickly turn off. If you pick a compassionate partner, you may have to tolerate a little demonstrativeness, but you also may learn to express your own feelings better.

**Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable modes are quite evenly balanced.**

Having a fairly equal distribution of planets in Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable signs gives you a useful ability to suit your mode of action to the situation. When appropriate, you can behave in a Cardinal manner, leaping in to intervene directly. At other times, you can use the Fixed symbolism of your chart to be firm, stand your ground, and preserve what is valuable. And in yet others, you can draw upon your Mutable strengths to be agile and adaptable, quickly shifting as the circumstances require. Overall, this helps you to adapt to whatever challenges your relationship presents. You may, however, need to make an effort to be understanding if you find your partner getting stuck in one mode.

**Capricorn and/or Tenth-House symbolism is especially strong.**

You are ambitious and possibly status-conscious, and should you so desire, you have the ability to organize and run the world. Add to this your strong sense of duty, and you can understand why you're able to work long and hard to attain success.

Unfortunately, making use of all of these fine qualities can cause you to miss out on some of the pleasures of life, which may sometimes seem frivolous to you but can be so enjoyable when you experience them. You would do well to be with some dependable person who can help you to shoulder your responsibilities. Of course, we know that no one can do it as well as you, but perhaps you can start by sharing the less crucial tasks (with thorough instruction, naturally). This will give you time to lighten up and enjoy the rewards that your hard work deserves.

**Your Sun is in Capricorn.**

Your Capricorn Sun reinforces the idea that you're predominantly reliable, steadfast and ambitious. Success is important to you, and you may tend to measure your success by status and material rewards. You may also have loftier aims. Either way, you want to know that you've personally contributed to reaching these goals. That's one reason why you rarely ask for help and appear to be totally self-sufficient. The mountain goat, alone atop the mountain it has just climbed, is a perfect symbol for this sign.

Despite all this, you really don't want to be alone. There are advantages to having company. In selecting a partner, you could very well choose someone who would enhance your image in the world. That in itself would make the climb easier. Secondly, sharing your rewards would probably give you pleasure and make you appear doubly successful. (Two BMWs in the garage signify greater success than one!) And finally, you're the executive type, and if you have no one reporting to you, it's hard to be the boss.

While you don't want to be challenged by a partner, neither do you want someone who's wishy-washy. Ideally your partner should be ambitious, and it's even better if that ambition is for the two of you.

If your partner's agenda is different from yours, problems could arise, and you'd better do some negotiating. You're very practical, and if the rewards are great enough, you're capable of giving a little. You may try to avoid personal confrontations, and may feel more comfortable if you consider such conversations to be business meetings. Your routine (and you do like routines!) could be first to talk about the goals that you each have. Second, you could discuss the actions you've each planned in order to reach your goals. Next, you could figure out the role that each of you will play in the other's game plan. Finally, you could execute the two plans.

This approach may seem difficult the first time, because in your close relationships, there usually isn't room for two chiefs. It'll help to remind yourself that by aiding your partner you'll reach your own goals faster. Also, by working together, you're likely to gain mutual respect (which is particularly important to you), and your joint effort will bring you closer together.

### **Your Moon is in Sagittarius.**

Others tend to be drawn to your inner warmth and your zest for life. You have a natural ability to cheer people up and help them forget their troubles. You don't, however, have a lot of patience to listen to their deep emotional difficulties in detail. Therefore people who like to wallow in self-pity probably won't bother you for long. After telling you their problems once or twice, they may conclude that you're insensitive, and go on to find a more sympathetic ear.

This is fine with people you don't care about, but you need to be more cautious with a partner. Sharing your deeper emotions is part of intimacy, and you don't want someone close to you to seek out someone else for emotional gratification, do you? Try not to make light of serious situations, even if intense conversations tend to make you uncomfortable. Jokes can often break the tension, but if they're ill-timed or ignore the emotional state of your partner, they'll only make things worse. In intimate situations you may have to make special efforts to tune into the emotional tone of the other person.

One way someone *can* reach you on an emotional level is by appealing to your strong sense of justice. When you encounter people who've been treated unfairly, this can elicit your sympathy to the point where you may even do battle on their behalf. And if there's a broader message that involves freedom and fairness for the world at large, you'll fight even harder. Since you don't want to be saddled with the long-term emotional problems of other individuals, you'll do best by uniting with a group in a humanitarian cause that is relevant for society. If you play Don Quixote for an individual, it may be difficult to break away, but if you're working in a group, you'll have the space to get away if the situation gets too sticky or involving, or if you occasionally need some freedom and space.



A cause can also be a way for you to cement emotional ties with your partner. Find an issue that you both feel strongly about -- preferably something that involves freedom, justice or improving the condition of the world. Then together become actively involved in a group that advocates your shared beliefs. The passion that this brings out in you may provide all the intimate connection that you need with your partner, and it may eventually lead to expressing more personal feelings as well. Other shared pursuits that might spark your passion include church activities, academic studies (particularly of religion, philosophy, the law or foreign cultures), travel, or sports (either active or spectator).

### **Your Axis of Relationship**

The horizontal line that separates the upper half of your chart from the lower half symbolizes the horizon. It suggests two arms reaching out, and it is in fact your "axis of relationship." On the left-hand or eastern side of your chart there is the Ascendant (or rising sign), which signifies you and the way that you present yourself to others. On the right-hand or western side there is the Descendant, which signifies the sort of partner you'll be drawn to and who will make you feel more complete. The two work together: any discussion of your rising sign (you) implies your setting sign (the partner who will complement you).

If the birth time for your chart is accurate, you have Aries rising. This means that you tend to approach the world in an active, energetic way and that you are prone to take the initiative. While this may make people think that you're a leader rather than a follower, you may not think of yourself in that way. Power and control, keywords often associated with leaders, aren't part of your agenda. You're self-motivated, and so if a job needs doing, you do it, without waiting for permission. Once you complete the task, however, you want to move on to something new. You'd probably find it tiresome to stay on and supervise.

Although you're self-motivated, you're not necessarily self-sustaining. You may not consciously be aware of it, but you'll be drawn to partners who can fulfill your need for encouragement. Two fireballs in the same relationship could be overwhelming not only to others, but also to the two of you. You want a partner who thinks of you first and who can quietly encourage you. You don't ask for support, but find that it is important. You'd rather not have to reciprocate, however, because you have your hands quite full enough keeping your own enthusiasm high.

Because it's natural for you to take charge, it may take some effort to learn to share. Nevertheless, sharing is something you must learn in your close one-to-one relationships. You don't want a partner who will dominate you, nor are you interested in one whom you must always lead around. Your chart says that you want someone who's your equal.

In any intimate relationship, you find harmony and balance essential. When things are getting out of balance, you'll feel a lack of harmony. The first symptom, vague dissatisfaction, may escalate into anger. This imbalance could be caused by one of you feeling that the other is trying to take charge or be the boss. In case stirrings of dissatisfaction should arise, it's good to have a planned course of action that you can institute quickly. In order to head off problems before they start, you could build in time for some planned sharing as well as for independent action. You might select to share either a physical activity or an artistic endeavor.

Don't expect perfection. It takes time to break old patterns. If, in spite of your efforts, hostility erupts between you, don't presume that the situation is hopeless. Discuss your difficulties, preferably while walking. Using part of your energy in a physical activity will tend to dissipate the anger and it will yield fitness benefits as well.

### **Dating and Romance**

To take a look at your specific approach to romance, partnership and sex, we're now going to look at the houses that govern these areas in your chart. These houses describe both what you have to give to a relationship, and also what you probably want from your partner.

Relationships start with a period when you're checking each other out, and aren't yet really committed. This stage is covered by your Fifth House, which also has to do with amusements and self-expression. In a romance, the Fifth House shows how you wine and dine each other in the dating stage. Having fun together in a romantic setting helps you to get the relationship off the ground.

When you're married, this area of your chart turns into the place where you refresh and renew both yourself and your relationship. To keep the spark glowing, it's a good idea periodically to let go of your duties, play, be romantic and even a bit outrageous. If you neglect this essential human need, it can be filled by romances outside of marriage, risky activities like gambling, or escapes like drinking or drugs, which are other less satisfactory ways that this house can find expression. For longevity and happiness in any relationship, you need to keep the fun, romance and playful element alive.

On a deeper level, the Fifth House is where you come to establish yourself as an individual. Through being brave and taking risks, through finding what activities and people make you happy, through games and role-playing, and through expressing yourself (all Fifth-House activities), you come to know who you really are. Only after you've done this are you really ready to commit yourself to a Seventh-House relationship such as marriage.

Each house brings in a variety of symbolic themes, as shown by the sign on the beginning or cusp of the house, other signs falling within the house, planets within the house, and the planet that traditionally "rules" the sign on the cusp. For your relationship to find its fullest expression, it's important that, in your interactions together, both of you try to express as many of the following themes as possible.

### **The sign Leo is on your Fifth-House cusp.**

For you, courtship requires drama and romance, and you love the extravagant gesture. You need at least one of you (and maybe even both of you) to be up on a pedestal being adored. A date or a romantic involvement is an occasion when you like really to express yourself, put on your special finery, and celebrate. For you more than for most, dating is likely to involve dining and dancing, taking in a sporting event, movie, or other spectacle, playing with children, or acting like children yourselves. In fact, you may find that being playful and creative is one of the most delightful and satisfying ways you get to know each other.

### **Virgo is within the Fifth House.**

At some point, however, it feels good to get down-to-earth and practical. When you're in a romantic relationship, you can make even the most mundane tasks seem like play. At a certain stage you also realize that having fun is actually good for you, so that the sheer enjoyment of moving your body turns into an interest in fitness, or you start realizing that pleasure benefits your mental and physical health. At this stage of your romance you may start to do things together for fun *and* profit, or you may turn doing practical tasks for each other or someone else into an occasion for enjoyment.

If you've put each other on too high a pedestal, your adoration could eventually turn critical. It may be that some realism about each other will eventually help your relationship. If, instead, it just seems as if all the fun has gone away, it should be fairly easy for you to lighten up and go back to your usual attitude toward romances, in which nothing can be taken too seriously because it's all basically a game. Turning criticism into playful banter can do much to keep things in proportion.

### **The Sun, the ruler of your Fifth House, is in the Tenth**

The planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on the Fifth-House cusp brings in additional considerations. Placed in the Tenth House, it means that for you there's a connection between courtship and the outer world. Public opinion may be important to you, and so you don't tend to hide your romantic partners in a closet. So that you can be proud to be seen with them, you may be attracted to those who are successful and/or look good. Without the judgment of others, however, you can see these people realistically. Even if there are other indications in your chart that you don't always view a romantic partner realistically, ultimately the truth of the real world seeps in. You might find yourself sometimes wishing for more excitement in this area, but excitement or romance without a degree of security will not be satisfying to you.

### **Your Uranus is in the Fifth.**

You crave excitement in romance, and may be attracted to unusual or creative romantic partners who might also be unreliable. Alternatively, they could be mentally stimulating or come from a different background than your own. It's also possible to be involved with a romantic partner who seems ordinary, but who shares your desire for a bit of excitement and surprise during your good times together.

### **Becoming Partners**

The Seventh House is traditionally the house of marriage. It covers any relationship in which you pick one partner, face each other directly, and work out a relationship of equals that will endure over time. The Seventh also signifies any relationship where you confront each other one-on-one or where you're yoked together and asked to pull as a team.

To do this successfully, you need to adjust your own energies so that they find a balance with your partner's, and neither person is dominated by the other. This means finding the right balance between self-assertion and compromise. To achieve happiness together, you need to deal with differences and resolve power struggles in a way that respects the rights and individuality of you both. Open communication is essential. There can be battles along the way, but the goal is an enduring relationship in which the two of you know each other thoroughly, each get your fair share, and develop mutual trust and respect.

**Libra is on your Seventh-House cusp.**

You want a partner who's your equal, and with whom you can totally share your life. Most likely this person will be charming and attractive. You also need peace and harmony in your partnerships, and so you'll probably bend over backwards to please. But no matter how much you crave equality, and no matter how much you share and give, you cannot create a partner who is your clone. Nor are you capable of duplicating all of your partner's behavior and attitudes. Differences of opinion, therefore, are apt to arise. These can lead to disagreements that you'll find unpleasant. In order to re-establish serenity, you might employ the subtle art of manipulation, but you probably can *both* be diplomatic in a close one-to-one relationship. Therefore, you might find it ultimately more satisfying if you openly negotiate.

**Scorpio is within the Seventh House.**

Your intimate relationships also require a certain degree of depth and intensity. Chances are, the partner you choose will not be shallow. You find it intriguing to get involved with those who have an air of mystery about them, so that you can probe and ferret out the truth about them. If you can't pry information out of your partner, or if you yourself keep secrets in the relationship, this may arouse suspicion in the other and lead to jealousy and possessiveness. To instill the positive Scorpio traits of security and trust, discuss your problems with each other as you would with a therapist. Or better yet, when problems arise between you, clear the air by seeking the help of a professional or some other objective third party.

**Venus, the ruler of your Seventh House, is in the Eleventh**

In your chart the planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on your Seventh-House cusp is placed in the Eleventh House. This suggests that you could select your marriage partner from your circle of friends or from a club or group that you belong to. In your life together you may continue to entertain friends and pursue your interests with others. You tend to think of marriage more as a relationship of pals than of lovers, and in your married life you expect conversation and mental stimulation to be an important medium of exchange. A partner who is too emotionally demonstrative could scare you. Fortunately, you're probably good at using rational discussion to solve your differences. Using your openness and good humor is an effective way to keep resentments from festering.

**Your Neptune is in the Seventh.**

You are looking for the perfect partner, and it may be hard to accept the fact that there is no such person. You could create a myth about your significant other, or place your partner on a pedestal. All is well as long as you can sustain the fantasy, but once you begin to see the flaws, you could become critical of your partner or put yourself in a position where your partner criticizes you.

However, there is an alternative that works very well. First, you must acknowledge (at least intellectually) that perfection does not come naturally. You have to work at perfection; your fairy godmother does not automatically wave her magic wand. Once you accept this, take action. Initiate a romantic interlude. Go off together and forget about all your troubles for a short while. When you return home, daily living conditions will seem more tolerable, and you'll have stored up wonderful memories that can be with you forever.

### **Entwining Souls**

Ideally, in the Fifth House you gained a sense of who you are and who you want, and in the Seventh you learned how to enter into a partnership without sacrificing your individuality. In the Eighth House you're called upon to surrender that self so as to merge with your partner fully.

This surrender commonly takes the form of sex, but it can be other forms of deep involvement as well. On a material level, it can mean pooling your possessions and finances. Essentially, this house is where you loosen your grasp on what you once thought necessary, and in doing so, merge into a deeper and larger self that goes beyond your own individuality.

The Seventh House allowed you to work out power struggles through open communication and adherence to the rules of fairness. Eighth- House power struggles are sneakier because they arise from unconscious depths. They often result in an attempt to force surrender rather than allow the other person to render it up freely. To resolve these struggles, you need to open yourself to your own deepest emotions and those of your partner. When emotion is respected and given its due in a non-violent way, Eighth-House struggles can eventually lead to relationships of enormous tenderness and depth.

Regarding sex, most people have more than one sign influencing their Eighth House, and many also have one or more planets in the Eighth. This multiplies possible avenues for sexual expression. Finding ways to combine all these energies can lead to the kind of sex that most satisfies you.

### **Scorpio is on your Eighth-House cusp.**

Sex could be a very important part of your life, and your sexual experiences may be intense. You'll be drawn to sexual partners who can share in this intensity. Beware of using sex to manipulate the relationship, or of connecting with someone who will use sex to manipulate you. If you try to control each other, your energies could get used up in power struggles instead of passion. To keep this from happening, bring up any issue that seems to interfere with your relationship and analyze it together. This will deepen and enrich your partnership, and could help either or both of you to transform personally.

### **Sagittarius is within the Eighth House.**

Though you desire intensity, you don't want to be tied down to a specific sexual routine. You like new experiences and want freedom to explore. A partner's good mind or physical prowess may attract you, but even more important is a sexual partner who can in some way broaden your knowledge or be adventurous enough to explore and learn with you. If your sexual life becomes too predictable, your attention may wander. Instilling new excitement into your present relationship can bring back the spark and help you to avoid the complications of outside affairs.

### **Mars, the ruler of your Eighth House, is in the Tenth**

The placement of your Eighth-House ruler in your house of career and reputation suggests that you may find prominence in the outer world particularly attractive and sexy. As soon as you're drawn to someone, you probably start asking questions about this individual's career, finances or prestige, and you're also interested in the opinion that others have of this person. The more high-status and successful your partner is, the greater the appeal. This may make you appear materialistic rather than romantic, and, if carried to extreme, could take all the pleasure out of your sexual activities. But it does give some practical guidelines to follow, and if you think of sex as a measure of success, you could take pleasure in striving for sexual perfection.

Because you have no planets in your Eighth House, your requirements for sex and deep emotional bonding are simpler than they might be. If one or more of your partner's planets falls into your Eighth, however, it can add some different themes as well as additional energy to your sex life.

### **How You See Mackenzie**

No matter how objective you think you are, the way you see others is always affected by your own necessarily limited point of view. Becoming conscious of your own possible biases in viewing your partner can often be very helpful in overcoming misunderstandings and in avoiding thwarted expectations.

One of the main things that will describe your own personal way of seeing Mackenzie is the way her planets fall into the houses in your own chart. The houses show how the heavens looked from the spot on earth where you were born. Not only do they provide the framework through which you experience your own planets, they also provide the structure through which you'll view Mackenzie's planets as well.

When one of Mackenzie's planets falls into a particular house in your chart, you will tend to associate her expression of that planetary energy with the department of life represented by that house. This may or may not agree with how she views that planetary energy in herself.

Looking at it another way, you could think of Mackenzie's planets as "lighting up" your houses, bringing additional energy to the areas of life that those houses deal with. By filling in the empty houses in your chart, she may make you feel more complete. By adding planets to your already-filled houses, she can further emphasize those areas of existence. By adding different planets to a house, she can introduce new possibilities into those areas of your life. Besides suggesting how you will experience Mackenzie and how you will feel about her, looking at her planets will suggest the functions that Mackenzie will tend to take on in your total scheme of things.

Houses, of course, divide the chart into twelve specific areas. Before getting into that much detail, we can check out your overall perception of Mackenzie simply by the way her planets are clustered in the main areas of your chart.

The fact that Mackenzie's planets fall mostly into the left-hand side of your chart suggests that, no matter what she's really like, *you* tend to put her into the role of the initiator. She may in fact have a natural tendency to take the lead (especially if most of her planets fall into the left-hand side of her own chart, or she has a lot of planets in Fire or Cardinal signs). If so, you could be delighted to have a partner who takes charge. On the other hand, if you have a strong need to do some of the initiating yourself, you could get into conflicts about who is going to lead. If this happens, try to work out some rules by which the two of you take turns being the one who takes the initiative.

Alternatively, it's possible that, despite what you expect her to be, Mackenzie actually tends to be a responder in most situations. (This would be true especially if her planets were mainly placed in the opposite half of her own chart, or were chiefly in Fixed or Mutable signs.) Your assumption that Mackenzie is good at doing something that's not really one of her dominant skills may well inspire her to develop this recessive part of herself. Then, through her relationship with you, she may come to feel more rounded and complete. But if you have overly high expectations about her initiating abilities, the results may fall short of what you want. In this case, instead of feeling that it's her fault that you never do anything as a couple, it would be best if you accepted her basic character and, at least some of the time, seized the initiative yourself.

With Mackenzie's planets being balanced fairly equally above and below your horizon, you'll probably see her as sometimes being socially oriented, adjusting to the world and needing its approval, and at other times wanting to be alone, being introspective and caring more about self-approval or personal gratification than public opinion. If you view this as inconsistency, you could consider the situation impossible, and just complain about your partner's attitudes instead of trying to influence them. If you see it as flexibility, you'll then try various approaches to influencing her attitudes, and you will eventually succeed.

### **How Mackenzie Affects Specific Areas of Your Life**

For more detailed information, let's now look at specific planets in specific houses. The houses that will probably be most important in forming your view of Mackenzie are those that contain her Sun and Moon.

#### **Mackenzie's Sun is in your Twelfth House.**

You may see Mackenzie as someone who prefers seclusion to interacting vigorously with the outer world. Or Mackenzie's goals and direction may be so subtle that you don't understand them. Or you could see her as your spiritual guide and not be sure why. You might also perceive her as a behind-the-scenes kind of person, capable of directing but not in an obvious way -- possibly manipulating. If you feel manipulated, or if there's anything unclear about your partner's goals and direction, you might want to probe into personal motivations together. As you clarify matters, it will strengthen the bond between you.

**Mackenzie's Moon is in your First House.**

To you, Mackenzie may seem either nurturing or moody, or maybe both. And her moods may strongly affect the way you feel. When she is motherly and tends to your needs, you feel soothed and secure. But if she isn't in the mood to nurture when you need it, it could put you both in a bad mood. Instead of sulking at such times, remind yourself of how tender your partner *can* be, and try being extra nurturing to her. As she feels more cared for, the negative emotionality will tend to subside, and you yourself will be likely to feel nurtured once more.

**Mackenzie's Mercury is in your First House.**

Mackenzie's way of communicating, either spoken or written, may be one of the main things that draws you to her. You may especially value her sense of humor and her ability to chat and interact comfortably in social situations.

If you feel that she talks a bit too much, you could try steering the conversation around to you. Then at least you'll be interested in the subject that's being discussed! Actually, Mackenzie may very much like to talk about you -- particularly your manner and the way you look.

**Mackenzie's Venus is in your First House.**

You find Mackenzie charming and attractive, which may or may not really be true. But your perception is crucial here, and these qualities are, at least partly, what drew you to this person. Your partner can also add pleasure to your life and make you feel good about who you are. However, it's possible that, although you see her as charming, you may also view this individual as lazy and self-indulgent. As long as the charm is all that you see and the pleasure is all that you experience, or these attributes outweigh the negative characteristics, all should go well. Should the attractiveness recede into the background, and the indolence is all that you see, you could become dissatisfied with your partner and the relationship. If this occurs, try to plan some joint activities that you both can enjoy. This might help to restore the old feelings that originally attracted you to this person.

**Mackenzie's Mars is in your First House.**

Qualities that you initially found attractive in Mackenzie probably included her straightforwardness, assertiveness and initiative. You quite likely find that Mackenzie energizes you and gets you moving, so that you accomplish more together than you would on your own.

However, there's a fine line between directing and nagging. If Mackenzie pushes you too hard, you may start to resent it. You could simply express your anger and get it out of your system, or you could sidestep at least some of the conflict by suggesting that she take the initiative in matters that are less controversial.

The other meaning of Mackenzie's Mars in your First House is that you are likely to find her quite sexy. Instead of getting irritated, you may be able to redirect that Mars energy toward the sexual attraction that originally drew you together. Even if this approach doesn't solve all your problems, it could be a whole lot of fun.



**Mackenzie's Jupiter is in your Seventh House.**

You probably see Mackenzie as optimistic and fun-loving, someone who can bring cheer to you and others who are close to you. You may also experience her thoughtful, philosophical nature and feel that she's responsible for any growth that the two of you experience as a couple. On the other hand, you may think that she spends too much time playing, or has wonderful ideas that never materialize. A bit of this is probably tolerable because it's balanced by the pleasure that she brings. But if it outweighs the pleasure, you could begin to wonder if there's any substance to the relationship. If you start to feel this way, concentrate on developing a single project that the two of you can share. That will enable you to enjoy your partner's buoyant side while providing some needed stability, and your growth as a couple is likely to get back on track.

**Mackenzie's Saturn is in your First House.**

You were probably drawn to the serious, responsible side of Mackenzie's nature, and because she guides and takes care of you, you could feel very bonded and secure in this relationship. It's possible, however, that you could feel guided too much -- that Big Brother is looking over your shoulder telling you what to do and how to do it. Chances are, you'll experience both sides. You might forestall the close scrutiny by asking for Mackenzie's opinion on how you should act. If you seek her advice, she may assume that you're going to follow it and not watch you so closely. Then you'd be able to do pretty much as you please and still enjoy the security of the relationship.

**Mackenzie's Uranus is in your Sixth House.**

In your life together, you may find that Mackenzie balks at too much of a daily routine, and that she requires frequent breaks. This could keep your life together quite fresh and exciting. Also, her desire to break free now and then could actually lead to innovative and even fun ways to get the necessary jobs of life over with and done.

However, problems could arise if you get to feel that she can't be depended upon. If you feel that this area of your life together needs a bit more regularity and order, you could work out a schedule together. Just remember that forcing a schedule on her or trying to make her feel guilty will probably just increase her resistance. She'll be a lot happier doing tasks if they seem like an intellectual challenge, a creative venture, or a step forward for humanity. And the faster the tasks get done, the better. Then there will be more time for soul-feeding breaks in the routine.

**Mackenzie's Neptune is in your Eighth House.**

You could have a perfect sex life with Mackenzie, a union truly made in heaven. If so, count your blessings and enjoy. However, this placement could also mean dissatisfaction or disappointment in sex. This could be because Neptune tends to de-emphasize the physical in favor of fantasies. Fantasies that are not fulfilled in real life, or a desire for an impossible perfection, could create problems in your intimate dealings with each other. It's good to remind yourself that there's no such thing on earth as perfection for prolonged periods of time, and to enjoy the feelings of bliss and unity when they do arise. To improve your sex life, you might also consciously cultivate your fantasies and work on creating a romantic atmosphere that will help to produce a perfect and sublime sexual experience.

**Mackenzie's Pluto is in your Sixth House.**

Every relationship has areas in which power struggles are possible. In your life together, these areas may have to do with practical matters and your daily routine. This could include health, jobs, pets, household maintenance, routine financial tasks, people who work for you, or the way you help and serve others.

You may see Mackenzie as somewhat obsessive in these areas, or as wielding more power than she actually has -- or she may feel this way about you. At first you may feel a subtle sense of disturbance, and may find it hard to pin down exactly what's going on. Then you may realize that underneath it all, you're both trying to seize the reins. Achieving a balance of power is important in any lasting relationship, and so it's important for each of you to mobilize your own power and not project it all upon the other person. The solution may be to divide the power, and each stake out areas in which you will be the one in charge.

There's a good side to this placement. Mackenzie may be able to transform your view of these routine parts of your life, and actually make them seem exciting. For example, she might increase your zeal to maintain or perfect your body, or imbue you with a passion to be of service to others. She could cause you to streamline your life and get rid of what you don't need, renovate what isn't working, and cause sweeping changes in your daily routine and work habits. At first you may fear and resist these changes, but in the end you may find that these changes are beneficial to you both.

**Mackenzie Bezos**

**Mackenzie Bezos's Chart Positions**

| Planet                   |       | Sign          | Longitude   | Declination  |
|--------------------------|-------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| ☉ Sun                    | is in | ♈ Aries       | 17° 20' 59" | + 6° 48' 00" |
| ☾ Moon                   | is in | ♉ Taurus      | 5° 58' 07"  | +17° 29' 00" |
| ☿ Mercury                | is in | ♉ Taurus      | 2° 20' 41"  | +13° 29' 00" |
| ♀ Venus                  | is in | ♉ Taurus      | 5° 09' 06"  | +12° 50' 00" |
| ♂ Mars                   | is in | ♉ Taurus      | 22° 15' 32" | +18° 51' 00" |
| ♃ Jupiter                | is in | ♏ Scorpio     | 2° 50' 57"  | -11° 03' 00" |
| ♄ Saturn                 | is in | ♉ Taurus      | 8° 54' 55"  | +12° 25' 00" |
| ♅ Uranus                 | is in | ♎ Libra       | 6° 17' 46"  | - 1° 48' 00" |
| ♆ Neptune                | is in | ♐ Sagittarius | 0° 33' 41"  | -18° 34' 00" |
| ♇ Pluto                  | is in | ♍ Virgo       | 25° 29' 38" | +16° 39' 00" |
| ♁ N. Node                | is in | ♓ Pisces      | 10° 10' 10" | - 7° 45' 00" |
| A <sub>S</sub> Ascendant | is in | ♈ Aries       | 28° 44' 31" | +11° 01' 00" |
| M <sub>C</sub> Midheaven | is in | ♑ Capricorn   | 16° 37' 12" | -22° 24' 00" |
| ♄ Chiron                 | is in | ♈ Aries       | 6° 56' 58"  | + 5° 05' 00" |

## For Mackenzie: Your Style of Relating

To figure out your own personal relationship needs, we're first going to look at your basic personality type with both its strengths and its weak points. This can show what you have to contribute, and what you need from someone else. The better you know your own nature, the more successful you'll be in your relationships. You can more easily make allowances for your own blind spots, and you can more consciously select a partner who will bring you happiness.

### Your Basic Character

#### **You have many planets in Earth signs or houses.**

With an abundance of Earth symbolism in your chart, you're probably quite down-to-earth in a psychological sense. Before you act, you look for reasons. To clarify where you stand and to motivate you to initiate, you like people to explain the situation complete with concrete examples. Because you wish your actions to be based on the facts, your insistence on practical reasons for initiating could sometimes make you seem callous. Also, you may need to know what's in it for you. This, too, could make you appear unfeeling. However, if you consciously do your duty, and assist the significant others in your life to reach their goals, they will see how useful and important you can be in their lives.

It can be hard for you to take unfamiliar routes, so you tend to be habit-oriented. Though repeated patterns may provide security, they can also become boring. One way to deal with this is to make lists of actions you might take, and, among them, consider some new alternatives. Starting in this way with small changes can lead to greater moves. It's also good to have a partner who can help you to stretch your boundaries without pushing you too far, too fast. Whether you motivate yourself or get help from others, when change is necessary, the keyword is "gradual."

#### **You have few or no planets in Air signs or houses.**

An overall lack of the Air element in your chart suggests that you tend to have little patience with people who are vague and abstract in their communications. You want people to get quickly to the point. Preferring actions to words, you want to see progress, not listen to or create elaborate plans. Because of this, you may find it difficult to visualize the general overview of any project. Perhaps you could join forces with someone who can guide you along the correct path while you concentrate on small segments of it. You may have to suffer through some seemingly unnecessary verbiage, but if you attain your goal, it will all seem worthwhile.

**You have few or no planets in Water signs or houses.**

An overall lack of Water symbolism in your chart suggests that you seldom rely on your intuition to guide you through life. Also, because you don't easily express emotion, you may not seem very sensitive to others. Contrary to popular belief, however, you do have feelings. You just don't have universal compassion, nor are you comfortable in emotional situations. Therefore, emotional outbursts are not the way to reach you. In fact, if someone tries to get your attention with tears or anger, you'll quickly turn off. If you pick a compassionate partner, you may have to tolerate a little demonstrativeness, but you also may learn to express your own feelings better.

**You have few planets in Mutable signs or houses.**

You usually either want to do things your way (if you predominate in Cardinal signs) or prefer to take root where you are (if your planets are mostly in Fixed signs). Whichever is the case, you're not very adaptable. In fact, you sometimes don't even want to hear someone else's point of view. This tendency to stay mired or to move in your own direction without consultation could be upsetting to a partner. In order to create good relationships, you may have to make a special effort to be flexible and pay attention to what the other person says.

**Taurus and/or Second-House symbolism is especially strong.**

Sensual pleasures are high on your list of priorities, and you like to have the very finest possessions. You also want things at the lowest cost, and so you may search long and hard to find the right item at the right price. Because of your patience with shopping, you may be considered frugal by some and cheap by others.

Money matters are not the only area where you are tenacious. Once a path is taken, you are not easily deterred, and you usually follow through to the bitter end. If someone orders you to stop, you'll most assuredly continue on. However, if someone *suggests* that you stop, you may initially say no, but you may change your direction after carefully digesting the suggestion and finding it practical and in your best interests.

**Your Sun is in Aries.**

Your Sun in Aries reinforces the idea that personal gratification is important to you, and that you can usually take initiative directly to attain your goals. With your tendency toward independence, you may not always consult with a partner or even think about your significant other's needs before taking action. For this reason, you may appear self-centered.

And yet you'll probably accomplish more with the support of another. Your enthusiasm can get you started, but without praise or recognition you may quickly lose interest in what you're doing. Therefore, others with the right qualities can contribute to your success.

Because it makes you feel strong and appreciated, you may sometimes be attracted to those who rely on you to take charge. But you don't have the patience to be totally responsible for another person for an extended period of time. What you need is a partner who is independent, but not so independent that you feel ignored or bossed around. When needed, you should be there for each other, but you should both be able to take the initiative as well.

When sharing a goal or project with a partner, you'd do well to divide the labor and clearly determine who's in charge of what. Then, be careful not to step over the bounds. There may still be an occasional argument, but you'd probably find too tranquil a life a bit boring.

While you'd get bored with a partner who agrees with you all the time, a partner who is continually critical could be devastating to your self-esteem. You need a partner who can cushion criticism with praise. Before you hear what you've done wrong, you have a need to be told what you've done well.

If you find that you seldom get praise, it could be because you give the impression of being self-assured and not needing approval. Or criticism could cause you to drop what you're doing and thereby bring more disapproval. Also, you may not have learned to accept compliments graciously. Praise will come more frequently if you learn to say "Thank you."

Praise doesn't mean false flattery. It's important that your communications be honest. You also need to be direct, and keep conversations short and simple. Discuss the essential facts quickly, without accusations or adornment, and you may discover that it will become increasingly easy to handle any problems that arise in your relationships.

### **Your Moon is in Taurus.**

You are steadfast in your feelings and would probably not be viewed as moody. This doesn't necessarily mean that you're sweet-tempered (though you may well be!). It's just that your responses are predictable. When it comes to the emotions, you're a creature of habit, whose reactions to particular situations tend to be similar time after time. The advantage of this is that your partner will know what to expect from you. The disadvantage is that it will be obvious how to push your buttons.

If your partner often hurts you or makes you angry, there may be a problem between you that should be examined. Your intuition may help you to unearth the real cause. Once you find a practical explanation for emotional behavior, you're capable of changing not only your mood, but also your attitude and ultimately your response. When you do make changes, the world may think that they're spontaneous, but actually the process has been gradual and has involved a great deal of thought.

When dealing with negative feelings, it's natural to wallow a bit -- to want to lash out in anger or lick your wounds. While everyone has these urges, the longer you indulge in them, the more time it'll take to change your pattern. The sooner you begin to make sense out of your feelings, the sooner order will be restored. To make this happen faster, your first step is to figure out what you need to do to feel emotionally gratified. That's your best incentive for change. It may sound selfish, but if you're happy, chances are that your partner will be happier as well.

Another quality of the Moon in Taurus is dependability. Once you form an emotional attachment, it's not easily broken, and so your partnerships tend to be long-term. You'll be loyal and trustworthy and will expect these qualities from your partner as well. As long as there's mutual trust, your eyes probably won't stray, and even if you suspect disloyalty from your partner, you'll tend to require strong, practical evidence before you take action.

Another Moon in Taurus tendency is to treat your partner as an extension of yourself. This means that you'd take care of your partner's emotional needs as you would your own, which is fine if your partner does have similar needs. It also means that you could view your partner as one of your possessions, which may or may not feel good to your partner.

Your partner may enjoy your dependability and be content with the relationship. If this is the case, just continue what you've been doing. However, if your partner complains about your possessiveness or about feeling smothered, you might want to try a different approach. Bestowing gifts on your partner is one comfortable way to show that you care. Another is to listen to what your partner wants from you. If you can reconcile these wishes within the framework of your own needs, you should be able to accommodate them without much difficulty.

### **Your Axis of Relationship**

And now we get to your "axis of relationship" -- your Ascendant (or rising sign) and, directly opposite it, your Descendant. Together, these say a great deal about how you relate. While your Ascendant describes the way you present yourself to others, the Descendant tells the other side of the story. It suggests the sort of partner you'll be drawn to and who will make you feel more complete.

If the birth time for your chart is accurate, you have Aries rising. This means that you tend to approach the world in an active, energetic way and that you are prone to take the initiative. While this may make people think that you're a leader rather than a follower, you may not think of yourself in that way. Power and control, keywords often associated with leaders, aren't part of your agenda. You're self-motivated, and so if a job needs doing, you do it, without waiting for permission. Once you complete the task, however, you want to move on to something new. You'd probably find it tiresome to stay on and supervise.

Although you're self-motivated, you're not necessarily self-sustaining. You may not consciously be aware of it, but you'll be drawn to partners who can fulfill your need for encouragement. Two fireballs in the same relationship could be overwhelming not only to others, but also to the two of you. You want a partner who thinks of you first and who can quietly encourage you. You don't ask for support, but find that it is important. You'd rather not have to reciprocate, however, because you have your hands quite full enough keeping your own enthusiasm high.

Because it's natural for you to take charge, it may take some effort to learn to share. Nevertheless, sharing is something you must learn in your close one-to-one relationships. You don't want a partner who will dominate you, nor are you interested in one whom you must always lead around. Your chart says that you want someone who's your equal.

In any intimate relationship, you find harmony and balance essential. When things are getting out of balance, you'll feel a lack of harmony. The first symptom, vague dissatisfaction, may escalate into anger. This imbalance could be caused by one of you feeling that the other is trying to take charge or be the boss. In case stirrings of dissatisfaction should arise, it's good to have a planned course of action that you can institute quickly. In order to head off problems before they start, you could build in time for some planned sharing as well as for independent action. You might select to share either a physical activity or an artistic endeavor.

Don't expect perfection. It takes time to break old patterns. If, in spite of your efforts, hostility erupts between you, don't presume that the situation is hopeless. Discuss your difficulties, preferably while walking. Using part of your energy in a physical activity will tend to dissipate the anger and it will yield fitness benefits as well.

### **Dating and Romance**

To see what you specifically want and need in romance, partnership and sex, we're now going to look at these areas of your chart in detail.

We'll start where relationships begin -- in the house of courtship, love affairs and romance. This is the Fifth House, which, interestingly, is also associated with risk-taking. Not surprising when you consider that romance is often where you have to take the plunge and throw yourself open to chance! Will Mr./Ms. Right cross your path at the mixer dance or singles bar? Will you gather your courage to ask someone out on a date? Will that blind date be a delight or a disaster? This is just part of the reason that the Fifth is the place where love relationships begin.

Once you've started to date, the Fifth House's recreational side emerges. Fifth-House activities like dinner out, plays and movies, museums and sports provide a pleasurable atmosphere to encourage a budding acquaintance to flower into something more. Sometimes called the house of self-expression, the Fifth also rules self-display, as you each put on your finest feathers to attract the other. Dating in the Fifth leads to marriage in the Seventh House and sex in the Eighth, and then the cycle begins again with children, which are also shown by the Fifth House and its association with self-expression and play.

There are a number of different signs and planets associated with your relationship houses, and each of these contributes its own symbolic themes to that area of your life. The more that you both try to express the various qualities that are symbolized in these key relationship areas of your charts, the happier and more complete your relationship is likely to feel.

### **The sign Leo is on your Fifth-House cusp.**

For you, courtship requires drama and romance, and you love the extravagant gesture. You need at least one of you (and maybe even both of you) to be up on a pedestal being adored. A date or a romantic involvement is an occasion when you like really to express yourself, put on your special finery, and celebrate. For you more than for most, dating is likely to involve dining and dancing, taking in a sporting event, movie, or other spectacle, playing with children, or acting like children yourselves. In fact, you may find that being playful and creative is one of the most delightful and satisfying ways you get to know each other.

### **Virgo is within the Fifth House.**

At some point, however, it feels good to get down-to-earth and practical. When you're in a romantic relationship, you can make even the most mundane tasks seem like play. At a certain stage you also realize that having fun is actually good for you, so that the sheer enjoyment of moving your body turns into an interest in fitness, or you start realizing that pleasure benefits your mental and physical health. At this stage of your romance you may start to do things together for fun *and* profit, or you may turn doing practical tasks for each other or someone else into an occasion for enjoyment.



If you've put each other on too high a pedestal, your adoration could eventually turn critical. It may be that some realism about each other will eventually help your relationship. If, instead, it just seems as if all the fun has gone away, it should be fairly easy for you to lighten up and go back to your usual attitude toward romances, in which nothing can be taken too seriously because it's all basically a game. Turning criticism into playful banter can do much to keep things in proportion.

### **The Sun, the ruler of your Fifth House, is in the Twelfth**

The planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on the Fifth-House cusp brings in additional considerations. Placed in the Twelfth House, it means that when it comes to romance, you have the ability to fantasize -- and what better area is there to use than your imagination?

Nevertheless, you need to face the fact that even the most gallant and handsome prince can have chinks in his armor, and the kindest and most beautiful princess can have her witchy days. If you try to ignore your partner's flaws completely, you'll only be deluding yourself. When the inevitable imperfections show up, your romance could then crash to earth.

To inoculate yourself against such disappointments, recognize and accept the fact that everyone has faults -- and when they come up, don't dwell on them. Do enjoy the romantic element of your relationship, because it can often be refreshing to fantasize about your partner. In the long run, however, you'll have to face reality and embrace the total person.

You don't have any planets in your Fifth House. All this means is that dating and romance may take a less crucial role in your life than they might for someone else. The good thing is that your requirements are less specific, so that you can select from a wider range of potential playmates.

### **Becoming Partners**

Through the pleasures, risk-taking and self-expression signified by the Fifth House, you gain a sense of your own individuality and develop a robust identity of your own. You need this before you can have the true relationship of equals that is the essence of the Seventh House.

Traditionally the house of marriage, Seventh House signifies the way you make a serious commitment to another, and the way that your commitment is recognized in the social sphere beyond your relationship. Even when your relationship doesn't result in marriage, this is the house where you learn to blend your individualities without submerging them, and, for better or for worse, to deal as a team with the ups and downs of life. It's also the place of head-to-head confrontations, where you encounter both your similarities and your differences, and you each negotiate your fair share in disputes.

**Libra is on your Seventh-House cusp.**

You want a partner who's your equal, and with whom you can totally share your life. Most likely this person will be charming and attractive. You also need peace and harmony in your partnerships, and so you'll probably bend over backwards to please. But no matter how much you crave equality, and no matter how much you share and give, you cannot create a partner who is your clone. Nor are you capable of duplicating all of your partner's behavior and attitudes. Differences of opinion, therefore, are apt to arise. These can lead to disagreements that you'll find unpleasant. In order to re-establish serenity, you might employ the subtle art of manipulation, but you probably can *both* be diplomatic in a close one-to-one relationship. Therefore, you might find it ultimately more satisfying if you openly negotiate.

**Scorpio is within the Seventh House.**

Your intimate relationships also require a certain degree of depth and intensity. Chances are, the partner you choose will not be shallow. You find it intriguing to get involved with those who have an air of mystery about them, so that you can probe and ferret out the truth about them. If you can't pry information out of your partner, or if you yourself keep secrets in the relationship, this may arouse suspicion in the other and lead to jealousy and possessiveness. To instill the positive Scorpio traits of security and trust, discuss your problems with each other as you would with a therapist. Or better yet, when problems arise between you, clear the air by seeking the help of a professional or some other objective third party.

**Sagittarius is within the Seventh House.**

Additionally, you want a partner who can help you to develop as an individual. Therefore, you're drawn to those who are intelligent and have information to impart. You would also like to help your partner to grow. If you spend too much time with your partner, however, you could become bored with each other. In order for you each to have something to give to the other, you have to work on your personal development outside of the relationship. Then you can get together to share.

**Venus, the ruler of your Seventh House, is in the First**

In your chart the planet that is traditionally associated with the sign on your Seventh-House cusp is placed in the First House. This suggests that you want your partner to seek you out initially, and also to make the first move in proposing marriage or initiating a more permanent relationship. When married, however, you need to keep a sense of yourself as a separate, autonomous being. Only then can you enter into a relationship of true equals, in which neither partner dominates. In relating to your partner, it suits you to take an active role at least half of the time, and you want to be just as well-known to the world as your partner. Submerging your individuality or leaving it up to your mate to deal with the outside world is simply not for you. As long as you remember this, marriage can bring you great benefits.

### **Your Jupiter is in the Seventh.**

This placement is sometimes said to indicate that no matter how good an intimate relationship is, at some point it can become boring, so that the grass may begin to look greener on the other side of the fence. If this is accurate, you could have a series of partners, but there are other ways to play this. You might select a partner who is intelligent and can help you to develop as an individual, or possibly someone from a foreign country or culture who can teach you about customs different from your own.

It's unlikely that you'll ever want constant togetherness, however. You need your own personal interests. Nevertheless, you and your partner should share at least one interest through which you can jointly grow. Sharing everything in a relationship can become dull, but if you share nothing, there's no reason to be together.

### **Your Neptune is in the Seventh.**

You are looking for the perfect partner, and it may be hard to accept the fact that there is no such person. You could create a myth about your significant other, or place your partner on a pedestal. All is well as long as you can sustain the fantasy, but once you begin to see the flaws, you could become critical of your partner or put yourself in a position where your partner criticizes you.

However, there is an alternative that works very well. First, you must acknowledge (at least intellectually) that perfection does not come naturally. You have to work at perfection; your fairy godmother does not automatically wave her magic wand. Once you accept this, take action. Initiate a romantic interlude. Go off together and forget about all your troubles for a short while. When you return home, daily living conditions will seem more tolerable, and you'll have stored up wonderful memories that can be with you forever.

### **Entwining Souls**

Joined into a single entity in the Seventh House, you become ready to transform each other in the Eighth. To do this, you need to relax your grip on whatever you felt necessary to maintain yourselves as separate individuals. Then you need to take a leap of faith, and trust that the essentially benevolent forces of life will pull you through. If you emerge from this trial successfully, you will be transformed and renewed.

This, of course, is the essence of sex, which is one of the areas that the Eighth House stands for. The Eighth also depicts the other sorts of deep emotional bonds that arise in relationships, as you shed the shells of your individuality to merge into a larger whole. On a material level, the Eighth depicts the merging of property and finances, where you each need to give up what is yours and contribute it to the common pool.

With the high emotional intensity of the Eighth House and its lack of objectivity, power struggles are possible. Any impulse to do harm must always be contained. The key lies in developing compassion for your own emotional state, in letting go of tightly held positions, and then inviting powers out of your conscious control to lead you in the right direction.

Regarding your sexual self, all the signs and planets influencing your Eighth House describe possible avenues for sexual expression. Combining or alternating these themes will keep you from falling into stale and confining routines.

**Sagittarius is on your Eighth-House cusp.**

You don't want to be tied down to a specific routine in sexual activities. Instead, you want to be free to explore and have new experiences. You will probably be attracted to someone who has either physical prowess or a good mind, or preferably both. But most appealing is a sexual partner who can in some way broaden your knowledge or be adventurous enough to explore and learn with you. If your sex life becomes too predictable, your attention may wander. Instilling new excitement into your present relationship can bring back the spark and help you to avoid the complications of outside affairs.

**Jupiter, the ruler of your Eighth House, is in the Seventh**

The placement of your Eighth-House ruler in your house of marriage suggests that you tend to look upon sex less in terms of your own gratification than as a pleasure to be shared. Also, you don't enter sexual relationships casually. For you, one-night stands are far less satisfying than an ongoing relationship, and you prefer that sex be based on some kind of commitment. In return, you expect commitment and fidelity from your sexual partner. If mutual trust is disturbed, you will need to work on re-establishing it, or your sex life will suffer.

Because you have no planets in your Eighth House, your requirements for sex and deep emotional bonding are simpler than they might be. If one or more of your partner's planets falls into your Eighth, however, it can add some different themes as well as additional energy to your sex life.

**How You See Jeff**

To see how you experience Jeff, what he means to you personally, and the biases you may have when dealing with this important person in your life, we're now going to look at the way his planets fit into the houses of your birth chart.

You could think of Jeff's planets as "lighting up" your houses, bringing more energy to the areas of life that those houses deal with. His planets can activate underactive areas of your life, making you feel more complete. Or they may increase the activity in areas that are already emphasized in your own chart. They may repeat problematic themes in your horoscope so that you're finally forced to deal with them, or give you the added push to make the most of assets that you already have. All this influences the way you feel about him, and suggests the functions that he will take on in your life.

First, however, before looking at specific houses and planets, it can be revealing just to look at the overall way Jeff's planets are grouped around your chart wheel.

With more of Jeff's planets falling into the top half of your chart, you tend to see him as more extraverted, adjusting to the world and needing its approval. Depending on how the planets are distributed around his own horoscope wheel, he may or may not actually be that way. Simply because of your expectations or from interaction with you, he may try to be more extraverted, while deep down he looks to an inner standard and values self-approval and self-motivation more than the values of the outside world. With you, he may try to conform to what's expected, but you may have different ideas of what conforming means. Chances are, he's really trying. Remember this, and if you still wish to change the way he behaves, try a bit of flattery before you criticize.

Jeff's planets are quite equally distributed between the right-hand and left-hand sides of your chart. This means that you probably see him as able to be both an initiator and responder. The advantage of this is that you'll feel neither the necessity always to take charge, nor the expectation that your partner will always do so. The disadvantage is not knowing when you should initiate and when you should respond.

To deal with this, you may always follow your partner's lead, or always try to take the lead yourself. A better course is to consciously decide who's in charge of what, and have each of you doing the decision-making in a different area. It's also helpful to consult frequently, so that each of you is advised of the decisions and plans that the other has made.

### **How Jeff Affects Specific Areas of Your Life**

And now for particular planets in particular houses. Pay special attention to the houses that contain Jeff's Sun and Moon, because these are likely to represent focal areas in your relationship with him.

#### **Jeff's Sun is in your Tenth House.**

You're likely to admire the image that Jeff projects on the world. This impression may be connected with your own career or with your own social interaction with society at large. If you're in business together, you might want to make Jeff the one who meets the clients or publicly represents the company. If you're not in business together, your partner can still make you look good. If your horoscope indicates that you need to stand on your own merits, you can either feel insecure about needing him to stand up for you, or you can together figure out ways to stand on the world stage as a duo.

#### **Jeff's Moon is in your Ninth House.**

You might feel that Jeff's strong opinions on religion and/or politics are based on intuition or emotions rather than logic. If your views are similar, there should be no problem in your discussing such matters. However, if you disagree, your partner could be prone to emotional outbursts or trigger such behavior in you. Once emotions are aroused, it's hard to change anyone's mind, so chances are that both of you will only get more upset. If this kind of behavior occurs, you might want to avoid these controversial subjects. Alternatively, you might want to substitute long-distance travel for arguments about religion and politics. Whether or not this works, you'll at least visit interesting places.

**Jeff's Mercury is in your Ninth House.**

Jeff might like to discuss politics or religion with you. If so, your conversations are probably light, without a lot of emotional fervor or deep thinking behind the words. There may, however be a cleverness in Jeff's manner of discussion that can win you over, and you may not realize until later that your opinion has changed.

Since this house is also the house of distant travel, another possibility is that when you're in a foreign country or dealing with foreign people or things, you might expect Jeff to be the spokesperson. If things go wrong fairly often when you're abroad and your partner is doing all the talking, you might want to learn a few key foreign phrases yourself.

**Jeff's Venus is in your Eleventh House.**

You may have first been drawn to Jeff when you picked him out of a group, and his attractiveness and social skills may still seem to shine best when the two of you are in your circle of friends or associates. When you're dealing with your peers, Jeff's sociability could be a great asset. It could also be that Jeff gets you to join groups or associate with people who are interested in art or the other pleasures in life. If things ever get too serious or grim, you'll usually be able to lighten things up and have a good time if you go together to a party, or go on an outing with an organization or friends.

**Jeff's Mars is in your Tenth House.**

You may feel that Jeff directs your actions in your career or in building your public image, and gives lots of advice on what to do and how to do it. All this should go well if you work together, and he involves himself while directing you. Together, you'll probably accomplish a great deal and you'll probably be glad to give credit to your partner for at least some of your success.

However, if he tells you what to do and personally does nothing, you may resent the interference and experience him as more of a detriment than an asset. Should this happen, try to redirect your partner's energy into actual activity on behalf of your career or public image. Find some task that would appeal to your partner and which would also help you to achieve your goals. If you reward your partner when the job is well done, you will start to direct your partner's energy into constructive channels that will strengthen rather than weaken your relationship. At the very least, keep your partner busy, and there will be less energy left over to bug you.

**Jeff's Jupiter is in your Twelfth House.**

You may see Jeff as someone who doesn't easily express exuberance, and you may not fully understand what gives him pleasure. Perhaps you'd like to have some questions answered on the subject, but you don't even know what or how to ask. It's difficult to handle this vague problem by asking questions directly. It'll be more effective to live out the symbolism of this placement in a different way. You might join forces with your partner in some form of mysticism, in probing into the subconscious, in pleasurable fantasizing about grand schemes, or in helping others -- all areas that are suggested by Jupiter in the Twelfth. For example, you could mentor or otherwise assist people who are in a prison or hospital. You may then discover your partner's enthusiastic, exuberant side, and deepen your partnership by benefiting others. You may also discover that you have a great deal to learn from him, and that you can personally expand because of his wisdom, learning or philosophy.

**Jeff's Saturn is in your Eleventh House.**

Jeff may bring older or more serious friends into your social life, and he may make it more regular, secure and predictable. At parties and other gatherings you may feel secure because he gets you there, takes care of your needs in group situations, and makes sure that you get home safely. While he might not be exactly the life of the party, you may have confidence that he'll be there for you and that he won't flirt or otherwise leave you in the lurch.

All this can feel reassuring, but in some ways he might make your social life more restricted. You might feel inhibited in social situations because you think that you don't live up to his standards or to the standards of his friends. Or he could feel uncomfortable with your acquaintances. Possibly he just needs more of your undivided attention, and feels insecure when, for example, your conversation with him is interrupted by a friend's long phone call. The solution is to call your friend back later and, at least some of the time, to see your friends when your partner is doing something else.

Alternatively, your social life could be limited simply because you're so wrapped up in your relationship with each other. At some point, however, having friends outside of your relationship will provide some fresh input that enlarges your perspective and keeps things lively and interesting.

**Jeff's Uranus is in your Fifth House.**

This area is associated with children, creativity and romance. If you have children together, Jeff may stimulate them, help them to become independent, or simply seem detached from them. If he does seem distant or disinterested, however, it may only be from your perspective. Anyway, if necessary, you can probably get him to interact more with the children by appealing to his intellect. Suggest that it would be a shame not to share the great amount of information that he has to offer.

In the realm of your own creativity, Jeff may be able to spark your originality and help you to become excited about your talents. Just don't expect his stimulation to be ongoing and dependable, and take advantage of it whenever you can.

Finally, Jeff may be a romantic lover who brings lots of excitement and surprises to the relationship. But he probably needs some space and time alone as well. While you may sometimes feel a lack of consistent companionship, the fun and that zest that you experience when you *are* together may more than make up for any insecurity that you feel.

**Jeff's Neptune is in your Seventh House.**

Jeff may infuse your relationship with an element of fantasy or romance, or with a spiritual or idealistic orientation. This can add an extra dimension to your time together and help to enlighten you personally. Also, you may idealize each other, and thereby bring out each other's best qualities.

However, it may sometimes be hard for you to achieve the clarity and equality that's needed in a lasting partnership. Your idealization of each other could eventually bring about disillusionment. There may be things about Jeff that are hard to pin down. You might even wonder about his motivations or honesty, and your suspicions could be so nebulous that they're difficult to talk about. Or he just might not be very dependable, so that sometimes he's there and sometimes not. You may simply have to accept this in him, and enjoy the tender and sensitive parts of his nature while you provide stability and practical support.

In order to live on the earth plane in an ongoing partnership, you may need to make a special effort to be open and honest with each other. This will be easier if you remember that your partner may feel quite vulnerable and unprotected. Strive always to be gentle, and never to wound. You'll then be more able to enjoy your partner's sensitive and tender side.

To make the best of this placement, the two of you could get involved in spiritual activities or be of service to others. And if there is fantasy or a particularly romantic quality in your relationship, enjoy that to the fullest!

**Jeff's Pluto is in your Fifth House.**

If you have children together, you may see your partner as an authoritarian figure who directs them. This may take the pressure of disciplining them off of you, and it could be very gratifying if the children actually follow orders once in a while. However, if they fight back, the situation could become unpleasant. Should power struggles occur frequently, you might consider sitting down as a family and analyzing the situation with the idea of improving conditions. If everyone honestly expresses his or her views, you may be able to get to the bottom of things and transform everyone's behavior. You may also try to get your partner to redirect his Plutonian power into romantically sweeping you off your feet or getting wholeheartedly involved in a creative venture.

## The Dynamics between the Two of You

Now we're ready to look at some typical kinds of dramas that can play out between you. These are suggested by the way the planets in one person's chart relate to those in the other.



The different planets in your chart are like little characters who are interacting with each other inside your psyche. They also interact with the little characters inside other people. For example, Mars, the little warrior inside you, could be having a hot and heavy affair with your partner's sultry, come-hither Venus. This could take the form either of cozying up in bed together, or fighting most of the time. Or these two little characters could be constantly on each other's mind, but somehow at cross-purposes or never quite on each other's wavelength. The basic quality of each planet, plus the aspect, or kind of angle, that is formed between them, determines how well those parts of the psyche will get along with each other, and what the nature of their alliance or conflict will be.

Below, the aspects between your charts are arranged roughly in order of how important they'll be to you personally. Take special note whenever you see aspects involving the same pairs of planets next to each other in the list. If you see, for example, not only your Venus conjunct your partner's Mars, but also your partner's Mars making an aspect to your Venus, you can be sure that Venus-Mars themes such as sex, or some other sort of very creative, productive activity, will be of overriding importance in your life together.

Because we're dealing with double the number of planets here, the number of possible aspects is greatly increased. We'll therefore consider only the interaspects that are quite exact.

### **Meshing Your Personalities and Goals**

Aspects involving your Ascendant or Midheaven depend not only on the day you were born, but also on the exact time. They therefore make you different from most others born on the same day, and have a particularly personal significance.

The Ascendant is the place where a planet would rise from the inner realm below the horizon to the outer world above. As such, it symbolizes the interface between the inner you and the outside world. This is your personality -- the face you put on, your body and manner, your habitual way of dealing with others.

The Midheaven is the highest point a planet can go in your chart. As you might expect, it signifies the most universally visible part of you -- your career goals, your most public self and your reputation. Aspects involving the Midheaven of one or both partners can therefore be among the most powerful indicators of how one partner relates to the other's reputation, career and overall life direction.

Because the Ascendant and Midheaven move so fast (on average, a whole degree in only four minutes of time) their correct positions depend on whether you know your birth time accurately. Aspects between these points and your partner's horoscope can say very important things about your relationship. If you're unsure of your birth time, however, it's best to take any interpretations of aspects from your Ascendant and Midheaven with a grain of salt.

### **Jeff's Moon is trine Mackenzie's Ascendant.**

There's a very strong attraction and personal tie between you. It's natural for Jeff to nurture Mackenzie, and for Mackenzie's personality and manner to encourage Jeff to express his feelings. In this way you each make the other feel cared-for and special.

If there's any danger, it would lie in being *too* helpful to each other. Jeff might nurture too much, making Mackenzie feel smothered, or Mackenzie might encourage Jeff so strongly that Jeff becomes overly emotional. It's unlikely, however, that such problems would happen often. The deep feelings that you have for each other should far outweigh any of these minor upsets.

**Jeff's Venus is sextile Mackenzie's Ascendant.**

While you and your partner are attracted to each other, you don't just sit back and enjoy the relationship -- you want to help your partner enjoy life even more. One way you make your partner happier is by showing your appreciation through generosity and indulgence, and your partner likes to do the same. If this mutual indulgence were to get out of hand, you could conceivably overdo having fun and start to ignore your duties. This is not likely to be a serious problem, however, because you're almost certain to have other factors in your charts that give some seriousness and control. The important things are the good feelings and closeness that this aspect engenders. These can help you to avoid or overcome any problems that may arise in your relationship.

**Jeff's Mars is square Mackenzie's Ascendant.**

Jeff is probably drawn to Mackenzie's personality, and Mackenzie may find Jeff's forceful side attractive, but you might also argue a lot. While Jeff may show strength and offer protection, Mackenzie could also feel that her partner nags and directs her too much, and Jeff may feel that his partner is more critical than supportive. If arguments break out and you feel that your partner doesn't approve of you, it may be time to re-direct this Mars energy into doing some vigorous physical activity together such as work or sports. This could benefit your body or your appearance. Even if it doesn't, it'll keep you so busy that you don't have time to argue.

**Jeff's Pluto is sesquare Mackenzie's Ascendant.**

This combination carries the possibility of being a powerful and effective couple, but in fact you may more often challenge each other than cooperate. Feeling that Jeff is trying to control and direct her, Mackenzie could develop low self-esteem, because she thinks that her partner is showing disapproval. And if Jeff senses that Mackenzie is trying to undermine his power, he could start to feel ineffectual. If either of these situations describes what's happening in your relationship, determine what's wrong and change it. Find ways to cooperate, and you'll feel stronger both individually and as a couple.

**Mackenzie's Sun is conjunct Jeff's Ascendant.**

This is a strong personal connection, and it may be one reason why you're drawn to each other. Your personalities may blend well, but, in spite of this (perhaps because of it), either of you could try to outshine your partner.

Alternatively, you might take each other for granted. If this occurs, the neglected partner could become upset and view the other as self-centered. If the neglected person then strives for personal recognition, you'll both be self-absorbed. This aspect will become a wedge between you rather than an asset, and it will be difficult to operate as a unit.

However, if you show your partner appreciation and look for ways in which you can be supportive, you'll each become stronger individually, and this will ensure that your partnership prospers also.

**Jeff's Ascendant and Mackenzie's Ascendant are conjunct.**

With virtually the same degree of the zodiac rising, you and your partner are bound to share certain personality traits, and may have similar ways of viewing and dealing with most areas of your life. Obviously there's an attraction, or you wouldn't be together. However, similarity doesn't necessarily mean total approval. If you see irritating qualities in the other, it could be because your partner reflects imperfections in yourself. To do something about this, look at your own character, and work on correcting those traits. And remember to capitalize on what you find most appealing in each other instead of carping about flaws. That should improve your relationship and also make you feel better about yourselves as individuals.

**Jeff's Ascendant is square Mackenzie's Midheaven.**

Mackenzie's public image, reputation or career is connected with Jeff's personality in such a way that you may sometimes interfere with each other's progress. For example, Mackenzie could feel that Jeff's personality is detrimental to her career, or Jeff could believe that Mackenzie's career forces limitations on his behavior. The result may be that Mackenzie feels unsuccessful and Jeff feels insecure. It may help if Mackenzie tries pursuing some of her career goals without involving her partner, and Jeff looks outside the relationship to develop self-esteem.

**Jeff's Sun is conjunct Mackenzie's Midheaven.**

As a couple, you tend to focus on the outer world, possibly through career. Each of you has the ability to promote the other, but you both need personal appreciation as well. You both want the limelight, and if one of you feels that the other is getting more recognition, you could try to upstage or criticize the other. This could put you both out of favor with the world at large, because if your partner looks bad, so do you. Instead of battling each other, find ways to share the stage. The spotlight is big enough for both. When you cooperate, you'll make a favorable impression and will very likely attain the public success you both want.

**Jeff's Jupiter is square Mackenzie's Midheaven.**

You and your partner may be able to create wonderful plans together about how Jeff can personally expand and Mackenzie can achieve professional success. While the two of you may have no shortage of ideas, implementing the ideas is another matter. You may expect the ideas to materialize by themselves, or perhaps you cannot agree on the steps to take to make them come to fruition. Here the key to success is effort and action. Find a concrete step to take toward initiating one single plan. As you begin to move, you'll see that you gain momentum, and one success will lead to another until advancement in the outer world becomes an integral part of your interaction.

**Jeff's Neptune is sextile Mackenzie's Midheaven.**

With this combination, Jeff's spirituality, charisma and artistry are connected with Mackenzie's career and public image, and you want to help each other to be happier and more fulfilled. So Jeff can use his personal charisma to enhance Mackenzie's career or the impression that she makes on the world. He may also demonstrate faith in Mackenzie's abilities so that Mackenzie can become more self-confident. And Mackenzie can throw worldly support behind Jeff's artistic endeavors and spiritual belief system. Material rewards may not be the main goals you strive toward as a couple, but your selflessness toward your partner and your joint altruism might make all sorts of rewards magically appear.

**Jeff's Pluto is trine Mackenzie's Midheaven.**

This aspect creates a profound and important bond between you. It may be that Jeff cares especially deeply about Mackenzie's career, calling and reputation, and has the power to change her career aspirations and public image for the better. It's also possible that Jeff may have a deep and beneficial effect on Mackenzie's home life and sense of roots.

In any event, Jeff's power in some way gives momentum to Mackenzie's goals. When you support each other in realizing your dreams, your relationship will flourish as your sense of personal efficacy increases.

Because of the power that this aspect confers, the outer world is likely to see the two of you as either forceful allies or formidable enemies. Particularly if you share a profession, you'll be a couple to be reckoned with.

**Jeff's South Node is conjunct Mackenzie's Midheaven.**

Many of the relationships that the two of you share are likely to be connected with business or other outer-world concerns. Since you're likely to form these ties for practical rather than enjoyment reasons, you may sometimes feel bored or burdened by them. If these people help you to reach your goals, by all means continue seeing them. If they don't, consider dropping them and finding others who will be more helpful. And you need not always be bored or burdened. While this combination indicates business contacts, it doesn't mean that you can't also have associations that are fun.

**Mackenzie's Sun is square Jeff's Midheaven.**

Friction may arise between the two of you over personal gratification and/or career or public image. You both want the limelight, and if one of you feels that the other is getting more recognition, you could try to upstage the other. To make yourself look good, you might criticize your partner to others. However, if your partner looks bad, so do you. Then you both may end up out of favor with the world at large. Instead of battling each other, find ways to share the stage. The spotlight is big enough for both. When you cooperate, you'll make a favorable impression and will very likely attain the public success you both want.

**Mackenzie's Moon is trine Jeff's Midheaven.**

With this combination Mackenzie's emotions and Jeff's career or public image work hand in hand. Mackenzie probably nurtures Jeff automatically, so that he feels supported emotionally and can better face the world, and, Jeff takes care of her material needs, so that she can express her feelings more comfortably and freely. While Mackenzie may naturally be focused on the home, and Jeff on the outer world, you need not be confined to those roles. Mackenzie can have a career, and Jeff can share in taking care of the home. In fact, Jeff might even choose to work out of the home. What's important is that, wherever you are, you can be supportive of each other.

**Mackenzie's Saturn is trine Jeff's Midheaven.**

Jeff's career or public image should fit well with Mackenzie's concept of life structure, thus providing a strong foundation on which to build your relationship in material terms. Tangible success is what you're seeking, and for the most part you probably agree on what you're striving for. Because you believe that you have to work hard to get what you want, however, you probably don't take the easiest route. Fortunately you have the ability to work hard together, so though you may not advance quickly, your persistence will allow you to move steadily forward so that you ultimately get your rewards.

**Mackenzie's Uranus is square Jeff's Midheaven.**

Mackenzie's individuality or revolutionary tendencies might not always fit well with the public image that Jeff wants to project. Also, Jeff's career or public image might make Mackenzie feel inhibited or stifled. So Jeff could be embarrassed by Mackenzie, and Mackenzie might feel restricted by Jeff. There's potential for excitement here, so if you're unhappy with your situation, try a little spontaneity. Do something new and different together. Just a little relief from your daily circumstances may be all that's needed to add a welcome sparkle to your relationship.

**Mackenzie's North Node is sextile Jeff's Midheaven.**

As a couple you find it easy to form relationships in the outer world, and the two of you share the ability to fit in easily with these individuals. In fact, it could seem that people are standing in line to interact with you! While a lot of these alliances may be made primarily for professional reasons or may come about as a result of your careers or your public reputation, they may also bring you a lot of companionship and pleasure.

**Jeff's Midheaven and Mackenzie's Midheaven are conjunct.**

With this combination there's a focus on your interaction as a couple with the outer world, either through your careers or other roles that you perform in public. Your ideas and direction are probably quite similar, so you could present a united front. However, similarity does not necessarily mean cooperation. Although you might use the same tactics, you could become competitive and use your similar modes of operating against, rather than for, each other. Should this happen, it could damage your public image, and that would not help either of you. Instead of vying with each other for the top place, you should each work on developing your own public image. As you're building your own self-confidence, you're less likely to feel threatened by your partner. Then you'll notice that it becomes easier to face the world together and make a more favorable joint impression.

**Balancing Your Separate Egos**

The Sun has to do with your inner life direction and also with your conscious conception of yourself. In close relationships, one of the chief issues the Sun will bring up is each person's ego, and how the other partner does or doesn't support it.

Since the Sun is such a central part of the horoscope, aspects involving the Sun of one or both partners are likely to be among the major keynotes of your relationship. Aspects between one person's Sun and the other's Moon are particularly important, as they have proven to be one of the strongest possible attractors between two people, especially in a long-term relationship like marriage.

**Jeff's Sun and Mackenzie's Sun are in square.**

You may sometimes have a clash of wills, and find it hard to cooperate to attain joint ego gratification. With effort, you may be able to work together, but be prepared for some friction. You could openly disagree on life directions, goals or what constitutes ego gratification. Or one of you might quietly upstage the other or sabotage the other's efforts. It'll help to be aware of these possibilities and treat your partner as you yourself would want to be treated. Also, ego may become less of an issue in your partnership if you each get a little appreciation and ego gratification in some other part of your lives.

**Jeff's Sun is trine Mackenzie's Mars.**

You and your partner energize each other, so that you have more vitality together than either of you has individually. Although you tend to vitalize the other naturally, you may energize your partner even more if you assume particular roles. It probably works most smoothly if Mackenzie initiates and directs things, while Jeff is the recipient of this direction and the vehicle through which the energy is expended.

Because the energy flows so easily, you might not think of planning in advance. However, if you see yourselves expending a lot of energy but not getting anywhere, it would help, before you take action, to agree on goals that will bring you self-satisfaction. Determining goals will help focus you both, and with all the energy you have, you should then easily be able to get the results you want.

**Jeff's Sun is trine Mackenzie's Pluto.**

The two of you are a powerful force when it comes to going after your life goals. When you're together, you create tremendous energy, and you tend to increase each other's determination. Once you agree on what you want to accomplish, chances are that you'll achieve much of what you set out to do, and will attain great self-satisfaction. Just don't get so carried away with your power that you disregard the needs of others. Remember that hard-hearted action often backfires. So determine your goals carefully, and consider the people who are involved. Then allow that awesome Pluto energy to flow. If you've selected the right path, you can accomplish great and constructive changes together. You'll also be more likely to enjoy the smoky, sexy attraction that this aspect can bestow.

**Mackenzie's Sun is conjunct Jeff's Jupiter.**

This can be an expansive combination, with Jeff having marvelous plans for Mackenzie's life direction, and/or Mackenzie using her personal identity to help Jeff grow. Or you might just find it pleasurable to be together. At worst, the two of you could lack will power, or have an exaggerated sense of self-importance as a couple, or sometimes be extravagant with money. You can avoid overextending yourselves physically or financially by making a game of finding ways to have fun that don't include overindulgence or great expenditure. When you go out, leave your credit cards at home, so you won't be tempted to use them. If you play the game well, you'll see that you can still think big and have a wonderful time without going into debt. This can be a challenge that you'll enjoy together.

**Mackenzie's Sun is sextile Jeff's Saturn.**

You and your partner have a strong desire to help each other to attain rewards. When Mackenzie seeks self-satisfaction, Jeff would typically assist by helping to organize Mackenzie's time. When Jeff seeks material rewards, Mackenzie may assist by using the force of her personality to impel Jeff toward these goals. All this assistance comes without asking, and it's possible that sometimes you help each other so much that you actually feel restricted instead of assisted. If this happens, occasionally step back and give your partner a little breathing room. You don't need to stop helping entirely -- just take a short break.

**Mackenzie's Sun is quincunx Jeff's Neptune.**

Jeff's spiritual yearnings and desire to abandon ego have an uneasy relationship with Mackenzie's own ego drives. If Jeff's spiritual needs are *always* permitted to be in the foreground, Mackenzie could become unclear about her own identity and begin to lack confidence. If Mackenzie is *always* allowed to be in the limelight, Jeff could begin to feel victimized. The way out of this impasse is to make an extra effort to understand your partner's viewpoint, and then to take turns catering to each other's needs. Mackenzie should have her time on stage striving for ego satisfaction, while Jeff just stands in the wings and offers his spiritual support. And then Mackenzie should spend some time supporting Jeff while he goes after his spiritual goals. Doing this will enable both of you to get what you want without feeling confused or victimized.

**Dealing with Each Other's Emotions**

The Moon has to do with your unconscious, receptive side, the part that reacts emotionally to life. A primary signifier of the mother, it also indicates how everyone, regardless of gender, nurtures, feeds and protects both others and the self. The Moon also has a lot to do with being comfortable and feeling at home with your partner.

**Jeff's Moon is trine Mackenzie's Mercury.**

You and your partner have the ability to communicate well with each other, both verbally and non-verbally. You can also easily blend your feelings into your communications. Jeff may emotionally support what Mackenzie is saying, and Mackenzie's words could be emotionally soothing to Jeff.

Occasionally, however, Jeff could instill emotions that might lead to Mackenzie making statements without considering all the implications. Or Mackenzie could say something that would make Jeff overly emotional. Should either of these scenarios take place, talk to each other. This should be simple for you to do, and it will help to get things back to normal.

**Jeff's Moon is sextile Mackenzie's Jupiter.**

You may enjoy being together because, without being asked, Mackenzie helps Jeff to express his feelings, and Jeff naturally supports Mackenzie's need to grow. The only possible danger is in over-stimulating each other, in which case there could be embarrassing emotional displays or other kinds of excess. If this slight probability materializes, just concentrate on what you have together and what you give to each other. That should put everything back into its proper perspective, and you can continue to enjoy being together.

**Jeff's Moon is square Mackenzie's Pluto.**

Emotions are a powerful force between you, but they can materialize either as shared passion or as a weapon that you use against each other. Possibly fighting each other is just a prelude to passion. If that's the case, just continue on your current course. But if instead of passion you usually just feel manipulated or overpowered by your partner, it would help to try to analyze what's going on. When you do this together and face the situation openly, there's less likelihood that either of you can get away with undermining the other. Then you can take the tremendous energy that this aspect can bring, and use it to transform your relationship.

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**Mackenzie's Moon is trine Jeff's Uranus.**

When emotions are involved, you and your partner naturally share an air of electricity. No matter how long you've been together, there's an easily ignited spark of excitement between you. Because of your interaction, there can be some inconsistency in the way you each behave, but you know down deep that you can count on help from your partner. Jeff may use unusual means, but he can make Mackenzie feel comfortable to express her feelings freely. And Mackenzie's emotional support can help Jeff to be more individual and creative. You may not always know what to expect next from each other, but you know that you'll get help when you need it, and you'll probably never be bored.

**Mackenzie's Moon is sextile Jeff's North Node.**

When Jeff brings his acquaintances into the relationship, Mackenzie finds it easy to relate to them, particularly on an emotional level. Mackenzie tends to nurture them, and, as a result of your being together, Jeff, too, may come to assume a motherly role toward these individuals even if he didn't before. Because of the empathy that you, as a couple, project into these relationships, people may often come to the two of you for help with their problems. You might not always want to be looked upon as mother figures. If the burden becomes too great, seek out other people with whom to relate. While the nurturing pattern might possibly recur with the next group, one thing you don't have to worry about is fitting in with each other's friends.

**Keeping Communications Open**

The planet Mercury has a key importance in your relationship because it signifies your own style of thinking and perceiving, and also the way you convey your thoughts and feelings to each other. When the two of you have good Mercury connections, you're able to communicate easily, and your chances of ironing out any differences between you are greatly increased.



**Jeff's Mercury and Mackenzie's Mercury are in trine.**

You and your partner communicate easily. You may share many of the same views, and so you most likely enjoy conversing with each other. Even if you don't always discuss deep, intellectual matters, you can talk without effort about issues that are important in your daily life. The worst possibility with this combination is that you talk to each other too much (if there's such a thing as talking too much to your partner!). Having such excellent rapport will strengthen your relationship and should far outweigh any complaints you could have about each other's loquacity.

**Jeff's Mercury is trine Mackenzie's Venus.**

This combination can indicate that communications between you and your partner are creative and pleasurable. It is also possible that if you collaborate with one another in writing or speaking, you could make a favorable impression on the world, and possibly even be considered artistically talented when you communicate. Your conversations may not be philosophical or deep, and it could be easier for you to discuss matters superficially than to get to the core of any problems you might have. However, you certainly should enjoy talking to each other, and this can do much to keep your relationship lively and close.

**Jeff's Mercury is sextile Mackenzie's Jupiter.**

This combination connects social communication skills (Mercury) with deeper intellectual pursuits (Jupiter) and makes it easy for you to broaden each other in terms of thinking and speaking. Mackenzie can add a bit of philosophy and depth to Jeff's verbal skills, and Jeff may make Mackenzie more understandable on the social level. You want to help each other to communicate more effectively, and you'll probably never lack enthusiasm when you're talking with each other. This enthusiasm and desire to be of assistance may sometimes lead you to exaggerate when you tell a story together, or create grand plans that may not be totally realistic. In the long run, however, your interaction should cause you both to feel mentally enriched.

**Jeff's Mercury is trine Mackenzie's Saturn.**

It's is easy for you and your partner to organize your thinking together and to clarify issues through discussion. But there may be times when your communications are inhibited because you believe you must stick strictly to the facts. Also, you may sometimes wish that certain matters didn't have to be so clear. Nevertheless, with this combination you'll always know where you stand with your partner, and your communications as a couple will have impact because they're clear and direct. Though you may occasionally wish for more free-flowing communications, do realize that because of your interaction, you both are better organized and clearer thinking than either of you would be individually.

**Jeff's Mercury is square Mackenzie's Uranus.**

You and your partner stimulate each other in terms of individuality and communications. This can materialize either in creative originality and clever conversations, or in eccentric behavior and strange or impractical ideas. Either or both of you might tend to bring out the bizarre rather than the more creative element in your partner. If that is the case, remember that sharing and projecting originality, creativity and cleverness is a possibility, and work on it. You may start by slowing down the process. Although the ideas and plans that you share can be exciting, hold off taking action until you've had several of these stimulating conversations. Also, concentrate on the practical implications. The potential is there, and you may be surprised not only at how creative and original you can be together, but also that you have the ability to make your ideas materialize.

**Mackenzie's Mercury is square Jeff's Mars.**

You and your partner can stimulate each other to talk (Mercury) and to take action (Mars). But this stimulation may often materialize as anger instead of cooperation. Venting anger can sometimes be better than holding it in, but if you do little more than antagonize each other, you might want to try a new approach. Find a physical task that needs to be done, and set about accomplishing it together. As you're working, discuss your complaints. In this way you'll be using your energy effectively. And when you're expending physical energy, there will be less energy available to annoy each other. You may then find it easier to get your points across to each other.

**Encouraging Affection and Pleasure**

Like a flower that attracts bees, Venus rules anything that attracts through beauty or pleasure, anything that engenders desire. She can also signify whatever you think is beautiful or valuable or attractive. In your relationship, Venus reveals the quality of affection that draws you together, the esteem you have for each other, the enjoyment that you feel, and the beauty and pleasure that you can create around you.

**Jeff's Venus is square Mackenzie's Mars.**

You and your partner find each other attractive and sexually appealing, but, instead of always enjoying these qualities in each other, you may sometimes bring out the less desirable traits of these planets. For example, Jeff could seem self-centered and Mackenzie could seem too aggressive. Then Jeff might look elsewhere for gentler treatment, and Mackenzie could seek someone more responsive. You already have a dynamic and potentially exciting attachment. Before you look elsewhere, try showing each other a bit more consideration. It may take effort, but by working a little on your relationship, you could prove to yourself that you have a partner who can bring you a great deal of pleasure.

**Jeff's Venus is square Mackenzie's Neptune.**

The love connection between you is a charismatic one that's difficult to explain in practical terms. There may also be a desire for perfect love, a love that's difficult to describe. Since human beings are far from perfect, either or both of you might find yourselves noticing the faults more often than the positive qualities of your partner. If you find yourselves doing more carping than stroking, remember the feeling of love that you can experience together. Every time you start to criticize, think of one of your partner's good points. As you focus on your partner's strengths, favorable thoughts can begin to outnumber critical ones, and you'll get closer to your dream of a perfect union.

**Jeff's Venus is quincunx Mackenzie's Pluto.**

Where love is involved, you and your partner could experience a powerful passion, or simply have a power struggle. If either of you feels that your partner is trying to control you, you should both try to understand your situation from the other's perspective. Jeff might sometimes express affection in a way that's comfortable for him, with Mackenzie totally adjusting to his needs by being passionate and not manipulative. Mackenzie might sometimes be allowed to express passion in her own way, with Jeff adjusting to her needs by supplying lots of affection. When you take turns adjusting to each other in this way, neither of you should feel as though your partner is controlling you, and the passion you have between you will flourish.

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**Mackenzie's Venus is trine Jeff's Uranus.**

When you and your partner express affection toward each other, there's an almost visible spark of electricity. No matter how long you've been together, there's the possibility for a sense of newness and an air of excitement between you. Your behavior may not always be consistent, nor will it necessarily conform to the expectations of others. They may think that you are a rather strange or unconventional couple. But the way you feel about each other is far more important than the way others see you. Continue to be spontaneous. Enjoy the excitement and the affection that you share.

**Getting Things Done Together**

Mars signifies the way you direct the life energy of the Sun. This you could use to assert yourself, go after what you want, or meet threats and defend yourself from harm or annoyance. In your relationship it can show where anger may erupt, but it also indicates your energy level and your ability to accomplish things as a couple. It also has a lot to do with your sexual assertion and desire.

**Jeff's Mars is square Mackenzie's Jupiter.**

While the two of you may be stimulated to initiate plans for expansion, you may sometimes interfere rather than cooperate with each other. Mackenzie could overwhelm Jeff with too many suggestions on how to take action. And Jeff might try to run the show by telling Mackenzie how she should develop. Because you and your partner are both pushing so hard, you may accomplish little except angering each other. If you spend more time arguing than achieving, try physical activity (Mars) that has nothing to do with development (Jupiter). Or take a trip (Jupiter) during which it doesn't matter who directs (Mars). That should relieve the tension temporarily and also provide some togetherness. Then you can do the rest of your initiating and expanding separately.

**Jeff's Mars is sextile Mackenzie's Neptune.**

With this combination, Mackenzie's artistic talents or spiritual qualities work well with Jeff's ability to take action. Mackenzie could impel Jeff into motion, and Jeff most likely wants to help Mackenzie actively express her spirituality or artistry. As you work together on an artistic or spiritual project, you cannot help but enrich your relationship, and possibly the outer world as well. However, if you try to explain this in practical terms, you'll probably only become confused. It works, so just accept it, and have faith that it will continue to work.

**Jeff's Mars is trine Mackenzie's Pluto.**

Through your relationship, you and your partner have more power than you would have as individuals. This aspect between your charts increases your energy, your potential for leading, and your desire to stimulate your partner to move toward greater and greater heights. Also, the powerful image that you project as a couple will make others see you as a force to be reckoned with. Therefore, the two of you are more likely to be leaders than followers.

The worst problem that could arise is that you could get so carried away with your own ability to initiate and control that you forget to consider the thoughts and wishes of others. If people complain or refuse to cooperate, you could flex your muscles to make them conform. You might, however, produce better results and get more cooperation if you analyzed your situation and found a new way of taking the initiative to transform it.

**Mackenzie's Mars is square Jeff's Saturn.**

You and your partner could feel limited by each other because Mackenzie wants to keep moving, and is slowed down by Jeff's insistence on organizing. Or Jeff could be uncomfortable because Mackenzie is trying to press him into action. The result could be a stalemate, with neither of you able to move forward and both of you feeling frustrated. If this occurs often, perhaps you should divide up the tasks that you want to accomplish and each take care of your own duties before you try to combine your efforts. Jeff could work out the details of your course of action, and Mackenzie could initiate the plan. You may still have your disagreements, but if you do manage to get moving, they will be tempered by your accomplishments.

**Mackenzie's Mars is opposite Jeff's Neptune.**

When the two of you share work on a physical or mundane task, you may be quickly exhausted. You may feel that you're accomplishing little, either moving in circles or not moving at all. Pursuing an artistic or spiritual venture together will probably give you more energy, but even then, if you work together too closely you may feel confusion.

Instead of combining your efforts, each of you might do better to work more or less alone while the other stands back and only offers assistance if it's really needed. For example, Mackenzie should direct the physical activity, with Jeff assisting only by providing an escape or a fantasy if it's appropriate. When Jeff pursues spiritual or artistic goals, Mackenzie can spark his initiative if it's necessary to do so. Although it may seem that you're moving in different directions, you can share in any success that you experience individually because you've each stood ready to help your partner attain it.

### **Stretching Your Boundaries**

With Jupiter you start to move out of your personal sphere to where you interact with the larger world around you. This could mean the way you relate to social institutions, religions, philosophies and ideas, or to foreign cultures. In your relationship, Jupiter also has much to do with the way the two of you grow, develop and make plans for the future. Jupiter is the principle of expansion, and so it's also one of the planets (along with Uranus) that can signify the need that each of you may sometimes have for elbow room.

#### **Jeff's Jupiter is opposite Mackenzie's Uranus.**

Being together, you unite the principles of development and growth (Jupiter) with those of freedom, individuality and creativity (Uranus). But your thoughts on these subjects are probably quite different. If you try to push your ideas onto your partner, it could disrupt your relationship. If Mackenzie's need for freedom interferes with Jeff's desire to expand horizons, Jeff might just move ahead without consideration for his partner. And if Mackenzie feels that Jeff's actions are standing in the way of her need for freedom, she might express her own individuality without a thought about him. It would be better for Jeff to pursue his developmental goals with Mackenzie only suggesting creative ideas. Also Mackenzie should be free to create, with Jeff only providing an overview of what is occurring. In that way, you'll each be able to grow individually. Then you'll also become more creative as a couple.

#### **Jeff's Jupiter is semisextile Mackenzie's North Node.**

As a couple, you and your partner want to interact with individuals or groups who will help you to grow and develop. But you may find that you tend to adjust to their needs much more often than they adjust to yours. For example, you might see that you're always involved in activities that *they* choose, or that you end up treating them and they rarely, if ever, treat you. If you often feel taken advantage of, next time suggest something that *you'd* like to do, and don't pick up the check. Then see what happens. If you get a positive response, good. If not, you might look for other friends who will once in a while consider what you want.

### **Staying On-Track and Committed**

Saturn, the principle of structure and solidity, is needed to give a relationship permanence. While it can symbolize hardship and restriction, it also shows how you handle responsibility, fulfill obligations, keep organized, and together tackle the practical aspects of life.

We've already considered Saturn in connection with the faster-moving, more personally significant planets in your charts. Saturn's aspects with the slower-moving planets Uranus, Neptune and Pluto usually have more to do with your generation and the wider social sphere. Exceptions to this are when these outer-planet-only aspects are either extremely exact, or the planets in these pairs are also being aspected by the Ascendant, Midheaven, Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus or Mars. Then these generational aspects may become more tied into your personal lives.

**Jeff's Saturn is sesquare Mackenzie's Uranus.**

If this aspect has a personal significance for the two of you, it could be that Jeff has a hard time with Mackenzie's originality, her intuitive flashes, her desire to be a unique individual, or her inconsistency and unpredictability. Any of these could make Jeff feel as if the structure of his reality system is being threatened. He could respond by being judgmental and trying to impose order or his idea of rationality upon his partner's thoughts and actions.

You'd both find it more productive to seek common ground for discussion. If Mackenzie does a bit of explaining, Jeff might find that some of his partner's more far-out ideas really do fit into his structure and that there's actually a grain of practicality in them. And Mackenzie will become happier if Jeff can help her creative ideas materialize. When you see that your cooperation yields practical rewards, you'll both be more inclined to view your relationship as structured instead of limiting.

**Mackenzie's Saturn is trine Jeff's Uranus.**

With this combination, practicality (Saturn) tends to abet creativity and originality (Uranus). True, there may be times when Mackenzie's need for organization makes Jeff feel limited, or Jeff's boundary-stretching makes Mackenzie feel a bit uncomfortable. But Mackenzie can help to make Jeff's creativity materialize in the real world. And Jeff's originality can provide Mackenzie with rewards. Then you may both view your situation as structured rather than limiting.

**Mackenzie's Saturn is trine Jeff's Pluto.**

When it comes to taking charge and asserting power, you and your partner can easily join forces to clarify, organize and analyze your goals and then take highly effective action. While you may have slightly different ideas in regard to authority and power, your mode of operation is similar. Together you will either move ahead vigorously, carefully structure a plan of attack, extensively talk about your direction before taking action, or use your intuition to guide you. Whatever your style of action, you'll seldom disagree on how to proceed. Once you start moving, the momentum you create can overcome anyone or anything that stands in your way. Thus you and your partner have the potential for being a powerful force. Appropriate areas for your activity include revitalizing outmoded structures and creating channels for much-needed change.

**Mackenzie's Saturn is sextile Jeff's North Node.**

Those whom Jeff brings to your partnership may see Mackenzie as the teacher or authority figure, and as long as you are partners she assumes such roles without effort. And, because the two of you are connected with each other, Jeff could also easily begin to accept the role of authority figure. You may both enjoy having people look up to you, but if either of you begins to feel burdened with responsibility, you have an alternative. Since you're the authority figures, you can delegate some of your duties to others and get some temporary relief.

**Keeping the Spark of Spontaneity**

When things get too dull and locked-up under Saturn, along comes Uranus to poke holes in Saturn's structure and let in a breath of fresh air. While Uranus can signify sudden, destabilizing events or a rugged individualism that can put stress on your togetherness, it can also bring new life, zest and creativity to your life as a couple.

The more personally important Uranus interactions between you will have been discussed in the sections on the faster-moving planets and points in your charts.

**Jeff's Uranus is conjunct Mackenzie's South Node.**

One way this combination can manifest is that Jeff stays away from, or makes an unusual impression on, the people whom Mackenzie tries to bring into the relationship. Another possibility is that, as a couple, you may attract unusual people. They may be intellectually stimulating, creative and/or unconventional. Or they may just be different from the two of you, so that if you're conventional, they'll be non-conforming, and if you're the bohemian type, they'll be quite normal by societal standards. Instead of being concerned about being drawn to strange people, forget about it and allow yourselves to enjoy the new and exciting things that they can bring to your life.

**Mackenzie's Uranus is square Jeff's Nodes.**

Problems could arise between you if Mackenzie tries to avoid the people that Jeff brings into the relationship, or if she seems strange and unusual to his friends. Jeff could get upset if his friends complain about Mackenzie, or he could feel the loss of his friends if Mackenzie refuses to socialize with them. You can effectively deal with this by making Mackenzie's interaction with Jeff's friends very short, and by doing something so exciting or creative that there will be little room to act strangely or get bored.

**Honoring the Spiritual Dimension**

Neptune signifies a dimension that lies beyond ordinary reality. It has to do with dreams and fantasies, and your relationship with the ineffable world that is beyond words. While Neptune can weaken structure and dissolve your most practical plans, it can also bring an unexplainable sort of closeness and an ethereal bliss. Often it is channeled into artistry, particularly music and dance.

In preceding sections you may already have read about most or all of the Neptune contacts between your two charts.

## **Coping with Power and Change**

Pluto is an inexorable force that works slowly in the background to create what you eventually realize are profound and all-encompassing changes. It's also the energy that sweeps away what's dying or outmoded so that new life can begin. In relationships, Pluto usually signifies power, also known as the ability to create change. This could be the balance of power between you, or the power that you as a couple exert on the outside world. Because Pluto deals with mysterious natural forces such as sex and death, there can be a certain smoky charisma and sexiness about it.

Because there are no slower planets for Pluto to make aspects to, you may find most or all of the Pluto interactions between you discussed at the ends of the sections on other points in the chart.

### **Jeff's Pluto is conjunct Mackenzie's South Node.**

Jeff may have a profound impact on the people that Mackenzie brings to the relationship, and may take charge of or direct them. He could be viewed as either a wise leader or a tyrannical dictator. If all parties involved are content with their roles, fine, but if resentment builds and power struggles arise, it could cause trouble between the two of you. To avoid this, seek out people who want to be directed and make sure that you and your partner will be welcomed in leadership roles. Then, when you form alliances with others, there will be little or no resistance to your taking charge. As a couple, you have the ability to wield great power over others, and in the right group you'll be appreciated for doing it.

## **Relating to Others as a Couple**

No couple functions in isolation, and the contacts that you have with the rest of the world can have a lot to do with the happiness that you experience together. The way that you as a couple relate to other people is in large part shown by the lunar Nodes -- the two moving points in the zodiac where the Moon's orbital path crosses the Sun's apparent path through the sky. Being themselves a sort of Sun-Moon connection, the Nodes signify connections in general, particularly with other people. The North and South Nodes are always 180 degrees apart, so when we talk about aspects to the North Node, we're implying aspects to the South Node as well.

### **Jeff's and Mackenzie's North Nodes are in trine.**

The two of you are drawn to similar types of people, and so you are each likely to fit in easily with the other's associates and feel comfortable with them. Being similar, the people in each partner's circle of friends are likely to blend well together. Not only that, the way in which you and your partner interact with others is similar or at least complementary. All this makes it easier for you to form relationships as a couple.



## Using This Comparison of Your Charts

We've just taken a brief look at the birth charts of you both, and a closer look at how your individual charts relate to each other. Perhaps now you have a little more clarity about what you personally need in a relationship, how you see each other, and how your partner's needs relate to yours. And perhaps you better understand some of the main themes and dynamics that you've been given to deal with in your life together.

Hopefully, your relationship has many islands of bliss and comfort where you can relax and just be yourselves. But may there also be enough challenges to keep your life together dynamic and ever-evolving!

Remember that it's not realistic to expect perfection in each other. It's true that it may be easier to be happy and to function well with some partners than it would be with others. However, we tend to attract partners who bring with them the crises that we need to grow. When there's an unresolved issue that we need to work on, the relevant partner magically appears. A partner's foibles can teach us much, for they are mirrors of what we have within ourselves and may not otherwise be able to see. When we solve a problem and learn what it has to teach us, we are then permitted to move on -- in most cases to a more fulfilling relationship with the same person, although sometimes we may need to strike out on our own. Usually, it's better to work with what we're given. But either way, when we step up to any challenge with open eyes, we grow in wisdom and power.

The important thing is to claim our own responsibility in a situation, and to refrain from hiding behind a protective wall of blame. When we open ourselves to the truth, we see that both we and our partner are human and lovably imperfect. Then our hearts become free, and we have space in which to expand. We're no longer confined within our own being. When you let down your boundaries and merge with another, the two of you become one larger being with *more* than double the wisdom and humanity.

To complete this relationship analysis, we're now going to move on to the new entity that is formed when the two of you stay together for any length of time. This is not either one of you, but a new "being" that you create together, and which is greater than the sum of its parts. This is the relationship itself.

## A Chart for Your Relationship

When people stay together for any length of time, they change each other. As a couple they start to show traits and actions that they did not show as individuals. To get at this “joint personality” of a couple, astrologers combine the charts of the individuals into one single entity known as the “composite chart.”

Your composite chart is made up of the midpoints between the natal charts of each of you. For example, the position of the composite Sun is mid-way between the Sun in your birth chart and the Sun in your partner’s chart. And so it goes for the other composite planetary positions.

This combined chart shows the way that you as a couple relate to the world. This may or may not be the way you would each act as individuals. It also supplements your chart-comparison reading by giving further insights about your interactions with each other.

### The Overall Balance in Your Composite Chart

Before looking at each individual point in your composite chart, let’s see whether there are any particularly dominant themes.

#### **The Fire element is underemphasized.**

This suggests that you and your partner are probably not overtly demonstrative as a couple. Although you may feel inner warmth and enthusiasm, it is not easy for you to show it. It also may be difficult for you to be spontaneous, or to take the initiative. To get moving, you might need someone to light a fire under you. To avoid total lethargy and complaints about a lack of accomplishment, you might want to include stimulating people in your life. Avoid, however, those who have too much energy or are too forceful, as they could exhaust or overwhelm you. If you associate with individuals who are moderately warm and enthusiastic, they can give you the gentle nudge that you need.

#### **The Air element is underemphasized.**

The two of you probably won’t expend a lot of words discussing an upcoming project. It’s true that you might have to pause to gather your energy, or first have to justify your actions by gathering reasons and facts. But then you’ll plunge into action without pausing very long to communicate about what you’re going to do. This keeps you from wasting your time on endless discussions and theorizing, but it also means that you may not fully discuss a project’s ramifications or create a detailed vision of the end results.

Your reluctance to put your plans into words makes it harder to involve others in your projects. This means that you could miss useful input from them. Also, instead of anticipating possible obstacles, you’ll tend to just run into them, and so your progress may be slowed while you learn from your mistakes.

Because taking others' advice and anticipating what you may have to deal with are not your strong points, you need to look for other kinds of help in getting things done. If your main strength is in Fire, your tools would be intuition and sheer energy. If it's in Earth, practical considerations and a solid structure of rules can keep you on course. If you're strongest in Water, feelings and hunches will provide the intelligence that you need.

**Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable energies are quite evenly balanced.**

This balance means that, as a couple, you and your partner can initiate (Cardinal) when it is appropriate, continue on in a particular direction (Fixed), or be adaptable (Mutable) if a situation warrants it. In other words, you have a choice of how to handle circumstances. This can be a great advantage when you learn to determine which approach is best for each set of conditions as they arise.

**There's a particular emphasis in Pisces.**

With such a large number of planets in Pisces, you and your partner can show tremendous compassion toward other people, identifying with them so closely that you empathize rather than sympathize. You may also give to others to the point of total self-sacrifice. There is a fine line between helping and having others take advantage of you. It is gratifying for you to assist others, but if you allow the people you help to provide some service for you, everyone will benefit.

Other possibilities of this combination are the imagination that you and your partner can share, and/or a telepathic connection between the two of you. You can use the imagination to be creative or to occasionally escape from the real world. If you discover that you have a telepathic tie, you may be able to use it to communicate when you are far from each other. However, if you are able to do that, you had better be careful of what you think, because the connection may not be easily turned off!

**Your Basic Style of Relating**

Assuming that both you and your partner have given relatively accurate birth times, the Ascendant of your composite chart is one of the most powerful indicators of the quality of your relationship. The sign on your composite Ascendant gives important clues about how you as a couple relate to the outside world, the type of people you're drawn to, and how others perceive your relationship. It can also show how you relate to each other. Any planet conjunct or in some other close aspect to the composite Ascendant is likely to symbolize one of the strongest themes in your life together, at least in the location where you are living now.

**Your composite Ascendant is in Taurus.**

You and your partner probably share a firm and solid foundation. You are practical, and deal with life in a down-to-earth way. Uncomfortable with abstractions, you tend to search for explanations in concrete terms. As a couple, your idea of success would more likely be connected with amassing material possessions than with attaining spiritual heights. Physical comfort may be more important to you than intellectual enlightenment. Whatever your goals, once you have determined them, you will pursue them unrelentingly. If you meet with resistance, this will only make you dig in and try harder.

The two of you will tend to establish patterns of predictable behavior. Although it may be boring to some, for you, predictability provides security. As a couple, you will look for close friends who are as dependable (and therefore, possibly as habit-oriented) as you. To you and your partner, dependability is connected with loyalty and trust. These qualities are crucial both in your own partnership and in the outside associations that you share. If you find people who are as trustworthy and dependable as you are, however, chances are they will also be just as stubborn. When you reach stalemates with these individuals, analyze your personal positions as a group and look for ways to satisfy everyone. This may take effort, but it is a small price to pay for the loyalty and dependability that can result.

**The Sun is sextile the Ascendant.**

As a couple, you want to shine and receive rewards, and you probably find it easy to agree on what you want and how to attain it. You tend to appreciate each other's personality, and automatically build each other's confidence. This can make it easy to promote each other and to reach for both personal and shared goals.

With all this energy flowing between the two of you, however, it's possible that you might forget to consider the views and desires of others. So although you are very likely to be noticed when you're together, others could see you as selfish or overbearing. The resistance that this generates could delay the ego gratification that you want.

If this happens, make an effort to show more generosity, and to consider others' desires more often. Then they will start seeing you in a far better light, and their support will enable you to reach your desired goals more quickly.

**The Moon is sextile the Ascendant.**

Together, you tend to generate a gentle and nurturing quality in the mask that you present to the world. Also, wanting to help each other to feel emotionally secure, you can nurture each other effortlessly and without being asked.

If you sometimes feel that you are too soft, remember that you don't have to be tough and stern to be effective in life. Being tough rather than nurturing can make it hard work to get assistance from others. Making others feel nurtured and safe not only feels rewarding to you, it also can create appreciation and secure cooperation with little or no effort.

**Mercury is sextile the Ascendant.**

One of the things that strikes others when they see you together is your communication abilities. You are socially adept, and talk easily both to each other and the outside world.

Being naturally supportive of each other, you draw your partner out about him or herself, with the result that you probably spend a lot of time talking about yourselves. While you may find each other fascinating, the rest of the world might not want to spend so much time discussing the two of you. Therefore, when you're with others, help each other to impart interesting tidbits on subjects other than yourselves. Also, if you ask others about themselves and listen to what they have to say, you might learn something useful. Even if you don't, they'll enjoy being with you because you are showing interest in them.

**Venus is semisextile the Ascendant.**

There's a strong attraction between you, but before you can totally enjoy sharing each other's company, you may need to make certain adjustments. This is because what is enjoyable for each of you could be quite different. Because of this, either or both of you might tend to think only of what you need for pleasure and expect your partner always to cater to you. However, if only one of you is enjoying yourself while the other sulks, it's unlikely that you'll find happiness together.

While it may take effort to reconcile your desires, you can do so by taking turns catering to each other. Place your partner's pleasure in the foreground half the time, and then the rest of the time allow your partner to think about your enjoyment. In that way, your needs will be met, at least periodically. And who knows, you might discover that what gives your partner pleasure can make you happy, too!

**Saturn is semisextile the Ascendant.**

Together you would like to show the world a serious, responsible and reliable mien. But if one of you is always responsible for commitments and the other is always being catered to, problems can arise. You might each feel limited by the other, but your reasons will be quite different. The one who shoulders all the responsibilities may feel overburdened, and the other may feel restricted by the partner's criticism and direction.

To remedy this, make a conscious effort to take turns tending to commitments. At first it may not feel natural for the catered-to person to change behavior patterns, and the one who seems more responsible may actually resist letting go of the burdens. Both of you may have to develop more faith in the catered-to person's capabilities. Building self-confidence in this partner is a loving action that the "responsible" partner can take. Doing this will not only lighten the burden on one of you, it will also make for a closer and happier relationship.

**Public vs. Private Life**

Your public image as a couple, and the reputation that the two of you have in the outside world, are symbolized by your composite Midheaven. Situated at the very top of your chart wheel, your Midheaven signifies the highest point of your trajectory in life -- the goals that you're striving for together.

At the other end of the Midheaven axis is the lowest point in your composite chart (known to astrologers as the Imum Coeli or I.C.). As you might expect, this symbolizes your base of operations -- the kind of home, family and private life that you will experience as a couple. Anything that affects your public self will also affect your home life, and vice-versa.

**Jupiter is conjunct the Midheaven.**

You and your partner can expand and develop through interaction with the outer world. You might do this in connection with a career or by simply dealing with the public socially. If you share a career you could prod each other to take giant steps forward. But even if you do not share a career, you might give each other ideas on how to get ahead professionally. Whether you work together or not, however, you will probably enjoy interacting with the public as a couple. The world might see you as fun-loving and cheerful, or possibly extravagant and too boisterous -- and maybe all of the above. If you feel that you are over-extending yourselves when you are out in public, or are not content with the image you project, think of how you can enjoy yourselves more. The potential is there. And when you are having a good time and you are growing out in the world, the negative possibilities will disappear into the background, or at least become less important.

**Pluto is trine the Midheaven.**

You and your partner can easily share power in the world. If you share a career, you are more likely to be the leaders than the followers. You may not be endowed with official titles, but when power needs to be asserted you will probably be asked to do so. And if you are not asked, you will undoubtedly take charge anyway, sometimes without even realizing that you have done so. Because you can so easily assert power together, you will probably share it without question. So chances are that you will not challenge each other to determine which of you is in charge. But some other people may resent your position and could try to take over. However, the strength you share may make that task difficult, if not impossible. And when your challengers see how formidable the two of you are they may abandon their quest and follow you.

**The North Node is trine the Midheaven.**

You and your partner very often become involved with people who you meet through your career(s) or those who enhance your joint public image. These associations are formed without effort. Either of you could be responsible for introducing people to the other but you interact well as a couple. Therefore, both of you should fit in with those who can help you to get ahead professionally and/or anyone who can make you look good out in the world. You probably avoid those who are too spontaneous because you want to know what to expect, as surprises might not reflect well on you. Fun is also not high on your list of requirements in these associations. But as long as these individuals are helping you to reach your professional or public goals, the relationships will serve their purpose. However, even if you do not think about fun, you could still have a good time with these people as well as reaching your goals.

**Your Conscious Identity As a Couple**

Just as the Sun by far makes up most of the mass of the solar system, the astrological Sun is the center of gravity in any chart. The composite Sun is no exception. The sign and house that it falls into are, like the signs of the Ascendant and Midheaven, likely to signal dominant themes in your relationship.

The ruler of daytime and our primary source of light and energy, the Sun symbolizes our own life energy. In terms of our psyches, it symbolizes the conscious side, and hence has much to do with our egos, our conscious sense of who we are, and the nature of our central mission in life.

**Your composite Sun is in Pisces.**

There can be a deep, spiritual connection between you and your partner and joint ego gratification will likely involve non- tangible rewards rather than material ones. In fact, your own ego gratification may come as the result of helping other people and not by receiving anything for yourself personally. Do be careful of being too self-sacrificing. Remind yourself, that it is blessed both to give and to receive! You might even use that statement as an affirmation.

Another possibility with this placement is that together you can have a vivid imagination. So you might not always be realistic in your view of the world and you could sometimes tend to delude yourselves about people and situations. However, to avoid these pitfalls, you could choose to use your imagination creatively. Write a fairy tale, dance, play or listen to music together. You might be surprised at how well this approach works.

Still another way to use this placement is to periodically escape from the real world. You cannot escape forever but occasionally spend an evening or a weekend living a fantasy. Take some time, occasionally, to create romantic memories. This may make the material world more palatable when you return. And who knows, you imagination might also be used to manipulate your physical environment effectively.

**The Sun is in the Eleventh House.**

You and your partner can shine in groups and will probably look for ego gratification from this. If you are members of a team, you're likely to be the co-captains. In order to look good, you must recognize that you need cooperation from the others. If you were to think only of your own ego needs and personal recognition, you might get resistance instead. If you fail because of this, it will reflect most strongly on the two of you, since you are the visible ones.

To succeed as leaders, be generous and consider the wishes of the group. Insofar as you are magnanimous and considerate, you will get cooperation and be admired. If you act in this way, groups could be the most likely vehicle for you and your partner to attain the goals that you seek as a couple.

**The Sun is conjunct the Moon.**

Ego and emotions are closely connected in your partnership. One of you may be the dominant or more noticeable partner while the other provides the support system. However, both of you should be able to do either. If one partner always plays the dominant role and the other always responds, it could cause resentment. One of you could then become be prone to emotional outbursts or subtle manipulation, while the other becomes totally self-absorbed.

It's better either to take turns being the visible one, or to decide that you're going to operate as a unit -- first being on stage together, and then nurturing each other. If you clarify your roles and alternate or share them, ego gratification and emotional satisfaction can go hand in hand. You might even find that the two of you become recognized for your nurturing. Or possibly you may discover that sharing visibility provides you both with inner satisfaction.

### **The Sun is conjunct Mercury.**

You and your partner could energetically communicate with each other and be visible to the outer world as communicators as well. Among your favorite topics could be your ego gratification or the life direction the two of you are taking, or would like to take. If you talk to each other a great deal about these matters, it may always be interesting to you unless one of you is doing all the talking and the other all the listening. Should you be the disgruntled partner doing all the listening, you need not continue to suffer. Speak up. After all, this is an aspect you share, and your input is just as relevant as your partner's is. So this can be easily solved. However, if the two of you only talk about your goals and life direction when you are communicating with others, you might find that you are considered self-centered. If you find that people get annoyed with your emphasis on yourselves, you could talk about what others are interested in discussing, and you may be more appreciated, which is, after all your ultimate goal.

### **The Way You Demonstrate Feelings**

The composite Moon governs a couple's emotional expression toward the outside world. It can also indicate the tone of their emotional interactions with each other and the way their nurturing and nesting impulses are expressed.

### **Your composite Moon is in Pisces.**

You and your partner may have a deep bond based on the empathy that you have for each other. You also have sympathy for most people with whom you interact as a couple, and you can feel great satisfaction from helping them. You may not, however, always be discriminating as to whom you choose to serve. You tend to attract needy people, and some may take advantage of you.

To avoid this, pay attention to your gut feelings. Your shared Pisces Moon can give you a special ability to see beneath the surface. If you use your intuition, you can learn to stay away from people who might drain or victimize you. There will still be many individuals who are worthy of your assistance.

Because of the heightened intuition you have as a couple, you often know what your partner is thinking or feeling without a word being spoken. Since you may not come to correct conclusions all the time, however, you might sometimes want to check out your feelings through discussion. Otherwise, some small misreading of your partner's thoughts or motivations could grow into a big problem that would not have occurred if you had talked.



### **The Moon is in the Eleventh House.**

The emotions that you and your partner share may draw you into groups or get you involved in causes. Or you might discover that groups or causes create emotions to stir within you. The stirring of emotions can take one of two forms. Either they stimulate the adrenaline to flow so that you perform better and get more emotionally involved, or they could create emotional upheaval between the two of you because you are not in agreement. There are undoubtedly many groups or causes that are available to you as a couple, and if you should find yourselves having problems because of such involvement, look for a new group or cause on which you can agree. Join that group or cause, let go of the other and your difficulties could dissolve. Another possibility is to use your instincts and your feelings to try to fulfill some joint aspiration you have. As you are achieving a goal that is important to you both, the emotional discord you have experienced will probably begin to seem petty and possibly become irrelevant.

### **The Moon is conjunct Mercury.**

In your relationship, emotions and communications are closely connected. You could have an emotional impact on the outer world when you and your partner are talking or writing as a united force. Or you might find that emotions come to play when the two of you are communicating with each other. Emotionality can be positive or negative. Positively it includes caring and nurturing. Negatively, it incorporates anger, sadness or feeling hurt. You cannot ignore the emotionality you bring out in each other, but you can direct it. In dealing with the outer world, there may be times when you are trying to arouse anger or indignation and other times when you want to elicit tenderness. Consider the kind of response you want and select your words carefully. With your partner, tenderness and nurturing should be more appealing than anger. If you are more often upset than supportive, try to select a small act to show your partner you care. He or she might do the same and you can change your relationship.

### **The Moon is semisextile Saturn.**

At any given time, one of you could be embarrassed by the other's extreme feelings, while the other feels that this is emotionally inhibiting. If this is often a problem in your relationship, agree to set certain times when each of you is encouraged to express emotions fully while your partner simply helps to clarify what you're feeling. Then set other times when you both concentrate on the practical side of life, nurturing your opposite as he or she shoulders responsibility. As you each support your partner, you should temporarily put aside your own desires, and then your partner should do the same for you. Following this path should lessen emotional upsets and feelings of restriction in you both, and enable you each to be seen as responsible and tender at the same time.

### **How You Communicate**

As a couple you develop a style of communication that differs from what you might use alone. Whether you're direct and blunt or subtle and quiet, each of these styles has drawbacks that you should be conscious of, as well as strengths that you can be proud of and use to your advantage.

### **Your composite Mercury is in Pisces.**

Your shared communication style is quiet, intuitive, compassionate and kind. In fact, the two of you together are great listeners, so that others tend to trust you with very private details of their lives. Your demeanor when you're together puts people at ease. This means that you need to be careful to maintain your boundaries and avoid people who tend to drain you.

Although others feel they can talk to you, the two of you could have difficulty in communicating with each other. Because such sensitivity is generated between you, either of you might become confused by what the other is saying or about what he or she means. This confusion can lead to misunderstandings, suspicion and imagining that your partner is hiding something from you or that something is wrong in your relationship. Check out your suspicions with your partner as soon as you can. It is possible that you could have misread the communication.

Trust your intuition and calm your overactive imagination. Use your sensitivity to commune with your partner, at times, without words and determine what you are feeling. If you feel good most of the time when you are together, you may just need assurance from your partner that all is right with your love. The two of you are drawn to spiritual or mystical topics or to participate in community service work. In fact, helping others in need or otherwise disadvantaged may take your mind off your own fears. Be discriminating, however, and stay away from people who may want to take advantage of your good nature.

### **Mercury is in the Eleventh House.**

You and your partner can probably communicate quite easily in groups. However, within these groups it may be easier for you to merge with the crowd than to stand out as leaders. Still, you are rarely at a loss for words with your peers. This does not mean that everyone will agree with you or necessarily think of you as great orators. There may even be some who think that you talk too much and/or say too little. But in general, your gift of gab could make the two of you desirable to have around in social situations. If you receive a large number of invitations you will know that you are communicating satisfactorily. If you do not, you may ask yourselves if you are talking too much and/or saying too little and try to do something about it. You could start by talking to each other about the problem. This should not be difficult, and you may even come up with some good ideas on how to improve your communication skills.

### **Relationships and Pleasures**

Among other things, your composite Venus shows your veneer, the ingratiating surface through which the two of you carry on your relationships with each other and the outside world. It also shows your relationship to all that is beautiful and pleasurable. As such, it can be a key ingredient of your joy in being together.

### **Your composite Venus is in Pisces.**

Your shared energy can inspire others. When you are together, you tend to be compassionate, sensitive and caring in your interactions with others. There is a spiritual sensibility in your shared nature, which you can use in a way that suits your beliefs. You blend easily in various environments. Although at times you can seem shy, at other times you feel very comfortable in a crowd and readily involve yourself in the activity at hand. Because there is a certain willingness to meet people on a sincere level, others may feel they can take advantage of your good nature. Make sure and use your intuition to protect yourselves from unscrupulous individuals.

Your individual sensitivities are more finely tuned when you are together. So, it is important to be aware of how the company you keep makes you feel. If you are inspired after departing from certain friends, be sure and keep them. On the other hand, if you find yourself melancholy or even depressed after spending time with others, re-evaluate what the association is costing you in terms of your inner harmony. When you are alone with your partner and are able to attune yourselves only to each other, you will easily remember the energies that drew you together. Each of you enjoys being romantic with the other. Your romantic expressions can include flowers, cards, gifts, whatever you choose and whatever you can afford, even fantasy interludes of your own design. If you save time for romantic moments alone, with your shared imagination, there should never be a lack of magic, and this is what will keep your love fires burning.

**Venus is in the Twelfth House.**

With this placement it is difficult to describe in practical terms, the love you and your partner share. One possibility is that you may feel that you have the perfect union but you cannot find the words to explain why. But because of the lack of specifics, you might begin to question whether or not your love is an illusion and the harder you try to understand or state your feelings, the more uncertain you could become. Because of the lack of tangible evidence, you might even begin to question your partner's love for you. Instead of worrying about your love, take advantage of your feelings. Create your own romance novel. Enjoy the love you have for each other and forget about validating what you feel. The more you try to explain, the more flaws you will find. Accepting your love unconditionally and living it without question can only help to strengthening it.

**Venus is conjunct Mars.**

You may find each other quite sexy, and enjoy being and working together. Because of your zestful enjoyment, others may see you as a charming couple and find you pleasant to be around.

The charm and pleasure that you generate together can make you quite effective at getting things done. Once you agree on what you want, you'll use your tact and diplomacy to get things rolling. Because you're both so agreeable, others may not even realize that you are taking the lead, and they will usually be glad to help you achieve your goals. You might sometimes think you should be more aggressive, more of a force to be reckoned with. However, don't worry about your soft appearance. Look at all that you are able to accomplish, and enjoy the talent that you and your partner share.

**Venus is conjunct Saturn.**

With this combination it is highly unlikely that you and your partner are openly demonstrative in expressing love and affection, either with each other, or as a couple in the outer world. But security in love can compensate for being extremely demonstrative and, in your case, is undoubtedly more essential. Because the two of you are together, you have the ability to provide security for each other and to those for whom you feel affection as a couple. It is probably through responsibility and dependability that you give a sense of security. But with responsibility, there can be a feeling of restriction as well. And you will probably have to tolerate some limitation. However, you should be able to clarify any situation in which the two of you are involved so you always know where you stand with each other. In addition, you undoubtedly know that you can count on your partner and that should more than make up for any restrictions you feel.

**Venus is trine Neptune.**

This combination indicates that you and your partner undoubtedly share artistic creativity, spirituality and/or romantic love. It is also a charismatic connection so it explains theoretically why you are drawn to each other, as well as why the world finds you attractive as a couple. With this aspect the energies flow easily between you and you should simply accept them. If you try to explain in practical terms why you are together it will only confuse you. Make use of the creative element you have as a couple. Pursue spiritual goals. Bask in the love that you share. Do not stop making use of what you have, but trust that your love and your talents will continue. It is your faith in your relationship and the belief in your abilities that will keep you going and help your partnership to flourish.

**Energy, Assertion and Effectiveness**

Your collective level of energy and the way you go about taking action are shown by your composite Mars. Here also is the key to how abrasive or timid you might be. Fortunately, your Mars position also shows how you can manage anger most effectively and find either outlets for excess energy or remedies for a lack of it.

**Your composite Mars is in Pisces.**

Others are drawn to your shared energy although they (and you) may be unable to define it. There is a magical and mystical energy that feels good to you when you are together, and this is transmitted to others. As people come to know you, they will discover you are kind, compassionate and helpful. It is your inner convictions or beliefs that will stimulate you to take action. Your energy together is of a gentler sort, and you might find others too aggressive for your taste. You probably work best in the background, when allowed to manage your tasks in your own way without too much interference. The arts, theater or music can be of interest or even a career choice for one or both of you.

The two of you need to protect your privacy and boundaries. Do not allow others to take advantage of your good nature to the point where you feel overwhelmed or exhausted. It is not just others who can drain you. If you fail to recognize your need for balance in sleep, diet and exercise, you could easily crash. You have a wonderful sensitivity, but it needs protection. A spiritual or contemplative practice of some kind would alleviate negativity and give you inner strength.

Disagreements are likely to arise due to hurt feelings. If you are criticized or feel under-appreciated in some way, it could cause you to retreat, feel rejected or dejected. Learning to understand your partner's sore spots and avoiding them will minimize disharmony between you. Then you can continue to find solace in each other and let your relationship be an oasis from the travails of life.

**Mars is in the Twelfth House.**

As a couple, you might not be as assertive and initiating as you would like to be. You may believe that your attempts to be aggressive are thwarted by others who ignore or bully you. When this occurs repeatedly, you may become reluctant to move forward on your own. You might feel safer, though not necessarily happier, staying in the background and letting others take the lead. Another possibility is that one or both of you feels that your partner interferes with your taking action. The two of you might disagree on what action to take, so that instead of acting you argue. Any of this could make you feel ineffectual as a couple.

Nevertheless, actively trying to force yourselves to be more assertive is probably not your best route. You will be more successful if you turn your combined energy toward developing a spiritual life together. This should give you the inner strength to make a greater impact on the world.

**Mars is sextile Jupiter.**

You share a lot of energy and enthusiasm and want to help each other to grow and develop. You can initiate ideas in each other, and are always there to stimulate each other to grander goals. Plus, you have enough energy and enthusiasm left over to stimulate other people as well.

Although you probably are never at a loss for ideas on how to grow, you may not have the patience to organize your ideas into a practical course of action. You may not even take the time to determine whether your schemes have real merit. Therefore, you might urge each other to attempt to accomplish more than is feasible, and your end results might sometimes fall short of expectations. But your energy level is high enough and your support for each other strong enough to keep pushing you forward. This may help you to achieve goals that not only seem impossible, but that many other people cannot achieve.

**Mars is conjunct Saturn.**

Your attitude will determine how well you handle this combination. If you have a positive attitude, one partner can lend clarity and help the other to get organized so that the two of you can operate more efficiently. If this combination is handled negatively, one partner may resist the other's attempts to organize, making it take longer to get started and causing feelings of restriction. Or one of you may feel that the other interferes with your taking action.

Even if you use this combination in a positive manner, the two of you will tend to be slower-than-average starters. Also, since you're unlikely to take action together spontaneously, you might occasionally miss opportunities. Your strong point will be thoroughness and efficiency. Chances are that you will make fewer mistakes than those who move more quickly, and you will be comfortable with the actions that you take.

**Mars is opposite Uranus.**

You probably won't be accused of staying with the status quo. The two of you tend to jump into action spontaneously, and you bring an air of excitement into each other's lives. This raises your energy level and enables you to energize others, too.

However, the emphasis of this aspect is on movement, not thoroughness. If one of you is slow to act, the other will tend to prod that partner into motion. Sometimes the two of you may move so quickly that you find yourselves out on a limb.

You'll probably get into fewer scrapes and waste less energy re-doing things if you redirect some of that excitement and impatience into creativity. Now and then, balance your impulse to jump in and act by instead concentrating on bringing a new idea into the world. It doesn't matter much whether or not the idea works. If it doesn't, you can easily hatch another idea and try that one. When you let creative, playful activities absorb that impulse to jump into action, your recklessness will be less likely to trip you up in the serious and decisive parts of your lives.

### **Mars is trine Neptune.**

With this combination you and your partner will not be viewed as a forceful or aggressive couple. However, you have the capability of bringing out artistic ability and/or spirituality in each other. You may not understand why or how you can operate so well together when you are dealing with art or spirituality. But if you try to explain what you have in practical terms you will probably only become confused. It works, so just accept it, and have faith that it will continue to work. On the material plane you may have difficulty making decisions, or taking strong definitive action. Using prayer or visualization may help you to move more quickly as a couple. But focusing on being creative or developing a spiritual belief system, may show you that you can have a strong impact on the world in your own way. And you should realize that you do not have to be physically forceful and aggressive to do it.

### **Mars is semisquare the North Node.**

You and your partner want to be involved with people who are active. You may tend to direct those with whom you interact so that they will keep moving. But these individuals may have their own ideas on what should be done and who should be in charge. And they could challenge your orders or counter them with orders of their own. You certainly do not want relationships that are too peaceful, but you may spend more time arguing than being physically active. Heated discussions could keep you interested in these relationships. However, you might find that being involved in physical activity is more gratifying than just battling each other. The two of you could look for a group that is already physically active and simply join in. If you expend your energy this way, you may not have the need to argue nor to boss others around -- at least not so often.

### **Broadening Your Horizons**

For any relationship to stay alive, the partners need to grow together, and become more than they were. The composite Jupiter shows the way you can do this. It shows how you can reach out and connect with the world, how you can enrich and be enriched by what you encounter. Your composite Jupiter is the key to optimism, prosperity, and good times together -- whether they be spent learning, traveling, acquiring, entertaining or bestowing gifts. It can also alert you to areas of dangerous excess, such as overspending, exaggerating or overeating.

Technical note: Jupiter moves slowly enough that the sign that it's in is more an indicator of your generation than of you personally. Since most couples are born not too many years apart, their own natal Jupiter signs will be close together if not the same. We therefore concentrate on the house position and aspects of composite Jupiter, as well as of the even slower-moving planets Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto that follow.

**Your composite Jupiter is in the Tenth House.**

If you and your partner share a career, you will focus on expansion for the two of you, and growth for the business. You will want to explore, and you need to be challenged so that you can stretch your boundaries. If your job becomes too routine, you will probably become bored or dissatisfied. If you do not share a career, you will still look to the outer world to broaden you. You would not be reclusive because you need the stimulation of interaction with the world to make you happy. You might choose to grow through travel, education, politics or religion, and once you have selected your area(s) of interest you will become wholeheartedly involved. In fact, you might get so enthusiastic that you get carried away either physically (trying to do more than you have the time or energy to do), or financially. Should either of these possibilities occur, your optimism and enthusiasm could be used to convince other people to do some of the work and to give some of the money.

**Jupiter is trine Uranus.**

You and your partner undoubtedly bring excitement into each other's lives, as well as expand each other's horizons. You are not averse to taking risks and therefore are probably seen as an adventurous duo by the outer world. You can also be creative as a couple, whether it is with ideas or a course of action. And all of this comes to you without effort. If you are not daring as individuals, you might find it somewhat disconcerting. But it is just part of the chemistry you share and you can learn to accept it. In fact, as you notice that you are each growing personally and expressing your individuality more readily because you are together, you can actually enjoy your interaction. And people who are seeking excitement and adventure will find your company very stimulating. You may not always be practical (unless it is indicated elsewhere in the chart), but it will not be dull when the two of you are around.

**Jupiter is sextile Neptune.**

You want to help each other to grow through spirituality, and you probably agree on your beliefs. Even if you aren't in perfect agreement, you are so focused on assisting each other that you easily cooperate. As you support each other, you form a spiritual belief system that is broader than the one that either of you holds individually. This is because you have each contributed your own ideas and expressed your own needs while your partner has paid full attention to you. Because your spirituality is so easily shared and is an integral part of your lives, others may see the two of you as being spiritually oriented. Not everyone will agree with your ideas and philosophy, but what you have together is more important than what they think of you. As long as you have a shared belief system and have faith in each other, your relationship is likely to flourish.

### **Jupiter is trine Pluto.**

In your relationship, power and development are connected. And with this aspect, you and your partner easily expand your power base because you are together. You will undoubtedly be seen as a strong and possibly powerful couple. And, if you would like to give the impression of being laid back and uninterested in power, it probably would not work. This is because your interaction creates an attitude in each of you that causes you to automatically take charge without even thinking about it. But even when you do not want to be the leaders, there will be some people who look to you to be the authority figures. And there will be other people, who will see your joint strength and vie with you to be in charge. How you respond is up to you. But, as a couple, you are strong, and when you want to be the leaders you are capable of overpowering anyone.

### **Handling Setbacks and Responsibilities**

Being yoked together in any committed relationship implies that you are in it through the difficulties as well as the good times. Your composite Saturn can indicate how to use these difficulties to strengthen your relationship and make it more strong and solid. Saturn shows the sense of limitation that can come from being yoked together, but it also shows how you can deal with this for a happier, more lasting time together.

### **Your composite Saturn is in the Twelfth House.**

With this placement you might feel restricted by each other, but not be able to explain how or why this is happening. There may be no words of disapproval, but you sense it anyway. You might try harder to please, but this may be difficult, because you don't know what you've done wrong. Or you could be defiant and not try to change at all.

Although the impact of Saturn in the twelfth house will be subtle, it need not be restrictive. It can represent a feeling of security, an unspoken certainty that your partner is responsible and committed to the relationship. The way to develop this feeling is to show each other that you are dependable. You do this by consciously tending to your partner's needs.

### **Spontaneity and Surprises**

In many ways Uranus provides relief from the solemn confinement of Saturn. Just when life seems too dull and regular, just when cabin fever is at its height, Uranus comes along to crack a joke, poke a hole in the wall that Saturn has erected, and let in some fresh air. Your composite Uranus shows how the two of you will handle individuality and eccentricity, and where irresponsibility or unpredictability might become an issue.

### **Your composite Uranus is in the Sixth House.**

You might not find it easy to follow a daily routine together. If you try to cooperate too closely, either or both of you could feel that your partner interferes with the way you operate. Or you may not have the patience as a couple to focus on a single task for long periods of time. So some jobs may be left incomplete.



If this is the way you work together, you have several choices as to what you might do. You can tolerate the situation as is and occasionally rebel, or frequently leave jobs half-finished. Or you can work independently. You may then compare notes if you think togetherness is important, or just be happy that each of you is capable of accomplishment. Another possibility is to refrain from establishing a daily routine and instead work together when the mood hits you. The spontaneity of the situation may keep the two of you excited long enough to finish what you start.

### **Uranus is sextile Neptune.**

In your relationship individuality, creativity and revolutionary tendencies have a connection with spirituality and artistry. You and your partner both want to help the other to satisfy spiritual needs and to express artistic talent. This should make cooperation between you flow easily. As you help each other, you will discover that you are also forming a belief system that is satisfying to both of you. In addition, you will be demonstrating your shared artistic creativity.

You may sometimes wonder why this works so well, but if you try to explain what you have in practical terms, you may just become confused. It may be best simply to accept what you share and have faith that it will continue. With this combination, it most likely will.

### **Uranus is conjunct Pluto.**

With this combination, you and your partner tend to assert power spontaneously. When the two of you become dissatisfied with a situation, you are unlikely to sit back and let it continue. You might start an overt revolution, or find a more subtle way to transform the state of affairs. In doing so you could show considerable originality and creativity.

Although you generate a great deal of power together, you would probably not want to be in charge all of the time. This is because you need a certain amount of freedom, and being in charge entails ongoing responsibility. So you act when you believe it necessary to make changes, but once the changes are in place, you'd rather have someone else take over. This trait could suit you to be entrepreneurs. Once you've exercised your talent for quickly analyzing a project or situation and transforming it, you can then hand the project to someone else and move on.

### **Otherworldly Aspirations**

Neptune offsets the limited, earthbound quality of Saturn in a different way, by ascending to a completely different plane of reality. Coming from a place that shimmers just beyond our reach, it carries with it a charismatic veil of glamour, which can either enhance or muddle your relations with the world and each other. The good thing is that Neptune can keep things softened and alive, so you don't get entrenched in Saturnine positions. It can elevate the nitty-gritty to a lofty and beautiful plane, creating gentleness and a spiritual quality. The bad thing is that it can make communications unclear, paralyze action, obliterate separate identity and make you anxious about whether you can even function in this world. If you listen to what Neptune is trying to tell you, though, it can make your relationship sublime and can promote your joining at a soul level, enabling you to communicate wordlessly.

**Your composite Neptune is in the Seventh House.**

The friends that the two of you select could be people whom you help, and these people may at times become dependent upon you. Helping others can bring you great happiness and satisfaction, but if they become too dependent on you it can be draining. If you often become exhausted or feel taken advantage of by your friends, ask them to do something for you. If they come through, you will have more energy, and they will be holding up their end of the relationship. If they don't reciprocate, maybe it's time to dissolve the relationship.

If you feel that you want to have fewer of these draining relationships, you can concentrate on forming connections with people who are spiritual or artistic. These types of individuals could enrich your lives. Just make sure that they are not needy as well.

**Neptune is sextile Pluto.**

Neptune and Pluto have been roughly in sextile since the early 1940s. Therefore, if the two of you were born in the 1940s or after, your birth charts both contain this aspect. If the two of you were born within a year or so of each other, the position of the planets in your composite chart are in pretty much the same zodiacal positions as in your natal charts. Thus you and your partner may be dealing with a combination that's already familiar to you.

The concepts of spirituality and power that you each hold should be quite compatible, and you'll want to help each other to develop these areas of your lives further. While you could easily manipulate each other, it's more likely that you would add force to each other's spiritual beliefs and use your faith to enhance each other's power. Used correctly, this aspect can give you strength and a powerful shared belief system.

**The Power to Develop**

In every relationship there is the potential for a power struggle, and for deeply felt emotions that can either bring about great schisms or move the two of you into profound changes and growth. These great unconscious forces are ruled by Pluto. The house where your composite Pluto resides can alert you to the areas where you are most likely to play out your struggles for dominance. Pluto's house can also show where the two of you are likely to exert your collective power on the outside world. More information about these struggles and how to deal with them will come from the aspects that your composite Pluto makes. You'll find most of Pluto's aspects above in connection with earlier-mentioned planets.

While Pluto can be experienced as disrupting, there's also something very transformative about it. Once you understand what's going on, Pluto can bring about the most profound changes and renewal.

**Your composite Pluto is in the Sixth House.**

Power could become an issue when the two of you share a daily routine. You may order each other around in these areas, or one of you might always boss while the other always follows. If the bossy one isn't occasionally limited or challenged, he or she could become a tyrant. Or the partner who is always being controlled might eventually erupt.

You do not need two bosses, because that would definitely bring on confrontations. Nor do you want two subordinates, because if no one is in charge nothing will get done. Instead, you need to share the power. Either divide up the tasks, with each of you in charge of certain ones, or take turns being the boss. Be sure not to interfere with your partner's allotted tasks, and when one of you is doing the leading, the other should follow without any resistance or question.

### Using Your Composite Chart

Just as relationships develop and have their ups and downs, composite charts also develop over time. This happens as the composite chart constantly receives transits from the currently moving planets. It also happens as the natal charts of the two people involved move forward by progression, constantly creating a new progressed composite chart.

The natal composite chart described in this report will, however, always describe the basic tone of your relationship. You can change the houses and the positions of the Ascendant and Midheaven by moving to a different place, but the signs of the planets and the aspects between them will remain the same. So take them seriously, and know that in astrology every problem carries within it its own unique wisdom or solution.

Hopefully, this analysis has given you some new insights about both the strengths and the possible problem areas of your relationship. If you agree that any of these typical kinds of problems apply in your case, please don't be daunted by them! The key to happiness is first to recognize and be thankful for whatever you already enjoy about your partner. The more attention you place on these areas, the more these enjoyable parts will grow. And if there are problems, think of them not as impossible obstacles, but as sources of useful information. When you understand what your problems are trying to tell you, you'll see what they're asking you to do. Then you may see problems as the gifts that they are -- opportunities to grow in wisdom and to achieve a new level of closeness.

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