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for Marilyn Monroe

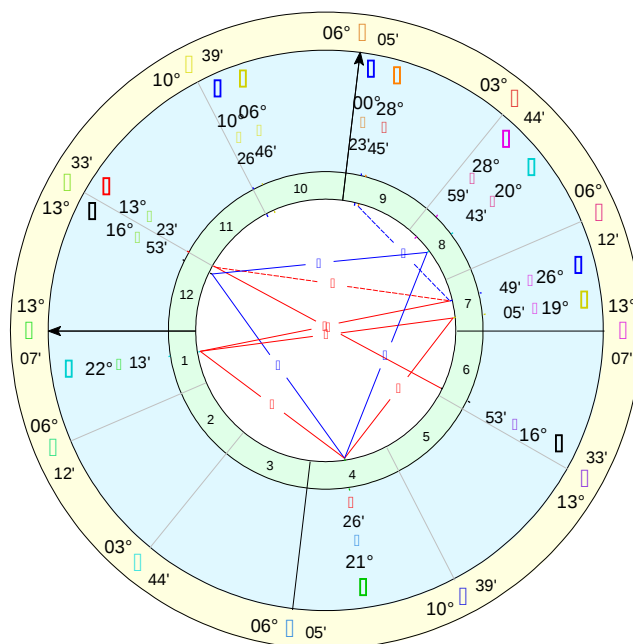


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Astrological Summary

Chart Point Positions: Marilyn Monroe

Planet	Sign	Position	House	Comment
The Moon	Aquarius	19°Aq05'	7th	
The Sun	Gemini	10°Ge26'	10th	
Mercury	Gemini	6°Ge46'	10th	
Venus	Aries	28°Ar45'	9th	
Mars	Pisces	20°Pi43'	8th	
Jupiter	Aquarius	26°Aq49'	7th	
Saturn	Scorpio	21°Sc26'	4th	
Uranus	Pisces	28°Pi59'	8th	
Neptune	Leo	22°Le13'	1st	
Pluto	Cancer	13°Cn23'	11th	
Chiron	Taurus	0°Ta23'	9th	
The North Node	Cancer	16°Cn53'	12th	
The South Node	Capricorn	16°Cp53'	6th	
The Ascendant	Leo	13°Le07'	1st	
The Midheaven	Taurus	6°Ta05'	10th	

Chart Point Aspects

Planet	Aspect	Planet	Orb	App/Sep
The Moon	Conjunction	Jupiter	7°43'	Applying
The Moon	Square	Saturn	2°20'	Applying
The Moon	Opposition	Neptune	3°07'	Applying
The Moon	Opposition	The Ascendant	5°58'	Separating
The Sun	Conjunction	Mercury	3°39'	Applying
The Sun	Sextile	The Ascendant	2°40'	Applying
Venus	Sextile	Jupiter	1°55'	Separating
Venus	Conjunction	Chiron	1°38'	Applying
Venus	Conjunction	The Midheaven	7°20'	Applying
Mars	Trine	Saturn	0°42'	Applying
Mars	Conjunction	Uranus	8°15'	Applying
Mars	Trine	The North Node	3°50'	Separating
Mars	Semisquare	The Midheaven	0°21'	Applying
Jupiter	Opposition	Neptune	4°36'	Separating
Jupiter	Sesquisquare	Pluto	1°33'	Applying
Saturn	Square	Neptune	0°46'	Separating
Saturn	Trine	The North Node	4°32'	Applying
Uranus	Sesquisquare	The Ascendant	0°52'	Separating
Pluto	Conjunction	The North Node	3°30'	Separating
Pluto	Opposition	The South Node	3°30'	Separating
Chiron	Conjunction	The Midheaven	5°41'	Applying

INTRODUCTION



It has often been said that money does not bring happiness. It can ease some hardships, but on its own money does not make a person happy. Neither does money make a person feel rich. One person can feel wealthy with very little money, while another feels poor with a great deal. Money worries do not seem to subside when more is accumulated; in fact they often increase

In modern times more and more an indisputable link can be seen between integrity and finance. Money is not just a powerful symbol in culture but an important reality in everyday lives, as the Money, Finance and Business sections of daily newspapers attest. This report has highlighted some of the indicators in your Horoscope that point to your instinctual relationship with money. Sometimes the description might not match your experience or understanding, and sometimes contradictions can be read, but nonetheless the lessons are true. Reflecting upon the astrology will help you to become more aware of how money works in your life and how it is intimately bound up with your personal values. Money is not just a commodity, but is also a symbol of value and worth.

It is rare to meet someone who is indifferent to money. Money is a serious affair; it does matter. The word money finds its way into our modern language from the Latin word 'moneta' meaning mint. In the 3rd Century BCE the Romans established a mint at Juno Moneta's temple, which lasted for the next four centuries. The image of the goddess appeared on one side of the coin holding the scales in one hand and the cornucopia in the other, symbols of weighing up and balancing the abundance that the goddess provided. Ironically money has its taproot in a deeper wellspring.

Money plays an important role in your culture and society. It is also a psychological symbol and like all psychic complexes your relationship with it will be complex and complicated. As a psychic symbol, money is part of your fate; therefore becoming aware of your relationship with it helps you become more conscious of its patterns in your life. Gaining an understanding of money and its place in your life can greatly assist in helping you to accept your circumstances and live in an easier flow of life, and an easier relationship with money.

This report has been aimed at helping you understand what role money plays in your life, what you truly value and in helping you focus on your soul's purpose.

YOUR MONEY TEMPERAMENT



"There are people who have money and there are people who are rich."
Coco Chanel, French Fashion Designer

This section reflects on your Sun, Moon and Rising Sign (or Ascendant). The trinity of the Sun, Moon and Ascendant depict character and temperament. In this section each is considered separately, based on your Horoscope's perspective on money. In the last section of this report all three are blended into an ancient formula known as the Part of Fortune.

In your Birth Chart the Sun depicts a driving force and is key to your identity and distinctiveness. This section does not interpret your Sun Sign in general terms, but is referring specifically to how it shapes your attitude to money and possessions. In a way the Sun is indicative of what you value, what emphasis you place on money and possessions and your ability to attract riches. Being "rich" means different things to different people; therefore this section outlines what you value, how you might feel rich. Money does not always equal a feeling of being rich. Perhaps you value freedom more than you value money? Maybe you feel rich when you are surrounded by friends and plain simple fare? On the other hand, perhaps security and money are most important.

Your Sun Sign can indicate an ability to attain great wealth; for instance your Sun in the Sign of Capricorn, Taurus or Aries could indicate great wealth. Each of these Zodiac Signs has different traits that attract wealth in different ways. If your Sun resides in one of the Angular Houses (mentioned below in this report) then you also have the ability to be wealthy. The idea is that the Sun shines its light either dimly or brightly on the wealth sectors of your Birth Chart. The placement of your Sun also shows you how you shine in the world. If you are shining brightly then you are likely to attract health, wealth and happiness. You glow and are rewarded. Your warmth, goodwill and confidence attract attention and you are able to attract riches.

The Moon can also be a strong driver when it comes to financial matters, especially psychologically and emotionally. Emotions and money are strongly linked. "Retail therapy" is commonly acknowledged as an antidote to a "down" day, yet managing emotions with material band-aids is rarely going to address the underlying forces. While an understanding of your own emotional nature is vital for self-acceptance it is not part of this report's purpose. In this section the Money report outlines how your Moon and your emotions can influence your spending habits. When it comes to money your Moon can either help or hinder your ability to successfully handle money matters. Also what does money mean for you? What emotional need does it satisfy? Do you see money as a means of freedom, or does it provide security? Does money represent love? Do you feel more loved when someone shares their resources? These are the types of questions to ask and which your Moon will help you understand.

When reading this report take the best traits from both your Sun and Moon Signs and combine them to help you understand your value system and your emotional needs when it comes to money. This helps you learn how you can best approach your own attitude to money, your spending habits and how to invest. If your Sun and Moon are in the same Zodiac Sign then you reinforce the message and you need to look to your Ascendant to see how to best move forward.

Your Ascendant is outlined as a beacon that points to your purpose in life. While money is an important component it is rarely the source of true happiness. Your Ascendant depicts how you can find purpose and meaning in your life. This helps you inject your material world with spiritual values. Health, wealth and happiness are all derived from living a worthy life. A meaningful life is one which incorporates spiritual values, not just monetary ones. True joy is often felt when you are living in sync with your soul's purpose. This report focuses on money and its place in your Birth Chart and life, but true meaning also comes from living true to yourself. Your Ascendant is a primary signpost which guides you to a life of true worth.

The Sun is in Gemini

Gemini is the Zodiac Sign of duality. No other Sign shows so clearly the human dilemma of having to make continual choices in life. You know this so well as it is a theme in your life. You are an opportunist with many opportunities coming your way. In a way you are spoilt for choice. This is also true when it comes to money matters. Your ability to handle finances is likely to depend largely on other influential factors in your Birth Chart. If you have some down-to-earth influences then, as a Gemini you could be a very good money manager. You are enterprising, full of money-making ideas and able to tap into networks of communication, marketing and other such methods to achieve your goals. You are particularly adept at sales, transport, or any work that requires good communication skills. You could rise to the top in your chosen field. However, can you manage money? Can you keep it or does it slip through your fingers? Do you want to? You value stimulation and not necessarily security. Therefore you may be more likely to juggle finances, living from day to day rather than planning for the future. You need to avoid gambling (with your own personal income or investments in gambling institutions). These may provide you with a thrill but are high risk. Any Air Sign, such as Gemini, can mean that you are adept on the money market, increasing your financial fortunes through the stock market and trading. However, the impulsive and indecisive side of your nature could also lead to some losses. Luckily on the whole you have an easy-come, easy-go attitude when it comes to money. You value merriment, the ability to communicate with friends and family and to pursue stimulating activities. Money-making is unlikely to be a priority in your life unless there are other influences. On the other hand humour plays a large role in your life and you would be the first to say and laugh at the following quote by American radio broadcaster Paul Harvey, *"I am fiercely loyal to those willing to put their money where my mouth is."* When it comes to work you can turn your hand to most things and may well have a few different jobs. These jobs could include working in transport, journalism, theatre, comedy, the circus, sales, marketing, local government, insurance or business.

Your Sun Sign in Gemini also indicates that you are eager to make life more stimulating for yourself and for others. For this reason you are likely to invest your time and money in activities that entertain or guide others. Boredom is the biggest threat to your financial security. You need to ensure that your income is earned in a job that satisfies your need for stimulation. Likewise your investments

need to be diverse, ensuring that you can enjoy juggling and managing your financial portfolio.

The Sun is in the 10th House

This is an auspicious placement of the Sun in your Birth Chart. Ancient astrologers place great importance on the Angular Houses of a Birth Chart. These Houses includes the 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th Houses. In your case the Sun is shining brightly in the 10th House of your Birth Chart indicating health, wealth and happiness in connection with your position in society. Your marital status, any office bearing roles, your profession and public leadership positions can bring great wealth. You may also gain from the government, positions of command, trade, profession, public magistrates and your mother or mother's side of the family. Your reputation is paramount to your sense of abundance. In some cases this can indicate that your partnership with a well-placed woman propels you into a prominent and wealthy position. If the partnership ends then there can be a hiatus before you ride the crest of the success wave again. However, you can rise to the top. Entrepreneurs such as Donald Trump and John D Rockefeller have this placement giving you a good idea of what is achievable. It is also possible that this placement is more fortunate for men than for women. Nevertheless it is a lucky sign for wealth, health and happiness.

This placement suggests that you can achieve a good reputation in society rising to the top through your ability to shine, lead and prosper. Others emulate you. They respect your skills which are on show for the world to see. You are also likely to seek a marriage partner who helps you maintain your status in society, someone who boosts your reputation and wealth. You are seeking a partner who matches your ability to shine, not someone who has different values. Nevertheless you have the ability to shine in your own right. You have a natural sense of personal power and as you develop your reputation and status you may employ others to carry out the more menial tasks in your life. You like to focus your time and energy on tasks that improve your reputation, enable you to shine and earn your true value. Achievement, ambition and popularity are likely to be key factors as you attract wealth, health and happiness.

The Moon is in Aquarius

Money is not one of your priorities in life. Your main aim is to connect with other people. How you do this depends largely on your circumstances and other influences in your birth chart. If you are a practical, down-to-earth Aquarian then you are likely to work in sales, transport, or a large business. You enjoy being a cog in the wheel, playing your part. However, if you have other influences then you are likely to yearn for stimulation in your working environment and may even be attracted to the arts or expressing yourself through an unusual profession. You may change jobs frequently, or become the perpetual student. On the other hand you may be passionate about a cause, and work for an organisation which has a strong message to convey to the world. You may also be at the cutting edge of an invention, discovery or brave new world. This is what you cherish – the thrill of making a difference through new technology or thinking. You do not work for money, but rather for what the work gives you personally. As American inventor Steve Wozniak said: *"My goal wasn't to make a ton of money. It was to build good computers."* Of course, you have to pay the bills, although sometimes the odd bill or two may go amiss. However, your aim is to enjoy your labour and the fruits of it. Money and possessions come and go in your life, perhaps frustrating your loved ones, but you are happy. You know that life is for living to the fullest and you don't fret the details.

You are also likely to view money as a means of helping other people rather than of helping yourself. Close to home this could be your immediate family, but further afield this could mean humanity as a whole. You see money as a tool of goodwill for all men (and women). You may be more resourceful on behalf of others than for yourself. Learning to value yourself as well as others could be a key to your road to riches. You value friendship, communion, humanity, synchronicity and common causes. Money is a means to an end.

The Ascendant is in Leo

When your Ascendant is in the Zodiac Sign of Leo then you're usually assured of your own purpose in life. You're charming, generous and ambitious, enjoying a sense of autonomy in all that you do. You're adept at organising your own life, and enjoy the independence. Your main lesson is the right use of power. You have a lot of charisma and other people listen to you. You need to make sure that there is substance behind the charisma so that you head in the right direction and lead others in a way that benefits them. You are well aware of your own worth, and can help others determine their sense of well-being. You are also well aware of the way that money can be used to validate self-worth. Money may equate power in many of society's social and political circles, but is this the right use of money? You have a vital and sunny nature and can achieve much good in the world as long as you are not focussed only on your own will. Your purpose is to learn to use your strength of character and strong will power in a positive and powerful manner. This way you can benefit others emotionally, spiritually and materialistically. A loving and generous use of money will help you stay on the right path to personal fulfilment. If you find yourself caught up in power battles over money then think of how much it would cost you to walk away. Ultimately your goal is to use your creativity. A creative or artistic alternative may provide more joy than continuing to battle over materialistic matters. With your Leo Ascendant you could use this affirmation from *"Creating Money – Keys to Abundance"* by Sanaya Roman and Duane Packer *"I create money and abundance through joy, aliveness, and self-love"*

YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH MONEY



"Money is usually attracted, not pursued."
Jim Rohn, American Entrepreneur

Venus

Intrinsic to Venus is beauty. During her perfectly symmetrical cycle she is brightly visible in morning and evening skies at different times. Her disappearance out of the western skies and resurrection in the east led the ancients to see her as a dual goddess of both heaven and earth. Venus is pleasure and beauty, both in body and in spirit.

In astrological tradition Venus symbolises what is attractive, pleasurable, beneficial and advantageous. Her heavenly and earthy aspects shine through her connection with the Zodiac Signs Libra and Taurus. In her earthy Taurean domain she embodies the values and resources of the material world representing what you find attractive as well as your ability to be attractive. Venus is the law of attraction placing value on what is worthwhile; therefore energetically attracting what is of substance. Being aligned with resources, treasures, fortunes and ornaments, Venus became associated with money as a commodity of exchange. On an economic level Venus symbolises money, as the unit of trade. Venus is relationship-orientated; hence money implies exchange and trade. Money invites us to forge a relationship with what we find attractive, pleasurable and worthy, not only materially, but psychologically and spiritually as well. Venus's two sides make a whole; in her spirited and aesthetic side, she needs a soulful relationship with the material world. In this way she represents an inner sense of worth and value that yearns to be appreciated, honoured and respected. In psychological jargon this is your self-esteem, your inner worth, innate values and authentic merit. Venus symbolises the process of becoming worthy and deserving to feel abundant, pleased and prosperous.

Being the goddess of sexuality and love, Venus also focuses on relating. Venus themes in relationship centre on shared values, feeling loved and appreciated, pleasure, affection and sensuality. Therefore, Venus's archetypal pattern often gets entangled in issues of both love and money, as popular song lyrics often illustrate. Are diamonds really a girl's best friend? Is it true that money can't buy me love? Can money compensate or substitute for love? Venus' rulership over money is multidimensional: on the material level it is cash and currency, stocks and bonds, funds, investments, assets, capital, diamonds and gold. On other levels it is your personal values and inner aesthetics. On a deeper soulful stratum it is in your self-acceptance and self-love where money's taproot finds its sustenance.

Following is a reflection on the Zodiac Sign of your Venus in your Birth Chart including what you might be attracted to and what you attract to you. What are your money patterns, issues and strengths? Venus too symbolises your authentic attitudes to deeply-held personal values, internal worth, self-esteem and your capacity to love. Ironically it is this capacity to love and give freely that is the key to the lock on your money vault. Let's consider your Venus sign as a metaphor for your personal law of attraction and your innate relationship and attitudes towards money and values.

Venus is in Aries

Values that are dear to you are independence, freedom and self sufficiency, and if money can buy you these then you are already rich. Why waste your precious time making money when you prefer money working for you, buying you more time for adventure and life exploration. Therefore, begin to appreciate your entrepreneurial side. Google creator Larry Page did; he has Venus in Aries and he made billions before he was 30. While your destiny might not be as lucrative as Page's, valuing your innovative and gutsy approach to money will get you farther along the financial freeway than being overly cautious or afraid to take risks.

You want to be involved in the adventure of life, yet still hold onto the flame of idealism, hope and romanticism. You have a buoyant spirit when it comes to what you like; therefore you are generally brave enough to go after what attracts you, whether that's love or money. Being positive definitely helps you tackle life challenges and it is this bravado and boldness that helps you become a magnet for money and relationships. You are good on the uptake, initiating projects and getting things off the ground. But what happens once they are started and your enthusiasm and drive wanes? How do you cope when the projects are launched and things are running smoothly? Just something to reflect upon as it is valuable for you to recognise that you probably do much better with beginnings than you do with middles or endings, and that your value lies in your visionary spirit and abundant energy to get things rolling.

By now you will recognise the adrenalin that gets unleashed when you have an exciting and creative project to begin. You might also be in touch with the side that wants to take a risk in starting a new venture, as that is what you love and therefore that's where the money is to be made. Therefore you are the type of individual who needs to maximise the outcome when things are on the up and up because the cycle will turn. It is wise to have money in reserve in your rainy day account. You might not appreciate saving or holding back some resources but you need to. While your earnings may surge at times, at other times they may not.

When you begin to value your inner drive, give meaning to your creative ventures, find worth in your independent streak and use your passion to succeed, then you profit from your projects. Not all profits are monetary; some come through travel, others through business perks but nonetheless you profit from your enthusiastic spirit. Sometimes you miss the mark by being too insistent or certain, but mostly you hit the target when you muster your courage and conviction to succeed. Money is not the goal; more it is what money can provide. A secret is to be brave and recognise that the currency of money is in your energetic attitude and passion in what you do. When you love what you do and are passionate about what you create then money finds you. This is your law of attraction: have courage and conviction, presence and passion in what you do and money finds you.

YOUR PERSONAL INCOME



"The art of living easily as to money is to pitch your scale of living one degree below your means."
Sir Henry Taylor, English Dramatist and Poet

The Second House

Astrological tradition has always associated the 2nd House with money and the accumulation of assets. When astrologers are asked questions like 'will I be rich?' and 'how will I make money?' the 2nd House of the Horoscope is the first place to consult. Therefore it is an important consideration in this report.

The 2nd House suggests material riches and also innate resources that can be developed and valued. These are the resources of our personality such as our unique strengths, skills and talents which can be exchanged for income or other rewards. Wealth is multifaceted and not only about money; for some it may be health, peace, family, security. Having found the wellspring of our talent, wealth follows.

This section also describes what we invest with value or what we appreciate and like. This may or may not be money. Psychologically this is the sphere where self esteem and personal values are shaped by your early experiences. Self worth, the impact of family values, the substance and significance you place upon your efforts, income received or value returned are all important to varying degrees. What is pleasant? In our post-modern world what is pleasurable often requires money; but another form of pleasure is experienced through apprenticeship and mastery of our skills and talents, not necessarily through economic management.

Included in this report is a portrait of the Zodiac Sign on your 2nd House cusp and what astrologers call its Ruler. The description of your ruling planet in its House adds another key to unlocking your attitude to money and also whether or not you place importance on money or elsewhere. This ruler is unique in each horoscope.

As far as money is concerned what is most important is whether or not you have a planet in the 2nd House. These 2nd House planets reveal your earning style and suggest how you earn your living or your patterns and relationship to money and possessions. You can liken the planets in the 2nd House to the importance that you place on money, the role that it plays in your life and perhaps the complexes you have about money.

You have no planets in your 2nd House of your Birth Chart which suggests that while money is important, it might not be a compelling focus in your life, nor as dominant or intriguing as others might find. Like everyone else you have an income and you own possessions, however; these are unlikely to be the centre of your life. Since the planets symbolise the multiplicity of human impulses, your attitude towards money is not complicated by their intensity. In fact you may need to read another type of report or consult a professional astrologer for further information about the crucial areas of your life. While you may relate to the information provided about money other areas of your life experience are likely to be highlighted. Money is pleasant but not the principal focal point so the questions to ask are: "What is most important in my life?" and "How can I focus on these areas?" However, you do have a sign and its ruler on your 2nd house cusp and these images will describe your natural orientation to money matters, as follows.

2nd House Cusp is in Virgo

The Earth Zodiac Sign Virgo is on the cusp of your 2nd House, revealing the qualities and procedures that naturally support your sense of self-esteem and personal worth. Over time the potent and fertile images once associated with the astrological Sign of Virgo have been abandoned; yet from our earliest records this constellation was associated with the richness of the harvest and the value of the land and ecosystem. Virgo was the harvest maiden and many prominent goddesses were identified with the constellation, which has a rich and complex mythology of fertility, cultivation and harvest. It is this rich fertile field that is the landscape of your 2nd House, the territory where resources, money and assets are revealed. Metaphorically your abundant resources need to be cultivated and tended before they can be disseminated. Like the agricultural maiden you might need to honour the process of time and be aware of the order of seasons to know when to reap and when to sow. Virgo appreciates continuity and coherence and this is a valuable concept for you, although one that may fit easily with your personality.

Virgo also suggests that your innate industriousness and analytical skills might be central to your relationship with money. You have an abundance of renewable resources that if tended carefully and respectfully can become profitable. You have a talent for recycling, renewing and making things better; using this image in your work helps is rewarding. The qualities that provide the most satisfaction in your working life may not always be compatible with your personality; therefore it is important to be mindful of which skills need to be brought into the workplace. While you have a vibrant personality and presence, it is your unassuming and focused nature that is rewarded. Ironically it is in the details, the small designs, the subtle links and what has been overlooked by others where you reap rewards.

Virgo on the 2nd House cusp suggests that you need to value your discriminating faculties, analytical skills, self-reliance, containment and orderliness. Ritual and routine are an essential component of helping you feel centred enough to be resourceful. What are the qualities that you feel need to be valued to provide you with a sense of personal security, self-esteem and reward? One of your great assets is your skill at detail and ability to focus your attention on the task. Whether this takes you into the business world, an artisan workshop, a medical clinic or a veterinarian surgery, you will be required to trade on your detailed and analytical skills when earning your living. Vocationally you are suited to making your living in the health and service industries but any area that

provides you with the feeling of improving and developing will be satisfying to you. Whether that is working with animals, crafts or healing medicines you need to feel that you are improving a situation in order to feel valuable. Any of these areas are where investment pays off whether that is a monetary or emotional investment. You feel rich when there is ritual and respect in what you do.

Your insecurity and anxiety may affect your attitudes to money or your earning ability. In other words money is the living symbol that might capture your insecurities. When you start to ruminate about what you do not have or what you do not earn, rather than what you do have and what is possible, you undermine your greatest asset which is your unshakeable knowing that all things are cyclical. The time might not be right now, but it will soon. Like the goddesses that represent the fertile fields of Virgo, you have a range of resources that provide a secure living. Your pleasure is derived from being in tune and in sync with the natural cycles of life. And when you are, you have an abundant harvest. Virgo here reminds you that the harvest is seasonal and that there are cycles in your economic stability.

Since Virgo is on your 2nd House cusp, the opposite Zodiac Sign Pisces rules your 8th House. This House polarity in the horoscope symbolises the difference between mine and ours, or your attitudes and reactions to sharing resources with others. The 2nd House is your bank account, but the 8th is the joint account. With Virgo on the 2nd your relationship to money may be quite methodical and practical staying close to a budget and not over doing the spending. In intimate and business relationships you may find this handy, as you might find others you are involved with are more chaotic and disorganised in their financial concerns. However by entering into sharing your resources with others you find a more fluid and accepting relationship with money. In the confusion and chaos of sharing resources you learn to let it be. Resources are not only materialistic. With this combination value lies in your innate ability to manage your resources and trust that your close and intimate others will be part of your resources fullness even if you do not understand how.

*Ruler of the 2nd House is Mercury
...and Mercury is in the 10th House*

Mercury is the god of the marketplace, so he brings his bag of tricks to the money sphere of your life. Like the Magician in the Tarot, Mercury has a lot of skills at hand but sometimes he also uses sleight of hand, so there is always a cautionary note about clarity and discrimination in your communications about money and finance. Mercury is the god of communication but his communiqués are not always succinct or straightforward. That is up to you. So how best can you participate with Mercury as your ruler of commerce? Ruling your 2nd and in your 10th House Mercury weaves your profession and earning capacity together. Being elevated, the planet calls you towards a vocation with a mercurial flavour such as lecturing, teaching, writing, computing, interpreting, news reporting, advertising or being a journalist, radio announcer, editor, postal worker or in IT or the media. It is not about the literal career, but what lies underneath which is the urge to communicate and express the self. And attached to the 2nd House it suggests that the more you are able to express your ideas, state your opinions, have a say or write your thoughts, money follows. This placement has a strong astrological tradition of being successful in a chosen career so the rest is up to you. Perhaps it might be more about pursuing your career goals rather than worrying about money. Or maybe it is about learning what you most want to do in the world and trusting that money will follow. Because it will. Or you may have to consider that you have two careers: one is your heart's calling, the other is chosen by the head. Since money is intimately linked with what you do in the world, invest in your career first. Do you make life choices based on money or based on what you want to accomplish? In your chart they seem bound up together so best to be honest about why you are making your choices. Do you choose a well paying job because you are anxious about money or it offers you the opportunity to do what you want? Contemplate your motives.

SHARING YOUR INCOME



"Money, it turned out, was exactly like sex, you thought of nothing else if you didn't have it and thought of other things if you did".
James Baldwin, American novelist and social critic

The Eighth House

While the 8th House is the House of sharing, astrologers call this the House of STD: sex, taxes and death. Another version of the key initials STD and this house is "sexually transmitted debt". The 8th House seems to be where love and trust get entangled with money. When the seal of trust is broken the joint finances are too! So it is important to look at this area of the Horoscope to consider how you best deal with money when others are involved. This could mean your family of origin, your intimate partner or business partner, even your bank and financial advisor. The 8th House is opposite the 2nd House and therefore forms the natural polarity between what is mine and what is ours. The 2nd House could be thought of as your personal worth, your cash flow on a daily, weekly, monthly or yearly basis. The 8th House then could be considered your overall worth, the dam or the reservoir of your full value. Its mystique is in the depth of its values.

The ancient astrologers' view of the 8th House was mainly about death and questions concerning loss especially gains from loss, such as inheritances or debts. Death and debts are still linked together in our words such as mortgage and amortise. While the modern usage of amortise is a gradual payment of debt, in earlier usage it was withholding property after death. While mort refers to death, amor refers to love. This is the mysterious 8th House amalgam between death, debt and love. A more contemporary outlook scrutinises the 8th House for the link between intimacy and prosperity as well as the capacity for sharing resources. In an emotional sense the 8th House is about comfort with intimacy and this becomes a barometer of your ability to share money with those you love.

As the House of inheritance, it is the territory where you claim your familial legacy either psychologically, emotionally or financially. Unearthing your ancestral inheritance may not be as straightforward as you would wish, but the astrological nature of your 8th House will help you to reflect on your familial past and the attitudes towards money and love that you have inherited. The 8th House has also been traditionally associated with the landscape of the underworld. This of course is metaphoric of the unseen inheritances and legacies from the past; hence we might imaginatively think of the 8th House as where we could communicate with the dead. This sphere is where we encounter some skeletons in the family closet that might help reclaim our legacy. It is wise to remember that in antiquity the underworld was the source of buried treasure. Regent of the underworld was Pluto, the god of riches; hence the 8th House is also an area in the horoscope of hidden wealth.

Hidden in this house might also be family issues and legacies about money, wills and desires. Lurking in the familial past may be motifs such as emotional manipulation through money, debt, disputes regarding inheritances, the loss of family money or a deep-seated attitude towards financial control. What was the attitude towards debt or borrowing money that you inherited? What were the familial attitudes towards sharing resources? The 8th House is the place where the two sides of the family merge into one. Psychologically the 8th House reveals the capacity for or the lack of familial intimacy and closeness; therefore, planets here will not only describe the family inheritance, but secret alliances and taboos in the family. Interred in the 8th House are the familial gains and losses which are passed down through the generations. These gains and losses might be financial as in monetary bequests and inheritances or a familial story of debt. In many cases the gains and losses are emotionally based. The Zodiac Sign on the cusp of the 8th House is the gateway to this intimate area and as such is important in considering how you access this part of yourself. Ultimately the question is how much do you trust yourself to make the right decision in love and money?

As a barometer of closeness, the 8th House refers to the degree of parental intimacy that was experienced growing up. You observe your parents' trust of one another with money and resources. How were they able to share what they had with one another on and what were the primal patterns that you first felt in terms of sharing emotionally and lovingly? Arguments about money are often never really about money but the sense of feeling unloved, unacknowledged or unmet. The template of how you might share your personal resources with others you love is set down early in the atmosphere of the family and affects your feelings of financial trust in adult life. The attachment, emotional security and parental issues of your early life, yet not resolved, will be prone to being re-experienced in an adult way through intimate relationships. You also 'marry' into or relate to your partner's psychological, emotional and financial composition. The will and testament of those who have passed exert their influence on the emotional well-being of those in the present and issues concerning legacies, will, inheritance, shared resources and family trusts are all part of this terrain. Wills of the 8th House also refer to the will of those who have past and still exert emotional and financial control.

The 8th House is a house of mystery and mastery in being true to your deepest self while participating in the world. It depicts how the currents that flow within the financial world, the economic cycles and seasons influence the money market and you. In the 8th House you can see your ability to tune into subtle energies, and to act with integrity and utilise them for your own and others better good. From the perspective of money the 8th House will help you reflect on your buried treasures, your capacity to share and enjoy the pleasures of life with others, your legacies and inheritances as well as the patterns that either keep you indebted to others or able to be resourceful in relationship. Much of the 8th House is a mystery, a secret even unto yourself but this report helps you try to understand what this compelling place means for you.

Mars is in the 8th House

There is no subtle way of saying this, as Mars is not a subtle planet. You have a strong desire for sex and money and will do just about anything to obtain both. There is a fine line between striving to better yourself financially and being greedy. You need to tread

the line carefully otherwise you may lose things of higher value for the sake of accumulating money. The 8th House is about "exchange" but the planet Mars is more of a taker than a giver, and so exchange is not a natural modus operandi for you unless it is exchanging your services for large amounts of money. The thing is, Mars placed in the 8th House of your birth chart means that joint ventures and finances are likely to play a major role in your life. This can be sharing money and investments with your marriage partner, or it could be ventures with business partners, or both. You have a strong drive for joint enterprise, particularly if it benefits your own goals and ambitions. On the positive side of things, you can enjoy working towards your goals with other people, pooling ideas and resources. You may think it is not your responsibility that joint enterprises don't run smoothly, but frankly you have to study your own motives. The fact is that the more that you can learn to focus on the metaphysical side of life, then the more that you can overcome any materialistic urges and enjoy the pleasures of sharing. With this placement the process of sharing resources needs constant evaluation of your motives. You need to enter each agreement with pure intent, avoid rushing in to anything that involves money or assets, examine contracts carefully, and avoid brushing aside details. You need to take care and act with integrity in all matters that involve savings, investment and joint enterprises. This is also true in connection with joint finances with your spouse. This could be problem area unless you share the same vigorous approach to attaining wealth. Unless you have common values then money is likely to be a hot subject in your marriage. Legacies and wills are also likely to be fraught with difficulties. You may have difficulty trusting someone else to look after your financial matters, but this may provide a solution as long as you have a contract that protects your interests. It's also possible, depending on other influences in your birth chart, that you can benefit financially through joint enterprises that involve good honest hard work.

Uranus is in the 8th House

The planet Uranus is in the 8th House of your birth chart suggesting that sharing resources is a problem when it comes to marriage and business partnerships. This erratic planet can work in your favour with sudden windfalls, but you are better advised to keep your finances independent from others, unless you have other favourable influences. With this placement money and shared assets become an unknown factor in marriages and business partnerships. You may experience sudden losses through marriage and business partnerships. Either you or your partner is unreliable once the money is pooled and the money level keeps going down rather than remaining stable or appreciating. Sometimes you can experience a surprise acquisition, but it is more likely that this planet has an unfavourable effect. Even if you do marry a rich person, win or inherit a large amount of money you have difficulty hanging on to shared resources. Perhaps you are a spendthrift or perhaps you are a philanthropist. This depends on other parts of your chart, but this placement suggests that partnerships are unreliable when it comes to shared resources. The best path is keep your finances separate, to be independent and look after your own financial resources. Although you may be upset by the circumstances surrounding partners and money, your lesson is to detach from material loss or gain. Circumstances are likely to be out of control. All you can control are your own feelings. For instance a favourite Aunt or Uncle may bequeath money and gifts to others in your family circle and you miss out. This can be upsetting, but you need to remind yourself that an unknown factor is at play. You need to adapt quickly to such circumstances. This you will quickly see the bigger picture. Life is easier once you accept that you're unlikely to benefit from partnerships and legacies, unless there are other positive aspects in your chart. Look to other planets in this house and the section that outlines the ruler of this 8th House to see if the positive or negative influences are stronger. Sooner or later you are likely to seek answers to your questions, but your questions need to be of a metaphysical nature rather than a material one. The world's resources, Mother Nature's cycles, the cycles of the stock market and their link to other universal cycles, the cycle of life and death etc. All of these can hold a certain fascination. Once you are free from material concerns then you are liberated to seek a more metaphysical path. This is why your material world is so unpredictable. Your soul is urging you to be free of material constraints and seek a meaningful path.

Mars is in the 8th House ...and Mars is Trine Saturn

When Mars is combining with the serious planet Saturn you need a cause, calling, or lifelong project that gives you meaning and purpose. Your ability to connect with other people and their resources are likely to be hampered early in life, but the more that you apply yourself to any given task then the more success that you are likely to experience. If you endure hardship early in life then do not despair. This is your opportunity to share your experience in a way that benefits others. As a result you are likely to become a wise and respected elder. When you have this combination of planets then you need to start your investment portfolio early in life. A savings account that slowly matures is a good investment. Perhaps one of your older relatives started such an account for you. You are likely to be cautious when it comes to sharing your money with other people, and others are likely to be equally reserved when it comes to giving to you. For this reason you are more likely to succeed on the road to riches if you are conservative, hard-working and prudent. Others may win lotteries, receive inheritances or marry someone rich, but you need to avoid debt and rely on your own resources and careful planning.

Mars is in the 8th House ...and Mars is Conjunct Uranus

The planet Uranus lends an air of unpredictability when it comes to shared resources. Your financial portfolio needs to be broad and varied because disruptions can occur. The old adage about "not having all of your eggs in one basket" could prove a beneficial one for you. This is because you are likely to be affected by sudden changes in the financial market, in any partner's material status and in business. In fact any change in your own life can spark ups and downs in your fiscal matters. These unexpected changes in fortune can work both ways. You could lose a lot of money through a business deal, or even a marital relationship. On the other hand you could also receive a sudden windfall. When it comes to investments in people, institutions and the economy you need to trust your intuition. Anything rash is likely to backfire. You can take calculated risks that pay off, but you are unlikely to benefit from a lack of preparation. For these reasons you need to employ a stable financial adviser, a conservative tax consultant and a flexible bank manager. You also need to avoid charismatic businessmen and forming a marital relationship based on sexual attraction alone. During the course of your life something or someone may spark an interest in the deeper issues in life. For instance the metaphysical side of life may appeal to you. Your inventive nature and ability to explore new horizons could bring rich rewards. Human rights, technology, psychology, and the laws of nature could spark your passion and prove emotionally and financially rewarding.

8th House Cusp is in Pisces

Watery Pisces is on the cusp of your 8th House; this Sign points out that boundaries and structures might be important when approaching the area of shared finances since Pisces is synonymous with boundlessness and enmeshment. Perhaps on one level this might speak to infinite possibilities when emerged with others in the financial sphere; however since there are limits and ends to other's resources, it is wise to be aware of these. Since Virgo is on the 2nd house cusp you may have already developed an innate instinct for ordering your finances, applying budgetary measures and setting monetary targets. However, what happens when you fall in love or enter into a business arrangement: are you as capable of managing the shared pool of resources.

You may already be a fairly self-reliant individual and in terms of relationship you might also be independent and separate. However, when you become emotionally engaged, this might change and you may be susceptible to sacrificing what may be deeply important to you in the longing for union. This is an important point to consider when financial interests mesh with others; how discriminating have you been? While your partners may have also presented as fairly independent and original individuals, in terms of their financial acumen they may be quite chaotic. Therefore its best to be discerning and thorough in any financial dealings with others, especially intimate others. But when you have developed that sense of security and trust with someone then there are many creative and endless ways to profit from the relationship.

You have not arrived at a deep and intimate relationship without a past. Depending on where you are in your life experience, this history may already include complicated feelings of being taken advantage of by an intimate other or close friend. How has this affected your ability to trust? Certainly what you bring to a close relationship is your compassion, intuition and kind-heartedness and this will not change. But what can change is how you consciously decide who is worthy of this exchange. With the right partner, either emotionally or professionally, you are able to wave a magic wand over the area of finances to make some of your dreams come true, metaphorically speaking. You need to have that sense of emotional equality and trust to be able to insure that you can give your self to the relationship.

In terms of your family's financial history there may have been chaos and disorder when it came to wills and inheritances. Therefore it is important for you to be aware of your own legacy and will. For someone who feels the need to be ordered in your business world, destiny brings others into your life, including family, who may be monetarily muddled or financially chaotic. Therefore entering into a close agreement or contract could enmesh you in their financial problems. It is this that you may need to steer clear of or at least be aware of how to best proceed. And you are able to do this through a conscious attempt to have boundaries and agreements. When it comes to financial engagements with others, it is important to have an analytical and systematic approach to the world of finance.

When you are secured through appropriate boundaries then you can bring a high degree of creativity and imagination to the world of finances, especially in partnerships. You can see possibilities and potential in projects that together are able to amass capital. One of your best investments is in your imagination and creativity. You are deeply fulfilled when you are able to share your creativity and spirituality with another; it is this deep sense of connection that will also support you.

Therefore the secret to monetary success that lies in this sector is to invest with others in your creativity and imagination as long as you have insured that your partners authentically are able to be equal, trustworthy and accountable.

Ruler of the 8th House is Jupiter ...and Jupiter is in the 7th House

Jupiter is generally considered to be a beneficial planet casting positive rays in the areas that it affects, in this case your 8th House of other people's resources. Therefore Jupiter is a mitigating factor when it comes to your investments and ability to attract riches. While you have an ability to utilise other people's resources and manifest the wealth that you desire, you are also beckoned to stand on your own two feet when it comes to finances. You are able to achieve your financial goals, and benefit from your investments as long as you approach your finances sensibly. Deals and offers that look "too good to be true" probably are. At some stage in your life you may be tempted to spend your savings on an adventure, exploring foreign lands, a new career, or a spiritual quest. Your ability to recover financial from this search for meaning depends on other factors in your birth chart. This placement of the planet Jupiter can also indicate a generous nature. You need to make sure that you are not giving more than you are receiving, particularly when it comes to your primary relationship. Your luck is generally good but a lack of caution could also lead to responsibility for your own and your partner's debts. Nevertheless this placement does suggest that you are lucky when it comes to sharing in joint ventures. This is particularly true when Jupiter is placed in the 7th House of marriages, contracts and treaties. Your alliances with others can create great wealth. In fact you may not enjoy working alone on your financial portfolio. If you marry you are likely to want joint finances and assets, because this gives you pleasure and you know that together you can accumulate great wealth. Both you and your spouse prosper. This placement can also suggest an enjoyment of business partnerships, favourable contracts with other people and the ability to attract positive advisors. Put simply you could marry someone wealthy. Occasionally you need to be wary of a partner who promises more than she or he can deliver, but on the whole this is a positive placement.

YOUR FORTUNE



"I have always believed, and I still believe, that whatever good or bad fortune may come our way we can always give it meaning and transform it into something of value."

Hermann Hesse, Novelist, Poet and Painter

The Part of Fortune

Fortune has come to mean money and wealth; yet in the ancient world it referred to chance or luck. Both are interconnected. In your Horoscope you will have a "Part of Fortune" an astrological point which suggests some clues about your quality and share of fortune be that chance or capital. One of astrology's first authorities Ptolemy suggested that the Part of Fortune was primary to the circumstances that regulate the 'fortune of wealth'.

The Part of Fortune is constructed from the three highly significant positions of the Sun, Moon and Ascendant that were discussed in the first section. In this section all three are merging to create an astrological image connected to our personal fortune. This report uses the formula dependent on whether you are born at night or if you were born during the day when the Sun was above the horizon. The Part of Fortune is an amalgam of body, soul and spirit. The Ascendant represents the physical environment and your levels of vitality, it is a primary gauge for well-being both in terms of health and wealth. Your Sun represents vital force, the spirit of health and heart, while your Moon symbolises the emotional and soulful aspects of being secure in the world. Since the alchemy of all three create the Part of Fortune, it came to be seen as an image of well being, connection, security and being well-placed in the world. This was considered to be prosperity; an ability to be supported by the world and access its abundant resources.

The Part of Fortune is also known as the Lot of Fortune. In ancient Greece, the concept for fate suggested a lot, a portion or what we were allotted in the lottery of life. The Greek word for fate was 'moira' and the Moirai were the three weavers of fate; those who measured, allocated and cut the threads of one's life. With this lot, the ancient astrologers recognised that the tapestry created by weaving the three threads of the Sun, Moon and Ascendant together would be fortunate. To the Romans, Fortuna was chance and she spun the Wheel of Fortune. This wheel reminds us not only of the wheel of the zodiac, but the natural cycles and rhythms of life. Fortune is not static but cyclical by nature; hence the Part of Fortune becomes a powerful symbol in your chart that points to your lot on the wheel of fortune. In a contemporary way the placement of the Part of Fortune is where you honour and petition the goddess of chance and acknowledge your share of fortune.

As an ancient symbol in a contemporary context its placement in the Horoscope measures prosperity or where you align with the seed potential of your fortune. Its sign position will help you amplify innate qualities that are destined at times to be prosperous, while its house position will locate the setting to focus on to increase your chances in the lottery of life.

The Part of Fortune is in Aries

With the Part of Fortune in Aries, your best chance in any sweepstake is when you act spontaneously and go down that independent route. That hunch that you feel strongly about, that snippet of a dream image that keeps hounding you or the feeling in your bones might be Fortuna pushing you forward into action. When the winds of change blow, you want to make sure the sail is set in the direction you want to take, not the one that you are pressured into taking because of duty or fear. In the larger lottery of life you might recognise that you are fortunate when you take a chance on starting something new, as destiny is found in the passion of the act and the will to push yourself past the fear and concern. You increase your chances of success with courage and you open up the doors to your destiny with your passion and will.

Fortune seems to challenge you and when you respond she does too. Entrepreneurial ventures, pioneering projects and adventuresome assignments are where you find the prosperity of Fortuna. You find the strength when you recognise that you need to be a warrior to chase the dream. Challenges are always there but then so is fortune and they go together in your case. Fortune is never fixed and it is in the currency of the situation, the energy of facing the trials and with the nerve to keep moving and changing that you find the winning ticket. You might have to keep spinning the Wheel of Fortune but that's better than it being stuck or brought to a standstill. Your lot of fortune is embraced by your initiative and daring.

The Part of Fortune is in the 9th House

Your Part of Fortune is placed in the 9th House of your Birth Chart indicating that your quest for meaning will be enriching and rewarding. Fortune is gained in the escapades of life; it is through life-changing travels, inspiring guides or educative adventures that you find the riches of life. While they may not be bankable or saleable, they are soulful. It is in the soulfulness of life where you find your wealth. While you may not find value in conventional religion you can be prosperous through your spirituality. You understand the well-quoted passage from Mark 8:36: *"What does it profit a man to gain the whole world yet lose his soul?"* You profit through exploring both the outer and the inner worlds, journeying through foreign landscapes as well as psychic ones. Fortune comes with extending your opinions, widening your horizons and tolerating differences.

Prosperity is embedded in your beliefs; hence the more restrictive and prejudicial these are, the poorer you feel. Therefore your fortune lies in open-minded philosophies and attitudes. On a literal level this suggests that you do well with ground-breaking projects, foreign development, cross-cultural assignments or any vocations that endeavour to reach beyond familiar boundaries and entrenched traditions. But your most fortunate asset is that you believe in the possibility and are willing to pursue your ideals and dreams. You are disheartened by negativity and buoyed by positive affirmations of what is possible. Therefore it is wise to invest in your own vision and potential through embracing a philosophy of success and adopting an imaginative mandate.

CONCLUSION



"Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago"
Warren Buffett, American Business Magnate

Once upon a time, monks entering religious service were required to take a vow of poverty. Even though the Church was far from impoverished, this vow was designed to turn the initiate's gaze away from the acquisition of possessions to participation in a communal and spiritual life. Christian teaching suggested it was easier for a camel to squeeze through the eye of a needle than a moneyed man to get into heaven. From this religious viewpoint it was believed that money corrupts and detracts from salvation. Infatuation with riches was considered diametrically opposed to the religious impulse. In the Christian era, the marketplace and the church were seen to be at odds with one another. These beliefs seem to be a long time ago. Or are they?

As mentioned the root of money takes us back to the Roman goddess Juno Moneta, who has helped us reflect on our relationship with money. As the protector of funds Moneta came to be associated with Juno through the following legend. When the Roman army was faltering, out of resources and demoralized, they prayed to Juno for guidance. The goddess advised them that if their cause was just and they fought for what they believed in, then money would be forthcoming. With a reinvigorated spirit the soldiers continued their battle and money and resources arrived from Rome. From this point forward money was minted in the temple of Juno Moneta as a reminder that when there was genuine need and realistic values, then money would follow. From the earliest times money has been associated with the divine, a symbol of the goddess' fortune.

Moneta was also the Latin name for Mnemosyne, the goddess of Memory and the mother of the Muses. Moneta was also said to remind us, at times warn us, of our relationship with money. Therefore Moneta re-minds us that money is not just a literal matter but connected to the emotional and soulful realm of human experience, the sphere where astrology can be so revealing. Embedded in your Horoscope is an instinctual approach to your values and money. Understanding your own astrological relationship to money can help you be more aware of personal values and your unique approach to money matters. In turn this then helps you learn how to make the most of the money you earn and maximize your prosperity.