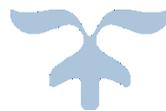


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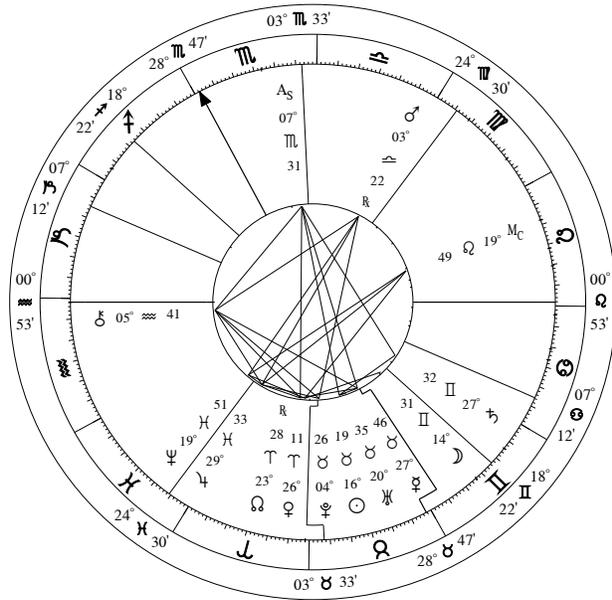
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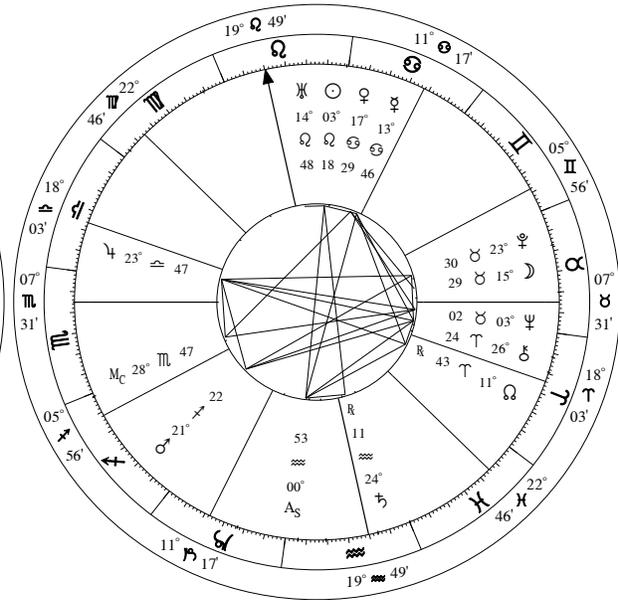
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Sigmund Freud's Planets in Carl G. Jung's houses.



Carl G. Jung's Planets in Sigmund Freud's houses.



Carl G. Jung

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Sigmund Freud

Composite Chart Positions

Planet		Sign	Longitude	Declination
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☾ Moon	is in	♊ Gemini	0° 00' 31"	+26° 33' 00"
☿ Mercury	is in	♊ Gemini	20° 46' 09"	+21° 02' 00"
♀ Venus	is in	♊ Gemini	6° 50' 28"	+8° 42' 00"
♂ Mars	is in	♏ Scorpio	12° 22' 12"	-0° 02' 00"
♃ Jupiter	is in	♑ Capricorn	11° 40' 56"	-1° 11' 00"
♄ Saturn	is in	♈ Aries	25° 52' 15"	+22° 37' 00"
♅ Uranus	is in	♋ Cancer	2° 41' 39"	+17° 38' 00"
♆ Neptune	is in	♈ Aries	11° 26' 48"	-5° 00' 00"
♇ Pluto	is in	♉ Taurus	13° 58' 45"	-2° 17' 00"
♁ N. Node	is in	♈ Aries	17° 35' 57"	+9° 07' 00"
♌ _S Ascendant	is in	♐ Sagittarius	21° 58' 29"	-23° 11' 00"
♍ _C Midheaven	is in	♎ Libra	9° 18' 36"	-3° 41' 00"
♄ Chiron	is in	♓ Pisces	16° 03' 03"	-11° 58' 00"

Composite Aspects

☉ Sun	is	♂	Conjunct	☿ Mercury	The orb is 4° 03'
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☉ Sun	is	♂	Conjunct	♅ Uranus	The orb is 7° 53'
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♂ Mars	is	♁	Opposite	♇ Pluto	The orb is 1° 37'
♂ Mars	is	△	Trine	♄ Chiron	The orb is 3° 41'
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♊ N. Node	is	△	Trine	♈ Ascendant	The orb is 4° 23'
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♄ Chiron	is	□	Square	♈ Ascendant	The orb is 5° 55'

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Fire	: ♃ ♄ ♀ ♁ A _S	Total = 4	Weighted Score = 5
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Air	: ☾ ♃ ♄ ♀ ♁ M _C	Total = 5	Weighted Score = 13
Water	: ♃ ♄ ♀	Total = 3	Weighted Score = 3
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Mutable	: ☾ ♃ ♄ ♀ ♁ A _S ♁	Total = 6	Weighted Score = 13

Weights Used Above

Sun	= 3	Moon	= 3	Mercury	= 2	Venus	= 2
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Neptune	= 1	Pluto	= 1	N. Node	= 0	Ascendant	= 3
Midheaven	= 3	Chiron	= 0				

Synastry Aspects

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A Comparison of Your Charts

This astrological report looks at your birth charts to see how the two of you will tend to interact in dating, a love affair, or -- especially -- in a long-term partnership like marriage. Its aim is to make you more conscious of what's really going on between you. As you read, you'll get a better appreciation of what each of you wants and needs when you pair off with someone else.

Regarding your relationship with this particular partner, you'll see strengths that you can cultivate, and also learn about the possible problems that could get in the way of your happiness.

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

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

In this report you'll find sections on:

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

Sigmund Freud

Sigmund Freud's Chart Positions

Planet	Sign	Longitude	Declination
☉ Sun is in	♉ Taurus	16° 19' 05"	+16° 43' 00"
☾ Moon is in	♊ Gemini	14° 31' 28"	+26° 33' 00"
☿ Mercury is in	♉ Taurus	27° 46' 15"	+21° 02' 00"
♀ Venus is in	♈ Aries	26° 11' 07"	+ 8° 42' 00"
♂ Mars is in	♎ Libra	3° 22' 05"	- 0° 02' 00"
♃ Jupiter is in	♓ Pisces	29° 33' 58"	- 1° 11' 00"
♄ Saturn is in	♊ Gemini	27° 32' 50"	+22° 37' 00"
♅ Uranus is in	♉ Taurus	20° 35' 01"	+17° 38' 00"
♆ Neptune is in	♓ Pisces	19° 51' 05"	- 5° 00' 00"
♇ Pluto is in	♉ Taurus	4° 26' 45"	- 2° 17' 00"
♁ N. Node is in	♈ Aries	23° 28' 09"	+ 9° 07' 00"
Ascendant is in	♏ Scorpio	7° 31' 11"	-14° 01' 00"
Midheaven is in	♌ Leo	19° 49' 53"	+14° 52' 00"
♄ Chiron is in	♒ Aquarius	5° 41' 51"	-11° 58' 00"

For Sigmund: Your Style of Relating

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

Your Basic Character

Fire, Earth, Air and Water signs are quite evenly balanced.

Your chart is notable because the four basic types of signs are so well balanced. This gives you an unusual latitude of choice in the way you react to situations. Depending on the circumstances, you can concentrate on taking action (Fire), on assembling the facts before you move (Earth), on planning a strategy (Air), or on consulting your instincts and intuition (Water). This wide variety of options that you have may help you better understand and deal with your partner's style of reacting. Unless your partner also has a balance of elements, however, you may find your partner's range of responses a bit limited.

Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable modes are quite evenly balanced.

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

Your Sun is in Taurus.

Your Sun in Taurus reinforces the idea that your approach to life is practical and goal-oriented. You like to acquire possessions, and an offer of rewards is a good way to get your attention. When you have a goal to strive for, you can work long and hard to attain it. You may not move quickly, but you'll move unrelentingly in the direction you've chosen. Ultimately, your persistence will help you to achieve the results you want.

Tenacity is something to be proud of, and the rewards you attain will testify to your capabilities. But tenacity and persistence often go with the less admirable quality of stubbornness. Pay attention to the way you react to suggestions from others. If you feel immediate hostility and/or say "no" without thinking, there's a good possibility that you're stubborn. A further indication would be if you take exactly the opposite action to the one suggested, whether you had originally intended to or not.

A wise partner will discover that there's a way to deal with your stubbornness. Instead of ordering you to do something (which is like waving a red cape before a bull), your partner should make two or three suggestions, all of which are acceptable to him or her. In this way, you get to make the selection, and both of you end up being satisfied. Your partner would also do well to be thankful for your ability to follow through.

In communicating, you and your partner should both realize that before you respond in important matters, you prefer to digest every word that is spoken. Therefore, it's a good idea for you to be allowed to think over crucial issues before answering. Concentrate immediately on the practical implications, and you'll most likely be able to respond faster.

Taurus is considered a sensual sign, so you're likely to enjoy anything that you can see, hear, smell, taste or touch. You'll double your pleasure if you can share your sensual enjoyments with a partner. Experiencing beauty together, as in listening to music or eating succulent food, can enrich your partnership and bring you both joy.

Your Moon is in Gemini.

Because you can cover them up with light banter, your feelings may not seem very deep, and you prefer not to discuss your most emotionally sensitive issues at all. This attitude extends to your response to other people's feelings. If those who tell you their problems aren't too long-winded, you're probably a good listener, and even if their story is long, you have the ability to appear attentive. But inwardly, your mind retreats from the situation and scampers about from one interesting thought to another, thus keeping your heart from getting entangled in emotions.

One asset is that you're not considered moody. While there's a changeability associated with Gemini, it is slight. For a while, you're a bit happy, then a bit sad, then a bit angry, etc. Your moods are rarely extreme and are never sustained for long, so that others may not even be aware of your mood shifts. Add to this your tendency to keep your problems to yourself, and you become the ideal person with whom others want to interact on a light social level.

All of the previous traits will not only make you popular, but they are wonderfully self-protecting as well. Your behavior pattern is not contrived. This is just the way you are externally, and others will experience you as calm, cool and collected. You don't allow them to see your sensitivity. They won't be aware that you're vulnerable, let alone know where your vulnerability lies. So it won't be easy to attack you on an emotional level. Even if you're hurt, you probably won't let it show. And being thus thwarted, your attackers will be unlikely to strike again in the same way.

Your talent for masking emotions can be an asset in coping with the outer world, but it can become a problem in close one-to-one relationships. Your partner may not be satisfied with a glib "Of course I love you," or an amusing story about your feelings. To achieve the emotional intimacy that your love partner most likely wants, you may have to do some conscious work.

Here are some hints. First, you and your partner need to agree that discussing feelings is worth the effort, and jointly participate in these discussions. Second, keep the conversations short. Although you may inwardly understand how you feel, you may have difficulty verbalizing your emotions. If you try to push too hard or too fast, you may lose patience and revert to your familiar responses. You can eventually express your deeper feelings, but it's most effective when done a little at a time. Third, listen to what your partner has to say, and, here, too, keep your discussions short. If you begin to shut down, stop, and later pick up where you left off. Once you and your partner understand and are able to work with your Moon in Gemini nature, you can deepen your lively conversations together with the emotions that you have, but seldom share with others.

Your Axis of Relationship

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

If the birth time for your chart is accurate, you have Scorpio rising. This suggests that in relating to the world you tend to be especially deep- feeling and passionate about whatever issues or individuals interest you. Whether or not others notice this, it is the way you feel. Because of your persistence and high degree of focus, it's hard to distract you or make you move in a new direction. Some may view you as obsessive, but this is usually only when you feel that your goals are blocked. If things are moving along the way you want them to, you'll just continue on your chosen path and people can count on this.

In intimate relationships you need a partner who is dependable, and you're also steadfast yourself. When you're choosing a partner, trust and loyalty are at the top of your list. You could be suspicious, but fortunately you're likely to choose a partner who is habit-oriented. Once you understand your partner's behavioral pattern and see it repeated again and again, you feel more secure. If the pattern does change and you do become suspicious, before leaving the relationship you probably take your time and investigate thoroughly to determine if your partner is trustworthy. Since your partner is probably habit-oriented, however, he or she neither takes relationships lightly nor leaves them any more quickly than you do. Therefore, you'll probably be together for a long time.

If you're both creatures of habit, however, you may sometimes feel that you're in a rut. The rut may feel secure, but if it doesn't otherwise gratify you, you might want a change. Making changes may not come easily, but it could be fun. First, recognize that you're both looking for sensual pleasure, and this can go beyond sex. As you discuss changes, surround yourselves with anything that smells, tastes, feels, sounds or looks good. Also, include the pleasure principle in any decisions that you ultimately make. While neither of you may change quickly, you can enjoy yourselves while you're in the process of change.

When you're negotiating, it's best not to make big demands on each other. Neither of you likes to be told what to do, and you're both capable of doing the exact opposite of what the other person wants. Instead of barking orders, it will be more effective to offer your partner a few alternatives that you yourself can accept. Then discuss the possibilities. You will be bringing your intuition into the discussion, and your partner is likely to see the alternatives from a practical point of view. When you disagree, it may take effort to come to an understanding, because both of you may be stubborn. But once you can work out a compromise, your stubbornness will become joint persistence, and you'll be an unbeatable force.

Dating and Romance

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

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

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

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

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

Pisces is on your Fifth-House cusp.

When you first meet someone, you're flooded with romantic feelings which you want that person to reciprocate. You have great powers of fantasizing about romance, and so you may unrealistically idealize your partner, or you may make some self-sacrificing gesture that only embarrasses the other person. If your partner is not behaving according to your ideal, it can be easy to delude yourself that all is well when it isn't. If all does go well, however, fantasy and imagination can bring an unparalleled richness and tenderness to your romance. Also, giving of yourself so freely, you may feel yourself merging with your partner on an exalted level of emotion.

Aries is within the Fifth House.

Although you tend to enter a romance altruistically, eventually you'll get more independent and will crave some personal gratification. You'll start to want more action, and may either be drawn to those who take the lead, or will get more assertive and start to take the lead yourself. Even if you're not usually very adventurous, during courtship you may begin to enjoy a lot of spontaneity, and may tend to focus on having a good time here and now.

Jupiter, the ruler of your Fifth House, is in the Fifth

The planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on the Fifth-House cusp brings in additional considerations. If placed in the Fifth House of your chart, it reinforces Fifth-House themes, making courtship and romance especially important in your life. You tend to want a partner who is demonstrative. This could take the form of open affection or lavish gifts, or possibly both. As long as you receive attention and the setting is just right, the relationship should flourish. If, however, you feel ignored or taken for granted, dissatisfaction will set in. If this occurs, you need not just sit back and complain. You can create your own scenario. To pique your partner's interest, try instilling a little mystery into the relationship. You'll be putting your talents to work, and you could have fun doing it.

Your Jupiter is in the Fifth.

Romance makes you feel expansive and optimistic, and you want to scoop up all the good times and pleasure that you can find. It's possible that you could play the field, and at some point in your life you could date a lot of different people at once.

Your ideal romantic partner will be someone who broadens your horizons. You'll be happiest with a person who is open to new ideas and who has something new to teach you. You'll probably want someone who enjoys a challenge, has the ability to make life an enjoyable game, and is just plain fun to be with. Being a stand-up comic isn't necessary, but a good sense of humor will definitely help.

The main possible danger with this position is a tendency to over-spend, over-eat, over-extend yourselves and generally overindulge when you're out for a good time. You could date someone who encourages this, or you could be the instigator yourself. If you find yourselves broke, putting on weight, exhausted or satiated from all the excess, remember that there are simpler ways to have fun together. Things like enjoying the outdoors, moving about, taking a course or joining a discussion group can feel satisfying without overtaxing your resources. Then maybe you'll be able to put some cash aside for the occasional big blowout or romantically extravagant gesture.

Becoming Partners

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

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

Taurus is on your Seventh-House cusp.

Taurus on your Seventh cusp suggests that you may have a special need to share sensual pleasures with your partner. You may also enjoy your joint ownership of beautiful things, and practical considerations and possessions will probably figure large in your life together.

Indulging your senses together can be fun, but there's a potential for problems if one of you gets too self-absorbed or self-indulgent without considering the other. If you're the one who's feeling neglected, never *order* your partner to think about your needs. That would be like waving a red flag in front of a bull, and it'll produce the exact opposite of what you want. Instead, suggest two or three things that you'd like to do or to see happen, and let your partner choose among them. In this way, your partner gets to make the decision, and you'll be satisfied as well.

If your partner is the one who seems unhappy, it could be that you're the one who is doing the neglecting. To make your partner feel less taken for granted, plan some pleasurable activities that you can enjoy together. Putting special attention on designing something delicious for your partner may just become one of your own favorite delights!

Gemini is within the Seventh House.

With Gemini also in your Seventh House, you have an additional need for a partner who is sociable and has a variety of interests. It's possible, however, that one or both of you could be a bit scattered or have a short attention span. If you find it hard to be focused in your discussions, divide your talks into short segments, with breaks for physical exercise or snacks, or possibly even a party. The ability to fit into many different types of groups is one of the qualities that attracted you, and watching your partner in action may remind you of your blessings.

Venus, the ruler of your Seventh House, is in the Sixth

In your chart the planet that is traditionally associated with the sign on your Seventh-House cusp is placed in the Sixth House. This suggests that you could marry a job-mate, or you could work side by side in your marriage, as in a family business. This work might be in the service sector or the health field. Alternatively, your marriage may just focus on taking care of the practical business of life, like paying bills and doing errands. If this is so, make sure that your soul gets the sustenance it needs, or you may find that your marriage will eventually center instead on health problems. One way to feed your soul is to do these tasks in the spirit of service to the one you love. Another way is to make an effort to give other houses their due, for example, together cultivating the creativity and joyousness of the Fifth House or the spirituality and intellectual adventure of the Ninth. You may also find happiness in sharing the care of your pets.

Your Sun is in the Seventh.

Having your Sun in the Seventh House makes marriage and other forms of intense one-to-one relating central to your life. Either with or through such a relationship, you can shine. Since it's more self-protective to allow another to shine for you, you at first might stay in the shadows and promote your partner. Then, wondering why you've worked so hard and received no recognition, you may decide to appear on stage alone. This, too, is dissatisfying. Instead of alternating between performing solo and supporting your partner, you'll be happier if you appear on stage with your partner from the start. In this way you have both the sharing and the recognition. You should recognize that close, one-to-one relationships are important to you partly because they provide you with ego gratification.

Your Mercury is in the Seventh.

With Mercury in the Seventh House, communication is a prime requirement for you in any partnership. This does not necessarily mean deep-probing or philosophical communications, but rather social conversation. If you're involved in a satisfactory relationship and are describing your partner, you'll probably find yourself mentioning how well your partner communicates. On the other hand, if you're having difficulty talking to each other, you could feel that this indicates serious problems between you. The best way to deal with this is to reopen the lines of communications. You don't have to start with deep analysis or a grim facing of the situation. You can simply start talking about a neutral subject that interests you both. Just chatting can alleviate suspicions and anxiety and can open the door so that you can have more serious conversations.

Your Uranus is in the Seventh.

Wherever Uranus is in your chart is where you tend to break with tradition. Uranus in your Seventh House could mean that you're attracted to unusual partners -- those who are free spirits, free thinkers or eccentric. Or, if you came from a Bohemian-style background, you could be the unusual one, while you select a partner who is normal by societal standards. Alternatively, you may want to incorporate some originality, excitement and a degree of freedom into your partnership, so that you share exciting adventures and support each other's unusual ideas. It is important for each of you to allow the other a bit of space and time alone. If you don't have some freedom within your relationship, one of you might have the urge to free yourself from it.

Entwining Souls

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

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

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

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

Gemini is on your Eighth-House cusp.

You will probably want some variety in your sex life. You could find this with a versatile sex partner, or by having more than one. If you get bored with a partner who always performs in the same manner, you might look elsewhere for new and interesting sexual experiences. That search could bring unnecessary complications into your life. An alternative to wandering would be to talk to your partner about your feelings. This might either bring about change in your physical sexual activities or suggest other new and interesting channels for pleasure.

The sign Cancer is within the Eighth House.

Though your first impulse is toward variety in sexual relations, there's a part of you that also craves security. You need it, and you can provide it as well. You tend to mother your sexual partners, offering emotional more than financial security. In fact, food or making your partner feel comfortable could be an important part of your sexual ritual. You want some of this treatment also, so it's best if you take turns mothering each other. If one partner does all the nurturing and gets nothing in return, emotional outbursts could interfere with your sex life. Making the nurturing reciprocal can result in sex that is both tender and highly satisfying.

Mercury, the ruler of your Eighth House, is in the Seventh

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

Your Moon is in the Eighth.

For you more than most people, sex is closely intertwined with your basic emotional nature. To enjoy sex, you absolutely must be emotionally aroused. Also, the feelings that you express tend to be a barometer of your sex life. If all is going well in bed, you can be tender and loving in other areas of your life. If you're having sex problems, however, you can be prone to emotional outbursts. Also, your libido tends to be cyclical, so that when it comes to sex you may feel as if you're on an emotional roller-coaster. If you become upset, your partner can usually calm you with a bit of nurturing. Not only will you feel better, you'll also probably nurture your partner in return. Then your sex life will feel more even, dependable and emotionally gratifying.

Your Saturn is in the Eighth.

You could feel inhibited sexually, or you might view sex as your duty or responsibility. You'll enjoy sex more if you establish a routine, because you feel more relaxed when you know what to expect next. You may also feel less inhibited if you feel secure in your relationship with your sex partner. Work on developing this security, and not only will you feel less inhibited, you might also find that sex can become more than just an obligation.

How You See Carl

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

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

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

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

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

The fact that more of Carl's planets fall into the right-hand half of your chart suggests that you tend to view him primarily as a responder. You may not expect him to take the initiative, and you could see him as slow or indecisive when initiative and decisiveness are necessary. You might think that if you left taking action to him, you'd never do anything as a couple. You might therefore do things like accept invitations or set your social calendar without consulting with this partner.

If neither of you minds this, fine. But, if your partner resents not having a say in what's happening, chances are that his own chart indicates that he's basically an initiator. You don't have to give up the reins entirely, but you might discuss the matter and together determine areas where your partner can be in charge. You might even enjoy not having to make all the decisions. With more of Carl's planets falling into the top half of your chart, you tend to see him as more extraverted, adjusting to the world and needing its approval. Depending on how the planets are distributed around his own horoscope wheel, he may or may not actually be that way. Simply because of your expectations or from interaction with you, he may try to be more extraverted, while deep down he looks to an inner standard and values self-approval and self-motivation more than the values of the outside world. With you, he may try to conform to what's expected, but you may have different ideas of what conforming means. Chances are, he's really trying. Remember this, and if you still wish to change the way he behaves, try a bit of flattery before you criticize.

How Carl Affects Specific Areas of Your Life

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

Carl's Sun is in your Ninth House.

You might believe that Carl has a notable philosophy, obvious spiritual leanings, or definite political views, any of which he is likely to express with a lot of energy. If you agree with his views, you'll be proud of what he's saying and even join in. If you disagree, you could see him as dogmatic, and be annoyed or embarrassed.

If you experience these feelings, taking a long trip together may help. If this seems strange, remember that another possible meaning of the Sun in the Ninth House is "shining in a distant place." Far removed from home, you could find Carl warm and outgoing and not at all dogmatic.

Carl's Moon is in your Seventh House.

One of the qualities you were probably attracted to in Carl was nurturing. You may share an emotional closeness, and enjoy the tender, loving care that he is capable of bestowing upon you. Sometimes, though, this placement gives either emotional inconsistency or more attentiveness than you bargained for, so that you feel smothered instead of mothered. This could happen because your partner feels insecure. Give him more mothering, and, in return, he could become less smothering and more emotionally stable.

Carl's Mercury is in your Ninth House.

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

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

Carl's Venus is in your Ninth House.

You may take special pleasure in discussing the big questions of life with Carl. You could, however, feel that he tends to steer away from what's controversial, and softens his opinions in order to be more pleasant. While this could remove some of the excitement and genuineness from your conversations, it can also come in handy in social situations where tact is needed. Especially if you're the type who has strongly held viewpoints, it can help to have a partner who will make them more palatable to others.

The subjects that you most enjoy discussing may have to do with love, manners, social niceties, art, fashion, or whatever makes something beautiful. You might even cause each other to take courses in such fields, or join together to teach, publish or otherwise disseminate knowledge about these subjects. You may also like to travel together, particularly if it's to socialize, indulge yourselves in pleasure, or witness beautiful scenery or art.

Carl's Mars is in your Second House.

When it comes to your personal resources, it's possible that Carl may spur you to take the initiative rather than sit back and wait for the money to come in. You could thereby make more money. It's also possible that he could just urge you to spend. Either way, there may be a certain recklessness in the financial advice that he's giving you, because it will tend to emphasize action rather than analysis. You may have to place what he says in perspective. It is, after all, your resources that we're discussing. Don't let your partner badger you. You should have the ultimate say as to what you'll do with what belongs to you.

Carl's Jupiter is in your Twelfth House.

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

Carl's Saturn is in your Fourth House.

You may find Carl very responsible about your home, and he will tend to provide a stabilizing influence for you in this area. When interacting with you he will tend to take over many of the practical details of running the household, and he'll probably increase its level of order. (This may include insisting that you maintain order also!) The sense of permanence, predictability and everything-in-its-place that Carl brings to the home can give you a nice feeling of comfortable security, and a stable base for your life together.

If the orderliness is carried too far, however, you might feel that your home could be cozier. Some people feel that just a bit of disorder can be charming, and that too much neatness lacks humanity and makes them nervous. And if the stability is carried too far, you might feel a sense of stagnation in your surroundings. Rearranging the furniture, doing some renovation, adding a sprightly new touch now and then, or even moving to a new nest can provide a welcome balance that will make you both happier.

You may see Carl's housing preferences as being more conservative than yours, and more influenced by outside standards such as social conventions or what other people think. However, his tastes will also be based on practicality. Carl will tend to be quite thrifty and will have an eye for good, solid quality that will serve you both well.

Carl's Uranus is in your Ninth House.

Carl may have revolutionary ideas, especially on topics like religion, philosophy, politics or higher education. His ideas may well shift depending on who he's speaking to at the time. The appropriate phrase for this placement is "independent thinker," so that when your partner is communicating with conservatives, he may express radical views, and when he's dealing with liberals, his opinions may come out as conservative. One thing that you can probably count on is that he can and will play the devil's advocate when any of these subjects are brought up. While you may experience your partner as argumentative, you must admit that it makes for stimulating discussions.

Carl's Neptune is in your Sixth House.

You could experience Carl as a dreamer, one who looks out the window or writes poetry instead of participating in the daily tasks that must be done. Or perhaps he disappears as soon as work is mentioned, so that all the labor falls on you, and you feel taken advantage of. To change this, try mentioning (perhaps a few times) that you need help, and that only he can relieve your burden. Then, when he eventually begins to share the workload, be sure to make it known that he is really helping you. It may be surprising how much cooperation you'll get when your partner feels that he can be of service.

Carl's Pluto is in your Seventh House.

You may see Carl as strong, and strength is very appealing to you. However, if you're around the same age, your Pluto is probably in the Seventh House as well, and you probably don't want to be controlled in your partnerships. This can lead to power struggles and confrontations. If you lose the battle, you could leave the relationship and look for someone whom you *can* control. But then you wouldn't have respect for this person, and you might just keep repeating the pattern -- going from a strong partner to a weak one to a strong one -- until you realize that all this is unnecessary. You can break this pattern if you realize that it's possible for each of you to empower yourselves and not be threatened by the other. Once you discover this, there will be no need for power struggles, and you can instead call upon each other's strength when needed.

Carl G. Jung

Carl G. Jung's Chart Positions

	Planet		Sign	Longitude			Declination		
☉	Sun is in	♌	Leo	3°	18'	33"	+19°	25'	00"
☾	Moon is in	♉	Taurus	15°	29'	33"	+19°	14'	00"
☿	Mercury is in	♋	Cancer	13°	46'	04"	+20°	30'	00"
♀	Venus is in	♋	Cancer	17°	29'	49"	+22°	33'	00"
♂	Mars is in	♐	Sagittarius	21°	22'	19"	-27°	53'	00"
♃	Jupiter is in	♎	Libra	23°	47'	55"	- 8°	09'	00"
♄	Saturn is in	♒	Aquarius	24°	11'	41"	-14°	44'	00"
♅	Uranus is in	♌	Leo	14°	48'	17"	+17°	01'	00"
♆	Neptune is in	♉	Taurus	3°	02'	31"	+10°	52'	00"
♇	Pluto is in	♉	Taurus	23°	30'	45"	+ 4°	47'	00"
♁	N. Node is in	♈	Aries	11°	43'	44"	+ 4°	38'	00"
A _S	Ascendant is in	♒	Aquarius		0°	53'	59"	-19°	58'
00"									
M _C	Midheaven is in	♏	Scorpio		28°	47'	19"	-19°	54'
00"									
♄	Chiron is in	♈	Aries	26°	24'	15"	+10°	50'	00"

For Carl: Your Style of Relating

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

Your Basic Character

Fire, Earth, Air and Water signs are quite evenly balanced.

Your chart is notable because the four basic types of signs are so well balanced. This gives you an unusual latitude of choice in the way you react to situations. Depending on the circumstances, you can concentrate on taking action (Fire), on assembling the facts before you move (Earth), on planning a strategy (Air), or on consulting your instincts and intuition (Water). This wide variety of options that you have may help you better understand and deal with your partner's style of reacting. Unless your partner also has a balance of elements, however, you may find your partner's range of responses a bit limited.

You have many planets in Fixed signs or houses.

Your chart's strength in Fixed signs and/or houses enables you to be more tenacious and persistent than the average person. Once you make a commitment, you tend to follow through. You may be a bit stubborn, but you get the job done. If you have a partner who's also strongly Fixed, your tenacity could make you an unbeatable pair. Should you disagree, however, be prepared for a lengthy battle.

You're usually motivated by goals. If Taurus or the Second House is particularly full of planets, your goal may be to acquire possessions or attain sensual pleasure. With Leo or the Fifth House emphasized, you'll want to be creative and receive recognition. With Scorpio or the Eighth House stressed, your end may be emotional gratification, or you may be driven by a need to probe deeply and analyze what you find. With Aquarius or the Eleventh House strong, you're motivated by issues of freedom or individuality, which may be either personal or humanitarian.

You have few planets in Mutable signs or houses.

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

Your Sun is in Leo.

Your Sun in Leo reinforces the idea that you probably aren't the shy and retiring type. Whether or not you're literally on stage, you're a natural actor, and all you need is an audience of one. If you're performing before those who applaud and sing your praises, you'll tend to be warm and outgoing. If you feel ignored or disapproved of, you may seek attention by becoming louder and louder, and may shout your own praises in hopes that others will realize that you're worth liking. (Your partner can always bring out your best side by telling you and others how wonderful you are!)

Your saving grace is a natural warmth and generosity. You enjoy bestowing gifts on others and can be so proud of what you're doing that you announce it to the world. This could be embarrassing for the recipient. Refusing to accept gifts from you might be too subtle for you to understand, however. The person involved would be wiser just to say thank you, and tell everyone what you've done. This way, you won't have to brag about it, and the other person will get to keep the gift.

Also, you're likely to prefer fun to work. Menial tasks are for peasants!. You'd rather have a good time than work hard. But you'll perform even the most arduous task if your partner makes a game out of it. For example, your partner might say, "I wonder how long it will take to wash all the windows on the first floor." Hearing that challenge, you'll get out your stopwatch and squeegee, and, before you know it, all the windows will be washed. Whereas, if you'd been asked directly to wash the windows, you might never have done it.

If your relationship should need improving, you can rely on your capacity to introduce fun and joy. When you're planning to do something that's fun, take your partner along. Though you tend to resist change, there are things you can do without doing anything drastic. One is simply to treat your partner as you'd like to be treated. Instead of always being concerned with what others think of you, pay compliments about what your partner does well. This shows that you've noticed and are appreciative, and it could lead to some of the same for you.

Your Moon is in Taurus.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Your Axis of Relationship

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

If the birth time for your chart is accurate, you have Aquarius rising. This means that you probably pride yourself on being an individualist. What you think about yourself is likely to be more important to you than what others think. You enjoy being different, and even when no one else is on your side you have few qualms about starting a revolution when you think it's warranted. When you're waging a war your altruism may be a factor, but before you begin you may also consider whether it's really worth your effort.

In spite of your independent nature, you're often drawn to partners who need approval and applause. Perhaps subconsciously you feel that their willingness to perform in public and to be in the limelight will allow you to operate the way you want to, without any interference or outside pressure. It could also be that your partner's ability to appear before the world, and the enjoyment of so doing, could take care of the social amenities for you as a couple. Then you may have more time alone to do your own thing, which is always gratifying to you. Or possibly you just enjoy watching your partner perform, being happy with the thought that you don't have to participate yourself.

There's, however, at least one problem with this seemingly perfect scenario. The Seventh House represents both what you need in a relationship and what you should give. Therefore, your being reclusive and independent while your partner interacts with the outer world may sometimes be acceptable to your partner, but at other times could create discord in the relationship. Even if your partner thrives on interaction with others, there may be times when your company would be desirable in social situations. In fact, we might put this in stronger terms. Your partner could become quite upset if you always refuse to accompany him or her to gatherings. And getting involved in a war that someone else instigates is something you'd rather not do. You don't mind a revolution once in a while, but you want to be the one who starts it.

This type of situation may sound impossible to handle, but it could be easier than you imagine. Since Aquarius is a fixed sign, you do tend to resist change that you don't initiate. But, just once, force yourself to go along. It would create a momentary peace that might actually appeal to you.

After you arrive at the party, you might feel a bit uncomfortable. But you can ease your way in by initially staying on the periphery of the group until you can objectively evaluate the people who are there. Your partner's ability to be the center of attention can protect your anonymity while you evaluate. Once you've determined who the most intellectual ones are, you can join them in conversation. By discussing impersonal matters, you'll be interacting but still maintaining your detachment. And looking back on it, you could even decide that you had a good time and were mentally stimulated. Then the next invitation might be easier to accept.

Dating and Romance

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

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

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

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

Gemini is on your Fifth-House cusp.

Gemini on your Fifth cusp suggests that for you, a happy courtship needs both variety and lots of communication. You may find variety either by dating several people at once, or by dating one very versatile person. In your desire for communication, you don't need a genius, just someone who is adept at social conversation. On your dates you may especially enjoy exchanging the latest news and gossip, learning new skills together, playing word games, or taking little trips. At least at the start, your idea of romance is having a good time with a pal.

The sign Cancer is within the Fifth House.

Later on, the tone becomes more emotional. Turning inward, you think more about nurturing each other and nesting cozily at home. Food can take on importance -- either sharing it or providing it for the other. Also, you may get more involved with your families, or find enjoyment together in getting in touch with your roots.

Mercury, the ruler of your Fifth House, is in the Sixth

The planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on the Fifth-House cusp brings in additional considerations. Placed in the Sixth House, it means that there could be a connection between romance and your work. You could meet romantic partners through your job, or you might enjoy sharing some kind of service in order to make a relationship more meaningful. Also, in your romantic involvements you tend to be quite discriminating. This is one way to avoid being courted by frogs, but you could be so particular that you miss some real princes or princesses. Even if someone passes the first inspection, you could become critical when flaws begin to appear. If this should occur, or better yet even before it happens, find some venture to share, or some service that you can provide together. If there's a practical purpose for the liaison, you're more likely to feel that it's worthwhile.

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

Becoming Partners

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

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

The sign Leo is on your Seventh-House cusp.

You want a partner who is warm, generous and outgoing, and has no difficulty being on stage. But you also need someone who will appreciate you as well and is capable of sharing the limelight with you. Should your partner feel neglected, he or she may become domineering, or appear loud, brash and/or boastful. But, if you make your approval evident -- applaud when appropriate and sing your partner's praises to the world -- you may never experience the negative qualities.

You yourself also need someone who will appreciate you and share the limelight with you. If you feel that your partner ignores you or takes you for granted, you may manifest these same obnoxious characteristics. Let your partner know that you need some attention, or find close friends who will appreciate both of you.

Virgo is within the Seventh House.

Your requirements also include a practical, down-to-earth partner who can take care of nitty-gritty details or share them with you. In addition, you're fussy about who this person will be. You have high standards and are looking for perfection. Therefore, when your partner's flaws begin to appear, you may become very critical. Or you might select someone who will be critical of you. A third possibility is that you could alternate these roles.

One problem that can arise from this kind of behavior is that the person receiving the criticism may just become more inept, and the complaints may then grow louder and more frequent. One way to avoid such carping is to find a project you can share that will provide a service to others. This will enrich your life together and will make each of you feel more worthwhile.

The Sun, the ruler of your Seventh House, is in the Seventh

In your chart the planet that is traditionally associated with the sign on your Seventh-House cusp is placed in the Seventh House. The ruler of your marriage house being in the marriage house underscores the importance of marriage, or any other form of long-term committed partnership, in your list of priorities. In fact, marriage may be so high a priority that you run the danger of submerging your own personality in order to secure such a relationship and keep it going. It's important to remember that marriage is the vehicle for hammering out a relationship of equals. To be truly married and to have something to give your partner, you must first cultivate your own individuality and autonomy. In doing so, you may have to do battle with your partner, so it's important to learn how to fight in a fair and open manner, without ever losing respect for each other. When you find your balance on the seesaw, you'll eventually learn to work splendidly as a team.

Your Sun is in the Seventh.

Having your Sun in the Seventh House makes marriage and other forms of intense one-to-one relating central to your life. Either with or through such a relationship, you can shine. Since it's more self-protective to allow another to shine for you, you at first might stay in the shadows and promote your partner. Then, wondering why you've worked so hard and received no recognition, you may decide to appear on stage alone. This, too, is dissatisfying. Instead of alternating between performing solo and supporting your partner, you'll be happier if you appear on stage with your partner from the start. In this way you have both the sharing and the recognition. You should recognize that close, one-to-one relationships are important to you partly because they provide you with ego gratification.

Your Uranus is in the Seventh.

Wherever Uranus is in your chart is where you tend to break with tradition. Uranus in your Seventh House could mean that you're attracted to unusual partners -- those who are free spirits, free thinkers or eccentric. Or, if you came from a Bohemian-style background, you could be the unusual one, while you select a partner who is normal by societal standards. Alternatively, you may want to incorporate some originality, excitement and a degree of freedom into your partnership, so that you share exciting adventures and support each other's unusual ideas. It is important for each of you to allow the other a bit of space and time alone. If you don't have some freedom within your relationship, one of you might have the urge to free yourself from it.

Entwining Souls

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

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

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

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

Virgo is on your Eighth-House cusp.

With Virgo on your Eighth cusp, your standards are both high and practical, and you don't get involved with just anyone. Your requirements are likely to include neatness and cleanliness, and also a proper setting. If your partner has passed inspection and the surroundings are correct, you'll probably enjoy yourself, and because you're so selective about who you sleep with, you can avoid a lot of would-be disasters.

Sometimes, though, you may look upon sex as your duty, or you may find that the moment's pleasure succumbs to the to-do list in your head. And there always tends to be a tiny part of yourself that remains intact, reserved to yourself. The good part of Virgo in the Eighth is that it inclines you to work on improving your sexual relationships and to seek practical solutions. Also, your partner may be attracted by your air of self-containment and may appreciate your own personal fastidiousness.

Libra is within the Eighth House.

Another of your requirements is that you tend to enjoy sex more if your partner is attractive and charming. And you very much want to share your pleasure. Your own contentment depends on how happy you can make your partner, and so you'll go to great lengths to please. If your partner does the same, your sex life could be wonderful, and it would increase the closeness between you. Then the beauty that you find in your partner will be based on something deeper than appearance.

It's possible, however, to get so carried away with pleasing your partner that you let your own feelings and preferences get ignored. If this happens, eventually you may feel a need to right the imbalance. You may have to steel yourself to face up to the unpleasantness of confronting your partner. However, your ability to be fair-minded and rational in sexual matters should help you to discuss ways of ensuring that the pleasure goes in both directions. Then you will both feel more fulfilled.

Scorpio is within the Eighth House.

When a sexual relationship continues, however, it can take on a very un-Libran intensity for you. This is because you also have Scorpio in the Eighth house. As your sexual experiences become more all-consuming, sex can become extremely important to you, and you'll want a partner who can share in the intensity.

Be wary of using sex to manipulate the relationship, and of connecting with someone who will use sex to manipulate you. If you try to control each other, your energies could get used up in power struggles instead of passion. To keep this from happening, bring up any issue that seems to interfere with your relationship, and analyze it together. This will deepen and enrich your partnership, and it will help either or both of you to transform personally.

Mercury, the ruler of your Eighth House, is in the Sixth

The placement of your Eighth-House ruler in your house of work and daily routines suggests that you might have a work relationship along with a sexual relationship, or that you might meet your sex partner on the job. It could also mean that you look upon sex as your duty, or as something that requires industry and effort. True, working hard on anything can improve it, at least up to a point. But too much work can kill the pleasure. To avoid placing this burden on your sex life, you might try forming working relationship with your sexual partner. You may be surprised to find that sharing a project together arouses you.

Your Jupiter is in the Eighth.

You tend to view sex as a liberating experience, a way of growing and expanding your horizons. Even while being basically conventional, you may enjoy exploring new methods. You need a sex partner who can share in the development with you, helping you to grow in this area. If your partner doesn't supply this, you may roam in search of others who are more interesting. If you're really enjoying yourself in sex, however, you're likely to stay with one.

How You See Sigmund

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

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

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

With more of Sigmund's planets falling into the bottom half of your chart, you will probably tend to see him as introverted. To you, he may seem to keep a lot inside, and not be inclined to share it with you or anyone else. You may also see him as a non-conforming person who lives by an inner standard and is not particularly interested in what society thinks. Trying to influence him by pointing to what others believe is right or wrong may not work. Whether or not Sigmund is really as introverted as you think, you may be more successful if you appeal to his integrity and inner ethical sense rather than to externally imposed standards.

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

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

How Sigmund Affects Specific Areas of Your Life

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

Sigmund's Sun is in your Third House.

You may see Sigmund as an outstanding communicator. Others might seem to notice his energy and effervescence. This could make you feel somewhat overshadowed, and possibly cause you to stand in the background in social situations. This is less likely to happen if communication flows easily between the two of you. What might interfere with this from your perspective is that Sigmund seems to be self-centered, focusing on himself. If, however, you bring up subjects in which you have expertise or if you talk about him, you could find that he not only joins in but does so in a warm, energetic manner. That should make you feel better about your ability to communicate and give you more confidence in the social situations you share.

Sigmund's Moon is in your Fourth House.

You may see Sigmund as taking a mothering role, or you find that he is prone to emotional outbursts at home. Though the outer world may view this person as calm or stable, when you're in your nest together, feelings come pouring out. It is good to have emotional freedom in your private life, but if you sometimes wonder why you have to bear the brunt of all this, the answer is that you don't. If this behavior happens often, it may be because your partner is feeling insecure and needs some tender, loving care. If you provide some nurturing, you will not only make your partner happier, you might also get some mothering in return.

Sigmund's Mercury is in your Third House.

Small talk should not be a problem for you and Sigmund. It's probably easy for the two of you to discuss the weather, the neighbors, and what kind of day you each had. You may also feel that he is adept at chatting not only with you, but in social situations as well.

When you crave deeper conversations, you may have to rely on other connections between your charts. If these are lacking, remember that in a close relationship communicating in the everyday world is the all-important thing. First and foremost, you and Sigmund need a form of daily exchange. When you want to discuss philosophical matters, you can always go elsewhere, to more distant acquaintances.

Sigmund's Venus is in your Second House.

You could enjoy spending your money on Sigmund, possibly giving expensive gifts or providing lavish entertainment. Or maybe he encourages you to spend money on anything that's pleasurable. Before buying a costly gift for your partner or laying out for an expensive diversion that you can share, try putting some money away. Try and have a good time together, but do it without overextending yourselves financially. Basically, this placement is most likely connected with money going out rather than coming in. An exception to this would be if you enlisted your partner's charm or artistic ability to bring you income.

Sigmund's Mars is in your Eighth House.

Sigmund is likely to bring an extra degree of heat into your sex life, and this may well make you feel all the more desirable. But it's also possible that all that Mars energy is just too aggressive, so that your needs and wishes don't seem to be considered at all. If you feel that you're being taken advantage of in bed, maybe it's time, at least for a while, to put the focus on another Eighth-House matter, your joint resources. When you're discussing shared finances, fireworks could still erupt, but this is a slightly less emotionally complicated arena for working out your power struggles. Some of the pressure might be taken off your sex life if you allowed your partner to handle the household finances, or, even better, if you worked out a way to share the power in this area.

Sigmund's Jupiter is in your Second House.

Sigmund could advise you on expanding your financial horizons, but could also just help you to spend more money. If he has some ideas as to how you can make more money, do listen, because these ideas will most likely be interesting and creative. If they do lack substance, however, you need not follow this advice. If your partner has big plans as to how you should spend your money, remember that it's your money. You can spend it if you choose to, but ultimately the decision should be yours. Will the expenditure be worth the pleasure or rewards that you'll receive?

Sigmund's Saturn is in your Fifth House.

If you have children together, you may see Sigmund as the disciplinarian or as the parent who provides the support and security for the children. Chances are that, along with the security, there will be some restrictions as well. But at least you'll know what to expect, for he is also likely to be very consistent and probably reasonable and fair.

If Sigmund's Saturn manifests in the romance department, you might wish that he were more exciting and spontaneous so that you could sometimes feel swept off your feet. But you can count on your partner being serious and dependable, and in the long run that may be more beneficial for you than a fleeting romantic moment.

Sigmund's Uranus is in your Third House.

You could find Sigmund an exciting conversationalist, someone who expresses unusual or creative ideas. While interesting, some of these ideas may sound somewhat strange and possibly ahead of their time. If they seem too bizarre, don't worry. Sigmund could change his mind very rapidly and even forget what he previously said.

You may also experience a spontaneity about his verbal skills that gives him an effortless ability to ad lib. Such ready comebacks may be made with little thought, so that they sometimes come off as tactless. If you confront your partner with what he's said, however, he'll probably be quick to modify his the tactless remarks.

Sigmund's Neptune is in your First House.

You find Sigmund charismatic, and could place him on a pedestal, although you may not fully understand why. Complete understanding, however, is not always necessary, because the mystery is likely to be one of the main things that attracts you. Besides, if you could clearly define your partner, you might find flaws, and then begin to criticize, hoping to re-create the image that you originally had. But the more you criticize, the less likely it is that the image of perfection will return.

Instead of trying to figure out what Sigmund is really like, it may be better simply to prolong the illusion. Participate in the myth that you helped to create, and enjoy it to the hilt. Having a person with whom you can escape from the real world is one of the things that can help you to deal better with the realities of life.

Sigmund's Pluto is in your Third House.

You may see Sigmund as a powerful communicator, speaking profound words that people sit up and listen to. Or it may be that he can simply out-shout everyone. If you're enthralled by his eloquence, continue to enjoy it. But if you feel ignored or beaten down when you try to express your ideas, tell your partner how you feel. Through discussion you can thoroughly analyze the implications, and together find ways to make you feel better.

The Dynamics between the Two of You

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

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

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

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

Meshing Your Personalities and Goals

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

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

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

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

Sigmund's Moon is sesquare Carl's Ascendant.

Although you and your partner are definitely drawn together on a very personal level, you may find that there's often friction between you. Carl's personality may sometimes grate on Sigmund, and Sigmund's nurturing may sometimes feel smothering to Carl. As you irritate each other, Carl may become more obnoxious and Sigmund more emotional.

Nevertheless, your tie is so strong that you both keep coming back for more. This might actually be a behavioral pattern that you enjoy. If it isn't, there are different ways of interacting that still combine Sigmund's emotions and nurturing side with Carl's personality. For example, Carl might stimulate Sigmund to become more emotionally expressive in his dealings with others, and he, in turn, might provide an emotional outlet for his partner's feelings. Or Carl's nurturing might take the form of caring for Sigmund's physical appearance or grooming him to interact more effectively with others. With this very energetic aspect, finding the right approach may take effort, but you know that the attraction is there, so it's possible to discover a way to capitalize on it rather than mask it.

Sigmund's Mercury is trine Carl's Ascendant.

The ease with which you communicate is a strong part of the attraction that you share, and when you're together, you'll seldom be at a loss for words. You may or may not converse about intellectual matters, but you're almost certain to talk a lot about yourselves and your immediate environment. Since your favorite topics of conversation include yourselves, others could sometimes see the two of you as a bit self-absorbed. Nevertheless, your joint social skills are likely to flow so easily that most people will enjoy interacting with you as a couple. When the two of you are talking together, you'll probably rarely, if ever, get bored.

Sigmund's Venus is square Carl's Ascendant.

Although you and your partner are attracted to each other, you could each feel that the other tends to be self-centered, and you both might dwell on that instead of just enjoying each other's company. If you find yourself spending more time complaining about each other's flaws than showing approval of each other's good points, you're unlikely to enjoy the charm and affection that this combination promises. It may take a bit of effort, but if you try to show your partner a little more appreciation, your partner might not feel the need to be so self-protective. Then you'll be able to share the mutual admiration that originally attracted you to each other, and return to the enjoyment that this aspect can bestow.

Sigmund's Mars is trine Carl's Ascendant.

Even if you're shy and retiring as individuals, as a couple you feel more forceful and energetic. Therefore you'll probably be looked upon as leaders, and people will expect you to take charge. This should not be difficult for you to do when you're together -- in fact, sometimes you might even get a little too forceful or aggressive. If you're not assertive as an individual, be careful of taking on a leadership role by yourself, because you could become overwhelmed. Remember that your joint personality is what is forceful, and make sure that your partner is around to share the leadership role.

Sigmund's Jupiter is sextile Carl's Ascendant.

Joining forces makes both of you happier and more self-confident. Sigmund naturally helps Carl to feel good about himself, and Carl's personality helps Sigmund in his process of personal growth. As a couple, you're always broadening your horizons. Occasionally you might try to do too much, and then feel overwhelmed rather than enlightened. But because you're so focused on helping each other, you'll find it natural to assist your partner when he or she gets overwhelmed or over-committed. This kind of cooperation will not only help you to grow as individuals, it will also bring you closer together as a couple.

Sigmund's Pluto is square Carl's Ascendant.

With this aspect between your charts, you may find that you more often challenge each other than cooperate. Sigmund may try to direct and control Carl, and this could damage Carl's self-esteem. Or Carl could use the force of his personality to undermine the Sigmund's power, and thereby make him feel ineffectual. Also implicit in this combination, however, is the possibility of being a powerful and effective couple. So, if either of you feels that the other is putting you down, analyze your situation. When you determine what's wrong, you can change it. Find ways to cooperate, and you'll become stronger both as individuals and as a couple.

Carl's Sun is square Sigmund's Ascendant.

Although there's a strong personal attraction between you, there could also be parts of your personalities that grate on each other. If you dwell on your partner's faults, you could be spending more time nit-picking than enjoying. And, when you harp on each other's imperfections, the other person's flaws may become the only things that you see, and you may more and more tend to bring out these negative traits. Try instead to look for qualities that you admire, and make a point of telling your partner about these. Then your partner may work on expressing those traits, and there will be less to argue about. This doesn't mean that all the friction will disappear, but if your relationship were too peaceful, you might actually miss the stimulation of an occasional disagreement.

Carl's Moon is opposite Sigmund's Ascendant.

There's a strong personal tie and attraction between you, but there's also a possibility that Carl could overwhelm Sigmund with emotion, or the face that Sigmund puts on for the world could interfere with Carl's emotional satisfaction.

To deal with these problems, you each need to find a way to take care of your own personal needs while balancing them with the needs of your partner. For example, Carl shouldn't always depend on Sigmund to meet his needs for closeness and nurturing. Sometimes he should give Sigmund a bit of emotional support, especially if he's having problems with his appearance, health or relations with others.

For his part, Sigmund should find a few arenas in addition to this relationship where he can relate to people and express his personality. At the same time, he should always be ready to support Carl's emotional needs when needed.

If you do things like this to nurture both yourself and your partner, you'll help each other to become stronger and more confident individuals. This can only benefit your relationship.

Carl's Mars is semisquare Sigmund's Ascendant.

Sigmund could find Carl's forceful side attractive, and Carl is probably drawn to Sigmund's looks or personality. However, you might find that instead of simply enjoying being together, you tend to focus on each other's flaws. If Carl often nags instead of showing appreciation, and Sigmund is critical of the way Carl initiates, this will do little for either person's self-esteem. Instead of picking at each other, try getting involved together in a physical activity such as hard work or sports. If you select something that builds your body or improves your appearance, you'll start to feel better about yourselves. Even if all that exertion doesn't make you look any better, it'll keep you so busy that you don't have time to argue.

Carl's Neptune is opposite Sigmund's Ascendant.

Carl's spiritual or imaginative side has an effect on Sigmund's personality, and vice versa. However, either of you could become confused or dissatisfied if Sigmund tries to make Carl more conforming or practical, or Carl tries to make Sigmund more spiritual. You'll be happier if you try just accepting each other. Carl should focus on the pleasing parts of Sigmund's personality, while Sigmund gives him free rein to pursue spiritual goals and is appreciative of the faith that he brings to the relationship. If you accept and develop your individual attributes in this way, you can really start to enjoy the charismatic connection that you share.

Sigmund's Mercury is opposite Carl's Midheaven.

Each of you may have different goals in regard to communications and career. Sigmund's communications might interfere with Carl's career goals because Sigmund either talks too much or tries to use his personal ideas to influence Carl's career direction. Or Carl may concentrate so hard on his career that Sigmund feels ineffectual when his ideas and words are ignored. It might be good for the two of you to exchange thoughts on career issues and direction in the outer world. If you do this for informational purposes, and do not put undue pressure on each other to make changes, it will help you keep a balance in your relationship without sacrificing personal goals.

Sigmund's Mars is sextile Carl's Midheaven.

You and your partner easily project energy in your interaction with the outer world, and you probably provide stimulation for each other as well. Sigmund can spur Carl to accomplish more and more. And Carl's career or role in the world may provide a backdrop for Sigmund to take the initiative and be assertive. Your enthusiasm and desire to help each other might sometimes make the two of you seem too energetic or assertive, but even if others occasionally see you as being a bit too aggressive, they will probably look to you as leaders. As you succeed in what you attempt to do, this image will be reinforced.

Sigmund's Jupiter is trine Carl's Midheaven.

As a couple, you and your partner are almost unstoppable when you want to expand your influence in the outer world. Sigmund offers ideas to help Carl grow professionally, and Carl provides an arena in which Sigmund broadens his personal horizons. The pace of your progress may sometimes make you feel a bit overwhelmed, but you'll never stagnate as a couple. There's always something new to be learned, a new adventure to unfold, and an ever-present desire to broaden yourselves. Chances are, you'll never be bored together. The stimulation that you provide for each other will keep you developing both as individuals and as a couple.

Sigmund's Saturn is quincunx Carl's Midheaven.

Although Carl's career or public image is connected to Sigmund's view of responsibility or commitment, your ideas on these subjects may be quite different. If you each try to force your views onto the other, you'll probably both feel frustration. Instead of trying to convince your partner that your view is the only correct one, you should each take turns being in the foreground while your partner stands firmly behind you to lend support. Sometimes Carl should be permitted to concentrate on his career, with Sigmund being there only to organize and take care of nitty-gritty details. And then Sigmund should be permitted to carry out his personal responsibilities while Carl perhaps uses his career or public image to help him. When you each show respect for your partner in this way, you'll both feel secure rather than limited in your relationship.

Carl's Moon is square Sigmund's Midheaven.

There's a stressful, dynamic interaction between Carl's emotions and Sigmund's career or public image, so that when feelings and career come up, there could be friction between you. Carl might view Sigmund as a workaholic and feel personally neglected, and Sigmund could feel professionally undermined by an overly emotional partner. At these times if Carl gives Sigmund a bit of extra nurturing, and Sigmund publicly announces his appreciation of Carl's emotional support, you might be surprised at just how comforting this combination can be.

Carl's Mars is trine Sigmund's Midheaven.

You and your partner easily project energy in your interaction with the outer world, and you may provide stimulation for each other without even trying. If you share a career, you can enthusiastically move forward together. If not, Carl can motivate Sigmund professionally, and Sigmund can provide an arena in which Carl can take the initiative and be actively involved. Your energy and enthusiasm might sometimes make the two of you seem a bit too pushy, but even if others see you as too aggressive, they will probably look to you to accomplish tasks and prod others to be energetically involved. As you succeed in what you attempt to do, the world will appreciate your capabilities.

Carl's Jupiter is sextile Sigmund's Midheaven.

You and your partner are bent on helping each other to develop in the outer world. Carl can offer ideas to help Sigmund grow professionally, and Sigmund can provide an arena in which Carl is able to broaden his personal horizons. Because you're constantly prodding each other to reach greater heights, you may sometimes feel a bit overwhelmed. But you'll probably never be lethargic as a couple, and you can always count on your partner for help. There's always something new to be learned, a new adventure to unfold, and an ever-present desire to broaden yourselves. Chances are, you'll never be bored together. The stimulation that you provide for each other will keep you developing both as individuals and as a couple.

Carl's Saturn is opposite Sigmund's Midheaven.

With this combination, Carl could direct, structure and/or limit Sigmund's career or public image. And Sigmund's public image or career could have an impact on Carl in regard to responsibility or restrictions. The ideas that you and your partner have about career and responsibility are quite different, and if you try to force your views onto each other, you'll probably both feel frustrated. Instead, Sigmund should be allowed to direct his own career, with Carl being there when needed to organize and take care of details. And Carl should be permitted to determine his personal responsibilities, with Sigmund being there to provide worldly support. When you respect and balance each other in this manner, you'll both feel secure, rather than limited, in your relationship.

Carl's Uranus is conjunct Sigmund's Midheaven.

When you and your partner combine your energies in the outer world, you might seem unusual. Others could view you as creative, non-conforming, or even bizarre. If you utilize this aspect in a career, you might take an original approach to doing business. But whether you're professionally connected or simply interact socially as a couple, both you and the world around you feel the air of excitement that surrounds the two of you when you're together. If your own chart indicates that you yourself tend to be conservative, the joint impression that you make could surprise you. You might enjoy this, or it could be unsettling. Should you find it unsettling, you might occasionally take breaks from making public appearances together.

Carl's Pluto is square Sigmund's Midheaven.

When matters involving power (Pluto) and career or public image (Midheaven) come up in your partnership, difficulties could arise between you. You each may feel that your partner is trying to control you, and may battle each other for self-protection. However, if you waste time and energy combating each other, Carl could start to feel ineffectual, and Sigmund could lose focus on his career. If you have such feelings, analyze your situation together. By facing what is occurring and looking for ways to express power as a couple rather than challenging each other, you could transform your situation and your relationship. As Carl feels more empowered, and Sigmund moves ahead professionally, it will strengthen you each individually and make cooperation between you increasingly easy.

Balancing Your Separate Egos

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

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

Sigmund's Sun is conjunct Carl's Moon.

As mentioned above, a Sun-Moon conjunction is one of the prime indicators of a strong partnership. In your case, Sigmund will provide the yang element and will tend to take the lead and set the direction for the partnership. Carl, who is contributing the Moon or yin side, will tend to respond, follow, and be supportive and nurturing. Each of you supplies a needed part of the equation, and so the two of you are like the complementary halves of a perfect whole.

You're likely to work extremely well together. If there's anything at all to be on guard about, it might be that Sigmund could become too yang -- so full of exuberant, self-centered energy that he could sometimes overlook his partner's feelings. If he feels undermined or notices that it's hard to reach goals in the relationship, this could be a signal that he needs to pay more attention to his partner's emotional needs.

If Carl should come to feel too yin, weak, dominated or ignored, he might become emotionally manipulative. But this would just perpetuate the problem. Carl will gain much more emotional satisfaction in the relationship if he makes an effort to satisfy his more yang partner's need to be nurtured and appreciated. With this aspect you have so much going for you as a couple that any extra care you take with each other will be well worth the time and effort.

Sigmund's Sun is sextile Carl's Mercury.

Together you can help each other to express ideas more clearly and to achieve greater ego gratification than either of you could by yourselves. Yet you may not be aware that you need help, nor do you usually ask for it. You just seem to support each other automatically. Even when the help is an improvement, though, you may sometimes resent it. Fortunately, you can easily talk to each other about ego gratification, life direction and many other subjects. So if you're annoyed about something, start a conversation. Explain to your partner what direction you want to take and what your goals are. Your partner will understand. Then you'll not only get support, it'll be the kind of support that you want.

Sigmund's Sun is sextile Carl's Venus.

When it comes to getting ego gratification and experiencing pleasure, you and your partner have a natural tendency to help each other. Sigmund can provide a vehicle through which Carl can express charm and diplomacy and attain personal pleasure. In turn, Carl could use this charm and diplomacy to make Sigmund look good and achieve his goals.

Sigmund's Sun is square Carl's Uranus.

Tensions can arise when Sigmund tries to obtain self-satisfaction or Carl tries to express his individuality or independence. Carl might accuse Sigmund of being self-centered, and Sigmund might accuse him of being eccentric. It may help to consider why your partner might be behaving that way. Sigmund's self-absorption may contribute to Carl's bizarre behavior, because his preoccupation with his own satisfaction makes him feel ignored. And Carl's eccentricities may embarrass Sigmund, causing him to retreat into his own search for gratification. Besides trying to understand your own part in the problem, you might both also look for an activity that you can share where both ego and individuality can play a role.

Sigmund's Sun is conjunct Carl's Pluto.

One way or another, power will be an issue in your relationship. When you're operating as a unit, you can become a powerful force together. You'll be highly visible and you'll often take charge of situations without any questioning, hesitation or resistance. If you aren't in agreement, however, you may have power struggles with each other. You may vie for position, so that winning the battle becomes all-important. No matter who is the victor, these battles may deplete your energies to the point where your power drains away and you end up feeling ineffectual. Instead of battling each other, find a project that you can agree upon, and join forces to pursue it together. Then the drive and the ability to change things that this aspect promises will start to work in your favor.

Carl's Sun is sextile Sigmund's Mars.

You and your partner energize each other, so that you tend to have more vitality together than either of you has individually. You can give even more energy to each other if you assume particular roles. It will probably work most smoothly if Sigmund initiates and directs things, while Carl is the recipient of this direction and the vehicle through which the energy is expended. Also, you'll move faster and accomplish greater results if you determine your goals before you take action. This will help focus you both, so that you can more easily get the results you want.

Carl's Sun is trine Sigmund's Jupiter.

You and your partner can easily develop together, and are able to have a good time doing it. So you may spend the life that you share broadening yourselves through travel, education and/or spiritual development. Through your interaction together, you will both improve. However, it's possible to get so caught up in the enthusiasm that you instill in each other that you don't consider the cost of your ventures in terms of cash and energy. Or you could become so bent on having fun that you forget the goals that you were trying to achieve. If you find yourselves over-extended physically or financially, or feel that the two of you are wasting a lot of time or talent, concentrate once more on the goals you've pushed aside. You'll be able to get back on track, probably with as little effort as it took to get off track.

Carl's Sun is sesquare Sigmund's Neptune.

Conflicts between ego satisfaction and spirituality may sometimes get you annoyed with each other. For example, Sigmund might get upset by Carl's pursuit of his own self-interest, and Carl might distrust Sigmund's motivations because he finds them hard to understand. As difficult as it may be, it would be best to face such issues squarely. Then Carl might discover that Sigmund is essentially supportive and trustworthy, and Sigmund might find that his partner is just as open to spiritual values as he is to the value of creating a self.

Carl's Sun is square Sigmund's Pluto.

If you can harness the sexy and powerful energy that flows between you, you and your partner will be able to accomplish great things together. However, with this aspect you could also come to blows, particularly when one partner's ego conflicts with the other's drive for power. When your power struggles reach crisis points, all your energies may go into winning the battle. This will only deplete both of you, in the end leaving even the winner feeling ineffectual and devoid of self-satisfaction. Instead of fighting about who's in charge, harness the awesome energy that you generate between you, and focus it on achieving a single goal. Make the first goal a small one, so that you can quickly see results. Each time that you successfully join forces in this way, your relationship will improve. And then you can enjoy the magnetic attraction that is the upside of this aspect.

Dealing with Each Other's Emotions

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

Sigmund's Moon and Carl's Moon are in semisextile.

You and your partner have quite different emotional needs. So if you try to nurture each other in a manner in which you would like to be nurtured, chances are that the one supposedly being taken care of will not be happy with the treatment. Therefore, you should sometimes subordinate your own feelings and direct your complete attention to the emotional needs of your partner in a manner comfortable to the other, without thinking of yourself at all. You should, however, alternate the role of nurturing. If the same partner is always adjusting to the emotional needs of the other, only one of you is going to feel gratified. Whereas, if you take turns nurturing, both of you'll be happier, and your relationship will become stronger.

Sigmund's Moon is semisextile Carl's Mercury.

There's a strong connection between Sigmund's feelings and Carl's communications. This could mean that Sigmund either supports or tries to manipulate what Carl is saying, or that Carl uses words to either soothe or upset Sigmund. To bring out the best in both of you, take turns adjusting to each other's needs. Sigmund should sometimes allow Carl to communicate with others without interference, and Carl should periodically encourage Sigmund to express his feelings. There will probably be no need to get annoyed with each other if you're both permitted to have some time in the foreground while your partner caters to you.

Sigmund's Moon is opposite Carl's Mars.

There's probably a strong sexual attraction between you, but there's also a danger of Carl trying to direct Sigmund's feelings, and of Sigmund too strongly prodding Carl to take the initiative. The result could be anger rather than passion. What's needed is for you to provide a balance for each other's emotions. Sigmund should express his feelings without interference until they begin to get out of hand, and then Carl should be permitted to direct the show until he becomes too forceful. Then, in turn, Sigmund can subtly guide Carl's actions. As you each express yourselves more freely, your frustration should lessen, and you should be more inclined to share emotional and sexual gratification.

Sigmund's Moon is sextile Carl's Uranus.

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

Sigmund's Moon is sextile Carl's North Node.

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

Carl's Moon is semisquare Sigmund's Jupiter.

You and your partner can stimulate each other in terms of expansion (Jupiter) and emotions (Moon), so that you're easily able to show each other how you feel. However, you might tend to stimulate each other to over-indulge, or the stimulation might take the form of irritation. Deep within your relationship is the ability for each of you to be supportive of the other, and for the two of you to grow as a couple. If you both make an effort to show each other that you care, you may discover that the emotional outbursts and extravagances start to disappear, and you begin to enjoy each other a lot more. With this aspect, you'll have to work at it, but it'll be well worth the effort.

Carl's Moon is conjunct Sigmund's Uranus.

When it comes to feelings, you and your partner can share great freedom and tremendous excitement. With this combination there is often a charge of electricity between you from the moment you meet. However, it is difficult (if not impossible) to ascertain precisely what direction the freedom, excitement and electricity will take. If you try to analyze and/or stabilize your feelings, you could drive yourselves crazy. This is because, when emotions are involved, change is the one thing you can be certain of. You could dwell on this and feel that your partnership is unstable, or you could capitalize on the excitement and create situations that bring out the qualities that initially attracted you to each other.

Carl's Moon is sextile Sigmund's Neptune.

There may be a telepathic connection between you so that each of you often knows what the other needs without asking, especially when emotions and spirituality are involved. And since you both want to help the other, you'll each provide assistance without being asked. Carl emotionally supports Sigmund's spiritual needs, and Sigmund spiritually supports Carl's emotional needs. However, telepathic connection may not work all the time, so that sometimes your partner could misread what you want. Even if your partner doesn't always behave precisely as you wish, the important thing is to realize that your partner is always there for you and is always doing his or her best to fulfill your needs.

Keeping Communications Open

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

Sigmund's Mercury and Carl's Mercury are in semisquare.

Although you probably have no difficulty talking to your partner, you could find that your conversations are more often argumentative and grating than they are enjoyable. If you'd prefer calmer discussions, you might try a new approach. When the two of you are talking, offer an opinion that's different from what you normally believe. Your partner may take the view that you really hold, and then you can quickly agree. In this way, you may keep arguments to a minimum. But even if you keep arguing, at least the doors of communication will stay open. As long as you can talk to each other, you can continue working to improve your relationship.

Sigmund's Mercury is square Carl's Saturn.

Either or both of you might feel that your partner does not communicate well. Sigmund may feel that Carl is always instructing him or criticizing the way he communicates. And Carl could feel that Sigmund always lectures him about his rigidity and conservatism. So it may become easier to keep your thoughts to yourself and complain about a lack of communication. Try sitting down together to have an honest talk about your problems. If you endeavor to get to the bottom of matters, clarify issues and determine solutions, it will open the door to better communications between you.

Sigmund's Mercury is conjunct Carl's Pluto.

With this combination Sigmund's communication skills are connected with Carl's need for power. Depending on your individual charts, it's possible that Carl could out-shout, manipulate and/or verbally overpower Sigmund. Or Sigmund could outtalk Carl, pick away at his power base, and/or overload him with trivia. If any of this happens, consider joining forces instead of battling. Think about the combined power you could unleash in speaking or writing. It would be much more gratifying and effective for the two of you to unite in communicating instead of waging war on each other. Then your joint communications could have a powerful impact on the world.

Sigmund's Mercury is semisquare Carl's North Node.

Communications are an important part of your social life together, but you may find yourselves complaining about them more than enjoying them. The people whom Carl brings to your relationship might criticize the way Sigmund communicates, or the content of his conversations. And Sigmund could feel uncomfortable with Carl's friends or the way that they communicate. Just complaining won't solve anything, but if you openly talk about how the two of you feel, you should be able to work toward a solution.

Encouraging Affection and Pleasure

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

Sigmund's Venus is trine Carl's Mars.

This aspect indicates a strong attraction between you and your partner. Love and pleasure flow so easily with the energy of sex that the two of you should be able to share your enjoyments almost without effort. Because Carl focuses so much attention on Sigmund, however, Sigmund could occasionally appear self-centered. And because Sigmund stirs so much passion within Carl, Carl could sometimes come off as a bit too aggressive. However, a little self-absorption and aggressive behavior are easy to overlook when you obviously care about each other and find each other so appealing.

Sigmund's Venus is opposite Carl's Jupiter.

You and your partner enjoy being together, and your activities may include things like socializing, travel, or artistic endeavors. However, you might find that all too often you seem to influence each other to overdo or overindulge. You might be able to modify your behavior somewhat if Carl is allowed to develop in a personally desired direction while Sigmund tactfully advises a slowdown if he's trying to do too much. In turn, Sigmund should be permitted to enjoy socializing, while Carl steps in only when he seems to be wasting too much time. If you appreciate each other's attributes without interference, but balance them before they get out of hand, you can still enjoy each other's company and possibly avoid the extravagances and the excesses.

Sigmund's Venus is sextile Carl's Saturn.

Security in love is something that you and your partner each want for yourself, but you also want to help your partner feel secure. Thus, Carl naturally provides boundaries within which Sigmund can comfortably express affection, and Sigmund helps to make love and affection an integral part of Carl's life structure. Your loving may lack some spontaneity, but because you know what to expect from your partner, there will be few unpleasant surprises. The constancy that you have in your relationship and the way that you help each other provide assurance that you can always count on your partner. While it may sometimes seem that a certain spark is missing in your relationship, the feeling of security that you have with each other should far outweigh that.

Carl's Venus is sextile Sigmund's Uranus.

When you're sharing love and affection, sparks of electricity flash between you and your partner. Consciously or unconsciously, you each add to the feeling of excitement with spontaneous shows of affection. Your behavior may not always be consistent, and it may not always conform to the expectations of others, so that they may view you as a strange or unconventional couple. But the way that you feel about each other is far more important than what others think. Continue to be spontaneous, and enjoy the excitement and love that you share.

Carl's Venus is trine Sigmund's Neptune.

This combination points to both artistic creativity and romantic love. Thus, Sigmund can lend his own imagination to Carl's artistic talent, or enhance his expression of affection with his own magic. In turn, Carl can provide the love that can make Sigmund's dreams come true, or contribute a vehicle through which he can express his imagination. You may not always be realistic about how you view each other, and occasionally you may recognize that. Should reality set in once in a while, escape together from the everyday world for a bit. That should be enough to bring back the romance. And don't worry about the possibility of creating an illusion. It's your life and, therefore, your view of reality.

Carl's Venus is square Sigmund's Nodes.

There could be some friction between Carl and the people Sigmund brings to the relationship. They might see him as too flirtatious, shallow or self-centered, and problems could arise if their opinion influences Sigmund. If this happens, you might want to look for other people with whom you can interact as a couple. It might be good to let Carl choose them. The same type of situation may repeat itself, but if it should, you can move along to another group. If you keep changing your acquaintances, there may be enough contact to have a good time but not enough time to form complaints.

Getting Things Done Together

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

Sigmund's Mars is quincunx Carl's Neptune.

With this combination, physical action (Mars) is connected to spirituality and/or artistry (Neptune). But if Sigmund tries to press Carl to take action, Carl might only become confused. And if Carl tries to tell Sigmund how to complete a task, Sigmund could become exhausted from trying to follow his directions. This doesn't mean that you should ignore each other, but it does mean that you should probably not try to put out equal amounts of energy at the same time.

Instead, take turns. During the times when Carl actively pursues his spiritual or artistic goals, Sigmund should take the initiative to further those goals only when asked. And when it's time for Sigmund to take action, Carl should simply stand by to help relieve tension if needed. Then you'll each achieve your own goals, knowing that your partner has helped by adjusting to your needs. Whatever consideration you show each other in this way can only draw you closer together.

Carl's Mars is quincunx Sigmund's Uranus.

When you're together, Carl's inclination is to take the lead and direct operations, while Sigmund's is to be creative and independent. You probably find it very stimulating to be with each other, because together you move more quickly and spontaneously than you would on your own. However, it's possible to be over-stimulated, so that you become impatient and careless, and the results of your actions fall short of expectations.

To avoid dissatisfaction, it will help if each of you in turn does your thing while your partner stands back and supports you. While Carl is being assertive, Sigmund can throw his creativity and individuality behind his efforts. And while Sigmund is expressing his creativity and individuality, Carl can take the initiative to further his cause. Getting support instead of interference from each other in this way, you'll both be better able to attain what you want.

Carl's Mars is square Sigmund's Neptune.

You may feel a strong urge to combine Carl's talents for initiating things with Sigmund's spiritual goals or artistic ability. But when you actually try to do this, Carl may become exhausted and Sigmund may become confused. One way to make this combination work is to pursue your goals separately. Carl can find something other than Sigmund's spirituality to direct, and Sigmund can look for spiritual fulfillment without trying to involve Carl. Another way to use this combination constructively is to escape periodically from the real world. Not only can you enjoy the fantasy that you create, it will help to re-energize Carl and will allow Sigmund to make use of his imagination. When you return to everyday life, not only will you both be refreshed, you'll also have shared memories that can make your relationship stronger.

Carl's Mars is sesquare Sigmund's Pluto.

This is a tremendously energetic combination, one that can manifest as power and leadership, or simply as a lot of anger. You could join forces to harness the energy, but instead you may find that you just push each other's buttons.

Instead of growling and picking at each other, you can make power less of an issue by finding areas where you can individually take leadership roles. Then, even if you occasionally think that your partner is trying to put you down in order to control you, you won't feel so threatened because you know that you have the power to handle your own life.

Carl's Mars is trine Sigmund's North Node.

With this combination, energy and ability to take the initiative (Mars) are connected with relationships (Nodes), especially the relationships that Sigmund brings to your partnership. Carl can easily take a leadership role in interactions with these individuals, and because you're together and the energies flow so easily between you, Sigmund will be able to share this directing position, even if he was more passive with these people before you were a couple. Just because you jointly take the lead without effort doesn't mean that the people you're directing will always appreciate you, however. If they complain about the two of you being too pushy, or if you just tire of making the decisions, find others who can fill your shoes and throw your support behind them.

Stretching Your Boundaries

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

Sigmund's Jupiter is sesquare Carl's Uranus.

Together you can be adventurous, and you can stimulate each other's individuality. However, you each can trigger a kind of restlessness in your partner. Sigmund may want to expand his horizons, and Carl may want to seek freedom and individuality, and not being content with the status quo could lead you to take chances. Also, when one of you looks for ways to expand, develop or feel free, you might exclude the partner who's been the catalyst. This could damage your relationship. Before you start moving too far in different directions, at least sometimes try to go exploring together. You'll still have plenty of time to expand and feel free individually, but sharing some of your adventures will strengthen your relationship.

Carl's Jupiter is trine Sigmund's Saturn.

When it comes to expansion and contraction, you and your partner are likely to have a natural system of checks and balances. While Carl may have lots of ideas for development and growth, they may lack practicality, and so it's good that Sigmund will probably excel at determining the feasibility of these ideas. Also, while Sigmund may tend to be conservative and not want to take chances, Carl will tend to expand his horizons. It's true that occasionally Carl could feel restricted by Sigmund's close scrutiny, and Sigmund could be a bit unnerved by Carl's disregard for boundaries. But the more that Sigmund's direction helps Carl's ideas materialize, the more you'll realize what a good team you really are.

Carl's Jupiter is conjunct Sigmund's South Node.

You and your partner enjoy sharing your presence and your philosophy with others. Together you have the ability to cheer people up, expand their horizons, and help them to have a good time. Just beware of becoming involved with people who are self-indulgent or extravagant, or who bring out these qualities in you. Instead, concentrate on benefiting others, and on interacting with people who expand your knowledge. Then the tendency toward excess may fade into the background, or become unimportant in the light of what you're gaining from the relationship.

Staying On-Track and Committed

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

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

Sigmund's Saturn and Carl's Saturn are in trine.

You and your partner can easily share responsibility, because you view and deal with commitment in a similar manner. Both of you may take on responsibilities actively and eagerly, or you may first carefully plan your mode of operation. Before accepting a commitment you may extensively discuss it, or you may prefer to use your intuition. Whatever your style is, the two of you have a basic understanding and agreement on your approach. It's therefore possible to take on work together without feeling restricted by it. Because others see how well you handle responsibilities, you may frequently be asked to take on projects, or you may often volunteer to do so.

Carl's Saturn is square Sigmund's Uranus.

In your relationship, structure and organization (Saturn) are linked to creativity and originality (Uranus). Because the aspect between your charts is a square, Sigmund may feel that Carl interferes with his creativity by placing limitations or obstacles in his path. Or Carl may feel insecure or disoriented because he sees Sigmund as disorganized or impractical. You can, however use this combination to make creative ideas materialize. Instead of interfering with each other, seek out common grounds for discussion. It may take effort, but Carl might find that there is a grain of practicality in some of Sigmund's ideas, and Sigmund might see that Carl's more practical approach can bring rewards to you both. When you take this approach, you can see your relationship as structured rather than limiting.

Carl's Saturn is sextile Sigmund's North Node.

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

Keeping the Spark of Spontaneity

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

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

Sigmund's Uranus and Carl's Uranus are in square.

Despite a large age difference, you and your partner are likely share an interest in freedom and individuality, and these issues could play an important part in your relationship. However, you may well differ on what freedom is and how individuality should be expressed. The result could be that, instead of finding points on which you agree, you more often try to change each other. And then one or both of you could feel restricted rather than free. One way to re-direct this possible clash of energies would be to each find some cause to champion individually. You'd then have less time to clash with each other, and you might even discover that the friction you feel when you're together can stimulate you to fight harder for your personal cause.

Sigmund's Uranus is conjunct Carl's Pluto.

If this aspect between your charts is quite exact, you and your partner could join forces spontaneously to take over in situations that need control, transform what needs to be changed, and then extricate yourselves until you need to use your power again. Together, you could also display a sudden surge of energy, unexpectedly start a revolution when it's needed, or quickly transform anything that's unsatisfactory in your lives. Others will see the two of you as a powerful unit. However, if either of you feels that your partner is trying to usurp your power or is interfering with your freedom or individuality, there could be violent eruptions between you. Then your energy will be wasted on internal strife instead of making an impact on the world.

Honoring the Spiritual Dimension

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

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

Sigmund's Neptune and Carl's Neptune are in semisquare.

There's an age difference between you, and you may well have different ideas about spirituality or different tastes in music. You might find the other person's religious ideas or musical tastes a bit annoying, but these matters are so intangible that you'd probably be wasting your time trying to convert the other to your views. It may be easier just to quietly follow your own spiritual beliefs and enjoy your kind of music out of that person's earshot. If you have faith that you're the one who's more attuned to the universe, the world may eventually agree with you.

Sigmund's Neptune is sextile Carl's Pluto.

Neptune and Pluto have been roughly in sextile since the early 1940s, and so you both probably have this aspect in your own natal charts as well. Having this aspect between each other's charts just reinforces a combination with which you're already comfortable. It's likely that your concepts of spirituality and power are compatible, and that you want to help each other to develop these factors further in your lives. Although you could easily manipulate each other, it's more likely that Sigmund would enhance Carl's power, and Carl would add power to Sigmund's spiritual beliefs. Together you could create a powerful belief system.

Carl's Neptune is conjunct Sigmund's Pluto.

With this combination, spirituality is combined with power. However, Neptune and Pluto are both slow-moving planets, and you would share this aspect with anyone born within a few years of your partner. Therefore, although it can add to the total picture of your relationship, in and of itself it doesn't describe something that's unique between the two of you. On the positive side, this connection might indicate powerful religious beliefs that you have together. Negatively, Sigmund might overpower Carl's spiritual side, or Carl might sap Sigmund's power or manipulate it in some way. Other aspects between your charts may give clues as to which route you'd most likely take. If you join forces instead of undermining each other or vying for position, you'll make better use of this combination.

Coping with Power and Change

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

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

Carl's Pluto is semisextile Sigmund's North Node.

When Sigmund brings others into the partnership, it activates Carl's power. However, the semisextile aspect indicates that adjustments may need to be made. Carl would probably find it difficult to be invisible when he's interacting with Sigmund's friends, and it's possible that these people could feel threatened by or resentful of the power that he wields.

To make them feel more empowered, Carl could sometimes try soliciting help from these individuals. Alternatively, she could simply direct his power into other situations. On his part, Sigmund could at times take the lead, with Carl then using his power only behind the scenes. This may help you avoid confrontations that could be destructive, and enable you to harness the power that you generate together so you can accomplish great things.

Relating to Others as a Couple

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

Using This Comparison of Your Charts

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

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

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

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

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

A Chart for Your Relationship

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

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

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

The Overall Balance in Your Composite Chart

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

The Earth element is underemphasized.

It is probable that the two of you tend not to make your decisions or plan your actions based on down-to-earth information. In fact, elaborate details are likely to bore you, and material goals do not offer an incentive to get you moving. You may be viewed as impractical. This has its advantages in that you probably are not asked to be in charge of projects that require organization and long-term commitment.

Though you are capable of taking care of your physical needs, your interests lie elsewhere. You may have to convince yourselves that tending to your material requirements will enrich you in other ways, or find someone outside of your partnership to handle these matters for you.

The Air element is strong.

Communications tend to be essential to the way that you and your partner operate as a couple. It is probably easier for you to talk about what you are going to do than it is to take action. You can usually grasp the overview of what needs to be done, but may find it difficult to determine the precise route to your goals. So you think, talk and listen, but do not necessarily move.

Because you are objective and readily understand the views of others, when you ultimately begin to take action you will incorporate the ideas that you believe are appropriate. In fact, you may take action more rapidly if you think you are acting on behalf of an individual or of humanity in general.

Although you consider others in what you do, no particular group or individual will have an undue influence upon you. Because of your objectivity, everyone can equally sway you, so that you have difficulty making up your minds. Be aware that you could wait so long to take action that you miss opportunities. However, verbalizing ideas and potential plans could be the first step in making them materialize. So keep the lines of communications open. This will not only help you understand each other better, it can also assist you in making decisions. Eventually, after you have thought, discussed and planned, you can begin to move.

The Water element is underemphasized.

This lack of emphasis in Water signs does not indicate that you and your partner have no feelings. Quite the contrary. You do, and you may even occasionally express them, both within your relationship and to others. It is just that you tend not to be very comfortable in emotional situations or with emotional individuals. You may find yourselves avoiding people who, in your opinion, are overly demonstrative. Universal compassion is not your strong suit. Instead, the two of you are selective when choosing those upon whom to bestow your sympathy.

A lack of Water can also mean that when you operate as a unit you do not usually rely on your instincts and intuition. Even if you follow your hunches as individuals, this will not be the case for you as a couple. Your intuition may often prove accurate after the fact. You could promise yourselves that next time you will listen to it, but since something in your interaction with each other causes you not to trust your intuition, chances are you will disregard your hunches once again.

There is very little Fixed energy.

With few or no planets in Fixed signs and/or houses, you and your partner may tend not always to complete tasks that you start. This could be true whether you initiate them yourselves or are asked by others to follow through. This might cause you to be viewed as unreliable. Chances are, you either become weary of what you are supposed to do, or your concentration shifts to something else.

The way to deal with your situation depends on the cause. If it is boredom, alternate between projects. If the cause is inability to concentrate for long periods of time, keep jobs short. You might also remind those who criticize you that at least you do not stubbornly stick to your ideas and methods. In fact, it might be more accurate to call you agreeable than unreliable.

There's a particular emphasis in Gemini.

Communications are probably high on your mutual agenda, but these tend to be social communications rather than deep- probing analyses or intellectual discussions. Your forte is being able to chat and to interact congenially with others. Needing variety in your lives, you may not always want to socialize with the same group, and this may cause others to see you as shallow or scattered. But you share a talent for being able to fit into any group if you so desire. You pick up specialized information and jargon without effort. You also can quickly sense what people expect from you and perform accordingly. You may not internalize your behavior, and that is another reason for not staying with one group for too long. No one will see the superficiality if you keep moving. Your ability to temporarily become part of any group should make you a popular couple on the social scene.

Your Basic Style of Relating

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

Your composite Ascendant is in Sagittarius.

Being together creates a space where you can share a thirst for knowledge and a sense of adventure. You may stimulate each other to take courses, travel, or get involved in religious or spiritual activities together. The two of you are constantly trying to broaden yourselves, and you feel that there is so much to learn and to do. You're therefore unlikely to stay still for long. So that you can be free to roam widely both the physical and intellectual realms, you probably don't want heavy responsibilities.

As long as you're seeking your goals together, all should go well. However, if, instead of sharing, you move in separate directions, either of you might begin to feel that the other is irresponsible. You probably don't want total togetherness, but you'll want to keep a connection by sharing at least one activity.

Not only do each of you want to avoid being chained to your partner, as a couple you don't want friends who are overly demanding of your time and attention. Fortunately, you're probably attracted to people who want to be as unencumbered as you. They may not always be around when you would like them to be, but to you that's still better than having friends who are constantly hovering. You might find that it works best to have at least two best friends or two sets of best friends. Then, when the two of you are in the mood for companionship, one of these friends or set of friends will probably be available.

The Sun is conjunct the Descendant.

As a couple, you and your partner need to balance your personal desires with the expectations of others. On the one hand, you want your own identity -- that is, you want to operate in a way that suits the two of you. On the other hand, you may feel that your ego gratification depends on the approval of others, so that you may sometimes judge who you are by what people outside your relationship think of you.

Because these others will probably be people fairly close to you, you probably won't want to totally disregard their wishes. The solution is for the two of you to do enough for these individuals to get the approval you need, while at the same time being sure to allow time to develop your joint personality. Then these others will provide the ego gratification you need, while you can still define your own personality as a couple.

Mercury is conjunct the Descendant.

Communications are important in your relationship, and they form an integral part of the image that you project as a couple. With this aspect, you're more likely to be noted for social skills than intellectual pursuits. Whether you're talking to each other or to the outer world, your favorite topics, are probably people -- yourselves and the significant others in your life.

In your discussions it's important to maintain a balance between talking about yourselves and focusing on others. If you talk only about yourselves, you will be considered self-centered. If you talk only about others (or you spend more time listening than talking), you could be thought of as secretive, a pair that gives out very little. It's better to volunteer a bit of your own information, and then solicit such information from others. By balancing the two, you will be thought of as open and interesting, as well as congenial and interested.

Saturn is trine the Ascendant.

You and your partner derive a feeling of security through the sense of structure and commitment that you generate together. It seems natural for the two of you take to care of each other. Without thought or effort, you both project a serious, responsible and dependable nature, so that others, too, are likely to turn to you for support and assistance with practical matters.

There may be times when you wish to be more lighthearted and free. However, if you try to rid yourselves entirely of commitments, you'll start to feel a lack of purpose in your lives. You'll be happier accepting responsibilities and taking pleasure in how well you handle them together. Although you might sometimes wish for a little more frivolity in your lives, in the end being secure with each other and making constructive accomplishments is really more important.

The North Node is trine the Ascendant.

You and your partner are likely to fit in easily with groups of people. You may fill leadership positions, or perhaps you just melt into the group. Either way, you know that there are always people with whom the two of you can happily interact.

This is good to remember in case any problems arise between the two of you. Having a ready supply of friends takes pressure off your relationship, so that it doesn't have to be all and everything in your life. If things get rough, your friends can give you a temporary place to retreat and gain some perspective on your problems. Since you and your partner are both probably well liked by these individuals, you might more readily see the good points in each other through their eyes.

Public vs. Private Life

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

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

Venus is trine the Midheaven.

You and your partner may enjoy interacting in public together. When you are operating as a unit, the two of you make a charming impression on others. Whether or not you share a career, diplomacy and tact are an important part of the way you interact in public.

Unless otherwise stated in the chart, you will not be seen as hard-driving leaders of the world, but your method of reaching people may be more effective than those who are more forceful and aggressive. Others sense the pleasure that the two of you share, and the enjoyment that you have when interacting socially. So people are drawn to you, like being with you, and may do your bidding without question. Should you decide to use these assets to get ahead professionally, you are likely to be successful.

Jupiter is square the Midheaven.

You and your partner want to grow and develop in the outer world either professionally, socially or both. And you undoubtedly have a wealth of ideas as to how to do this. However, you may not think about all the implications of your plans before you stimulate each other to take action. So you might over-extend yourselves financially or physically and feel overwhelmed. In addition, since your goals are externally oriented, it will be hard (if not impossible) to keep your mistakes a secret. So others may see you as extravagant or impractical. You should not, however, give up your aspirations. But chances are that, with this combination, you will never have a shortage of ideas. You will also undoubtedly keep prodding each other to develop. What is essential is that you keep trying. Every experience can contribute to your growth. And eventually some of your ideas will materialize and you will reap rewards.

Neptune is conjunct the Imum Coeli.

In your relationship your joint public image can be connected with your spirituality. But, with this aspect, you need to balance the two. So it is highly unlikely that you would flaunt your spirituality in the world, or use it directly in your career. Rather you would periodically escape from public view in order to enrich your life spiritually. Your public life may contribute to your spiritual life, and/or your spiritual belief system might support your interaction with the outer world. However, the connection would probably be subtle rather than obvious. Another way to balance the two segments of your life is to totally throw yourselves into the world, and when you feel the need, escape from the rigors of public life where you can dissolve boundaries and delve into the intangible. Then when you feel renewed (or begin to feel confused from the lack of organization) you can return to the material world.

Your Conscious Identity As a Couple

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

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

Your composite Sun is in Gemini.

You and your partner easily shine together in the social world, and you are able to fit in with many different types of people, especially if you do not spend too much time with any group. And chances are, you will not stay anywhere for long. One reason for your continuous movement is that you do not want to miss anything. The two of you love to gather information, and because you are easily bored you quickly shift from subject to subject. Therefore, you probably have a bit of knowledge about many things.

Because you usually do not have the patience to delve deeply into most subjects, you may be more adept at carrying on social conversations than intellectual ones. This may make you appear somewhat shallow. Although the combined knowledge you share with others may not be profound, it is probably considered interesting. This, coupled with your ability to adapt to those around you, could make you a popular duo.

Staying in motion both mentally and physically is part of your joint nature, and you might find it pleasing to alternate using your bodies and your minds.

The Sun is in the Seventh House.

This placement indicates that you and your partner can shine brightly with and through the people with whom you become intimate, as a couple. Significant others could be viewed as extensions of the two of you and have an impact on your opinion of yourselves as a unit. They could also be influential in helping you to determine what you need for ego gratification. Or you might be the guiding light for those with whom you interact. You will probably not only look to others to ascertain who you are, but you will also undoubtedly include these individuals in your goals because you could not attain ego gratification by thinking only of yourselves. Because you need other people, you may not feel totally self-sufficient as a couple. However, as long as you surround yourselves with worthy and approving people and look at the interdependency as an asset instead of a liability, all should go well.

The Sun is conjunct Mercury.

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

The Sun is sextile Saturn.

You and your partner can help each other to attain ego gratification in a practical, down-to-earth way. Although you probably have no difficulty cooperating with each other you have to operate within a clearly defined structure. This may make you feel that your progress is slow and, at times, tedious. But, since you work well together, the tasks you perform as a couple will probably seem less laborious than they otherwise would. Helping each other as you do, is reward in itself. But on the material plane, you will probably receive much more. And the rewards you receive will not only be tangible. They will also be enduring.

The Sun is conjunct Uranus.

This combination could cause you as a couple to be viewed either as exciting and creative, or erratic and unstable, or possibly even both at the same time. Alternatively, the two of you may feel restless and crave excitement. Because individualism is also connected with this combination, the two of you may march to the beat of your own drummer, not fitting into any mold that others try to prescribe. If pressured too hard to conform, you may rebel. If you bring out originality and creativity in each other, however, you can move along together enjoying the excitement that you mutually create. It is also possible that one of you is conforming and cares about appearances, and the other is non-conforming and takes pleasure in being different. In such a case the conformer may often feel embarrassed, while the non-conformer may feel overshadowed and thus restricted. If you find that this applies to you, look for ways in which you can share a bit of excitement without getting carried away. Then the one who conforms may begin to feel freer, and the freer spirit may feel less limited.

The Way You Demonstrate Feelings

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

Your composite Moon is in Gemini.

You and your partner probably find it easier to talk about your feelings than to show them. Overt displays of emotion could be uncomfortable, and even serious discussion of deep feelings might embarrass you. So you are likely to make light of the way you feel. Although you will each participate in this approach to feelings, you could sometimes wonder if your partner really cares, especially if your own personal mode of handling feelings is quite different.

If you do not show deep emotions freely with each other, you certainly are not going to be demonstrative in public, either. No host need be concerned about emotional outbursts from the two of you, and you could probably be counted on to help set a light tone at any gathering. Also, few are likely to come to the two of you with their problems. Some may try it once or twice, but when they do not receive the response they want, they will stop trying to burden you.

Your reaction does not mean that you are uncaring or incapable of deep feeling. It is just that it is hard to find the appropriate words to show the sympathy or emotions that you feel. Each of you should keep this in mind if you find yourself questioning your partner's feelings. Just learn to read between the lines, or beyond the light repartee.

The Moon is in the Fifth House.

If children are an integral part of your partnership, emotions could play an important role in your interaction with them. Either or both of you might be nurturing toward them, or get emotional about them. Perhaps you both dote on the children. Or possibly one of you is protective of them and the other thinks the protective partner is overly protective. If this should be the case, you could have emotional outbursts over the children. To avoid or alleviate this occurring, take a little time away from the children to nurture each other. Each of you could mother your partner a bit and provide some love and protection, and between the two of you could also add a bit of romance. If you do not share an interaction with children, or even if you do, you might choose to use this placement in developing or expressing your joint creativity. You could inspire each other to manifest talents you did not know you had. Your creativity may be sporadic, but when it materializes it will be worth the wait.

The Moon is conjunct Venus.

This combination indicates that together, you and your partner have a soft and gentle side. You can share love and other tender emotions with each other and project these feelings when dealing with those in the outer world. This could cause you to focus on pleasure rather than accomplishment. And you would possibly look for the easiest and most peaceful way to deal with life. So, unless it is otherwise indicated in the chart, you might lack ambition or competitiveness. You could, at times, also overindulge yourselves, each other and the outer world in general. This could make some people see you as lazy and self-centered. But your noncompetitive pace may keep you from developing ulcers. And if the two of you are happy and you share your enjoyment with others, you could be better off than those who are trying to claw their way to the top.

How You Communicate

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

Your composite Mercury is in Gemini.

As a couple, the two of you find it easy to communicate. No matter what you're like individually, when you're together you'll tend to be chatty and witty. In social situations, your facility for conversing and talking easily on many different subjects will make you quite popular. People will come to see you as the couple who is funny and charming and always has something interesting to relate or to share.

Unless contradicted by other factors in your chart, your conversations tend to brush the surface of many different topics rather than delve too deeply into any of them. Your style is light and breezy, and you may like to mimic others. If you and your partner disagree, your tendency is to talk everything out to the nth degree, until some kind of consensus is reached. In fact, your verbal skills may be such that you cannot stay angry for too long. Your quips and sparring may have you breaking out in laughter before you get very far into serious fights.

When you are together, you can be masters of the most unusual trivia and can easily surprise each other with the way you stimulate each other's minds. Talking in stream-of-consciousness style feels natural to you. It's when there's silence that you know that there's a problem. When you feel stuck and cannot seem to talk, try conversing about how your day went or what the neighbors are doing. Once you get started on small talk, it will be easy to reopen the lines of communication between you.

Mercury is in the Sixth House.

Communications are probably an important part of your daily routine. If you share a workplace, writing and/or talking may be an integral part of your job. But even if you do not work together professionally, your daily routine in general, or the specific tasks you want to perform could be among your favorite topics of conversation. In fact, you both may be able to work most efficiently if you discuss what must be done before you take action. You might write out a schedule or simply get together and verbally plan what needs to be done. If you sometimes feel that your work goes slowly because you talk more than you act, you might try to get a faster start. However, if you do not plan what you are going to do in advance, either or both of you might find it necessary to criticize or direct the other while you are working and that could interrupt and delay the process more than taking time for an initial planning.

Mercury is sextile the North Node.

Communications are an integral part of the relationships that you and your partner share in the outer world. With this combination you are not seeking highly intellectual contacts. Rather you are looking for people you can easily talk to on a social level. In fact, ease of communications may be an important criteria used in selecting those with whom you interact. And with these aspects, you and your partner can undoubtedly develop a rapport with others. The two of you undoubtedly have no difficulty communicating with each other and you can also help each other to communicate in the outer world with ease. In addition, as a couple, you will be attentive to those with whom you are socializing. So these individuals feel comfortable with you, and view the two of you as adept communicators.

Relationships and Pleasures

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

Your composite Venus is in Gemini.

When the two of you are together, you could gab all day and night. “Talkative” and “witty” are words others would use to describe you. Together, you enjoy word games, lighthearted banter and even teasing. In short, the two of you are fun to be with.

This placement encourages a stream-of-consciousness chatter that occasionally will be annoying. Try and accommodate your running commentary on everything that passes your line of vision to the mood in your group. If people tire of your chatter, leave some space for silence or let others have a turn.

Your preferred way of relating will certainly include lots of social interaction, and you are likely to participate in groups regularly. Part of being with others is your shared interest in exchanging information, be it the latest neighborhood gossip, a current bestseller or something in the news. Others will appreciate your ability to express yourselves well. This talent could translate into writing or even speaking projects that the two of you might share. Either way, you will tend to seek out individuals who are intelligent and also share your love of language and communication.

In your interaction with each other, this placement is a boon, because neither of you can be silent for long and the lines of communication will therefore always be open. One drawback that you should be aware of is the tendency to talk over each other or to finish each other’s sentences. This can be quite annoying, so be sure to monitor this and let your partner have his or her full say.

Venus is in the Sixth House.

You and your partner would want to include pleasure as part of your daily routine. If you work together you will strive to make your workplace attractive, and you might include sociability as part of the routine the two of you share, whether you work together or not. Although you can enjoy working together, industriousness would not be a word used to describe the way you work. And with this placement, it would be unlikely that you would perform hard, menial labor. You could be artistic in your chores, or use diplomacy when dealing with your daily routine. You would not have any qualms about paying someone else to do your work, or you might use your charm to get others to take care of the boring details you do not want to handle. But you and your partner will probably not just sit idly by while others are working so hard. You will do what you can to cheer up workers and entertain them while they complete your tasks.

Venus is sextile Neptune.

With this combination you and your partner undoubtedly share artistic creativity, spirituality and/or romantic love. You also each want to help the other to better express affection and to develop spiritually. And, because you are assisting each other to bring out aesthetic qualities, the shared image you project is charismatic. You may not fully grasp in practical terms why you are so strongly drawn to each other, or why you are perceived as you are in the world, but trying to explain may only tend to confuse you. Instead of questioning why you are together, make use of the creative element you have as a couple. Pursue spiritual goals. Bask in the love that you share. Trust that your love and your talents are there to stay. It is your faith in your relationship and the belief in your abilities that will keep you going as individuals and also help your partnership continue to flourish.

Energy, Assertion and Effectiveness

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

Your composite Mars is in Scorpio.

Being together causes you to act with more passion and intensity, and others may sense a certain magnetism and power in you as a couple. The two of you probably have an active sex life, and you'll be likely to spend a lot of time making your sex life the best it can be. In fact, the two of you can be relentless in your efforts to accomplish almost anything. To temper your energies and prevent exhaustion or unnecessary outbursts, however, you may need to curb your strong reactions to emotional hurt.

The extreme quality of your energy will turn some people off. Particularly when you're angry, others will want to get away from you, because your energy can linger like a black cloud. Also, until you've assessed a situation, the two of you may be cautious about revealing yourselves. And so, because they may not be able to gauge where you're coming from, people could suspect your motives. Still, in an emergency, people will appreciate your natural ability to take charge and maintain composure.

To maximize the potential of your combined energy, focus on constructive activities. Research, investments, or other monetary activities can be natural arenas for your energy. However, letting go could be one of your most difficult lessons. If your investments aren't working, you may need to steel yourselves to cut your losses and move on.

On the positive side, neither of you is likely to leave your relationship at the first sign of trouble. You have staying power and the will to see problems through and work them out.

Mars is in the Eleventh House.

You and your partner could make good cheerleaders if you are involved with a team, because jointly you have the ability to energize people. You can direct and prod the members of the team into action. This would also be the effect you would have on individuals who belong to any group you join or any cause you would choose to champion. Because you do not wait to be called upon to give an opinion or to take action and usually initiate without consultation, you could be seen as courageous pioneers or inspired leaders. However, some members of the group may view you as too aggressive or too self-serving, and may not cooperate with you. In fact, they may argue with you or vie with you to be in charge. But whatever occurs, there will be action when you are connected with the group, so it will not be boring, and you can count on never being ignored.

Mars is sextile Jupiter.

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

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

Mars is quincunx Neptune.

Either you or your partner could feel that the other saps your energy or interferes with your artistry or spirituality. The reason is that this combination connects the physical action of Mars with the less tangible qualities of Neptune. And when you try to combine the two too closely this leads to feeling ineffectual and/or being confused as a couple or as individuals because of your partner. To make the most of this aspect you need to alternate the taking of physical action or making concrete decisions with performing artistic tasks or developing the spiritual side of your relationship. What you will discover if you take this route is that your energy level becomes higher when you are together and your relationship becomes deeper because of your shared spirituality. You might even discover that you each help the other to recognize and express your own artistry.

Mars is opposite Pluto.

In your relationship, physical energy and initiating are connected with power. So together you and your partner could be more energetic, initiating and powerful than either of you is individually. However, if you vie with each other to determine which of you is more powerful you will waste energy that could be used more productively. Instead of trying to control each other, you should balance power and taking the initiative. You and your partner should each be in charge of certain areas of your life together. When you are in control your partner should do your bidding without question, and vice versa. If you take this route, you will not have to worry about who is in control. You will both have power. And by supporting each other in this way you will ultimately become more and more powerful, both individually and as a couple.

Broadening Your Horizons

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

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

Your composite Jupiter is in the First House.

The desire to grow is a basic part of your personality as a couple. The two of you tend to enjoy gathering information and broadening your horizons. There are many ways for you to pursue knowledge, and two of the best choices for you could be travel and education. You might often take trips or courses together.

Being together also makes you more fun loving and optimistic. The two of you probably believe in happy endings, and you're usually available for a good party. What you may not be aware of are your limitations. You can become so absorbed in developing yourselves and/or having fun that you might not consider the time, energy or cost involved. This could make you extravagant and prone to excesses. It's a good idea to focus on activities that don't take up large amounts of time and money. In this way you can have a good time and grow as a couple without overextending yourselves physically or financially.

Jupiter is square Neptune.

For the two of you, your growth and development are connected with spirituality. The two of you want to expand together through a belief system, but with this aspect there may be obstacles that need to be dealt with first. You might have very different ideas on spiritual needs, or disagree about how to grow through your spirituality. Or possibly you might not be clear about what your partner wants or about his or her expectations of you. You could then feel that something is wrong, but not be able to put your finger on exactly what it is. The more you try to explain things practical terms, the more confused you may get.

Instead of dwelling on your dissatisfaction, it's better to have faith that all will work out. It might ease your minds to take a trip together to a place that you think of as spiritual. This will remove you from the immediate situation for a while so that you can gain some perspective. It can renew your spiritual ties, and it may give you the relaxed attitude that you need to restore your faith.

Jupiter is trine Pluto.

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

Jupiter is square the Lunar Nodes.

You and your partner could sometimes find yourselves involved with people who are prone to extravagance and excesses, and/or those who lead you to over-extend yourselves either financially or physically. But with this combination what you really want to do is to form associations with people who you can help to grow and can also assist the two of you to expand. So if you find that your associations frequently exhaust you or cause you to spend too much money, and you are not really enjoying yourselves, you might want to stop in your tracks. Figure out ways you can all gather information and develop individually and as a group without over-extending yourselves. Then implement your ideas. If you cannot come up with any ideas, perhaps, you should look for a new group. In fact, with this combination you might want to be involved with several different groups. This would broaden your social base and possibly keep you from becoming bored.

Handling Setbacks and Responsibilities

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

Your composite Saturn is in the Fourth House.

You and your partner want a firm, secure foundation on which to build your relationship. This foundation could be a house or a financial nest egg. To attain it, you can work long and hard, foregoing some of life's pleasures. For you as a couple, achievement is more important than fun. If you share a home, it may lack frills, but it will be solid.

Also, in the area of the home either or both of you could feel restricted by the other. You might feel unable to express yourself as freely as you would like. Or you may believe that your partner expects you to work all of the time, so that guilt creeps in if you steal a few minutes for yourself. One solution: Create a schedule of what must be done around the house, then tackle these tasks together. As you see results, you may feel less pressured and may even give yourselves permission to enjoy some rewards for work well done.

Spontaneity and Surprises

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

Your composite Uranus is in the Seventh House.

You and your partner tend to choose friends who are non-conforming and independent. They may be creative and futuristic in their thinking, or they could be simply eccentric or strange. They might also be unpredictable and unreliable. In fact, they might be all of the above.

In general, the two of you need some space from too much intimacy with other people. If one of you is not this way with your individual friendships, you could accuse the other of being aloof and keeping others at arm's length. But if you, as a couple, always had people around who took your time and energy, you could feel that they were interfering with your independence. Then you both might want to free yourselves of such continuous entanglements.

Otherworldly Aspirations

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

Your composite Neptune is in the Fourth House.

If you share a home, you'll probably view it as your sanctuary, a protected place where you can escape from the rigors of the outer world, including its rules and regulations. If you do have some rules in your home, you may lack the discipline to follow them. This could result in a high degree of disorder in your home.

A home in chaos could be a confusing and irritating place. But that may depend on who is evaluating the situation. If both of you think of your home primarily as a spiritually uplifting haven, its organization or physical appearance may not matter to you. It will only become disturbing if one of you is creating the chaos and the other is forced to live with it. If that is the case, the upset partner should either become more highly evolved, or else find a subtle way to manipulate the less-organized partner to conform. Equating order with spirituality might also work.

The Power to Develop

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

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

Your composite Pluto is in the Fifth House.

If you and your partner have children together, power could be an issue in regard to them. The two of you could have power struggles with the children, or about them. If you present a united front and are too strict or overbearing, the children might fight back. Or perhaps one of you regards the other as the dictator, and eruptions occur between the two of you because of the children.

To avoid unpleasant confrontations, look for ways to empower your kids. You do not have to let them be totally in charge of their own lives, nor should they be permitted to push you around. Just create some situations where they can be in charge. Then they will probably feel less suppressed and be less antagonistic.

Whether or not you have children, you can use this placement to develop your creativity. Because of your being together, you have a potential for tapping deep forces within yourselves and producing art that can be quite powerfully moving.

Using Your Composite Chart

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

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

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