

# Child\*Star

Astrological Report for  
Bruce Springsteen



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<b>The Astrological Chart</b>
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 Sep 23, 1949  
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 Freehold, NJ  
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 House System: Placidus

<u>Planet</u>	<u>Sign</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>House</u>	<u>House Cusps</u>
Sun	Libra	00°Li43'	04th	01 22°Ge49'
Moon	Libra	23°Li25'	05th	02 13°Ca33'
Mercury	Libra	18°Li37' R	05th	03 04°Le14'
Venus	Scorpio	11°Sc04'	05th	04 28°Le41'
Mars	Leo	10°Le31'	03rd	05 01°Li02'
Jupiter	Capricorn	22°Cp23'	08th	06 12°Sc22'
Saturn	Virgo	12°Vi17'	04th	07 22°Sg49'
Uranus	Cancer	04°Ca53'	01st	08 13°Cp33'
Neptune	Libra	14°Li23'	05th	09 04°Aq14'
Pluto	Leo	17°Le29'	03rd	10 28°Aq41'
Midheaven	Aquarius	28°Aq41'		11 01°Ar02'
Ascendant	Gemini	22°Ge49'		12 12°Ta22'

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## Introduction

### I. CHILD\*STAR!!

How wondrous is the moment when you first look into the eyes of your newborn child! How miraculous is creation! What deep mysteries bring families together for a cycle of time!

In writing *Child\*Star*, the author, a Montessori teacher, has brought you the best of 23 years of astrological study in addition to the fruit of 10 years' experience in the classroom. You'll find in *Child\*Star* a first-hand understanding of the trials and joys of parenthood.

Being a parent is challenging. A job description for a parent would include something of almost every other job. When we study the child's astrological chart, we can instantly attune to how we can best guide him. Strengths, weaknesses, aptitude and potentials jump off the page. We can see how to turn around negative momentum and maximize talents that otherwise may not have been readily apparent. Understanding leads to greater patience, a virtue of immeasurable worth in child-rearing!

Many parents intuitively take a reading at the moment of birth and even before through dreams or visions, and receive a prescient knowing of the child soon to be born. The child comes to us with his own birth chart, his particular life plan, which many believe is determined prior to birth.

Nevertheless, there can be no doubt that environmental factors, decisions made by parents, education, and free will can change, alter, or mitigate the prophecy foreseen in the chart for better or for worse. A seed containing the blueprint of the most magnificent rose will not flower if denied sunshine, water, and good soil. And many have cultivated beautiful flowers in rocky soils through love and care.

How can we challenge the child to bring out the positive Sun sign potential, but, at the same time, teach him to know clearly when he crosses the line into negatives that could cause him much grief and sorrow later, if not corrected now? This is the challenge before us as educators and parents to our children, even to the child within ourselves. So we search the chart with an eye for potential problem areas that could disrupt, hinder or block the child's best expression. We devise how to turn them around. We take note of the positive potential and see how, like a good seed, it can be nurtured to bring forth the ripest fruit on time.

### II. In creating this report, certain assumptions have been made:

1. Every child is unique. While most concepts will hit the nail on the head, not all you read will necessarily "fit."

Throughout the report, you'll come across words and phrases like "tends to," "often will," "probably," "might." This is because there is a spectrum of possibility on any given point. At times, these phrases have been omitted, but the concept remains true throughout the report.

2. It is assumed that you are concerned and loving parents who are dedicated to helping your child realize his highest potential.

3. It is assumed that you're willing to look at yourself (as you may find Mom and Dad depicted in the pages of this report) and see where greater self-awareness and self-improvement can help you better raise your child.

4. It is assumed that you're using this report as a key to better understand your child, and as a key to unlock his potential, but that at no time will you use this report (and its recommendations) to replace common sense and your own good judgment. You are his parents, no one can know him as you do. Remember:

***Astrology is meant to CONFIRM, NOT REPLACE, the inner guide!***

5. To get the most value out of *Child\*Star*, the author recommends holding "all these things in your heart" and observing the child as he grows. Maria Montessori proved that, by observing the child, you discover the laws of his being. The chart unfolds as she grows.

However, the report may highlight potential talent and skill you may wish to test out by providing your child with opportunities to develop them. For instance, if an aspect (and especially if several aspects) indicates musical talent, you may want to sign your child up for song and dance lessons or teach him how to play a musical instrument.

If playing an instrument doesn't seem to be his forte, try music appreciation. Remember, there's a spectrum of possibility, and it's up to you to discover what motivates your child.

In reading about your child, emphasize the positive. Negative patterns can be changed; indeed, sometimes only a shade of gray separates our Achilles' Heel from becoming our most valuable asset. Conversely, our natural talents can stagnate and, if we fail to develop them, become the open door to self-indulgence.

### III. Keywords and concepts that will help you get the most out of *Child\*Star*:

1. Throughout the report, reference is made to planets receiving harmonious or challenging aspects. In astrology, trines and sextiles are considered aspects that indicate energy flowing in harmony. Squares point to challenges, blocks, internal frustrations and also pronounced talents. Oppositions indicate potential conflicts we resolve in the Tai-Chi of our interactions with others. We call squares and oppositions "dynamic aspects." Here is where your child may meet her greatest challenges, but also where he may demonstrate his greatest strengths! In expressing and mastering the dynamic aspects, we grow and can realize our greatest achievements. Remember:

***Wherever you find dynamic aspects is where your child may need the most guidance, consistency, and patience on your part.***

2. CROSS-REFERENCES: To gather a more complete picture on any given aspect of your

child's chart, you may be referred to another related section. For example, every sign is said to be ruled by a particular planet. Aries is ruled by Mars, and the child with Aries Rising is learning how to direct energy constructively. But how will he do it? The report may refer you to another section on Mars.

Another type of cross-reference is necessary when a planet receives more than one kind of aspect. For example, a child with Mars square Saturn can feel blocked, and *Child\*Star* instructs you to see if Mars and Saturn receive positive aspects from other planets-which will mitigate the difficulty and allow the aspect to manifest in a more dynamic and purposeful way. The positive aspects can also indicate to you how to work out the difficulty successfully.

3. RESOLVING CONTRADICTIONS: What to do when you come across information that is contradictory? None of us is black and white. For example, a child might be extroverted in sports, but shy in academics, or vice-versa. Some children, however, will need help in working out such structural conflicts.

4. Sometimes we come across strengths or talents in the child that may not be our forte. A child with a grand trine in earth signs, but whose parents have little or no earth emphasis in their own charts, may need other, more practical and businesslike people coming into his life to bring out the inherent qualities of efficiency, order, and organization typical of this positive configuration.

5. Astrological knowledge must never be used to demean, criticize, or put anyone down. Take note of areas of great sensitivity, vulnerability, or pain in the child's chart. Find ways to help him master these. Be kind to your child. His star has appeared and it may be different in magnitude and brilliance than your own! Love him and teach him, and learn from her, but don't expect her to be who you are. While the child is still in the process of turning her weaknesses into strengths, we can often fill in the gap!

**IV. CONCLUSION:** In studying the child's chart-as a representation of the book of his life with many pages left to write on-we seek to understand him better in order to guide, help, and instruct him in bringing out his special uniqueness, his calling in life, his special star. In understanding our children, we also come to better understand ourselves, our own inner child.

This report is intended as a stepping stone in your astrological journey-a fascinating adventure. For those who hold newborns, *Child\*Star* will offer many insights that will prove their worth for years to come. For those of you with older children, this report will shed much light that will help you better understand your child and where he is headed. Some will walk through their childhood again through the pages of this report-finding, healing, and attuning with the child within.

On the next page you will find a list of the zodiac positions of your child's natal planets, along with the house cusps, for his moment of birth. These have been calculated using sophisticated astronomical formulae to ensure high accuracy.

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### The Rising Sign

First let's take a quick look at your child's Ascendant, or Rising sign. Astrologers want to know what zodiac sign is rising at birth, since this gives a picture of the way we appear or come across to others. We look out upon the world through the glasses of the Rising Sign. Your child's Rising Sign will offer clues as to how your child perceives himself or would like others to see him. Many astrologers consider the Rising Sign as important as the Sun Sign in describing identity. This makes sense, since the Ascendant describes the early childhood experience. From myriad impressions and interactions, the child will weave the tapestry of his unique selfhood. If the Rising Sign is very different from the Sun sign, the child may have to work at integrating diverse aspects of his personality.

Gemini is an Air sign on the Thinking Cross. The child with Gemini Rising is typically quick, witty, and much given to talk and communicating with others. He comes across as intelligent, verbal, and perhaps a little on the nervous side. He tends to be changeable, being all things to all people. He may love to mimic, and will need good role models! Ideas to him could be tangible, like things! Gemini is ruled by the planet Mercury. Study Mercury's sign, house position and aspects well - they will reveal much about your child's emerging personality. If Mercury is in a Fire sign, the child is likely to be mentally adroit and may be dexterous with his hands. However, he may tend to be irritable and may need help finishing what he begins. If Mercury is in an Air sign, the child will likely take a mental approach to life, be sociable and enjoy learning. He could, however, be easily distracted or "live in his head". When Mercury is found in Water signs, the child may be intuitive, but his emotions could interfere with his ability to think rationally. Mercury in an Earth sign would lend stability to the chart and could indicate mental concentration. Children with Mercury in Taurus may appear slow to learn, but tend to be thorough and retain information well.

*Gemini Rising*

## Planet Aspects

### **The Lights: The Sun and Moon**

At the time of our birth, the planets (through their configurations and relationships) tell us something about the quality of the moment of time into which we were born. Each planet points to special traits within us. Yet, of all the planets, the two most important planets to astrologers are the "lights," the Sun and the Moon. From where we stand here on Earth, the great shining Sun by day and the reflecting Moon at night are our constant companions. The Sun and Moon are our greatest guides in understanding our children, their temperament, personality, relationship with parents and other significant adults, their sense of purpose, their feelings and much more! The Sun and Moon give us clues as to where our children are headed and how we can help them on the way.

### **The Sun: Your Self and Future**

The Sun represents our identity, or self and as such, colors every other aspect of the chart. In a child's chart, the Sun will reveal much about his emerging personality. Your child's greatest strengths and challenges are often described by the qualities of his Sun Sign. A Leo child, for example, is a born leader but may be pompous. A Piscean youngster may draw upon a rich imagination to inspire others, but may seek to escape reality by retreating into a fantasy world. The wise parent will train the child to manifest the positive qualities of his Sun Sign. The position of the Sun also helps us understand what motivates our children. A child with a Fire sign Sun such as Aries, will generally be motivated by seeking new experiences in which he can assert himself, whereas a Water sign Sun child is more emotional and will seek comfort and security before venturing out. Children born into Earth signs tend to be grounded. They're builders and seek means of practical expression. They want to know, "How does it work?" Air sign Sun children can experience life through thoughts and thrive on social interaction and communication. The Sun also represents the child's perception of the father (or dominant parent) and the qualities the child identifies with within the father. From here, we extend our understanding of this relationship to authorities and adults in general and later, to the child's understanding of his own life purpose. For example, a child with the Sun in harmonious aspect to Mars would likely feel supported by the father and therefore more prone to self confidence than a child born with the Sun square Mars. The latter might feel blocked on some level by the father or dominant parent. Both, however, are dynamic positions indicating leadership potential.

### **Sun in Libra**

Libra is an Air sign on the action cross. Its symbol is The Scales. Always seeking a mirror or clear pool, the Libra child tends to look for his identity through the eyes of others. Throughout his childhood, your little Libra will look to others for clues to know himself. The Libra child seeks to please and put forth his best to measure up to your praise. Conversely, he could act out negative behaviors to please an adult or friend who somehow doesn't see the best in him.

Close friendships mean a lot to your child. Theater is a good medium for trying on many hats safely. Libran children need to develop self-confidence and a strong sense of identity. They need to be taught the importance of trust and honesty in all their interactions. Children of the scales tend to compare one thing with another, but its best that you not compare him (negatively) with his friends. Because Librans see both sides, they have a strong sense of fairness, but may have trouble making decisions. Give your little Libran many opportunities to make choices. Praise him when he makes up his mind decisively and quickly!

Libran children are natural arbitrators and often play the role of the class peace-maker. Later, some will grow up to be lawyers! Librans are born diplomats and can get along with almost anyone. They need to learn to say "No" (rather than trying always to make someone happy). They may become unbalanced and noticeably disturbed by an ugly or discordant environment. Librans are attracted to beauty and peace. Even so, your own example can help your Libran child learn how to confront and handle unpleasant situations. Some Libran children will resort to lying rather than rock the boat. By all means, stress honesty and openness in your household.

Even Libran babies will respond to flowers, color and other touches of beauty and harmony in their surroundings. Most Libran children like to dress well. Your child may have artistic talent that you will want to cultivate. Your child is almost certainly sociable and benefits by early training in social skills and graces. Libran children can be charming hosts and hostesses at parties and school functions. Nevertheless, their ability to charm can amount to a mask, hiding their true intentions. Teach your child to DARE TO BE TRUE! The scales are the scales of justice and Libran children are sure to speak out against perceived injustices.

### **Sun Trine Jupiter**

Your child may surprise you with his uncanny sense of justice coupled with an innate ability to interpret the law, whether manmade or natural. This could manifest as an ability to show others the way through, or beyond, the problems in their lives. He could also radiate much energy and could probably benefit by plenty of exercise and outdoor play. Your child may be adventuresome. Chances are he is a born traveler and you may find him very interested in learning about the faiths and lifestyles of people across the globe and throughout history. This placement is considered fortunate, a protective influence. Sometimes this placement indicates a special love for the father, a teacher or Guru.

### **Sun Square Uranus**

Sun/Uranus aspects often indicate leadership potential. Your child may be very magnetic, others being drawn to him. He is not afraid to be different, and may indeed be a "trendsetter." Later in life he is likely to be interested in some kind of social or political reform. However, the child with this aspect may be somewhat of a rebel, with a history of flaunting convention and going against authority. He may feel different than his schoolmates. He could separate himself out and end up as the loner, although this is not necessarily what he inwardly desires. Your child could be very bright with exceptional talent. To be happy, however, he needs to learn to cooperate with others. Be patient in seeing him through those unexciting but necessary routines which are simply part of life. His ideas may be brilliant, but help him learn to test them for practical value as well. Sometimes, Sun/Uranus aspects describe the father as being radical,

eccentric, highly individualistic or somehow unusual. Note: if Saturn is well aspected, your child is more apt to have his feet on the ground!

### **The Moon: The Support System**

In a child's chart, we look to the position of the Moon to understand the child's perception of his mother, of his need to be cared for and to nurture. The Moon also describes the child's experience within his family, with its particular dynamics, tradition and heritage. From these, the child establishes his roots. The Moon, then, indicates the early childhood environment, our early support systems. Emotional responses are traced to the Moon and hence, to patterns established during childhood (and even during other lifetimes). These often become automatic and subconscious in the adult. Thus, the sign placement of the Moon reveals much about our child's emotional needs and expressions. The Moon may dominate the child's chart during the first 7 years of life. The Moon will tell us what the child needs to feel secure and also what kinds of habits would be helpful or detrimental to his development. For example, a child with a Sagittarian Moon is happy when he has plenty of room to explore. (But he needs to learn the value of limits) A Cancer Moon child, in contrast, may cling to Mom's apron strings. (But he may need to overcome fear of making it on his on).

#### **Moon in Libra**

Libra is an Air sign on the action cross. Its symbol is The Scales. Children with the Moon in Libra are friendly. They need to have close relationships to feel happy. They seek to understand about themselves through others. Children with this placement can be very sensitive to what other people think about them. Above all, they seek to please and are capable of putting forth their best to measure up to your praise or conversely of acting out negative behaviors to please an adult or friend who somehow doesn't see the best in them.

Your child needs to have a strong sense of identity apart from the opinions of others. Teach him to "DARE TO BE TRUE." your child is apt to be courteous, a natural charmer, with an inborn sense of refinement and graciousness you can cultivate. He benefits by early exposure to the social graces and feels at peace in beautiful surroundings.

This child of the scales can feel unbalanced, uncomfortable, even angry in a discordant environment. He seeks peace and inner balance. He tends to compare himself to others and unless he has learned to feel good about himself may place himself at the low end of the scales! He is apt to be giving, conciliatory, and even flattering in relationships, and able to adjust to almost any situation. Reflective, tactful, your child knows how to express understanding.

The Moon in Libra child may be prone to dishonesty, sometimes to avoid confrontation or anything that would rock the boat! He could withdraw or show visible stress in a household where discord is the norm. Nevertheless, he needs to learn to stand up for himself and for truth. Stress honesty at all times in your household! Let him know if you catch him in a fib. False charm can be manipulative, a mask of hypocrisy hiding one's true intention. The Moon in Libra child may perceive the mother as lovely and sociable.

#### **Moon Conjunction Mercury**

This aspect indicates fluency in communication. Even if your child has an emotional personality, you will be able to reach him through dialogue. He could be a fine speaker. He is

likely to be most persuasive! This Moon/Mercury aspect often indicates success in life due to a positive mental attitude.

### **Moon Square Jupiter**

The child with this aspect typically is generous but may tend to overdo in some way – in food, in action, in speech. He could be gullible and lack discrimination, especially in the company he keeps! Teach him not to throw his pearls before swine! He feels close to the mother, but should not be over-indulged. Getting things started and off the ground may be harder for him than for most.

### **Moon Conjunction Neptune**

Children born with this aspect may be enchanting, with a dreamy look about them. They often have artistic and/or musical talent. They are highly impressionable and tend to pick up on other people's vibrations. Children with the Moon aspecting Neptune need to learn to be discriminating in their choice of companions. Your child may be very kind, but gullible and easily duped (and therefore disappointed.) The line between fantasy and fact may not be apparent. The child could adore the mother, or be confused by her. The mother may help the child develop his creativity productively.

### **Moon Sextile Pluto**

The Moon aspecting Pluto is an extremely powerful aspect that can indicate a dynamo of creative potential, or tremendous destructive force. Your child is apt to be courageous. He is willing to try harder to improve himself or his work. This child needs a strong bonding to the mother. Nevertheless, the child with Moon/Pluto contacts may feel overwhelmed or overpowered by her. This aspect gives a Scorpio coloring to the Moon and indicates the need for trust and communication in the mother-child relationship. The child feels intensely but is not apt to reveal his feelings without prompting. He may be dauntless, but willful; intuitive, but secretive; insightful, but manipulative. Establish the law and maintain it consistently, never in anger but in love.

## **The Inner Planets: Mercury and Venus**

The planets Mercury and Venus, along with the Sun, Moon and Mars describe the child's emerging personality. These inner planets are located between the orbit of the Earth and the Sun. Venus indicates how the child appreciates and measures his experience, and describes the values established during childhood. Venus tells us how the child expresses love, the things that mean a lot to him, and his appreciation for beauty (or lack of it). Mercury tells us something about our child's perception, verbal expression, schooling – in short, how his mind works, how he thinks and communicates.

### **Mercury: The Mind and Communication**

Mercury represents thoughts, ideas, and the mental process in general. Communications – by phone, letter, spoken, or however – are ruled by Mercury. Also thoughts, connections, phone wires, and everything that connects and conveys – even forms of transportation. In the child's chart, Mercury describes the myriad aspects of schooling – teachers, study habits, homework, learning skills, concentration (or lack of it). Your child's relationship with brothers and sisters

are indicated by Mercury as well. The way your child thinks, receives, shares and transmits information and knowledge will be revealed by studying the position of Mercury in his chart. Mercury relates to hands, fine motor abilities, and to handwriting and drafting skills. Mercury by sign and element tells us how the child studies and what he likes to study, and how we (his parents and teachers) can help him gain greater academic expertise. Children with Mercury in Fire signs think and talk simultaneously and are spontaneous. They enjoy games that make learning fun! Children with Mercury in Air Signs can chatter away and still keep going! Words can come alive for them and they enjoy listening to (or creating) colorful tales and stories. Communication is their thing. They may have to work at being listeners, however! Children with Mercury in Water signs may need help thinking clearly since emotion runs into thoughts. These children like profound subject matter. Children with Mercury in Earth signs generally have a good measure of common sense. Hands on training suits them best.

### **Mercury in Libra**

Libra is an Air sign on the action cross. Its symbol is The Scales. The Mercury in Libra child has a reflective mind, a mirror for others. He is easy to talk with – a great mediator or negotiator. He gains popularity due to an innate willingness to accept the ideas and thoughts of others, and to hear them out. Your child is at home with public relations (politics, diplomacy, sales). Typically, he is considerate, helpful, and courteous. Your child is likely to show a strong sense of fairness. He can see both sides of the story. He likes to compare one thing with another. The same tendency makes it hard to make a choice. Stress honesty in your household. Especially if other positions are in Libra, your child could find it hard to handle difficult situations. He would rather not rock the boat! Teach him to face reality and to never be afraid to tell the truth!

### **Moon Conjunction Mercury**

To fully grasp this aspect, integral to an understanding of your child, check the sign the Moon is in, and what other aspects, positive and challenging, it forms. Especially if the Moon is in a water sign (Cancer, Pisces, Scorpio) thoughts are influenced by feelings, or may be a reflection of subconscious patterns rather than of logical reason! Perception may be keen here as intuition is strong and almost always right-on when it comes to questions of feelings. Your child is apt to show an early interest in understanding other people (psychology), different cultures, and history. He may have skills in writing, speaking, and all forms of communication. If other placements point to musical talent, your child may enjoy songwriting. The mother influences the thinking and habit patterns strongly.

### **Mercury Square Jupiter**

Children with this aspect often have sharp minds that nonetheless require much self-discipline! Your child might incline to think he can get around doing things as he knows they are supposed to be done. These shortcuts end up costing him a lot. Sometimes the child with this Mercury/Jupiter aspect tends to bite off more than he can chew and can have too many projects going at once. He could get carried away with himself easily in arguments. Whoa! Instruct your child how to bring in the reins of the mind! (For starters, insist on neat schoolwork, good handwriting, a clean desk!)

### **Mercury Conjunction Neptune**

The child with this aspect could have a fantastic imagination and be somehow tuned into what we all dream of at the deepest levels. The dream worlds, the more eternal thoughts of mankind, come easily to him, and he would be a convincing speaker on occult, metaphysical, and religious subjects. Your child could be sensitive, poetic and persuasive. This aspect is common in the charts of composers. He could have oratory and/or theatrical skills. On the downside, this child may weave many a tale. Help your child sort out reality from fact. Insist he tell the truth!

### **Mercury Sextile Pluto**

Just call him "Eagle Eye!" Pluto conjunct the planet of mind most often gives sharp mental acumen and penetrating insight. Your child could be expert at getting straight to the heart of things, and would make a super sleuth, or researcher. The deeper a secret is buried, the more likely it is that he will turn it up. In its negative expression, Pluto could cause brooding, irritability, mental stubbornness and/or and nervous tension. There could be a karmic tie with a sibling or relative.

### **Venus: Values and Discrimination**

Venus rules our values and sense of appreciation. When we appraise or appreciate something, whether that be another person or a new car, this is Venus – the sense of love and compassion we may feel. Venus in the child's chart shows us what kinds of things our child appreciates, his innate sense of beauty (which can be developed), the manner in which he interacts with his friends and with adults, and how he shows love. Children with Venus in ardent Leo, for example, are demonstrative and fun-loving. They tend to shine and love bright, colorful things. Venus in Scorpio children, on the other hand, may be shy but exceptionally kind and thoughtful. These children may want Mom all to themselves! The Venus in Libra child is a social butterfly and loves beauty in his clothes and bedroom. Venus in Taurus loves beautiful things, pretty rocks and later precious stones. He may be a gourmet. He may need help learning to share what he sees as prized possessions. A study of Venus by sign, house and aspect also reveals something about your child's taste in food, eating habits, care of possessions and attitude toward money and belongings.

### **Venus in Scorpio**

Scorpio is a Water sign on the feeling cross. Its symbols are The Scorpion, The Phoenix and The Eagle. Venus in Scorpio children feel intensely and are rarely, if ever, lukewarm when it comes to emotions and desires. Your child may need a deep bonding with the mother. He is a staunch and loyal friend, but may be prone to dominate others. He could be possessive, not wanting to share Mom or his best friend (or his belongings) with anybody else! All that is mysterious, intriguing, secretive likely appeals to him. Your child has great personal magnetism. One thing he is not is dull. Later in life, money and influence may figure into his equation as well as politics. He needs sound moral values. Lessons in letting go of desire (delaying gratification), in sharing resources, and right conduct with the opposite sex will help him avoid the pitfalls of this placement – emotional and sexual excesses, jealousy and possessiveness – when he is older.

### **Venus Square Mars**

This challenging aspect indicates potential conflict in relationships. The child needs to learn to cooperate and get along harmoniously with others. The negative manifestation could range from shyness and excessive prudence to a tendency to splurge and be headstrong in relationships. The child could be highly sensitive, and therefore easily hurt or perhaps emotionally volatile. A healthy relationship with the parent of the opposite sex will help the child attract more positive relationships in adulthood. The child needs to be taught sound values regarding sex and money. Some children born with this aspect are very physical: they want instant gratification. Learning to delay gratification (when necessary) builds character. As your child grows in self-discipline, he should have healthy relationships and so avert getting into trouble with the opposite sex, particularly during the teenage years.

### **Venus Sextile Saturn**

This is the child who enjoys responsibility, and loves to bring order and discipline to anything (or anyone) with whom he is involved. Even in a more open chart, this aspect adds a measure of restraint. The child's friends may tend to be older than he. He probably gets along well with his elders. The child could have marked artistic talent. Even if your child doesn't end up being an artist or performer, teaching him a skill such as painting, dancing or singing in a disciplined manner over a period of time will help develop character. Your child is loyal to loved ones. On the negative side, some children with this Venus/Saturn contact find it hard to express their feelings. Others may feel unappreciated or unloved. Your child may need more affection than you suspect.

### **Venus Trine Uranus**

This child may want free rein to choose his friends who may not always be run of the mill! He values independence and unique talents in others. He may be reluctant to get tied down. A balanced understanding of the question of freedom and commitment in relationships will be more important when he is older. Others are attracted to him because he is generally cheerful and may have a magnetic personality. He enjoys sharing with other children. Your child may radiate a catching "joie de vivre." He probably has a penchant for inventions, electronics, and new-age technology.

### **Venus Square Pluto**

This aspect inclines toward emotionally intense relationships. The child with this Venus/Pluto aspect could tend to put off confrontations until they build up and then explode, kind of like having his own built-in volcano. Physical activities such as sports could channel his pent-up energy constructively. He may have a flair for secrecy. Even if the rest of the chart suggests that the child is friendly and open, this aspect could lead him into intense personal involvements. You can help him master these powerful energies by emphasizing sharing, cooperation and the nature of true friendship. Help him develop a healthy self-esteem. Teach him to avoid power games in friendships (i.e. the childhood threat we've all been subjected to one time or another: "If you don't do such and such, I won't be your best friend anymore.") Even with the hard aspects, Venus/Pluto contacts confer charisma and heightened magnetic charm. Children with this aspect often have a lot of love to give, and may feel very attached to one (or both) parents. Children who do not receive adequate affection and attention in childhood, or who are dominated, pampered, or ignored are in danger of developing in adulthood the two

major negative emotions associated with this aspect: jealousy and possessiveness.

### **The External Planets: Mars, Jupiter, Saturn**

The major planets outside the Earth's orbit (external to us) are Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn. These are the planets describing the outer world and circumstances surrounding the child, the status, well-being and conditions he is born into and what urges him on to greater achievements as he grows. Mars will tune you in to what motivates your child and the way he approaches life. Jupiter shows us how he is most apt to channel that energy, and Saturn decrees what sort of obstacles will confront him on the road to success. Again: Saturn tells us about the territory we will be going through, Jupiter the way or path through it, and Mars what kind of push or drive we can count on to keep going.

### **Mars: Drive and Emotions**

Mars is the planet of emotion and drive. When we search for the meaning of something, it is Mars that urges us on, keeps us searching. Mars will tell us what motivates our child, what captures his interest. By studying the aspects formed between Mars and other planets we discern if our child expresses desire in a healthy and direct manner or whether he feels blocked (squares) by inner or outer conditions. We also learn how our child expresses anger, whether in strong bursts (Mars in Fire Signs), bottled up and tears (Mars in Water Signs) or with cutting words (Air signs). With greater understanding we can help our child deal with his feelings in a constructive way. Mars tells us about our child's interest and aptitude (or lack of it), for physical exercises, sports, recreation. Mars drives us against things, too, and sends us into war and combat. Mars imparts courage and stamina. The house position of Mars in the child's chart will tell us in what area of life he is likely to enter the greatest degree of active conflict or activity: In the 11th, with friends, in the 3rd, perhaps with sisters and brothers, or in competitive learning at school.

### **Mars in Leo**

Leo is a fire sign on the feeling cross. Its symbol is The Lion. The child with Mars in Leo strives to be center-stage. His actions may say, "Look at me!" Your child's dramatic expressions easily capture the attention of others. Indeed, many actors have Mars in Leo. Leo is the sign of royalty. Your child may display the confidence of kings in his regal bearing! Giving orders and being the leader comes naturally to him. He may, however, find it harder to obey orders! Pride, anger and a strong conviction that his way is best may get in the way of cooperating with elders or even with his chums! He could be so forceful that his friends think him bossy. Nevertheless, he may be strangely unaware of the emotional reaction he gets back from other people. He benefits from programs that place a premium on leadership such as Scouts.

Leo relates to the Sun and to the heart. Therefore, children with their action planet in this fiery sign often display generosity of heart and courage. This is a placement of "noblesse oblige" and your child may be the first to help out a friend in need or a bird with a broken wing. The Mars in Leo child tends to react defensively to correction. (Astrologers call the Leo reaction the "wounded knight syndrome.") He may be so sure of himself that he can't imagine being wrong!

Mars in Leo children display exuberant energy. Often they excel at sports and games. When your child is older, he may work with children. He likes to have fun, but puts a lot of energy into work as well! He enjoys playing or coaching younger children. When he is on stage, he is at home. The pitfalls of this placement are pride, disobedience and a tendency to be bossy. Emphasize the qualities – humility, generosity of heart, service – of true leaders.

### **Venus Square Mars**

Your child is likely to be energetic, active and physically appealing. He may, however, need to learn to respect the wishes of others and to share. The child's perception of the relationship between the parents and especially of his own relationship with the parent of the opposite sex may determine whether he sees love as full of strife and conflict or as dynamic and creative. Boys with this aspect need to be taught to respect women. Girls need to be taught to respect themselves as ladies. Your child would benefit from an early exposure to beauty, art and social graces. This aspect generates a certain degree of emotional tension. Although perhaps easier said than done, harmony is the key.

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The child with this aspect may have great perseverance and staying power. He may have a drive to delve into the unknown. The cosmos has real trouble keeping secrets from him once he has made his mind up to investigate! You may find that your child is brave and works well in a crisis. He could be self-motivated. This aspect indicates potential leadership ability. Negatively, drive is so powerful here that when the child doesn't get his way, he could be manipulative or even dishonest. He could need help learning how to deal with anger. The relationship with the father could influence relationships with men and authorities in general. Study well the signs and house positions: Pluto and Mars will intensify the qualities/challenges of the signs and houses in which they are posited.

### **Jupiter: Career and Life Path**

The Hindu word for Jupiter is Guru. Jupiter is the guru and guide, the way we go through life, our life path and personal philosophy. Our first teachers and guides are usually our parents. Then there are our school teachers, ministers, and other significant adults who enter our life and guide us. Jupiter is the body of knowledge and wisdom made available to us, our method for dealing with the laws of life, our Saturn, or limitations. Saturn represents the father, structure, rules of behavior and social norms we must learn to abide by. Jupiter is the light or path. Jupiter

rules religion, philosophy, culture, travel, history; how we expand our horizons, our philosophy of life. It has always been an indicator of how successful we may be, our vocation. In the child's chart, we look to Jupiter for clues as to how our child seeks to know more about life, what appeals to him, and where he may need to pull in the reins and balance exploration (Jupiter) with greater discipline (Saturn). A child with Jupiter in the 1st house in Aries, for example, will jump to the occasion for a trip, an experience to broaden his horizons and self-understanding but will need to find the balance between opportunities for growth and responsibilities (Saturn).

### **Jupiter in Capricorn**

A bit grown-up for his age, the Jupiter in Capricorn child is typically dependable, trustworthy and responsible. He is quick to get the outline or skeleton of a project, to see how things work. At its best, this is a position of great integrity and know-how. Your child is likely to be conscientious. He is concerned with getting ahead. Merit programs where his good behavior can earn him greater privileges, badges, and recognition appeal to him. On the negative side, with his opportunity planet in this earthy sign, ambition for material things or status can take over. Especially if Jupiter forms squares or opposition to personal planets, he could be too hard on himself or others. Jupiter's natural expansiveness is curtailed by excessive Capricornian caution, fear or procrastination. Show your child by example and direct experience how a positive mental attitude leads to success. He will look to the father for spiritual guidance and for direction in mastering the physical world.

### **Sun Trine Jupiter**

Your child is bent toward success, for he has a built-in sense of how to approach and unravel even the most difficult problems. Children born with this harmonious aspect often have a natural instinct for justice and the law, and generally know how to approach a problem from just the right angle. This ability could make your child a natural counselor or guide for others, in particular regarding vocational matters. This aspect also suggests the possibility of working with and helping older persons. Often this position indicates help received from others. Dynamic squares found elsewhere in the chart may bring out the positive sides of this position. The pitfall is too much ease, or a lack of ambition, a lack of humility, and/or expecting others to do the work.

### **Moon Square Jupiter**

Your child is likely to have a happy disposition. He gets along well with others. He may need, however, to learn to stand on his own two feet rather than expecting others to do the job for him. Your child may overextend himself, taking on too much at a time, or he may expect others to do the work! Sometimes this position reflects an indulgent mother, but this child needs firm guidelines to steer him clear of self-indulgence in food, work, and play. He probably wants his wishes fulfilled on the spot, but learning to delay (or put aside) gratification is crucial for later success.

### **Mercury Square Jupiter**

Especially if Mercury and Jupiter are in Gemini, Sagittarius or Pisces, your child will probably need to learn to focus on one task at a time. Pulling in the reins of the mind is the challenge of this square. Common sense may not come naturally and may need to be acquired.

Success at school and later in career may depend on his ability to be patient, to take one step at a time and to complete assignments. Your child may love to learn and be full of questions and curiosity but does he finish what he begins and does he tend to be impatient with routine? Good study habits and organizational skills need to be instilled at an early age.

### **Saturn: Responsibilities**

Saturn rules the laws and limitations of this material world we all live in. Saturn indicates where we are bound to learn, the narrowness that makes our way felt, the walls that make homes possible. Saturn holds us together as much as apart. Saturn represents the law and is said to be the Great Teacher. Saturn defines and clarifies. Saturn represents the reality of life in the physical universe. We understand how vital it is that our children learn to accept responsibility, maintain their environment in order, finish homework and projects on time, learn how to delay gratification. Hopefully, they learn as they grow how to turn mistakes into lessons, obstacles into stepping stones to success. Saturn represents the father or dominant parent, all adults whom the child looks up to as authorities. Saturn represents the law of the land we're born into, the family rules and traditions and our own innate or developed sense of fairness. Saturnian qualities are rarely self-evident in the small child. Children have to learn self-discipline, order, patience, obedience. This they do in cycles of time. Saturn represents the process of maturity, the outlines for growth presented to us by our teachers and our inner biological clock. Saturn by sign, house, aspect and Saturn cycles in your child's chart and in your own provide a wonderful blueprint whose design you can follow to help your children grow to be successful in this world.

### **Saturn in Virgo**

The Saturn in Virgo child tends to be practical and hardworking. His natural love of perfection could cause him to be too critical of himself and others. Especially if his personality is on the serious side, good may never be good enough for him! Therefore, teach your child the value of learning from mistakes. Point out his positive qualities and show him how to see the good in his work. Guide him in seeing the best in others, rather than mercilessly pointing out their shortcomings. Discourage faultfinding and complaining. A whining "its not fair!" is your cue to teach your child how to turn challenging situations into opportunities! If your child has a more forceful personality, he could react to a perceived personal injustice in anger. Encourage him to think positively! Excessive fretting could lead to health problems. Careers in medicine or science, bookkeeping and accounting, writing and teaching, healing arts or laboratory work may be indicated.

### **Venus Sextile Saturn**

Your child could be an excellent teacher in areas requiring discipline and organization. He values order and places a high premium on hard work and effort. Whatever is most practical is best. He is apt to appreciate things that are durable and long-lasting. Your child has a natural love of truth, philosophy, law, and the like. This is considered a favorable aspect for architects, designers, teachers (especially of music or art), and performing artists since discipline/structure/form (Saturn) and art/beauty/relationships with others (Venus) are harmoniously linked. This Venus/Saturn aspect also favors lawyers, bankers, and real estate agents. Endowed with common sense and understanding, your child should be responsible and caring. His friends are apt to be older than he.

## The Outer Planets

In the previous sections, we have dealt with planets that we can see with our naked eyes. In general, these planets refer to life as we know and live it and are the so-called inner planets. Beyond these are three planets that are not visible in the sky and which have cycles longer than the average human life span. Since they are beyond Saturn or time, astrologers call them the trans-personal or transcendental planets – Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. Here you will find information on issues and attitudes typical of your child's generation. Uranus represents the sense of discovery, new frontiers, revolutions and consequent changes we make. Neptune reveals how we understand and accept these discoveries, our understanding of mystical and/or inner realities, the expression of devotion and compassion. Pluto points to the great challenges confronting ourselves and our civilization. How can we best prepare our children to meet these challenges? To fulfill their fiery destiny individually and collectively? To stand firm amidst the winds of change? To reach out for worlds beyond the physical? To feel secure in their relationship to God? For most of us, the challenges increase as we mature but certainly the foundation is set in childhood!

### Uranus: Break-Thrus & Insights

Uranus is the planet that indicates how we free ourselves from the difficulties and problems life presents us. Uranus represents our link to the higher mind, Universal Intelligence. Here is the way insights come to us, how we discover or come to know and understand ourselves. Uranian energy shows us how to find new uses for old things. It rules inventions and sudden insights into our life – everything that is unusual, eccentric, and out of the ordinary. Uranus is, in many ways, the opposite, or undoing of Saturn. We look to Uranus in the child's chart to understand his personal sense of uniqueness, where he dares to be different. Uranus also may reveal individual genius, talent, interests. With hard aspects, or if Uranus is placed in the 1st, 4th, 7th, or 10th houses, we may have to deal with willfulness and/or rebelliousness in the child, or he may perceive himself as somehow different from the rest. Parents and teachers can help the child with strong Uranian aspects by providing him with avenues for individual expression and creativity, and by recognizing his natural bent to experiment with new ways of doing things. At the same time, the child needs to learn that there is no true freedom without accountability. Be consistent in applying the rules. He needs to know the consequences of his use of free will.

### Uranus in Cancer

Born between June 1949 and June 1956, the Uranus in Cancer sub-generation brought innovative changes through their approach to home, family, the role of women, childbirth techniques, tradition and the domestic scene. As a group, they rebelled against what they perceived as an overly materialist and strict parental upbringing. Individually, and especially if Uranus afflicts personal planets, this placement can lead to explosive or unstable emotions, a squandering of resources, an unusual family life.

### Sun Square Uranus

Brilliant! But, will he carry through? Ah, that's the question! Your child may balk at limits and try to break the rules. Let me do it my way may be on his lips from babyhood! Whether his native sense of individuality and innovative thinking pay off for him in later years or if it keeps

him off the right track may depend in great part on the training you give his! The main key is to set the limits, state them and be consistent in applying them! Some children with this position need help keeping their attention on work at school, since the mind may jump from one subject to another. On the positive side, your child may have scientific know-how, he probably enjoys experimentation and would do well working with computers and electronics. Sometimes (but far less frequently), we see the opposite, with Sun square Uranus manifesting as a difficultly breaking with convention and heading out on one's own. This aspect could signify an unusual relationship with the father.

### **Venus Trine Uranus**

Your child is popular and friendly. As your child matures, you will find that he is receptive to new ideas and concepts. He could be interested in technology and new scientific frontiers. Children with this aspect are attracted to novel ideas and experiences. Your child is apt to be open about sharing his feelings with others, and expresses genuine concern for their welfare. He is at once emotionally sensitive, but objective. Electronics, computers, communications (in fact, everything electrical) are right up his alley. This aspect favors a career in broadcasting. He values independence in partners, friends, and love. He is what is called a "free spirit", and respects freedom for others, as well.

### **Neptune: Ideals & Imagination**

Neptune provides the key for unlocking our child's imagination! Neptune represents the bridge to worlds we cannot see. Neptune, then, tells us about the child's need for worship, adoration, devotion. Neptune relates to music and the arts and is prominent in the charts of many creative people. Being an outer planet, Neptune also paints a picture of the collective dreams of our child's generation, dreams which may build upon, alter or even challenge our own. Neptune's influence tends to be subtle, often affecting us on subconscious levels. If afflicted, Neptune can indicate areas where the child may feel confused, uncertain or fearful. Read Neptune by sign, house and aspect but realize that your child may not consciously be aware of Neptune's influence until he reaches adulthood.

### **Neptune in Libra**

Ah, the love generation! Neptune illumines, yet Neptune confuses, and oh, how many new approaches to intimacy popped as a bubble in the laboratory of everyday life! This group yearns for the perfect love. They are seldom bound by tradition or personal ties and are not particularly domestically inclined. New forms of art, changes in the legal system, drugs and rock music tie into Neptune's transit in this sign. Many single parents of today's elementary and teen age children were born with Neptune in Libra.

### **Mercury Conjunction Neptune**

The child with Mercury conjoined Neptune has a way with words and ideas. Your child creates mental tapestries and conveys them in a way that captures the attention of others. Your child loves a good story, especially those dealing with great heroes, colorful Biblical tales, mythology, and romantic legends such as that of King Arthur and His Knights! The danger is that the mind can be impressionable to a fault. Occasionally, this aspect manifests as shyness, especially if a child is fearful, overly-sensitive, or has low self-esteem. Help your child master

this square by placing a high premium on truth.

### **Mars Sextile Neptune**

Your child has an ability to work with the imagination, reaching beyond the mundane to spiritual and transcendent horizons. His enthusiasm for mystical and religious experience could make him an excellent teacher in artistic and creative matters. He is a natural counselor, and friends (even adults) may come to him for words of wisdom! Your child is, no doubt, a romantic, at home in the world of dreams and images, beauty and ideals. Your child might enjoy yoga and meditation.

### **Pluto: Inner Change and Growth**

Pluto is the planet of profound change, of generation and regeneration. Pluto often touches upon the most sensitive psychological areas within us. Once touched, we have no choice but to change and grow. If Pluto aspects a personal planet in your child's chart, he will experience an intense desire for self-transformation on some level of his being. Pluto contacts often teach us through intense experiences. We feel as if we've lived several lifetimes in one! The struggle of our century with nuclear power is a plutonian issue. Will this intense power be used as a dynamo of life or to devastate life? Stress the positive, be ready to help your child navigate through intense emotions he may feel, but not necessarily comprehend. Teach him to express this power wisely.

### **Pluto in Leo**

Leo is a sign of power and leadership. When Pluto entered Leo, it ushered in WW II, dictatorships and the atomic bomb! Leo is a sign of expressing love. The Pluto in Leo generation struggled with the question of intimacy, the giving and receiving of love. Collectively, they tend to be very sensitive (even vulnerable) when it comes to self-expression. Periods of intense creativity enable the Pluto in Leo individual to go through changes and inner growth. This creative intensity is good for music, poetry, art, and such. If afflicted, anger and pride could lead to a tendency to engage in power struggles. There may be a conflict with the father.

### **Moon Sextile Pluto**

AH! Here's the child that loves hearing stories about mysteries, the unknown! Your child is likely to feel a close relationship to his mother. He also is a natural psychologist, and friends may come to him for advice, even during school years. He has a knack for working with the public and may be quite dramatic in the expression of his emotions. Your child is perceptive. People sense this about him and trust him with sensitive matters, inner worries, and questions of personal identity. Does your child talk about his dreams in life? If so, why not write them down? Even as a child, he is apt to have a sense of a real mission in life!

### **Mercury Sextile Pluto**

When it comes to mental work, you may find out that your child has a natural gift for research and investigation. He enjoys examining and analyzing, in particular when it comes to psychological and sensitive areas of the mind. Math, writing and the sciences may appeal to him. Watch for a natural know-how in sifting through difficult material and coming up with

what is essential every time! Your child likes to discuss and communicate, especially at a very personal level. Others may find your child just too intense.

### **Venus Square Pluto**

Children with Venus/Pluto contacts are extremely sensitive. They need to give and to receive much love. If the child, however, feels unloved or threatened, he may withdraw. Trust, then, is the first order of the day with the Venus/Pluto child. If he cannot love openly because of anger or other harsh reactions (or lack of response) he may become manipulative. The Venus/Pluto child can also be very demanding of a favorite parent or teacher, and should not be over-indulged. The key here is the right balance of love and fairness (he may want all your time but you, of course, need to give equally to all your children). Children with this aspect often need to learn to let go of old possessions and to share with other children. Some feel threatened if they lose control over their environment. At its highest expression, this aspect describes one who loves deeply and who is capable of healing and regenerating self and others through the power of love. Your child could have a magnetic or impelling appeal. Some children with this dynamic square between Venus (money, art, beauty, attraction) and Pluto (the masses, television, intense emotions) could do well in business careers, modeling, photography, television, movie careers or in politics.

### **Mars Conjunction Pluto**

Boy, does he have drive! This aspect gives intense determination. Some children with Mars/Pluto contacts enjoy sports and other physical outlets. Your child may have the energy of 10, so watch out! Check out the house position to see in what area of life this dynamo will be expressed. Negatives include anger, willfulness, selfishness. Hopefully, the relationship with the father will be free of major conflict. Otherwise, Mars/Pluto can indicate problems later on with men or with authority figures. Emotionally intense!

### **Neptune Sextile Pluto**

This aspect belongs more to the times, describing the opportunity at hand for great change through understanding of profound spiritual laws. It points to the interest in psychology so prevalent in this century. The times themselves prove to be a great teacher.

## Challenges and Abilities

### **Focus**

These are areas of intense focus and activity in the child's chart. For better or worse, these qualities stand out and are obvious to all those who come to know him. They are very clear parts of his character.

### **Mercury Conjunction Neptune 04°14'**

The child with this aspect could have a fantastic imagination and be somehow tuned into what we all dream of at the deepest levels. The dream worlds, the more eternal thoughts of

mankind, come easily to him, and he would be a convincing speaker on occult, metaphysical, and religious subjects. Your child could be sensitive, poetic and persuasive. This aspect is common in the charts of composers. He could have oratory and/or theatrical skills. On the downside, this child may weave many a tale. Help your child sort out reality from fact. Insist he tell the truth!

#### **Moon Conjunction Mercury 04°48'**

This aspect indicates fluency in communication. Even if your child has an emotional personality, you will be able to reach him through dialogue. He could be a fine speaker. He is likely to be most persuasive! This Moon/Mercury aspect often indicates success in life due to a positive mental attitude.

#### **Mars Conjunction Pluto 06°58'**

The child with this aspect may have great perseverance and staying power. He may have a drive to delve into the unknown. The cosmos has real trouble keeping secrets from him once he has made his mind up to investigate! You may find that your child is brave and works well in a crisis. He could be self-motivated. This aspect indicates potential leadership ability. Negatively, drive is so powerful here that when the child doesn't get his way, he could be manipulative or even dishonest. He could need help learning how to deal with anger. The relationship with the father could influence relationships with men and authorities in general. Study well the signs and house positions: Pluto and Mars will intensify the qualities/challenges of the signs and houses in which they are posited.

#### **Moon Conjunction Neptune 09°02'**

Children born with this aspect may be enchanting, with a dreamy look about them. They often have artistic and/or musical talent. They are highly impressionable and tend to pick up on other people's vibrations. Children with the Moon aspecting Neptune need to learn to be discriminating in their choice of companions. Your child may be very kind, but gullible and easily duped (and therefore disappointed.) The line between fantasy and fact may not be apparent. The child could adore the mother, or be confused by her. The mother may help the child develop his creativity productively.

### **Challenges**

Life can be challenging, and things are not always easy. The major challenges in a natal chart are where we can expect increased activity and personal involvement – ready or not. These critical areas of life can be difficult, and the resulting confusion and possible obscuration often makes it hard for us to see and act with normal clarity. Some of these aspects are apparent in little children, others describe yourselves, his parents and teachers, and the environment you provide for him. Other aspects may show up later, at about age 12 or older, even in young adulthood. Your knowledge of these areas in your child's chart should give you a greater understanding as to how to help him turn stumbling blocks into rings on the ladder of success. Therefore, when it comes to the following factors in your child's chart, you may wish to exercise extra patience.

#### **Venus Square Mars 00°32'**

This challenging aspect indicates potential conflict in relationships. The child needs to learn to cooperate and get along harmoniously with others. The negative manifestation could range from shyness and excessive prudence to a tendency to splurge and be headstrong in relationships. The child could be highly sensitive, and therefore easily hurt or perhaps emotionally volatile. A healthy relationship with the parent of the opposite sex will help the child attract more positive relationships in adulthood. The child needs to be taught sound values regarding sex and money. Some children born with this aspect are very physical: they want instant gratification. Learning to delay gratification (when necessary) builds character. As your child grows in self-discipline, he should have healthy relationships and so avert getting into trouble with the opposite sex, particularly during the teenage years.

#### **Moon Square Jupiter 01°02'**

The child with this aspect typically is generous but may tend to overdo in some way – in food, in action, in speech. He could be gullible and lack discrimination, especially in the company he keeps! Teach him not to throw his pearls before swine! He feels close to the mother, but should not be over-indulged. Getting things started and off the ground may be harder for him than for most.

#### **Mercury Square Jupiter 03°46'**

Children with this aspect often have sharp minds that nonetheless require much self-discipline! Your child might incline to think he can get around doing things as he knows they are supposed to be done. These shortcuts end up costing him a lot. Sometimes the child with this Mercury/Jupiter aspect tends to bite off more than he can chew and can have too many projects going at once. He could get carried away with himself easily in arguments. Whoa! Instruct your child how to bring in the reins of the mind! (For starters, insist on neat schoolwork, good handwriting, a clean desk!)

#### **Sun Square Uranus 04°10'**

Sun/Uranus aspects often indicate leadership potential. Your child may be very magnetic, others being drawn to him. He is not afraid to be different, and may indeed be a "trendsetter." Later in life he is likely to be interested in some kind of social or political reform. However, the child with the this aspect may be somewhat of a rebel, with a history of flaunting convention and going against authority. He may feel different than his schoolmates. He could separate himself out and end up as the loner, although this is not necessarily what he inwardly desires. Your child could be very bright with exceptional talent. To be happy, however, he needs to learn to cooperate with others. Be patient in seeing him through those unexciting but necessary routines which are simply part of life. His ideas may be brilliant, but help him learn to test them for practical value as well. Sometimes, Sun/Uranus aspects describe the father as being radical, eccentric, highly individualistic or somehow unusual. Note: if Saturn is well aspected, your child is more apt to have his feet on the ground!

#### **Venus Square Pluto 06°25'**

This aspect inclines toward emotionally intense relationships. The child with this Venus/Pluto aspect could tend to put off confrontations until they build up and then explode, kind of like having his own built-in volcano. Physical activities such as sports could channel his

pent-up energy constructively. He may have a flair for secrecy. Even if the rest of the chart suggests that the child is friendly and open, this aspect could lead him into intense personal involvements. You can help him master these powerful energies by emphasizing sharing, cooperation and the nature of true friendship. Help him develop a healthy self-esteem. Teach him to avoid power games in friendships (i.e. the childhood threat we've all been subjected to one time or another: "If you don't do such and such, I won't be your best friend anymore.") Even with the hard aspects, Venus/Pluto contacts confer charisma and heightened magnetic charm. Children with this aspect often have a lot of love to give, and may feel very attached to one (or both) parents. Children who do not receive adequate affection and attention in childhood, or who are dominated, pampered, or ignored are in danger of developing in adulthood the two major negative emotions associated with this aspect: jealousy and possessiveness.

### **Talents and Abilities**

Despite whatever problems we may have, there are areas of life where we have clear insight and real talent – natural ability. When it comes to these matters, our judgment is sharp and we always manage to take charge. We have the knack. It may be as simple as the ability to work hard and accomplish things without something going wrong. An innate sense of the workings of these parts of life makes it easy for us to learn and accomplish things where they are concerned. Positive aspects in your child's chart are like money in the bank. It does little good if not wisely invested. Too much ease in a chart can result in lack of motivation. Therefore, provide your child with opportunities to bring out and develop areas of inherent ability.

#### **Mercury Sextile Pluto 01°08'**

Just call him "Eagle Eye!" Pluto conjunct the planet of mind most often gives sharp mental acumen and penetrating insight. Your child could be expert at getting straight to the heart of things, and would make a super sleuth, or researcher. The deeper a secret is buried, the more likely it is that he will turn it up. In its negative expression, Pluto could cause brooding, irritability, mental stubbornness and/or and nervous tension. There could be a karmic tie with a sibling or relative.

#### **Venus Sextile Saturn 01°13'**

This is the child who enjoys responsibility, and loves to bring order and discipline to anything (or anyone) with whom he is involved. Even in a more open chart, this aspect adds a measure of restraint. The child's friends may tend to be older than he. He probably gets along well with his elders. The child could have marked artistic talent. Even if your child doesn't end up being an artist or performer, teaching him a skill such as painting, dancing or singing in a disciplined manner over a period of time will help develop character. Your child is loyal to loved ones. On the negative side, some children with this Venus/Saturn contact find it hard to express their feelings. Others may feel unappreciated or unloved. Your child may need more affection than you suspect.

#### **Mars Sextile Neptune 03°52'**

Here we see a coupling of the planet of action through desire (Mars) with that of illusion (Neptune)! Children born with this aspect have a natural aptitude for visualization. This can lead to success in the arts, intuitive (even psychic) vision or negatively, to fear due to a

tendency to imagine the worst! Guide your child to overcome fear by using his "eye-magic" (imagination) to think positively! Neptune relates to the subconscious, thus the child with Mars/Neptune contacts acts on feelings, even if he doesn't necessarily understand why. Help your child understand the consequences of his actions. Sooner or later he will discover that doing something because "I feel like it" more often than not leads to trouble. This aspect is common in the charts of dancers, sculptors, and chemists.

#### **Moon Sextile Pluto 05°56'**

The Moon aspecting Pluto is an extremely powerful aspect that can indicate a dynamo of creative potential, or tremendous destructive force. Your child is apt to be courageous. He is willing to try harder to improve himself or his work. This child needs a strong bonding to the mother. Nevertheless, the child with Moon/Pluto contacts may feel overwhelmed or overpowered by her. This aspect gives a Scorpio coloring to the Moon and indicates the need for trust and communication in the mother-child relationship. The child feels intensely but is not apt to reveal his feelings without prompting. He may be dauntless, but willful; intuitive, but secretive; insightful, but manipulative. Establish the law and maintain it consistently, never in anger but in love.

#### **Venus Trine Uranus 06°10'**

This child may want free rein to choose his friends who may not always be run of the mill! He values independence and unique talents in others. He may be reluctant to get tied down. A balanced understanding of the question of freedom and commitment in relationships will be more important when he is older. Others are attracted to him because he is generally cheerful and may have a magnetic personality. He enjoys sharing with other children. Your child may radiate a catching "joie de vivre." He probably has a penchant for inventions, electronics, and new-age technology.

#### **Sun Trine Jupiter 08°20'**

Your child may surprise you with his uncanny sense of justice coupled with an innate ability to interpret the law, whether manmade or natural. This could manifest as an ability to show others the way through, or beyond, the problems in their lives. He could also radiate much energy and could probably benefit by plenty of exercise and outdoor play. Your child may be adventuresome. Chances are he is a born traveler and you may find him very interested in learning about the faiths and lifestyles of people across the globe and throughout history. This placement is considered fortunate, a protective influence. Sometimes this placement indicates a special love for the father, a teacher or Guru.

### **Landscape: Major Life Periods**

What follows amounts to a brief overview of the first thirty years or so of your child's life – a road map of the years to come. Since childhood, adolescence, and early adult life are so crucial to each of us, an attempt has been made to describe these formative years. Based on the

gradual movement of the planet Saturn, this is one of the most tested of all astrological techniques. It is used by almost every professional astrologer as part of any personal consultation. Provided that your child's time of birth is more or less accurate, you will find this information both accurate and informative.

### **Your Personal Background**

By age 7, the child has absorbed an enormous amount of learning. His physical body has reached 70% of his growth potential. Permanent teeth (teeth relate to Saturn) begin to emerge. He passes from the absorbent mind stage into the stage of active reason. He is on his way to becoming an independent adult. Saturn represent rules and laws. At 7 years of age, Saturn forms its first square and you can expect your child "to test the law," at home and at school. Astrologically, this is a critical point in his development. Your child may be a very social child – an accomplished leader at the age of even seven or eight and a real socialite in the early teens. All of this is somewhat premature, so don't be surprised if your child later loses some of his interest in the external, social scene during the middle teen years. At that time, your child just may discover a more subjective side of himself and could elect to take a more inward direction. Turning away from the social scene, your child could spend many years pursuing his inner life. At about age 14 or 15, Saturn opposes its own position in the chart and most teens pass through a kind of identity crisis. Balance is the keyword but the adolescent who says to himself, how can I be free to make my own decisions, but who is usually not ready to leave the nest! This more involuted and personal time may intensify when your child is 21-22 years and last until your child is around 30 years of age. At that time your child may go through a remarkable change, sort of discovering himself all at once. The more inward years of inner searching will pay off with new confidence and real direction. Your child is likely to begin his real life's work after this time, and his middle years will be very strong and successful.

### **Your Current Situation**

Now for a close-up of recent years: while landscape was quite general, the dates given in this close-up should be much more precise. Don't look here for a day-to-day account of life but rather to get a picture of this stretch of time, "these years." In 28 to 30 years, Saturn will return to its natal position at birth and we experience the so-called "Saturn return." At age 14 (first Saturn opposition) and again at age 29 (first Saturn return), we become very aware of Saturn's influence in our life. Important events, or points of growth may occur around age 7 as well (first Saturn square). I do not believe, however, that the child is AWARE of Saturn's influence in a personal sense. Saturn in the child's chart may indicate conditions in his environment, his relationship to others, and especially to his father and other significant authority figures in his life. Saturn represents the law, limits, restrictions, attitude toward responsibilities, hard work, and fairness. The child learns these in stages. A Saturnian keyword is "maturity."

Please note that for Newborns and children less than 7 years of age, the report may indicate a year prior to the actual birth of the child. If this is the case for your child, it means that Saturn was at the degree on the cusp of the quadrant in question on the date indicated. If this occurred about 3 years ago, for example, Saturn will remain in that quadrant for about 4 more years.

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The dates above mark the ending of a quiet, subjective cycle. Saturn at that point finished

its transit through the 1st, most subjective quadrant of your child's chart. (This may not apply for Newborns) The dates show when Saturn entered the 4th house and the 2nd quadrant. The 4th house is a one of the four "ANGULAR" houses. Angular houses are "action" houses and point to the "shifting of gears." Saturn entering this house marked the beginning of a 7 year period of greater self-expression for your child. The fourth house relates to the sign Cancer (see the wheel called "Houses in Childhood" at the beginning of the report) and deals with family life and security. The child is now laying his foundation for later success. Family support and harmony in the environment are strong plus factors during this critical period. Changes in residence could effect him deeply at this time, for better or for worse. This is when the child must "establish" a strong sense of self-worth. If he feels secure, he is likely to become increasingly more confident and outgoing during the next few years. He is apt to be more social, tending to reach out more to others as this phase progresses. During this phase, the child must learn self-discipline, creative self-expression and good work, studying and eating habits. Saturn's transit through the 2nd quadrant lasts 6 or 7 years.

*Saturn in 02nd Quadrant*

### The Elements, Modalities and Angularity

Elements, modalities, and house quadrants. These are all techniques used by astrologers to gain a general picture of energy patterns and focus, temperament and modes of action. How does your child's planets and houses total up? Which does he have in abundance, and which does he lack, if any? Those with high totals show what we can or must do in life; plus points to be developed. These are qualities we have. "Wants" are areas that may be weaker and need developing or balance. Sometimes people overcompensate the "wants" and even pretend to have them. The old adage is: we become what we want (or lack), while we do what we can (or have to do) with what we've got. Here are your child's totals:

#### **Have Air**

There is an emphasis on communication, expression of ideas, and the connections between things, places, and people. He tends towards mental pursuits and admires intelligence. You can reach him through reason.

#### **Want Water**

Your child may have trouble understanding those who seem emotional or sentimental, yet his own practicality and intellectual approach may attract just such types into his life. He needs your guidance getting in touch with his feelings, and acknowledging those of others. He may try to balance his lack of empathy with logic and common sense. (A strong Moon, Venus or Neptune by sign, aspects and/or house position or a Water sign Ascendant could compensate.)

#### **Want Earth**

Your child may be strong on mental activity and action but may need to acquire basic common sense and the ability to deal with practical matters. He may require your help "getting

down to business;" completing his chores and attending to basic necessities. He could be "spacey", out of touch with the physical dimension of reality. He needs to get centered. A balanced diet would help. (Strong Saturn aspects by sign, aspects, and house or an Earth sign Ascendant would compensate)

### **Have Cardinal**

Your child is apt to be an energetic prime mover, a starter, able to initiate and get things moving. Not always hot on the follow-up, he may tend to get the ball rolling and get out to move on to other things.

### **Want Mutable**

Your child may lack flexibility, and could be more stubborn than not! He could have trouble adapting to situations or to the demands of those around him, and could put his foot in his mouth when he least needs it! Perhaps it's not easy for him to communicate or smooth over things. (A strong Mercury, Gemini, Virgo or Pisces Rising, the Sun, Moon or Ascendant in these signs or many planets in the 3rd, 9th, 6th or 12th houses could compensate.)

### **Have Succedent**

You may find that to enter wholeheartedly into any venture, your child's feelings need to be stirred. Love, ideals, and a strong sense of his own worth are vital to his sense of well-being.

### **Want Cadent**

This is a busy pattern – showing the need to master the daily details: being on time, schedules, tasks. Your child makes contact with a lot of people.

## **House Activity and Emphasis**

The twelve houses of the horoscope, particularly when they are occupied by a planet, provide a clue to areas of special activity in the child's life and development. They paint a picture of the environment in which he will work out the challenges and talents signified by the planets and aspects. Here is an analysis of house activity based on planet emphasis:

### **First House: Appearance, Approach**

#### **First House**

The 1st house is the house of "Me!" How I see myself, the "me" I would like to be, and how others see me: in short, my identity. The key phrase of the first house is "I AM." This house rules our personal self and everything about us that draws a reaction from our surroundings or from others. The 1st house describes the early childhood environment (or the child's perception of it). Much of the child's identity will be a reflection of the environment in which he grows up. The child's projected image (personality) will reflect his experience and assimilation of his interaction with others. The sign on the Ascendant (1st house cusp) and its ruler (see intro.) are key components to understanding your child's emerging personality. Any planet "rising" in the

1st house is going to color the personality considerably. For example, if Neptune is in the 1st house, the child will be sensitive and impressionable, no matter what sign is on the Ascendant. A child with Venus in the 1st house is likely to be attractive and charming. Mars in the 1st house is common in the charts of athletes. Astrologers will often blend the characteristics of the Sun sign with the sign on the Ascendant. For example, a child with an Aries Sun is usually somewhat self-centered. If the child, however, has Pisces Rising then he is likely to be assertive but compassionate and interested in serving others. Sometimes, however, the child may experience a conflict; in this case, for instance, part of the child may want to jump right into new experiences (Aries) whereas another part may be shy or afraid (Pisces). The child could feel overwhelmed (Pisces) by the stern parental rebuke given in response to a typically Arian impulsive action! All this may seem very complex, but you can take it step by step. Are any of us really all that simple to understand? You will have to study well the Sun sign and the Ascendant (and the sign and house the Ruler is in) plus the nature of any planet in the 1st house. Learn the keys, be sensitive and observe the child. You will see how it all comes together.

### **Gemini on First House Cusp**

Gemini is concerned with connections and communication of all kinds; letters, wires, telephones, voice, thoughts, writing, and mental processes in general. Gemini is the gadfly, the communicator, the busy-body of the zodiac. The Gemini cusp can reveal in what area of life your child is apt to show curiosity, mental interest and diversity.

### **Uranus in First House**

Independence Plus, that's him! Chances are, he didn't care for the playpen, did he? Perhaps your child's approach to life – the way he comes on – is unusual or different. He is apt to be unconventional in appearance and mannerisms. Your child may be spontaneous, witty, and unpredictable. He needs space to be, its true. He also needs to know the voice of conscience and the clear consequences of the miss use of free will! This may require an extraordinary amount of tolerance and patience on your part – and consistency – but it's sure to pay off in dividends later! Especially if Uranus aspects personal planets, your child may be perceptive, innovative, creative, inventive, and/or daring. Negatively, Uranus here may point to rebelliousness, placing personal standards precedent over the rules (My way!). He could be a natural leader, perhaps a loner, but it's important he hang around the right friends. State the family standard, uphold it and be firm, but give him plenty of room to make decisions, to invent, to be free!

## **Second House: Possessions, Reactions**

### **Second House**

The key phrase of the 2nd house is "I have." The 2nd house, then, deals with our material security, our means of livelihood, our resources and talents, and how we utilize the resources of this world. The 2nd house also reveals much about our values, what is valuable to us. We study this house for clues as to the child's basic attitudes and sense of self-worth. The sign on the second house cusp and any planets in the 2nd house will tell you how your child is most likely to deal with things. Here we see his attitude toward his belongings. Responsibility, stewardship, and sharing all come into play here. If your child does not have any planets in the 2nd house, look to the sign, house and aspects of the planet ruling the sign on the cusp, and to the planet

Venus, for clues as to money making potential and spending habits.

### **Cancer on Second House Cusp**

Cancer is the mother of the zodiac, always making a home, protecting and providing for others. The house with Cancer on the cusp is where your child is likely to look for security. The child could be particularly sensitive to the issues of that house.

## **Third House: Inquiries, Communications**

### **Third House**

The key phrase for the 3rd house is "I think." At no time is the 3rd house more important than during childhood. This is because the 3rd house is the house of early education. The astrologer looks to the sign on the 3rd house cusp, its ruler and any planets abiding there (and to the planet Mercury) to get a picture of the child's approach to learning. The 3rd house is a very mental house, concerned with finding, researching, communicating, and all manner of questioning. Traditionally this house rules brothers and sisters. Planets in the 3rd house can tell you something about your child's interaction with his siblings, and with neighborhood pals. Children with personal planets (Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus and Mars) in the 3rd house tend to be very active at school.

### **Leo on Third House Cusp**

Leo energy is expressive and concerned with dramatic self-awareness and a sense of pride and ownership. Here is a sense of confidence from which the emotive and outgoing Leo energy operates. Often very artistic, and always theatrical and expressive, this sign is good for creativity and the arts. Your child may seek creative means to express himself through the affairs of the house with Leo on the cusp.

### **Mars in Third House**

Mars (action through desire) in the 3rd house (mind, communication) indicates a relentless drive to pursue knowledge, to search, research, and follow out leads and pointers. Your child is very motivated when it comes to communications of all forms – discussions and heated debates, phone calls, correspondence, computers, and the like. With good aspects, this is an excellent placement for schooling indicating a competitive approach to learning. With hard aspects, this placement signifies potential trouble with brothers and sisters. Mars in the 3rd house is common in the charts of automobile mechanics, truck drivers; its also favorable for book sales, publishing, teachers and reporters (any work where obtaining & sharing information is important). But watch out, his sharp wit may manifest as argumentation, with an answer for everything! This may be well indeed for the debate club or future lawyers but not with parents and teachers!

### **Pluto in Third House**

You may nickname him, "Eagle Eye!" A good detective or research person, your child may be your best bet in finding that needle you misplaced! Children born with the research planet (Pluto) in the house of mind (3rd) often manifest an appetite for inquiry, questioning and searching and are adept at digging for some piece of information. Sometimes, there's a particularly close or difficult relationship with a brother or sister. If afflicted, Pluto's presence in

the house of early schooling could point to blocks in learning that need to be surmounted.

### **Fourth House: Home, Family, Security**

#### **Fourth House**

The 4th house is the house of the home and family. The 4th house represents our roots and also relates to our perception of our mother. The sign on the 4th house cusp and any planets abiding here describe the early home environment. Young children yearn to feel secure within the arms of mother and father, within the walls of home. The small child fears abandonment. This house tells about the emotional foundation upon which the rest of the chart can stand or collapse. Traumatic childhood scenes take years to resolve. A memory of a nurturing and secure experience helps the adult get through many a storm. Since many of the early patterns are repeated, the fourth house (and the sign, house position and aspects of the Moon) describes how your child is likely to manage his own family one day. Land and property also come under the fourth house domain.

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#### **Sun in Fourth House**

Home, family, and security are important to your child. He loves to set down roots and build a home base. Sensitive and somewhat private, he tends to be a sensitive (and sometimes vulnerable) person. The impact of impressions from early home life, and in particular the nature of the relationship with the mother, may last a lifetime. If your child feels secure in your love, he may grow to nurture and counsel others. Many children with this position love helping around the house, cooking and fixing things. This is a good placement for cooks and restaurant owners. It is also favorable for business; you might want to start him out early!

#### **Saturn in Fourth House**

This position calls for reinforcement at home from loving parents. Communication and trust need to be established from day one, else your child may feel emotionally cut off from family members. Avoid being excessively strict with this child. Sometimes Saturn's presence in the house of home (4th) points to considerable family responsibility, whether during childhood or in adult life, or both! Later (teen years) your child will profit by an afternoon job, or some responsibility outside of the home. This placement is favorable for the manufacture of domestic products, hotel management, real estate work, farming, construction, factory jobs, ecology and home businesses.

### **Fifth House: Expression, Creativity**

#### **Fifth House**

The 5th house is the house of dramatic self-expression; its key phrase is "I create." Many

actors have planets here. The 5th house relates to fun and recreation: planets in the 5th house plus the sign on the cusp provide clues as to what kind of recreation your child might enjoy. Fire signs may like sports, competitive games and outdoor exploration. An Earth sign on the cusp could take to nature walks, hiking, building, mechanics. For these children, work can be fun! Children with Air signs on the 5th house cusp are going to enjoy mixing with other people. A Water sign on the 5th house cusp may enjoy family outings, be attached to loved ones, find their niche through the arts. The giving and receiving of love is also connected with this house. Children with personal planets in this house (Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, and Mars) feel most fulfilled when they are actively creating, sharing, expressing their emotions.

### **Libra on Fifth House Cusp**

Libra energy is always facilitating and responsive, assuming the appropriate reaction or response to any question or statement. This is certainly the social sign, par excellence. The affairs of the house with Libra on the cusp indicate where your child may enjoy working with a close pal; this may also be where he must learn lessons in cooperation. Libra can tie in the theme of beauty and diplomacy into the affairs of the house whose cusp it is on.

### **Moon in Fifth House**

Your child lights up a room with his enthusiasm and joie de vivre! He loves to share with others, not only possessions, but ideas, experiences as well! Emotionally dramatic, he is most expressive when urged on by a group or in an environment that he feels is both supportive and appreciative. With the Moon (emotion) in the house of recreation, children, and romance (5th), your child is apt to take to games, group sports, and pageantry. He may enjoy coaching younger children and caring for pets. Especially if the Moon is positively aspected, children with this placement tend to be openly affectionate. They need your approval and love. But make no mistake about it; spoon out encouragement and self-discipline in equal measures. Love him, but don't over indulge his! Especially if the Moon is in Aquarius, Taurus or a fire sign, cooperation may not come easily and is a lesson best learnt starting in the Nursery! This is a great position for actors, educators (or their assistants), athletes, and group leaders.

### **Mercury in Fifth House**

Your child can express feelings and put emotions into words. This could give him a flair for the dramatic, public speaking, poetry, and the arts. He is proud of his mind and enjoys using it, solving puzzles and giving speeches – any creative mental outlet. He likes all kinds of games that make learning fun. Especially if Mercury is in a fixed sign, he may be quite reluctant to change his mind once set. If he turns into a class clown, he may be telling you he needs more of your attention! This placement is favorable for screen writers, advertisement and marketing positions, stock market analysts and art critics, sports announcers. Since the 5th is the house of young children, many lower school teachers have Mercury placed here.

### **Venus in Fifth House**

Your child probably loves the theater and all that is creative, expressive, and artsy. Games, puzzles, and entertainment are sure to appeal to him. He could have a flair for the dramatic, emotional scenes being a sign of life to him! He loves action, sports, and putting his heart and feelings on the line. If Venus is well aspected, your child is likely to be popular. Often this

placement indicates artistic talent or ability. Your child may love working with younger children. He probably enjoys the good things in life but watch out for signs of laziness! This Venus placement is common in the charts of entertainers, models, teachers and child psychologists.

### **Neptune in Fifth House**

Neptune in the 5th house is an artistic influence in the chart. Children with this Neptune placement often have vivid imaginations, and an ability to express ideas of a mystical or other-worldly nature. Your child may be a natural performer! Your child may enjoy music, drama, art, or dance classes and be adept at entertaining friends and adults with enchanting tales! Neptune in the house of drama can wear many masks! Make sure your child knows the difference between fact and fantasy, the mask and the real "me" inside! This child needs to express love and seeks your affection and approval. Search for other factors in the chart that would balance creativity with practicality and common sense. It's important that your child learn to see people as they really are, rather than as he would like them to be, to avoid disappointment in relationships. A born romantic, teach him discernment in his choice of companions.

## **Sixth House: Responsibility, Work, Health**

### **Sixth House**

The key phrase of the 6th house is "I work." That which was conceived in the 5th house is applied and produced in the 6th! In an adult chart, this house indicates employment, attitude toward work, and relationship with employees and/or co-workers. In the child's chart, we study the 6th house to understand his daily habits. How he handles his chores, how he approaches his school work. Is his handwriting sloppy or neat? Is he happy to help others when asked or does he complain? The 6th house rules dress and appearance. This house also tells us about eating habits, diet and basic health. Obviously, eating habits and diet will affect health for better or for worse, as the case may be. A water sign on the cusp, or the Moon or Neptune in the 6th indicates that emotions will affect health and vice-versa. The sign on the cusp and planets in the 6th house can show you health areas that may require your attention.

### **Scorpio on Sixth House Cusp**

Scorpio is the most dynamically creative sign and the most abused! Intense, passionate, and very personal, Scorpio rushes past superficialities and right to the heart of any matter. Scorpio relates to sex, death, regeneration and resources we share with others. Scorpio energy will intensify and concentrate the affairs of the house whose cusp it sits on.

## **Seventh House: Relationships, Other People**

### **Seventh House**

The 7th house is the house of partnerships, relationships, social life, and all that carries us beyond our personal self into an awareness of other people, community, and the like. Children with planets in this house seek to understand themselves through others. They are rarely alone. How does your child deal with competition? Is he able to hold his own in a match? Can he stand up against peer pressure? To succeed with 7th house issues, the child needs to feel secure

within himself (1st house polarity.) Planets in the 7th house and the sign on the cusp can also provide clues about your child's interaction, as he matures, with the opposite sex. For instance, a child with Mars in this house or Aries on the cusp would likely be bold in relationships, and hence, make friends easily. Nevertheless, he could incline toward arguments and contention (Mars) in close friendships (and later in marriage). He may, however, be willing to work hard (Mars) to make a relationship (7th house) work. The wise parent would teach this child the dangers of entering into relationships impulsively.

### **Sagittarius on Seventh House Cusp**

Sagittarius is associated with religion, philosophy and travel. Your child may seek to "expand his horizons," or to express his highest ideals and personal philosophy through the affairs of the house on whose cusp Sagittarius is found.

### **Eighth House: Business Savvy, Elimination**

#### **Eighth House**

The 8th house is traditionally the house of death and regeneration. This is the house of surgery: where something must be removed so something else can thrive. Thus, this house also covers initiation: getting rid of excess parts of ourselves that we no longer need so we can get to the heart and deeper meaning of life. The no-nonsense quality of the eighth house makes it good for business ventures since here we are stripping away the dross to reveal the truth or essence of the subject. But what meaning does the 8th house hold for the child? Any planets in the 8th house will give a Scorpio, hence deeply subjective, coloring to the chart. The key phrase here is "We have": for the adult, the 8th house relates to shared money, property, resources. It all begins during childhood. How does your child approach sharing his things with others, in carrying out joint responsibilities. Also, how does the child deal with pain, crises, even the death of significant others? This is the house of sex, and moreover, the house of desire. Planets in the 8th house and the sign on the cusp shed light on the child's ability to attract things to himself through desire, and to let go when necessary or right.

#### **Capricorn on Eighth House Cusp**

Capricorn is the business energy of the zodiac. Given to clear-headedness and practical insight, this sign takes a distanced perspective, a cool appraisal. Lessons in power may be indicated in the affairs governing the house hosting Capricorn on its cusp. Or this may be where your child is particularly willing to work hard for earned results.

#### **Jupiter in Eighth House**

If other factors in the chart agree, your child may be a super business man! Keep your eyes open for clues; does he sign up to be class treasurer? On the other hand, the 8th house relates not only to finances (with Jupiter, finances in a BIG way) but to spiritual mysteries. Searching, delving, researching, inventing, discovering, seeing your child's life path involves cutting through appearances and superficialities and laying bare the reality of a situation. This could mean that the business world is an open book for him – easy to read. Or he may find psychology fascinating. Jupiter here may indicate a career in medicine, in emergency care. This placement also favors any work related to real estate, taxes, banking and insurance.

### **Ninth House: Religions, Philosophy, Ideas**

#### **Ninth House**

The 9th house covers higher education, long journeys and religion (the longest journey of all). Here is what remains of the purification that takes place in the 8th house – the seed, or essence, of an entire cycle of experience. Religion comes from a Latin word that means to bind back, and thus refers to all things that last or endure, such as the truth. Essential ideas, philosophy, and the courts of law belong here. In your child's chart, the 9th house reveals the influences shaping the child's notions of right and wrong, his search for higher meaning, where he reaches out to know more, the (life-long) evolution of his belief system. As a youth, he is apt to be more concerned with his direct experience than with abstract thoughts. From these, however, he will draw conclusions shaping his beliefs. Priests, judges, historians, college professors, philosophers and explorers often have key planets here. The child with planets in the 9th house enjoys expanding his horizons through travel.

#### **Aquarius on Ninth House Cusp**

Aquarius is the sign of brotherly love. Aquarian energy is futuristic, prophetic, communal. The focus is on the goal, and the goal is for the many, not the few. This sign tends toward independence. The house with Aquarius on the cusp sometimes indicates areas of special talents.

### **Tenth House: Practical Vision, Vocation**

#### **Tenth House**

The 10th house is the point of crystallization, what we give back to the world in concrete form: hence, the 10th house deals with career, and subsequently status and reputation. The 10th house is connected with authorities: father, government, employer, Guru. In studying the planets in the 10th house plus the sign on the 10th house cusp in the child's chart (and Saturn), we discover clues about the nature of the child's ambitions (what he wants to do and who he wants to be when he grows up), how he deals with authorities, how he handles responsibility, and his relationship with his father or dominant parent. The child's way of dealing with his elders during childhood obviously will be transferred to dealing with his boss later on! Children with planets in the 10th house may be thinking ahead. Children with the Sun, Jupiter or Saturn or many planets in the 10th house often want to be someone of consequence in this world! The 10th house relates to Saturn and hence to maturation through time. Sometimes planets in the 10th house (especially the Sun or Saturn) indicate a need for much training before reaching the career goal.

#### **Aquarius on Tenth House Cusp**

Aquarius is the sign of brotherly love. Aquarian energy is futuristic, prophetic, communal. The focus is on the goal, and the goal is for the many, not the few. This sign tends toward independence. The house with Aquarius on the cusp sometimes indicates areas of special talents.

### **Eleventh House: Dreams & Visions, Community**

#### **Eleventh House**

We have been on the mountain and had a vision (10th house). In the 11th, we bond with others who share our vision and can help us realize it. Thus, this is the house of friends and community life. The young child is greatly influenced by his companions. As he matures (and particularly during pre-adolescence and teen-age years), peer pressure and conformity may take precedence over parental guidelines in his mind. Planets in this house and the sign on the 11th house cusp indicate what traits your child may admire in a friend and the kind of friends he is likely to attract. For example, if Uranus is in the 11th house or if Aquarius is on the cusp, the child would attract friends who are unique, unusual, somehow different. If Gemini is on the cusp, he may enjoy having many friends, but could be fickle. Traditionally, the 11th house is called the house of "hopes and wishes." The 11th house provides clues as to how to tune into the child's aspirations; how to teach him goal-fittedness; how to measure our projected aspirations for him against his own! The 11th house also addresses the child's willingness (or lack of it) to cooperate with others in group projects.

### **Aries on Eleventh House Cusp**

Aries is the sign of the pioneer and leader. Aries energy is attention-getting and assertive, tending to provoke a response from the surroundings, from others. The house with the Aries cusp shows you in what area of life your child is most apt to be assertive, and even a bit impulsive. Here is where he can learn the lessons of patience.

### **Twelfth House: Sacrifice, Psychology, Acceptance**

#### **Twelfth House**

The 12th house is called the house of endings. This house is considered "karmic" in that here, within the layers of the subconscious, are buried the records of the past. The 12th house relates to fears and "hidden enemies": fears born of past memories. Here to we also uncover hidden strengths and the courage and illumination to transcend our fears. The 12th house relates to the imagination. A child with many planets in the 12th house could be extremely imaginative but could be so sensitive as to withdraw. Music, meditation, dance and art are good ways to bring 12th house children out of the "retreats." The sign on the 12th house cusp can tune you into potential areas of vulnerability in your child's psychic make-up, hidden fears, as well as hidden talent waiting to be drawn out! The 12th house shows the inclination to sacrifice for others. Many or key planets in this house could signify a career in medicine, social work, or behind the scenes production.

### **Taurus on Twelfth House Cusp**

Taurus energy is stable. Here is where your child is likely to be resourceful, where talent may lie! He could perhaps make money from the issues related to this house. Taurus is the way we "have" things, how we possess and acquire things. The house cusp can tell you where the child might need to learn the lessons of obedience or non-attachment.