

# Child\*Star

Astrological Report for  
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<b>The Astrological Chart</b>
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<u>Planet</u>	<u>Sign</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>House</u>	<u>House Cusps</u>
Sun	Scorpio	21°Sc49'	10th	01 03°Aq09'
Moon	Cancer	18°Ca46'	06th	02 15°Pi13'
Mercury	Scorpio	02°Sc38'	09th	03 22°Ar39'
Venus	Scorpio	22°Sc45' R	10th	04 21°Ta24'
Mars	Aquarius	16°Aq15'	01st	05 14°Ge56'
Jupiter	Cancer	29°Ca56'	06th	06 07°Ca18'
Saturn	Scorpio	13°Sc15'	09th	07 03°Le09'
Uranus	Cancer	27°Ca39' R	06th	08 15°Vi13'
Neptune	Libra	26°Li45'	09th	09 22°Li39'
Pluto	Leo	26°Le45'	07th	10 21°Sc24'
Midheaven	Scorpio	21°Sc24'		11 14°Sg56'
Ascendant	Aquarius	03°Aq09'		12 07°Cp18'

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<b>Introduction</b>
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**I. CHILD\*STAR!!**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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### The Rising Sign

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

The Aquarius Rising child tends to gravitate toward groups. Very social, she communicates best when in a group or when working toward some very worthwhile goal. Idealism is apparent to all who come to know her. An unconventional, rebellious streak may characterize her. Teach your Aquarius Rising child, through story, history, film and experience, the consequences of free will, and the responsibility that accompanies independence. She may need to cultivate patience towards friends who may not match her own quick perception. Your child needs to learn tolerance for the ideas and ways of others if she is to express the virtue of this progressive sign: fraternity. She could feel (or others could perceive her as) somehow different. Perhaps she is ahead of her time! (Saturn and Uranus by house and sign position are especially significant with this placement, and will reveal much concerning the child's future goals and aspirations.)

*Aquarius Rising*

## Planet Aspects

### The Lights: The Sun and Moon

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

### The Sun: Your Self and Future

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

### Sun in Scorpio

Scorpio is a Water sign on the feeling cross. Its symbols are the Scorpion, the Phoenix and the Eagle. Water sign children are typically sensitive, responsive, considerate and kind. Your Scorpio child needs to feel secure, in control of her environment. She is extremely sensitive, picking up on other people's feelings and hidden motivations. The Scorpio child is so sensitive that occasionally she may withdraw, perceiving that an adult is capable of physically or emotionally hurting her.

Scorpio is a powerful sign and Scorpio children respect power as rules, laid down and CONSISTENTLY applied with love. Your child has the inner strength to say "No!" and to go without, if need be, but desire can be very strong in this sign. She needs to have a clear idea of right and wrong from babyhood. She needs to develop good habits concerning belongings, money and the balance between material and spiritual things (And that, of course, means good examples at home!). She may need encouragement to be willing to share.

Scorpio is ruled by Mars and Scorpio children can become intensely angry or manipulative when they don't get their way. Scorpio energy is dynamically creative. Search for areas of interest--science, music, sports--for your child to channel her great creative potential! Intense and sometimes driven, she's able to cut through to the heart of things. Teach her to avoid extremes, and to seek the middle way.

Scorpios experience life on a deep, emotional level. Your child may be moody. Like other children of the water signs, Scorpio children are soothed by music. Many have musical talent. Give your Scorpio child something to do – coloring, planting, a project – and give her time alone to delve, discover and create!

Scorpio children tend to be loners in some way. Scorpios are adept at masking their true feelings, so its important that you establish trust with your child, and keep the avenues of communication open. Your child may have a love of strategy, puzzles, mazes, chess and checkers, science-fiction and mystery stories. Chemistry sets, microscopes, nature walks and research are all up the Scorpio alley.

In Scorpio, the cruel sting of the Scorpion (selfishness, cruelty, over self-concern) is transformed (Phoenix) into the free and noble eagle (I serve, I heal, I share). Scorpios seeks permanent change. Little Scorpios learn about themselves by studying cocoons, crystal formations and other natural phenomena that show the phases of transformation and metamorphism.

### **Moon Trine Sun**

Considered by itself, this trine between the Lights indicates a balanced personality, one in which will (Sun) and feeling (Moon) work together harmoniously. Unless either the Sun or Moon receive hard afflictions, it is probable that your child is popular among her friends and content among her kin. The Sun-Moon trine infuses the chart with vitality and often indicates physical strength and/or a healthy constitution at birth. Children with this aspect typically get along well with friends of both sexes.

### **Sun Conjunction Venus**

Your child is gracious, expressive, warm and affectionate. She radiates love and others are drawn to her. This combination attracts friends and indicates popularity. Your child may gravitate toward authority figures. She probably attracts friends who are older, or dignified in some way. Your child may enjoy a close relationship to her father. She may be artistically gifted, or grow to appreciate theater and the arts (if you give her the opportunity to develop along these lines). Your child may be magnetic, robust and yet quite refined in manner. She may have a sweet tooth.

### **Sun Square Mars**

Others may sense in your child the presence of much energy. She may tend to have trouble just relaxing but she works well with creative tension. This aggressiveness could lead to undue competition and a tendency to get into scrapes. On the positive end, your child could impress you by her determined striving. She probably enjoys contests and will learn by pitting her physical or mental strength against others. She could be willful, stubborn, impulsive, too daring for her own good. If she learns to control her temper, she could be a dynamo! Some children with this aspect have a noticeably short fuse. Others hold anger in, but people pick up on the energy and so they end up in disputes. Teach your child respect for others and find ways for her to channel her energy into accomplishments; sports or creative projects demanding physical or mental stamina might fit the bill! Help her avoid the frustration so characteristic of this aspect by teaching her patience and planning.

Children with the Sun (ego, "I AM") and Mars (action through desire) forming a challenging square often tend to approach life from a "me" stance and therefore can be overly touchy or defensive. Astrologer Betty Lundsted suggests that this aspect sometimes indicates growing up in a difficult social environment; for example, where there is racial prejudice or religious bigotry. Your child likely is a hard worker but may need to learn when to stop. She may shine in pioneer or leadership roles. This aspect sometimes indicates an executive type or a career in police work, the military, firefighting, professional sports, dance, medicine or physical therapy.

### **Sun Trine Jupiter**

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

### **Sun Conjunction Saturn**

This placement confers a real love of science and natural laws. Your child may be a tireless worker with absolute determination and the ability to carry great projects through to completion. Always the protector to those she comes to know, your child likely is loyal to friends and will tend to have long and secure relationships. She is willing to take on more than her share of responsibility. Let her know you appreciate her help, but make sure she has time for play as well! Some children born with this aspect have to overcome some sort of handicap; perhaps a difficult social, physical or family situation. Later, the acquired self-discipline and striving can lead them to the top. Your child seeks your approval and support; be careful not to be unduly harsh or critical of her. There may be benefit, obligations, or potentially conflict with authority figures or with the father (or dominant parent).

### **Sun Trine Uranus**

Positive Sun-Uranus aspects often indicate leadership potential. Your child may be very magnetic, others being drawn to her. She is not afraid to be different, and may indeed be a "trendsetter." Later in life she is likely to be interested in some kind of social or political reform.

Children with this aspect typically love whatever is new or unusual, and breakthrough flashes of original insight are typical. Your child is likely to be creative with a natural love for inventions, electronics, computer science and the like. Your child will appreciate independence and originality in others, especially in a friend, and may tend to have novel companions who are very likely male. Your child is apt to have an inventive mind but could lose interest at school if the subject matter isn't stimulating. Problems at school could arise because she may somehow not fit in with the prescribed way of doing things. Your child likes to keep things spontaneous, and she probably keeps you hopping! Nevertheless, you'd do well to train her to finish what she begins and to look before she leaps! Sometimes Sun-Uranus aspects describe the father as being radical, eccentric, highly individualistic or somehow unusual. Note: if Saturn is well aspected, your child is more apt to have her feet on the ground!

### **Sun Square Pluto**

This is an aspect of confrontation. The child has lessons to learn in cooperating and dealing harmoniously with others. Perhaps she feels threatened and shy, or perhaps she tends to be demanding of loved ones. She could tend toward explosions and could have strong disagreements with authority figures. Some children with this aspect express themselves in such a forceful manner that others feel taken aback! Avoid threatening, coercing or putting down this child. The better she feels about herself, the greater chance she will have of mastering this aspect! When channeled constructively, this aspect can lead to profound self-awareness and leadership potential.

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

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

### **Moon in Cancer**

Cancer is a Water sign on the action cross. Its symbol is The Crab. Children with the Moon in Cancer seek to nurture and be nurtured. Your child would probably enjoy caring for younger children, pets, and plants. Your child is exceptionally sensitive, picking up easily on the mood and feelings of others. This is a good placement for service-oriented careers; counseling, nursing, restaurants.

Your child is probably quite emotional, and has a natural sense of that which pleases, but may swing from the heights to the depths in a single day (or hour!). Learning to hold her

harmony may be a lifelong endeavor! Moon in Cancer children thrive when taught self-discipline tempered with much love. The reinforcement of positive habits in daily life like good eating habits, keeping their rooms in order, waking up on time help them learn control of their inner feeling world as well. Cancer can be overly protective (or protected), but are generally good at parenting and creating a home.

Your child needs to feel bonded to the family, and especially to the mother, but you should balance caring with independence lest she be afraid to let go of Mama's apron strings! Encourage self-reliance and teach her, when appropriate, to make her own decisions. Cancers are known for good memories. She is apt to respond more to feelings than to logic and reason. Keep communication open, but discourage whining and emotional manipulation.

Children with their Moon (emotions) in this sensitive sign often have to overcome fear, perhaps of abandonment or of condemnation. Procrastination and/or indecisiveness could be a symptom of fear or self-indulgence. If afflicted, the mother could be perceived as emotionally unstable or could be too indulgent or protective. Patterns established during childhood influence the Moon in Cancer child for life.

### **Moon Trine Sun**

Spirit and matter, mother and father, mind and emotion are in harmony, which is a blessing and an indication of a healthy personality! Usually this aspect indicates harmony between the parents or that the child has a good rapport with both, providing her with a strong foundation for successful adult relationships. Typically, these children work well with authorities: parents, teachers, other adults. Life may not always be a bed of roses for any of us, but with this positive Sun-Moon contact, your child will likely always find the resources she requires at hand plus the necessary instruction as to how to use them. Your child is apt to be sociable and likable. She likely feels at home with people of all ages. A love of pets and animals, children, older people, and the needy and downtrodden in general, is likely to be a lifelong trait.

### **Moon Trine Venus**

People are just naturally attracted to this child, perhaps because they sense that she really cares for them, too. This aspect often indicates popularity; many friends and lots of relationships. Your child might be artistic or attracted to artistic types. She could be conscious of the way she looks and probably likes nice clothes. This aspect is favorable for feminine industries: fashion, beauty, style, etc., and any work involving plenty of contact with the public.

### **Moon Trine Saturn**

The child born with this aspect is usually loyal and dependable. She probably doesn't enter nor drop relationships lightly and may be a tad shy. This aspect lends stability to the chart. Your child may seem mature for her age.

### **Moon Conjunction Uranus**

Your child may have a knack for taking an ordinary event and turning it into something brand new, really special! She is likely to be mentally alert and curious about just about everything! Others are attracted to her magnetic personality and she is more likely than not, rarely alone. She may have a somewhat unusual upbringing, and later will likely attract a partner

who is independent and also a bit unusual. If the mother is inconsistent in moods, rules or behavior, the child with this aspect could easily become confused. She needs to know she can rely on her. This aspect confers a certain love of adventure. Your child could become bored easily with hum-drum normal routines! One thing is for sure, with this child there's never a dull moment!

### **Moon Square Neptune**

The child born with this Moon-Neptune aspect needs to sort out the real from the unreal. The line between fact and fantasy may not be apparent. Your child may need your help bringing things into focus without shattering her gentle dream world. She may tend to over-react, because she takes things very personally. There could be some rather harsh realities connected to her upbringing and if so, the child could retreat within her imagination to cope. This child might be very imaginative and artistic but needs to learn to look at life objectively. Search for ways to develop your child's creativity. Teach her to maintain order in the environment.

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

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

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

Mercury represents thoughts, ideas, and the mental process in general. Communications – by phone, letter, spoken, or however – are ruled by Mercury. Also thoughts, connections, phone wires, and everything that connects and conveys – even forms of transportation. In the child's chart, Mercury describes the myriad aspects of schooling – teachers, study habits, homework, learning skills, concentration (or lack of it). Your child's relationship with brothers and sisters are indicated by Mercury as well. The way your child thinks, receives, shares and transmits information and knowledge will be revealed by studying the position of Mercury in her chart. Mercury relates to hands, fine motor abilities, and to handwriting and drafting skills. Mercury by sign and element tells us how the child studies and what she likes to study, and how we (her parents and teachers) can help her gain greater academic expertise. Children with Mercury in Fire signs think and talk simultaneously and are spontaneous. They enjoy games that make learning fun! Children with Mercury in Air Signs can chatter away and still keep going! Words can come alive for them and they enjoy listening to (or creating) colorful tales and stories. Communication is their thing. They may have to work at being listeners, however! Children with Mercury in Water signs may need help thinking clearly since emotion runs into thoughts. These children like profound subject matter. Children with Mercury in Earth signs generally have a good measure of common sense. Hands on training suits them best.

### **Mercury in Scorpio**

Scorpio is a Water sign on the feeling cross. Its symbols are The Scorpion, The Phoenix and

The Eagle. Here we have the original Sherlock Holmes, a born detective! Your child may be deft at ferreting out information and all kinds of secrets. She is good at keeping secrets, too, and may not necessarily let you know what she really is thinking. Establish trust from the start. She likely is research-oriented and security minded, and may possess a natural love for science. As she matures, give her the training and tools and time alone to work on projects and come up with her own conclusions. You may find that your child has a shrewd and penetrating mind. She could surprise you with uncanny psychological insights and her knack for getting at the causes beneath the surface of life. Mysteries and puzzles appeal to her. The Mercury in Scorpio child can show great mental determination. Negatively, she could be manipulative and stubborn when she doesn't get her way! The sting of the scorpion can hurt! Discourage sarcasm in your household. Teach your child to be kind in thought and speech. You might want to teach her the psalm of David: "Let the meditation of my heart and the words of my mouth be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord."

### **Mercury Square Jupiter**

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

### **Mercury Square Uranus**

Brilliance or eccentricity? Children with this aspect may be very original thinkers! Nevertheless, they usually require instruction in follow-up and consistency in their work. This child's natural tendency could be to change her mind in the middle of a project and go rushing off in some new direction. Guide your child in finding practical uses for her plentiful insights.

### **Mercury Conjunction Neptune**

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

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

Venus rules our values and sense of appreciation. When we appraise or appreciate something, whether that be another person or a new car, this is Venus – the sense of love and compassion we may feel. Venus in the child's chart shows us what kinds of things our child appreciates, her innate sense of beauty (which can be developed), the manner in which she interacts with her friends and with adults, and how she shows love. Children with Venus in ardent Leo, for example, are demonstrative and fun-loving. They tend to shine and love bright, colorful things. Venus in Scorpio children, on the other hand, may be shy but exceptionally kind

and thoughtful. These children may want Mom all to themselves! The Venus in Libra child is a social butterfly and loves beauty in her clothes and bedroom. Venus in Taurus loves beautiful things, pretty rocks and later precious stones. She may be a gourmet. She may need help learning to share what she sees as prized possessions. A study of Venus by sign, house and aspect also reveals something about your child's taste in food, eating habits, care of possessions and attitude toward money and belongings.

### **Venus in Scorpio**

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

### **Sun Conjunction Venus**

Your child has a basic self-esteem that is plain to all who meet her. Your child is sociable and she displays a sense of beauty in her appearance and environment. Your child may be gracious in manner or artistically talented. (Look up the house position and sign of the Sun and Venus to get a clearer idea of how this combination will play out) If free of major afflictions, your child is happy and tends to uplift others. Because of her pleasing manner, your child gets along well with peers and with elders. Sometimes, self-indulgence and a sweet tooth need to be curbed with this combination. Your child may be physically attractive, or concerned with the way she looks. A favorable placement for teachers, personnel consultants, interior decorators, artists, beauticians and anyone working with beauty and people.

### **Moon Trine Venus**

Your child is loving and kind. She is a natural arbitrator, tending to see the best in people. Your child has a natural appreciation for the past, personal as well as world history – all that is traditional. She finds it easy to work with music, color, fabric, and the arts – whatever is beautiful and genial. She would make a superb decorator of homes and, in general, all kinds of environments. Very likely, your child has some measure of musical or artistic talent. Many performers have this aspect.

### **Venus Square Mars**

This challenging aspect indicates potential conflict in relationships. The child needs to learn to cooperate and get along harmoniously with others. The negative manifestation could range from shyness and excessive prudence to a tendency to splurge and be headstrong in relationships. The child could be highly sensitive, and therefore easily hurt or perhaps emotionally volatile. A healthy relationship with the parent of the opposite sex will help the child attract more positive

relationships in adulthood. The child needs to be taught sound values regarding sex and money. Some children born with this aspect are very physical: they want instant gratification. Learning to delay gratification (when necessary) builds character. As your child grows in self-discipline, she should have healthy relationships and so avert getting into trouble with the opposite sex, particularly during the teenage years.

### **Venus Trine Jupiter**

Even in a more serious chart, this aspect lends a touch of generosity and joy. It is considered a fortunate aspect: good things tend to come your child's way. One day she could end up with a lot of money, property – possessions of all kinds. She is likely to be generous and warm by nature, and probably gives as much as she gets. There could be a love of travel and exploration; of art, culture and religion. Unless strongly counter-indicated, children with this aspect tend to get along well with their elders. The negative manifestation of this aspect is a tendency to be wasteful, extravagant, self-indulgent. Without self-discipline in diet, individuals with this aspect tend to put on weight. The child may have a sweet tooth. Encourage her but teach her restraint!

### **Venus Trine Uranus**

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

### **Venus Square Pluto**

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

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

The major planets outside the Earth's orbit (external to us) are Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn. These are the planets describing the outer world and circumstances surrounding the child, the status, well-being and conditions she is born into and what urges her on to greater achievements

as she grows. Mars will tune you in to what motivates your child and the way she approaches life. Jupiter shows us how she is most apt to channel that energy, and Saturn decrees what sort of obstacles will confront her on the road to success. Again: Saturn tells us about the territory we will be going through, Jupiter the way or path through it, and Mars what kind of push or drive we can count on to keep going.

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

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

### **Mars in Aquarius**

Aquarius is an Air sign on the feeling cross. Its symbol is The Water bearer. The Mars in Aquarius child has an inner drive to be free! She seeks to free the world as well as herself and is a born reformer. Perhaps your child will have a chance to get involved with student government or community issues. She has an inborn sense of uniqueness. Sometimes, the lesson to be learned is when (and how) to surrender the way she wants to do it, for the good of the group! Your child may need extra room (and a room to herself) to think, invent, and create! Independence may be her favorite word. Teach your child the positive and negative consequences of free will. Teach her to be free, but never a law unto herself.

Friendships mean a lot to the Mars in Aquarius child. She seeks friends with whom she can share her beliefs and ideas. Her friends might be an unusual lot or she might be a leader, someone unique and different from the crowd. Even though she can be surrounded by pals, she is usually somewhat of a loner. If Mars is afflicted, trouble could come from friends at one time or another in her life.

Children with this placement tend to be highly individualistic and may resist accepting instructions from adult authorities. They want to be free, to do it "my way!" Carried to an extreme, this attitude could manifest as rebellion and stubbornness and a tendency to buck the system. Teach your child to abide by the rules (but you might want to lend an ear to her reasons for wanting to change them)!

You may find your child captivated by planes and flying. The world of electronics and all manner of gadgetry and electronic devices could delight her for hours at a time! When she grows up, your child could be attracted to aviation or space travel, psychotherapy, computers and electronics, astrology, radio or television, and/or university studies.

### **Sun Square Mars**

Children with this challenging aspect often have tremendous drive and energy, but tend to become flustered or angry when they come against obstacles on the way. If the Sun and Mars are in mutable signs, the child could waste much energy in reaching the goal. You will need to teach her to focus her energy. She likely will need your help in beginning or directing her steps in projects she takes on. If the Sun and Mars are in Cardinal signs, she could be impulsive. Perhaps she works against the way things are: challenging authorities or the status quo and then resenting the rules thrown upon her as a result! Her drive and passions could put her at odds with authority figures time and again. Regardless of the signs involved, this tendency towards clashes and emotional confrontation does exist, and at these times could be her own worst enemy. Your job is to teach her "to possess her soul in patience." If Mars has afflictions in her chart as well, this might be a major challenge! Once she learns to control her temper, the creative tension of this square could spur her to great heights (Beethoven had it)!

### **Venus Square Mars**

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

### **Mars Square Saturn**

With this aspect, the planet of action and that of restraint are at odds; this could result in frustration, difficulty getting started, a demanding or otherwise negative attitude toward authorities. This is often the result of a difficult relationship with the father. If the father is oppressive, emotionally cold, or absent, the child could hold in her anger and hurt. The child with this aspect needs emotional support and approval from the father. Help your child master these powerful energies by giving her many opportunities to make choices. Provide her with encouragement, support and healthy outlets for her (perhaps suppressed) anger.

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

The Hindu word for Jupiter is Guru. Jupiter is the guru and guide, the way we go through life, our life path and personal philosophy. Our first teachers and guides are usually our parents. Then there are our school teachers, ministers, and other significant adults who enter our life and guide us. Jupiter is the body of knowledge and wisdom made available to us, our method for dealing with the laws of life, our Saturn, or limitations. Saturn represents the father, structure, rules of behavior and social norms we must learn to abide by. Jupiter is the light or path. Jupiter rules religion, philosophy, culture, travel, history; how we expand our horizons, our philosophy of life. It has always been an indicator of how successful we may be, our vocation. In the child's chart, we look to Jupiter for clues as to how our child seeks to know more about life, what appeals to her, and where she may need to pull in the reins and balance exploration (Jupiter) with greater discipline (Saturn). A child with Jupiter in the 1st house in Aries, for example, will jump

to the occasion for a trip, an experience to broaden her horizons and self-understanding but will need to find the balance between opportunities for growth and responsibilities (Saturn).

### **Jupiter in Cancer**

Jupiter is said to be exalted in Cancer. If free of major affliction, Jupiter in Cancer usually points to a happy home environment. Generally, the mother is sincerely interested in the child's welfare and takes the time to instill in the child right religious and moral values. The family may be well educated. The philosophy of life established in childhood may be carried into adult life. As an adult, your child's home may be a center of educational, philosophical and religious activities.

Cancer relates to the home and to the stomach. Your child may enjoy cooking almost as much as she likes eating! But her eye may be bigger than her stomach! Or her tendency might be to eat what looks good rather than what is necessarily good for her. Therefore, it's important to teach her sensible eating habits from early childhood. A career in big business is possible for your child later on, for she likes broad, secure foundations. This placement also favors careers in real estate, farming, food production, schooling and home appliances.

The child with Jupiter in Cancer tends to be supportive and nurturing toward family and friends. Generally, children with their opportunity planet in the sign of mother like to help out at home. Your child's sense of family could embrace the community. As an adult, she could take an active role in community affairs.

### **Sun Trine Jupiter**

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

### **Mercury Square Jupiter**

Especially if Mercury and Jupiter are in Gemini, Sagittarius or Pisces, your child will probably need to learn to focus on one task at a time. Pulling in the reins of the mind is the challenge of this square. Common sense may not come naturally and may need to be acquired. Success at school (and later in her career) may depend on her ability to be patient, to take one step at a time and to complete assignments. Your child may love to learn and may be full of questions and curiosity but does she finish what she begins and does she tend to be impatient with routine? Good study habits and organizational skills need to be instilled at an early age.

### **Venus Trine Jupiter**

Here we have the mark of a happy, affectionate child. Your child may have an innate love of the law and working things through, and she is not put off by problems and obstacles. On the

contrary, she looks forward to solving them. Your child gets along well with peers and elders, possessing an innate ability to work with others. This may later lead to a position in law or public relations. Artistic talent is also indicated and decorating, interior design, and the like may be her cup of tea. This is considered an excellent aspect for teachers and publishers. Your child may love sports and the outdoors. Because she is generous and loving, your child is likely to be popular. This aspect is considered fortunate, but too much of a good thing can be detrimental! Teach your child the wisdom of "all things in moderation."

### **Saturn: Responsibilities**

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

### **Saturn in Scorpio**

The greatest lessons we learn in Scorpio are selflessness and nonattachment to personal desires. Scorpio trials somehow never leave us the same; if we are to rise out of the base (scorpion) human condition we must pass through a transformation process! You can prepare your Saturn in Scorpio child to later pass every test by emphasizing this rule of thumb for right action: right reason, right motive, right cause! This is the placement of the steward of the goods of others. You will need to impart right values and principles regarding money and sex to your child during the growing up years. Teach her, through anecdote, stories, example, and consistent training that the ends don't justify the means.

Your child may be especially good at keeping her cool when anyone else would explode, but encourage communication between you lest she bottle up her feelings and withdraw within herself. Your child could be perfectionistic to an extreme! A powerful and dynamic placement, Saturn in Scorpio favors financiers, principals and administrators, corporate heads and planners, managers, brain surgeons and researchers and any position demanding drive, persistence and exactitude.

### **Sun Conjunction Saturn**

Perhaps your child is a touch too sober. Much depends on other aspects formed by the Sun and Saturn. But, she is not afraid to shoulder more than her share of responsibility. Your child may seem quite mature for her age. Even as a child, she will likely be more interested in

meaningful work than in play. She can't wait to grow up and take the driver's seat and probably enjoys interacting with authorities, elders and teachers with great mutual respect. As a child, she could feel somewhat lonely because of this seriousness, but her hard-working nature will pay off in later years. A serious, perhaps difficult relationship with the father may be indicated. The father may be seen by the child as restrictive or excessively strict or absent. If Saturn and the Sun receive positive aspects as well, then perhaps the father is very supportive of the child. The child may perceive him not only as her father, but also as her teacher and guide. Children with this aspect may be born "achievers," accustomed to an upward climb (although for most, this may not be apparent until they are older).

### **Moon Trine Saturn**

Your child is most likely a natural manager with a sense of responsibility beyond her years. This positive aspect indicates that your child is disciplined, capable of hard work, and good at getting others to work with and for her. Perhaps a little too serious and frugal, your child knows how to make the most out of what she has! Essentials are what count. Extremely loyal, she may be a little lonely as a child lest she find a "Kindred Spirit" at school.

### **Mars Square Saturn**

Children with this challenging square often waste a lot of energy sailing into the wind and clashing against authority or reality for no good reason. Your child may resent having to get serious, go to work, and take on responsibilities. Or perhaps her efforts tend to lack the determination and organization necessary for real accomplishment. Very little can be accomplished without some sort of discipline and training, and your child may resist these. She could tend to avoid work, or could jump into things impulsively or do a bit of both! Acquiring self-discipline, the ability to delay gratification, to work because the job needs to be done (even if she doesn't feel like it), and generally becoming self-motivated will head your child in the right direction for success. Be patient in showing her the way. As the child grows in self-confidence and gains a clear idea of her responsibilities, she should begin to perform her duties in a more purposeful and timely manner. The Mars/Saturn square relates to the interactions with or internalized perception of the father (and other significant elders) from whom your child needs strong emotional support. Unresolved difficulties with the father, or repressed anger toward the father could manifest in career or marriage problems in adulthood.

With right training, your child could be both enterprising and determined. (Note that if Mars and Saturn receive trines and/or sextiles from other planets, much of the negative influence could be mitigated. In that case – and also when the parent/teacher learns how to motivate the child and gives her consistent, structured instruction – this aspect should lead to steady achievements.) Your child might improve her skills and timing through participating in team sports or other physical activities that require discipline, right timing and coordination.

### **The Outer Planets**

In the previous sections, we have dealt with planets that we can see with our naked eyes. In general, these planets refer to life as we know and live it and are the so-called inner planets. Beyond these are three planets that are not visible in the sky and which have cycles longer than the average human life span. Since they are beyond Saturn or time, astrologers call them the trans-personal or transcendental planets – Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto. Here you will find

information on issues and attitudes typical of your child's generation. Uranus represents the sense of discovery, new frontiers, revolutions and consequent changes we make. Neptune reveals how we understand and accept these discoveries, our understanding of mystical and/or inner realities, the expression of devotion and compassion. Pluto points to the great challenges confronting ourselves and our civilization. How can we best prepare our children to meet these challenges? To fulfill their fiery destiny individually and collectively? To stand firm amidst the winds of change? To reach out for worlds beyond the physical? To feel secure in their relationship to God? For most of us, the challenges increase as we mature but certainly the foundation is set in childhood!

### **Uranus: Break-Thrus & Insights**

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

### **Uranus in Cancer**

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

### **Sun Trine Uranus**

Your child works well with those in authority who are independent and original. She comes up with some very unique ideas, but may scoff at rules or tradition. As she grows, you may discover that she is magnetized to nonconformist causes, New Age movements, or social reform. She likes radical approaches, and is curious about whatever new-wave product or breakthrough advance is next in line. Communication, computers, electronics, and everything new-wave is what excites her. Aviation, rockets, missiles and the like may also catch her imagination. Your child is inventive. Provide her with the tools to invent, discover, tinker. At school, hopefully her teachers will recognize her unique approach! Your child could discover new ways of working with traditional materials.

### **Moon Conjunction Uranus**

Children with Moon/Uranus contacts yearn to be free. They thrive on independence and may in fact be quite willful. The relationship with the mother may be unusual in some way. Sometimes the mother is quite unique, perhaps avant-garde or New Age or perhaps she is inconsistent or absent much of the time (or so perceived). Others may find your child to be original (certainly very different) and perhaps unpredictable, especially when it comes to emotional reactions. She may have a tendency to show emotions suddenly and/or in unusual ways. She likes unconventional friends and is probably a nonconformist herself. The Moon/Uranus child needs room to create but must be made to answer for her actions as well.

### **Mercury Square Uranus**

Children with this Mercury/Uranus contact may surprise others with thoughts that are extreme, eccentric or that border on genius (but even so, which could easily be misinterpreted). Your child may need to learn to back up new insights with common sense and practical application and to avoid snap judgments. If Mercury and Uranus are in Gemini, Sagittarius, or Pisces, she will have to work at tethering the mind and focusing on the subject at hand, at school. She could be easily distracted or bored. Temper could be an issue. Provide your child with a peaceful and uncluttered environment. Diet could be a key element in the equation.

### **Venus Trine Uranus**

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

### **Jupiter Conjunction Uranus**

Is your child quick, clever and inventive? Probably so. See to it that she receives challenging material at school lest she be bored. On the other hand, she may find it hard to be still, to buckle down and complete her studies or chores on time. She may find routine work, such as language and math drills a drudgery, so think of ways to make learning interesting and fun! (Computer games, puzzles, electronic and science sets, explorations and adventures all may be right up her alley) As an adult, the career or life path that your child chooses or the way she makes her living, is apt to be very different, perhaps unique. Your child may take the road less traveled and, skirting the crowd and the commonplace, could head for parts unknown! she could invent things or discover new places or develop new ways of doing things. Communications, computers, and the whole electronic revolution could be the perfect career choice for her.

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

Neptune provides the key for unlocking our child's imagination! Neptune represents the bridge to worlds we cannot see. Neptune, then, tells us about the child's need for worship, adoration, devotion. Neptune relates to music and the arts and is prominent in the charts of many creative people. Being an outer planet, Neptune also paints a picture of the collective dreams of

our child's generation, dreams which may build upon, alter or even challenge our own. Neptune's influence tends to be subtle, often affecting us on subconscious levels. If afflicted, Neptune can indicate areas where the child may feel confused, uncertain or fearful. Read Neptune by sign, house and aspect but realize that your child may not consciously be aware of Neptune's influence until she reaches adulthood.

### **Neptune in Libra**

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

### **Moon Square Neptune**

This aspect indicates an extremely sensitive and idealistic nature. Your child probably has a love of beauty, art, music, cinematography and may have some talent in these fields. With a strong Mercury, writing skill is evident. The challenge of the square is that dreams and ideals may tend to clash with reality, the actual surroundings and the practical necessity of the hour. Your child needs opportunities to channel constructively the more positive creative aspects of the square at the same time that she needs to develop self-discipline and objectivity. She may yearn for a perfection not attainable on this earth or may insist on perfection at the expense of personal emotions and feelings. It's vital that her family place a big premium on truth and honesty with self and others. Otherwise others may see her as unrealistic or downright deceptive. Never lie to her, or tell her one thing and mean another. Moon/Neptune children seem to have built-in antennae. They pick up the subtlest vibration around them. It's important to ask them what they feel and to listen to what they have to say. Sometimes children with this aspect are sensitive to certain foods or need to build up a strong constitution to overcome health problems.

### **Mercury Conjunction Neptune**

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

### **Jupiter Square Neptune**

All art requires discipline! Children born with a Jupiter/Neptune square often are imaginative and creative. The pitfall is self-indulgence, over-extension of self or resources (later in life, this could be an over-extension of credit!) your child is apt to be kind and warmhearted. She tends to idealize. Teach her to always mean what she says and not to make promises she cannot keep or others might consider her dishonest. Woolgathering could be a problem at school (unless offset by strong Mercury/Saturn aspects). You can help your child make her dreams come true by

teaching her to finish her projects on time (starting with putting the building blocks back on the shelf is not too early), stressing the importance of order and neatness in her room, desk, homework, appearance, labeling her clothes and bringing them home from school, and by finding creative ways to channel her imagination. In short, teach your child to discipline the mind.

### **Uranus Square Neptune**

This aspect describes a generation who relish freedom and independence and pursue it even at the expense of what they know may be in their best interest.

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

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

### **Pluto in Leo**

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

### **Sun Square Pluto**

Perhaps she needs to be "King of the Sandbox" or perhaps she needs to be in control of her environment. She could be bossy with friends, demanding of parents. She could have quite a temper to boot! On the other hand, sometimes this challenging square manifests as shyness, an attempt to avoid confronting life at the personal level, leading to frustration. Watch and observe her, but the bottom line is a need to "let go." Much depends on the interaction with and example of the father and other authority figures during childhood. There is much power locked in this square. The child who is taught humility and purpose during youth could unlock the tremendous potential of this square and be a leader in adulthood.

### **Venus Square Pluto**

Children with Venus/Pluto contacts are extremely sensitive. They need to give and to receive much love. If the child, however, feels unloved or threatened, she may withdraw. Trust, then, is the first order of the day with the Venus/Pluto child. If she cannot love openly because of anger or other harsh reactions (or lack of response) she may become manipulative. The Venus/Pluto child can also be very demanding of a favorite parent or teacher, and should not be

over-indulged. The key here is the right balance of love and fairness (she may want all your time but you, of course, need to give equally to all your children). Children with this aspect often need to learn to let go of old possessions and to share with other children. Some feel threatened if they lose control over their environment. At its highest expression, this aspect describes one who loves deeply and who is capable of healing and regenerating self and others through the power of love. Your child could have a magnetic or impelling appeal. Some children with this dynamic square between Venus (money, art, beauty, attraction) and Pluto (the masses, television, intense emotions) could do well in business careers, modeling, photography, television, movie careers or in politics.

### **Neptune Sextile Pluto**

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

## **Challenges and Abilities**

### **Focus**

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

### **Sun Conjunction Venus 00°56'**

Your child is gracious, expressive, warm and affectionate. She radiates love and others are drawn to her. This combination attracts friends and indicates popularity. Your child may gravitate toward authority figures. She probably attracts friends who are older, or dignified in some way. Your child may enjoy a close relationship to her father. She may be artistically gifted, or grow to appreciate theater and the arts (if you give her the opportunity to develop along these lines). Your child may be magnetic, robust and yet quite refined in manner. She may have a sweet tooth.

### **Mercury Conjunction Neptune 05°53'**

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

### **Sun Conjunction Saturn 08°34'**

This placement confers a real love of science and natural laws. Your child may be a tireless worker with absolute determination and the ability to carry great projects through to completion.

Always the protector to those she comes to know, your child likely is loyal to friends and will tend to have long and secure relationships. She is willing to take on more than her share of responsibility. Let her know you appreciate her help, but make sure she has time for play as well! Some children born with this aspect have to overcome some sort of handicap; perhaps a difficult social, physical or family situation. Later, the acquired self-discipline and striving can lead them to the top. Your child seeks your approval and support; be careful not to be unduly harsh or critical of her. There may be benefit, obligations, or potentially conflict with authority figures or with the father (or dominant parent).

### **Moon Conjunction Uranus 08°53'**

Your child may have a knack for taking an ordinary event and turning it into something brand new, really special! She is likely to be mentally alert and curious about just about everything! Others are attracted to her magnetic personality and she is more likely than not, rarely alone. She may have a somewhat unusual upbringing, and later will likely attract a partner who is independent and also a bit unusual. If the mother is inconsistent in moods, rules or behavior, the child with this aspect could easily become confused. She needs to know she can rely on her. This aspect confers a certain love of adventure. Your child could become bored easily with hum-drum normal routines! One thing is for sure, with this child there's never a dull moment!

### **Challenges**

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

### **Mercury Square Jupiter 02°42'**

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

### **Mars Square Saturn 03°00'**

With this aspect, the planet of action and that of restraint are at odds; this could result in frustration, difficulty getting started, a demanding or otherwise negative attitude toward authorities. This is often the result of a difficult relationship with the father. If the father is

oppressive, emotionally cold, or absent, the child could hold in her anger and hurt. The child with this aspect needs emotional support and approval from the father. Help your child master these powerful energies by giving her many opportunities to make choices. Provide her with encouragement, support and healthy outlets for her (perhaps suppressed) anger.

#### **Venus Square Pluto 03°60'**

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

#### **Sun Square Pluto 04°56'**

This is an aspect of confrontation. The child has lessons to learn in cooperating and dealing harmoniously with others. Perhaps she feels threatened and shy, or perhaps she tends to be demanding of loved ones. She could tend toward explosions and could have strong disagreements with authority figures. Some children with this aspect express themselves in such a forceful manner that others feel taken aback! Avoid threatening, coercing or putting down this child. The better she feels about herself, the greater chance she will have of mastering this aspect! When channeled constructively, this aspect can lead to profound self-awareness and leadership potential.

#### **Mercury Square Uranus 04°59'**

Brilliance or eccentricity? Children with this aspect may be very original thinkers! Nevertheless, they usually require instruction in follow-up and consistency in their work. This child's natural tendency could be to change her mind in the middle of a project and go rushing off in some new direction. Guide your child in finding practical uses for her plentiful insights.

#### **Sun Square Mars 05°34'**

Others may sense in your child the presence of much energy. She may tend to have trouble just relaxing but she works well with creative tension. This aggressiveness could lead to undue competition and a tendency to get into scrapes. On the positive end, your child could impress you by her determined striving. She probably enjoys contests and will learn by pitting her physical or mental strength against others. She could be willful, stubborn, impulsive, too daring for her own good. If she learns to control her temper, she could be a dynamo! Some children with this aspect have a noticeably short fuse. Others hold anger in, but people pick up on the

energy and so they end up in disputes. Teach your child respect for others and find ways for her to channel her energy into accomplishments; sports or creative projects demanding physical or mental stamina might fit the bill! Help her avoid the frustration so characteristic of this aspect by teaching her patience and planning.

Children with the Sun (ego, "I AM") and Mars (action through desire) forming a challenging square often tend to approach life from a "me" stance and therefore can be overly touchy or defensive. Astrologer Betty Lundsted suggests that this aspect sometimes indicates growing up in a difficult social environment; for example, where there is racial prejudice or religious bigotry. Your child likely is a hard worker but may need to learn when to stop. She may shine in pioneer or leadership roles. This aspect sometimes indicates an executive type or a career in police work, the military, firefighting, professional sports, dance, medicine or physical therapy.

### **Venus Square Mars 06°30'**

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

### **Moon Square Neptune 07°59'**

The child born with this Moon-Neptune aspect needs to sort out the real from the unreal. The line between fact and fantasy may not be apparent. Your child may need your help bringing things into focus without shattering her gentle dream world. She may tend to over-react, because she takes things very personally. There could be some rather harsh realities connected to her upbringing and if so, the child could retreat within her imagination to cope. This child might be very imaginative and artistic but needs to learn to look at life objectively. Search for ways to develop your child's creativity. Teach her to maintain order in the environment.

## **Talents and Abilities**

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

### **Moon Trine Sun 03°03'**

Considered by itself, this trine between the Lights indicates a balanced personality, one in

which will (Sun) and feeling (Moon) work together harmoniously. Unless either the Sun or Moon receive hard afflictions, it is probable that your child is popular among her friends and content among her kin. The Sun-Moon trine infuses the chart with vitality and often indicates physical strength and/or a healthy constitution at birth. Children with this aspect typically get along well with friends of both sexes.

#### **Moon Trine Venus 03°59'**

People are just naturally attracted to this child, perhaps because they sense that she really cares for them, too. This aspect often indicates popularity; many friends and lots of relationships. Your child might be artistic or attracted to artistic types. She could be conscious of the way she looks and probably likes nice clothes. This aspect is favorable for feminine industries: fashion, beauty, style, etc., and any work involving plenty of contact with the public.

#### **Venus Trine Uranus 04°54'**

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

#### **Moon Trine Saturn 05°31'**

The child born with this aspect is usually loyal and dependable. She probably doesn't enter nor drop relationships lightly and may be a tad shy. This aspect lends stability to the chart. Your child may seem mature for her age.

#### **Sun Trine Uranus 05°50'**

Positive Sun-Uranus aspects often indicate leadership potential. Your child may be very magnetic, others being drawn to her. She is not afraid to be different, and may indeed be a "trendsetter." Later in life she is likely to be interested in some kind of social or political reform. Children with this aspect typically love whatever is new or unusual, and breakthrough flashes of original insight are typical. Your child is likely to be creative with a natural love for inventions, electronics, computer science and the like. Your child will appreciate independence and originality in others, especially in a friend, and may tend to have novel companions who are very likely male. Your child is apt to have an inventive mind but could lose interest at school if the subject matter isn't stimulating. Problems at school could arise because she may somehow not fit in with the prescribed way of doing things. Your child likes to keep things spontaneous, and she probably keeps you hopping! Nevertheless, you'd do well to train her to finish what she begins and to look before she leaps! Sometimes Sun-Uranus aspects describe the father as being radical, eccentric, highly individualistic or somehow unusual. Note: if Saturn is well aspected, your child is more apt to have her feet on the ground!

#### **Venus Trine Jupiter 07°11'**

Even in a more serious chart, this aspect lends a touch of generosity and joy. It is considered

a fortunate aspect: good things tend to come your child's way. One day she could end up with a lot of money, property – possessions of all kinds. She is likely to be generous and warm by nature, and probably gives as much as she gets. There could be a love of travel and exploration; of art, culture and religion. Unless strongly counter-indicated, children with this aspect tend to get along well with their elders. The negative manifestation of this aspect is a tendency to be wasteful, extravagant, self-indulgent. Without self-discipline in diet, individuals with this aspect tend to put on weight. The child may have a sweet tooth. Encourage her but teach her restraint!

### **Sun Trine Jupiter 08°07'**

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

## **Landscape: Major Life Periods**

What follows amounts to a brief overview of the first thirty years or so of your child's life – a road map of the years to come. Since childhood, adolescence, and early adult life are so crucial to each of us, an attempt has been made to describe these formative years. Based on the gradual movement of the planet Saturn, this is one of the most tested of all astrological techniques. It is used by almost every professional astrologer as part of any personal consultation. Provided that your child's time of birth is more or less accurate, you will find this information both accurate and informative.

### **Your Personal Background**

By age seven, the child has absorbed an enormous amount of learning. Her physical body has reached 70% of her growth potential. Permanent teeth (teeth relate to Saturn) begin to emerge. She passes from the absorbent mind stage into the stage of active reason. She is on her way to becoming an independent adult. Saturn represents rules and laws. At seven years of age, Saturn forms its first square and you can expect your child "to test the law," at home and at school. Astrologically, this is a critical point in her development. The Saturn cycle depicts a fairly easy childhood (all else being equal) up until around the 11th or 12th year, at which time your child may begin to become more subjective and inner-directed. This could mean that during her adolescence, she may feel somewhat introspective. At about age 14 or 15, Saturn opposes its own position in the chart and most teens pass through a kind of identity crisis. Balance is the key but the adolescent who says to herself, how can I be free to make my own decisions, but who is usually not ready to leave the nest! This inner time of exploration lasts until she is about 18 or 19 years of age. At that time, she likely will proceed to take hold, discover herself, and become

more outward – in a rather short time. Her sense of confidence should take hold and build, and the years of introspection will pay off as she begins to reach out. The years from 18 through 25 or 26 are likely to be characterized by hard work and continued gains in self-confidence. From the 26th year, her most opportune time for the climb to fame and fortune will commence. Provided she takes advantage of these cycles, the 30s and 40s should be materially successful years.

### **Your Current Situation**

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

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

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The above dates marked the end of Saturn's transit through the personal, subjective quadrants of your child's chart. (The latter may not apply for Newborns). The 7th house is an "Angular" house. When Saturn passes through one of the four angular houses, it signifies a shifting of gears. As Saturn continues its travel through the 7th house and the 3rd quadrant, your child will become increasingly more aware of social relationships. Of course, this will be more apparent in the older child than in an infant or toddler, but even the nursery calls for learning cooperation, etiquette, and right interaction, all themes of this period. Sharing things and sharing notions comes into play as well. If your child is in Elementary school or High School, she may now begin to gradually come into her own! Some children may feel lonely, or left out. The question is, What is my place among my friends? Recognition (or non recognition) among peers could become increasingly more important. The older child especially could form lasting friendships or/and encounter conflict among her peers.

*Saturn in 03rd Quadrant*

## **The Elements, Modalities and Angularity**

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

### **Have Water**

Your child is apt to experience life mostly through her emotions and how she "feels" about someone or something. Her intuition is likely to be strong and can guide her accurately in making forecasts or decisions. She could be compassionate and/or psychically attuned. Because of her sensitivity, she might recoil from more aggressive types.

### **Want Earth**

Your child may be strong on mental activity and action but may need to acquire basic common sense and the ability to deal with practical matters. She may require your help "getting down to business;" completing her chores and attending to basic necessities. She could be "spacey," out of touch with the physical dimension of reality. She needs to get centered. A balanced diet would help. (Strong Saturn aspects by sign, aspects, and house or an Earth sign Ascendant would compensate)

### **Have Fixed**

She is a solid supporter, always gravitating to the heart of things. Your child may have trouble getting moving, but once rolling, others better watch out. She has the stick-to-itiveness of the tortoise that beat the hare!

### **Want Mutable**

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

### **Have Cadent**

Circumstances could throw your child into positions where she must use her mind and deal with communications, service, or enclosed hidden interests. She may deal with education, psychology, spiritual enlightenment or teaching principles and techniques.

### **Want Succedent**

Theories and mental activities may be fine, but your child may need to work on (or the necessary time) to let things ripen.

## House Activity and Emphasis

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

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

#### **First House**

The 1st house is the house of "Me!" How I see myself, the "me" I would like to be, and how others see me: in short, my identity. The key phrase of the first house is "I AM." This house rules our personal self and everything about us that draws a reaction from our surroundings or from others. The 1st house describes the early childhood environment (or the child's perception of it). Much of the child's identity will be a reflection of the environment in which she grows up. The child's projected image (personality) will reflect her experience and assimilation of her interaction with others. The sign on the Ascendant (1st house cusp) and its ruler (see intro.) are key components to understanding your child's emerging personality. Any planet "rising" in the 1st house is going to color the personality considerably. For example, if Neptune is in the 1st house, the child will be sensitive and impressionable, no matter what sign is on the Ascendant. A child with Venus in the 1st house is likely to be attractive and charming. Mars in the 1st house is common in the charts of athletes. Astrologers will often blend the characteristics of the Sun sign with the sign on the Ascendant. For example, a child with an Aries Sun is usually somewhat self-centered. If the child, however, has Pisces Rising then she is likely to be assertive but compassionate and interested in serving others. Sometimes, however, the child may experience a conflict; in this case, for instance, part of the child may want to jump right into new experiences (Aries) whereas another part may be shy or afraid (Pisces). The child could feel overwhelmed (Pisces) by the stern parental rebuke given in response to a typically Arian impulsive action! All this may seem very complex, but you can take it step by step. Are any of us really all that simple to understand? You will have to study well the Sun sign and the Ascendant (and the sign and house the Ruler is in) plus the nature of any planet in the 1st house. Learn the keys, be sensitive and observe the child. You will see how it all comes together.

#### **Aquarius on First House Cusp**

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

#### **Mars in First House**

The child born with Mars in the house of self (1st) has a strong drive to be seen and known – to communicate herself to others. Personal appearance (the way she comes across) is a motivating factor. She is probably athletic and may need sports to channel an abundance of energy. With hard squares to Uranus, she could be a bit of a daredevil but recklessness could lead to accidents! Other hard aspects could indicate a tendency to be egotistical, hence to get

into fights. Children with this Mars placement tend to be self-starters but may need to learn to look before they leap! Sooner or later, she will see that patience has its reward! Generally speaking, children with this Mars placement like to be first in line. You'll likely discover that your child learns best from direct experience. There is leadership potential here if humility is taught or acquired from childhood!

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

#### **Second House**

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

#### **Pisces on Second House Cusp**

Pisces energy runs deep and toward the psychological – whatever is beneath the surface. Pisces is said to be related to the past, to memories and to karma. Pisces pertains to "hidden enemies" and also to illumination. The affairs of the house with Pisces on the cusp may signal an area of vulnerability in the chart, where your child could be subject to illusion, or where she could be particularly sensitive, intuitive and imaginative. (i.e. Pisces on the 7th house cusp could indicate disappointments in relationships, perhaps due to a tendency to attract unstable partners. On the other hand, Pisces on the 7th house cusp could indicate a sensitive, spiritual partner).

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

#### **Third House**

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

#### **Aries on Third House Cusp**

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

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

#### **Fourth House**

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

#### **Taurus on Fourth House Cusp**

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

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

#### **Fifth House**

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

#### **Gemini on Fifth House Cusp**

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

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

#### **Sixth House**

The key phrase of the 6th house is "I work." That which was conceived in the 5th house is applied and produced in the 6th! In an adult chart, this house indicates employment, attitude toward work, and relationship with employees and/or co-workers. In the child's chart, we study

the 6th house to understand her daily habits. How she handles her chores, how she approaches her school work. Is her handwriting sloppy or neat? Is she happy to help others when asked or does she complain? The 6th house rules dress and appearance. This house also tells us about eating habits, diet and basic health. Obviously, eating habits and diet will affect health for better or for worse, as the case may be. A water sign on the cusp, or the Moon or Neptune in the 6th indicates that emotions will affect health and vice-versa. The sign on the cusp and planets in the 6th house can show you health areas that may require your attention.

### **Cancer on Sixth House Cusp**

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

### **Moon in Sixth House**

All children need sound diets. It's no mystery that a child's behavior can directly reflect back to what she puts in her mouth! The child with the Moon (emotions) in the 6th house (diet and nutrition) especially illustrates the above. By offering your child balanced meals and teaching her correct dietary habits, you will help her balance her temperament and better concentrate on her schoolwork and chores. To be at peace, she needs a neat and orderly environment. These early habits of corporeal and domestic harmony can lead to success in her adult work later on. You may discover that your child is attracted to health, food, nutrition, and areas where service or attention to detail are in high focus. This position favors work in restaurants, markets, farms and food co-ops as well as the healing arts. Especially if the Moon is in a water sign, the child may be musically gifted. The child with the Moon in the 6th house may be excessively critical and demanding, of self and of family members. Teach her to look for good in herself and in others. Some children with this placement enjoy sewing and working with cloth.

### **Jupiter in Sixth House**

This placement indicates a love for work and service. Your child needs to know that her contribution counts at home and at school. She may find herself automatically taking care of the needs of others. Indeed, she develops her personal philosophy through her area of work. She may require advanced degrees or specialized training to fulfill her career requirements. When she is in elementary school, your child would probably enjoy caring for the family pet. Apart from satisfying her desire to render service, she would enjoy grooming, feeding and training her little animal friend. Remember, your child wants to help out and it's up to you to get her the right tools. She enjoys finding better, more efficient ways to get the job done. Teach your child good health habits. Sometimes, this Jupiter placement points to a tendency to overeat. A career in one of the social services, in education or health is possible. Her occupation may involve health, food, and/or recycling. Unless afflicted, Jupiter in the 6th indicates that your child will get along well with her classmates and later with co-workers.

### **Uranus in Sixth House**

Stock up on microscopes, inventor sets and electronics kits. Uranus in the 6th often indicates an interest in science, electronics, computers, even research and programming. Often there is considerable ingenuity and/or mathematical ability. Uranus in the house of health sometimes

points to an interest in homeopathy, alternate medicine and spiritual healing. If afflicted, Uranus here could show up as irritability or sudden or unusual health problems. Children with this placement may be restless. They may need help learning to quiet the mind and settle down to the task at hand. Especially if afflicted, the child may balk at routine chores and academic drills, preferring to place her attention on something new. Provide this child with challenging lessons. Nevertheless, be patient in teaching her good study and work habits. Self-discipline acquired during childhood will help her avoid the potential difficulties of this placement during adulthood: namely, instability in employment, discordant relationship with co-workers, health problems as a result of nervousness.

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

#### **Seventh House**

The 7th house is the house of partnerships, relationships, social life, and all that carries us beyond our personal self into an awareness of other people, community, and the like. Children with planets in this house seek to understand themselves through others. They are rarely alone. How does your child deal with competition? Is she able to hold her own in a match? Can she stand up against peer pressure? To succeed with 7th house issues, the child needs to feel secure within herself (1st house polarity.) Planets in the 7th house and the sign on the cusp can also provide clues about your child's interaction, as she matures, with the opposite sex. For instance, a child with Mars in this house or Aries on the cusp would likely be bold in relationships, and hence, make friends easily. Nevertheless, she could incline toward arguments and contention (Mars) in close friendships (and later in marriage). She may, however, be willing to work hard (Mars) to make a relationship (7th house) work. The wise parent would teach this child the dangers of entering into relationships impulsively.

#### **Leo on Seventh House Cusp**

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

#### **Pluto in Seventh House**

At best, this position gives deep insight into human nature and is favorable for lawyers, psychologists, judges, corrections officers and any career calling for an understanding of human motivation. Major changes and inner growth tend to come through relationships. Marriage, and the path to inner peace could be very intense, bringing many lessons to the soul. There may be a need for learning greater patience and cooperation with others. To avert Plutonian power plays in adulthood (and potentially attracting domineering, jealous partners or someone who is just not good for her), your child will need to have a strong sense of self-esteem. As your child matures into adolescence, teach her discernment in relationships. Although people with this placement (or their mates) may undergo tremendous transformations in marriage, to avoid marital turmoil it is wise to apply the rule of thumb of not marrying anyone you plan to change; what you see is

what you get!

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

#### **Eighth House**

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

#### **Virgo on Eighth House Cusp**

Virgo energy is analytical and precise, always separating what is worthwhile and worth supporting from that which is outmoded and of no further use. The affairs of the house with Virgo on the cusp reveal the area of life in which the child seeks to serve, and/or where she may take a systematic and detailed approach.

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

#### **Ninth House**

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

#### **Libra on Ninth House Cusp**

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

### **Mercury in Ninth House**

Questions, questions, questions!! Never tire of answering them, for your child is searching for answers to inner ponderings! Her mind and thoughts tend to gravitate to what is lasting, true, or of the essence. Philosophy and religion are subjects that often occupy her attention. Her comments are generally to the point and candid, and rarely are superficial. Since the 9th house represents travel, your child will love geography, travel and foreign languages. She may do better at essays than at tests since she leans toward creative work. Especially if Mercury is in a Fire or Air sign, she may be impatient with details and routines. This position favors university professors, travel, law, philosophy, medicine and religion; it's also good for export-import type businesses, writing, publishing and communications. If Mercury favorably aspects Uranus, Neptune or Pluto, her vision could border on prophecy! With afflictions, Mercury in the 9th can indicate intellectual snobbery. Teach your child tolerance for the faiths and philosophies of others.

### **Saturn in Ninth House**

Please add these to your library: A subscription to National Geographic, a good encyclopedia, a Bible with easy to read print, a compendium of the world religions plus a few children's copies of the great religious dramas, such as the Hindu RAMAYANA. Additional recommendations: "Cultural Literacy" by Hirsch and a collection of the Shakespeare plays. Religion, philosophy, and truth are essential to your child's life. Or conversely, (when afflicted) this position sometimes manifests as narrowness of thought, but the latter is not so prevalent unless the child is brought up in a puritanical, fanatical, or bigoted household. A college education or advanced vocational training may be necessary for her to fulfill her aspirations! (Start saving up your college fund now!) Squares to Saturn could point to obstacles to overcome in obtaining higher education. Your child likely will pose many a question of what is right and what is wrong and why. She could appear to others as too sober or religious. A favorable position for education, law, preaching and publishing. Her career may somehow be linked with travel, foreigners, or import-export.

### **Neptune in Ninth House**

The child with Neptune in the 9th house is apt to have an intuitive and imaginative mind. Her dreams and ideals rest in whatever is pure and true. Your child may find escape and refuge from the mundane world in reading (or hearing about) tales of faraway places and far off worlds. She could have a sense of mission, causing herself to search, even as a youth, for the answers to questions of a spiritual nature. The danger of this position is a tendency to daydream, to brush aside (often important) details, and a lack of common sense. (Check the rest of the chart for confirmation or counter-indications) A sensitive parent will guide the child in grounding her beautiful ideas in the here and now. She may need your help finishing what she begins and plowing through uninteresting but necessary drills at school (i.e. math or language arts). Neptune in the 9th house often indicates a love of travel.

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

### **Tenth House**

The 10th house is the point of crystallization, what we give back to the world in concrete

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

### **Scorpio on Tenth House Cusp**

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

### **Sun in Tenth House**

Your child's personal reputation and honor are apt to be of the utmost importance to her. She possesses a natural sense of organization and practical insight. Given the right training, she could excel at managing or supervising others. If not now, ambition and status may take a front seat later in her life. Born with a natural air of authority, your child may balk at taking orders from adults! Teach her humility and she will go far! She may need much training and experience before reaching the top. This position confers administrative ability, may relate to construction and inclines to a life of public service. An upbringing stressing self-discipline, and the father's example in particular in preparing the child to be successful in the world, is especially critical for the child with this placement.

### **Venus in Tenth House**

Your child has an inborn sense of organization and responsibility. She loves large-scale organization, and career or business will always be close to her heart. Her sense of discrimination when it comes to practical issues is excellent, and she values clear-headedness in others. She likes to work, and needs to know her contribution at home & school counts. For some children, this position is indicative of a career in arts and entertainment.

Usually, Venus in the 10th house indicates a loving relationship to the father (or dominant parent). With challenging squares, your child may need help in translating high ideals into practical reality. This position favors professions related to the arts, monetary management, and personnel development.

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

### **Eleventh House**

We have been on the mountain and had a vision (10th house). In the 11th, we bond with

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

### **Sagittarius on Eleventh House Cusp**

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

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

#### **Twelfth House**

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

### **Capricorn on Twelfth House Cusp**

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