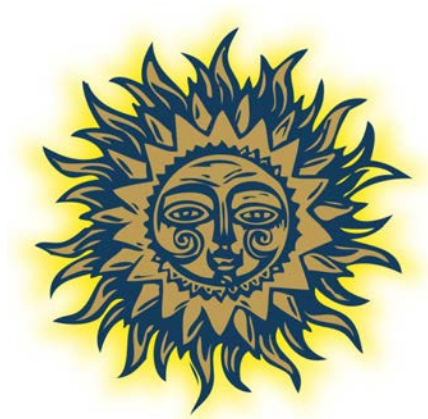


MONEY

A Solar Writer Report for Taylor Swift



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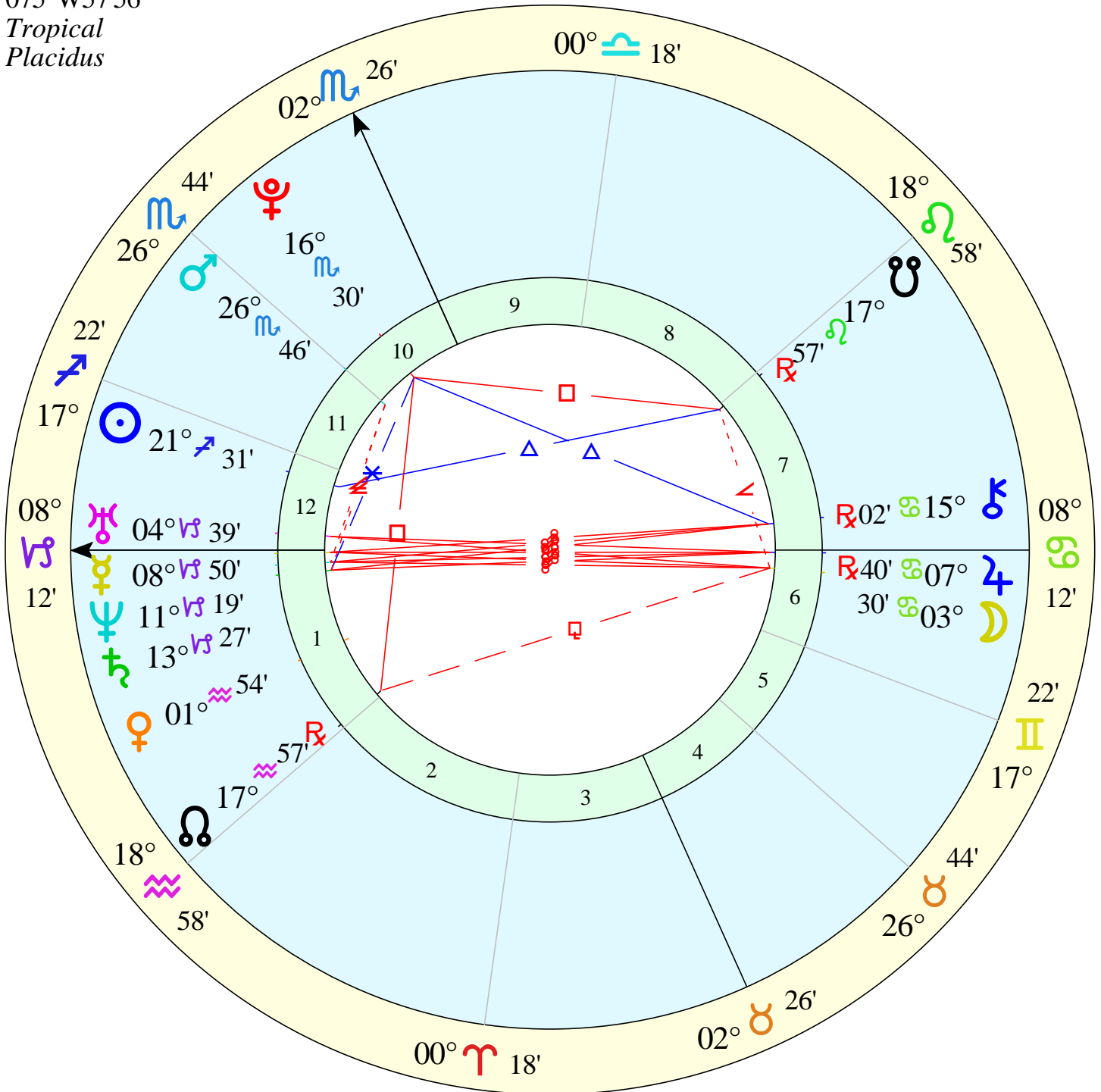
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Astrological SummaryChart Point Positions: Taylor Swift

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The Sun	Sagittarius	21° Sg31'	12th	
Mercury	Capricorn	8° Cp50'	1st	
Venus	Aquarius	1° Aq54'	1st	
Mars	Scorpio	26° Sc46'	11th	
Jupiter	Cancer	7° Cn40'	6th	
Saturn	Capricorn	13° Cp27'	1st	
Uranus	Capricorn	4° Cp39'	12th	
Neptune	Capricorn	11° Cp19'	1st	
Pluto	Scorpio	16° Sc30'	10th	
Chiron	Cancer	15° Cn02'	7th	
The North Node	Aquarius	17° Aq57'	1st	
The South Node	Leo	17° Le57'	7th	
The Ascendant	Capricorn	8° Cp12'	1st	
The Midheaven	Scorpio	2° Sc26'	10th	

Chart Point Aspects

Planet	Aspect	Planet	Orb	App/Sep
The Moon	Opposition	Mercury	5° 20'	Applying
The Moon	Conjunction	Jupiter	4° 10'	Applying
The Moon	Opposition	Uranus	1° 08'	Applying
The Moon	Opposition	Neptune	7° 49'	Applying
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The Moon	Semisquare	The South Node	0° 32'	Separating
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The Moon	Trine	The Midheaven	1° 03'	Separating
The Sun	Trine	The South Node	3° 34'	Separating
Mercury	Opposition	Jupiter	1° 09'	Separating
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Mercury	Conjunction	Uranus	4° 11'	Separating
Mercury	Conjunction	Neptune	2° 29'	Applying
Mercury	Opposition	Chiron	6° 12'	Applying

Planet	Aspect	Planet	Orb	App/Sep
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Mars	Semisquare	Saturn	1°40'	Applying
Mars	Semisquare	Neptune	0°26'	Separating
Jupiter	Opposition	Saturn	5°47'	Separating
Jupiter	Opposition	Uranus	3°01'	Applying
Jupiter	Opposition	Neptune	3°39'	Separating
Jupiter	Opposition	The Ascendant	0°31'	Separating
Jupiter	Trine	The Midheaven	5°13'	Applying
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Chiron	Opposition	The Ascendant	6°50'	Applying

INTRODUCTION



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

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

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

Money plays an important role in your culture and society. It is also a psychological symbol and like all psychic complexes your relationship with it will be complex and

complicated. As a psychic symbol, money is part of your fate; therefore becoming aware of your relationship with it helps you become more conscious of its patterns in your life. Gaining an understanding of money and its place in your life can greatly assist in helping you to accept your circumstances and live in an easier flow of life, and an easier relationship with money.

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

YOUR MONEY TEMPERAMENT



"There are people who have money and there are people who are rich."

Coco Chanel, French Fashion Designer

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Sun is in Sagittarius

You are a born philosopher applying your wisdom to all walks of life. Outgoing Archers are generally adventurous, adopting the philosophy that life is for living to the fullest. If you are an active Sagittarian then you are likely to be found outdoors, travelling, taking part in sporting events or perhaps public speaking or teaching. Inward looking Archers are likely to be pondering the wonders of the world, studying, teaching, preaching, lecturing, writing or working behind the scenes for a beloved cause. For these reasons you are unlikely to be a steady employee in an office job, preferring a form of income that comes from contract work, travel jobs or some such. You may also enjoy being self-employed. You need to exercise some caution when it comes to financial investments. Your gung-ho attitude to life can also be reflected in your money management skills. While you do seem to easily attract financial success, you can also lose your monetary advantage by being too laissez-faire. It is true that you do not seek

security, but money does come in handy for the kind of life that you wish to lead. You cannot always rely on others generosity. So what do you value most? Do you value money and possessions? It is more likely that your currency is that of knowledge. Your wealth is wisdom. Unless you have other influential factors in your birth chart then money is important only in that it gives you the freedom to learn more about life, the world and the universe. Nevertheless you are likely to enjoy the benevolence of other people at sometime during your life. Not that you particularly care. While you are appreciative, you also are not attached to money or possessions. You may highly value possessions such as books which broaden your horizons, a computer or device that links you to people from other parts of the globe or even a costly subscription to an artistic organisation. However, you are also likely to discard those possessions, making sure that they are passed on to someone else who can value them, once you have learnt all that you can. You are a generous soul. Money and possessions themselves are not what drives you. You value the getting of wisdom, the communion of cultures and the world as whole. Your arrows reach far from your bow.

The Moon is in Cancer

Money is not as important to you as emotional security. You value feeling safe, particularly the safety of your own home, family and close friends. You are a big softie! You value your loved ones so highly that you have difficulty saying "no", particularly when it comes to the younger members of your family. If you have children then you may spoil them with love and material goods. You need to ensure that you are able to say "no" when it is important to do so, and that you teach them financial independence. Usually you put their needs before your own and this clouds your judgement when it comes to money matters. Unless you learn the art of self-preservation then you are likely to struggle financially. This, of course, depends on other influences in your birth chart. However, Cancerians value emotional experiences, loving bonds, family relationships and tend to leave the money making to others. Therefore you are more likely to be an employee rather than a boss. Self-employment is likely to feel too insecure for Cancerian crabs unless it is a home or family business. You are more likely to enjoy working in a small business rather than in a large corporation as you value the connections and the intimacy. You are a born home-maker and nurturer. This is what you cherish and what makes you so important to the people in your life. Your ideal work is when your heart is involved – a job that involves your loved ones, a family business, one that gives you freedom to pursue your very personal objectives or one that provides a basis for you to nurture others. The good news is that once you have made up your mind that money is a necessity and a powerful force for good, then you can squirrel away money for a rainy day. Slowly but surely you make up for lost time. You may have to keep your little hoard a secret, but that's ok if it protects you and helps you look after your own financial interests for a while. You may also enjoy investing your time and money in your own home, and perhaps even the property market. After all who knows your loved ones may need shelter one day and you could provide it! The Moon and the Zodiac Sign of Cancer are also linked with the commodity of Silver, so you may invest in Silver or enjoy accumulating Silver trinkets or jewellery.

The Ascendant is in Capricorn

The wealth builders of the Zodiac are the Earth Sign cousins Taurus and Capricorn. With your Ascendant in Capricorn you are likely to come into great fortune as you grow older. You are likely to learn a lot about money in your younger years, however; you will soon quietly note that you have wisdom beyond your years when it comes to the material ways of the world. This is because your purpose is to attain social status, wealth and wisdom. Why? So that you can lead by example and perhaps build structures that are of lasting value. You are well aware with your Rising Sign that society needs structure, a firm foundation of not only bricks and mortar but also of principles. You're ambitious, persistent, cautious, prudent and self-reliant. Responsibility and reserve often feature as your first choice of self-expression. You approach most things in life cautiously, making careful plans before starting anything new. Your ambitions are attainable through hard work and perseverance. Your purpose is to live your life with integrity, self-respect and substance. Therefore your money needs to be earned and invested with these traits in mind. You need to ensure that you are not living your life based on a need for security, social status and personal ambition. Your purpose is to show others the real meaning of personal values and principle. If you would like to focus on a positive affirmation connected to money then with your Capricorn Ascendant you could use this one from "Creating Money - Keys to Abundance" by Sanaya Roman and Duane Packer "My path and life's work are my highest priorities".

YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH MONEY



"Money is usually attracted, not pursued."

Jim Rohn, American Entrepreneur

Venus

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

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

Being the goddess of sexuality and love, Venus also focuses on relating. Venus themes in relationship centre on shared values, feeling loved and appreciated, pleasure, affection and sensuality. Therefore, Venus's archetypal pattern often gets entangled in

issues of both love and money, as popular song lyrics often illustrate. Are diamonds really a girl's best friend? Is it true that money can't buy me love? Can money compensate or substitute for love? Venus' rulership over money is multidimensional: on the material level it is cash and currency, stocks and bonds, funds, investments, assets, capital, diamonds and gold. On other levels it is your personal values and inner aesthetics. On a deeper soulful stratum it is in your self-acceptance and self-love where money's taproot finds its sustenance.

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

Venus is in Aquarius

While you may be fairly conservative, when it comes to love and money this is not the case. Aquarius has a reputation for being off centre, following its own beat and doing its own thing. Money may not be that fascinating to you, but unusual and original ways of making it are. Independence and not being tied down to systems are both important so money is needed to help free you from the routines of a work-a-day world. Both Jim and Tammy Faye Bakker share Venus in Aquarius and before their lives went pear-shaped, they made millions from their unusual evangelistic lifestyle. There is money to be made following what you believe to be true. No matter how alien and strange it might seem to the kin you grew up with, there is a market for your unusual talents and skills out there. As technology opens up many new possibilities, you can cast your net wider. However, as social media becomes the norm and is more socially accepted, you will need to find another niche. No worries as you value the challenge of not being in the mainstream.

You respect the ability to think outside of the square. Therefore you appreciate cutting edge ideas, new technologies, futuristic designs, free speech and progressive media. As you value your advanced ideas more and listen to your own counsel you attract money and opportunity. Since you value change you will find that when you take the risk to move forward, life supports you. So the flow of money may never be regular but what happens is that it comes in unexpected ways and there are always opportunities for development when you open up your mind to the possibilities. You value the psyche which means that you put faith in omens, you expect miracles and you listen to your dreams. If not, then you should as these are coded scripts that are helpful for your evolvment. You appreciate the idea of vibration and energy and have the skill of being able to attract what you need, including money, through your positive intention and affirmations.

Friends are important, as they support your adventures, escapades and schemes. But with Venus here, you may be at risk of confusing friendship and relationship, or more likely you might attract those who want to be more than a friend. Loving a friend has a different set of rules as the levels of intimacy are not as intense. Hence mixing money and friends may also be difficult. You play by rules of equality and individuality, but not everyone shares the same altruism. Entering into financial deals with friends needs to be well thought through. When friends become business partners the rules change and so contacts and agreements are essential. Lending money to friends is also a risk, as Mark Twain pointed out: *"The holy passion of friendship is so sweet and steady and loyal and enduring a nature that it will last through a whole lifetime if not asked to lend money"*. You value friendship highly because it promotes your sense of freedom and familiarity. Sex and money can change that because there is a new set of expectations.

Your self-esteem and worth is bolstered through your participation with social groups and the community. Being able to contribute to a group of like-minded others plays a pivotal role in your feeling valuable. You may forge strong relationships in the community, as this is where your resources will be valued. Friendships and an active, supportive social circle are areas of great fulfilment that bring pleasure into your life. As you begin to value your role as a citizen of a larger network, you are more valued for your participation. The resources of the community are also there to be used to support you and when you take advantage of these you create more opportunities for yourself. Money is all around and you find your money stream through the value and worth you place on your unique talents and role in the community.

YOUR PERSONAL INCOME



"The art of living easily as to money is to pitch your scale of living one degree below your means."

Sir Henry Taylor, English Dramatist and Poet

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

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

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

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

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

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

2nd House Cusp is in Aquarius

Aquarius is on the cusp of your 2nd House, suggesting that you might have your own unique and individual way of relating to money! Even though it is traditionally ruled by Saturn, Aquarius is progressive and future orientated, looking to what is ingenious and cutting-edge to establish its sense of worth and value. Therefore you need to capitalise on your progressive, electric, altruistic and technological talents in whatever way you can. It also suggests that you feel satisfied and valued when you are able to be both inventive and individualistic.

With this combination it is likely that you may find yourself earning your living in a radically different way than you had ever imagined. This might be difficult to picture, as you may feel your personality is too conservative. Therefore, to imagine this possibility, you might need to reflect on the conservative side of your nature and the conventional influences in your life that often criticise your progress and reform. You need to value change and reform in order to feel fulfilled in what you do. Ironically, the more freedom and space you feel and the more detached you are from the need to be acknowledged, the more successful and valued you become.

As your self-esteem is intimately connected with your independence, it is your personal opinions and beliefs that support your own values. They may be marginal to the system but nonetheless sympathetic to you. It is important to recognise that being your own person is more an asset than following tradition for the sake of it. This could suggest you might at times be embroiled in political manoeuvres and changes, but is also

important to know that you can detach from these when there is nothing in it for you. Money is going to be found on the road less travelled, not on the well-trodden path of conservative values. As long as you feel independent and in charge of your own space you are able to work in a corporate or collective environment. Taking a risk with your skills and talents enriches your life. Investing in and appreciating your intellectual skills is also relevant to bolstering self-esteem.

Vocationally you are well suited to a variety of innovative, scientific, technological and/or intellectual endeavours that pay off. You also do well when engaged in humanistic and political reforms as your social and personal skills are an asset. Ecological, environmental and humanitarian pursuits also bring your skills to the forefront. Remember you are eclectic and it is in your character to earn your income in bizarre or out-of-the-ordinary ways, well at least in your own way. Value your differences and take pleasure in your humanism and you will find that others support and reward your unique and independent contributions.

Reflect on your attitude towards money. Sometimes you might be ambivalent to money or at other times quite disinterested. When it gets too hard you may disengage from the material sphere and escape into an altruistic one. There may also be some family stories around the nature of money that gets caught up in the dialogue. Astrologically you can be of two minds about money but in the big picture your personality supports a need to be grounded and secure in this area.

Since Aquarius is on your 2nd House cusp, its opposite Sign Leo rules your 8th House. This House polarity in the horoscope symbolises the continuum between mine and ours, or your attitudes and reactions to sharing resources with others. The 2nd House is your bank account, but the 8th is the joint account. With Aquarius on the 2nd sometime you might feel disinterested in money but through your intimate and personal relationships you discover creativity, how you can work with financial concerns in your own way. Resources are not only materialistic. With this combination value lies in your independence and alternative approach to money management. When you feel confident and close to intimate others you feel closer to yourself allowing you to feel freer and less anxious about money.

*Ruler of the 2nd House is Saturn
...and Saturn is in the 1st House*

Mythological Saturn has always been associated with time, whether that was with the cyclical nature of the agricultural seasons or the timelessness of the Golden Age. But human time is experienced through the process of ageing; therefore Saturn became linked to the grim reality of age, old age in particular. In astrology the planet Saturn sometimes has the reputation for being leaden and dull, cold and melancholic. Perhaps Saturn reminds us of the tough times, reality and hardships of our lives. Psychologically Saturn is more focused on the tough tasks of self management, self responsibility, discipline and autonomy. Saturn is a sense of self mastery which takes an enormous

amount of hard work. And hard work along with setting appropriate boundaries, fostering self improvement, accountability and being personally responsible is Saturn's territory. As ruler of your House of personal finance he can bring his acumen and business skills to work. But he is keen on getting the time correct, following the rules and being respectful of tradition and laws. Saturn ruling your 2nd House asks that you be aware of the limits and bring a sense of hard work and integrity into the sphere of your financial concerns.

With Saturn in your 1st House, beginning something new or unfamiliar may not be easy. You might be more accustomed to endings. Perhaps we might characterise this as slow to start, but once started, you are in for the long haul. Therefore your character might be best suited to letting things unfold over time, rather than in the immediate moment. This would be true for your financial concerns as well. Think about identifying with long-term projects, more established investments and traditional financial plans. Know that it is durable investments that probably work best for you. Come to understand that you value has long-term worth and qualities that are enduring. When you are able to recognise that you need these qualities for your safekeeping and security then you will also feel more protected financially.

SHARING YOUR INCOME

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

James Baldwin, American novelist and social critic

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

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

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

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

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

of those who have past and still exert emotional and financial control.

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

You have no planets in your 8th House. While the financial and intimate matters of this house are still of concern and interest, they may feel manageable and under control, since they are not influenced by the presence of a planet. Since the planets symbolise the multiplicity of human impulses, your attitude towards monetary exchange and investment may not be as complex. Like everyone else you have loans, income and share in the economy; however investing and money matters are probably not your main concerns. This report shows you how money works in your life; with this lack of any planet in your 8th house energy is directed towards other areas of your life. While you may relate to the information provided about money other areas are likely to be highlighted. However you do have a sign on your 8th house cusp which acts as a gateway to this sphere of your life. It also has a ruler and this is explored for you as follows.

8th House Cusp is in Leo

Leo being on the cusp of your 8th House conjures up an image of being either very creative with other people's resources or finding your own unique and original way to express yourself in intimate settings! Ironically you might not feel that you are that creative or self expressive, but when there is privacy and trust, you might find that you are capable of being very resourceful and inventive. While we often do, the reality is that we can never really judge another's close relationships. We can never know the alchemy that takes place between two people when the door is locked or the vessel is sealed. In your case you may find that in private and in the atmosphere of those who deeply love you, a more lively, playful and erotic nature emerges. In terms of your fiscal nature you may feel freer and riskier when involved with another than you would on your own.

It is worth digging down to unearth the attitudes that you inherited towards money and intimacy as part of your challenge is to see how they are able to operate together. When you enter the area of what is deeply personal and vulnerable how do you react? Do you defend against your vulnerabilities by remaining focused on yourself and defending any sensitivity to risk? Or are you able to feel susceptible and open to the

other in the possibility of creating something special? This might be similar to how you approach your financial security with others. Remaining defended or closed to the possibility of mutual prosperity because of your feelings of vulnerability may leave you feeling stuck. Whereas, remaining open and sensitive to risk might allow something creative and special to emerge. The choice seems very dependent on the level of self mastery and awareness. Perhaps trust in self and being open to your true nature are the keys in creative financial management.

Feeling acknowledged and appreciated in your mutual business arrangements is important. On the other hand it is important for you to feel that you are open to being challenged or criticized in your financial decisions. Honesty is the best policy here even when it pierces the heart. Sometimes your generosity might not be appropriate; at times your openness and bravado may not be sincere. When in the arena of intimacy, shared values and resources it is best to act with as much integrity and honesty as possible, as it is not lucrative or rewarding to continue acting fraudulently. The games you need to play are not in defence of the truth but in the joy of creating gainful projects and targets with intimate others.

And the mutual projects that you thrive on are the ones where you feel free enough to express your own creative ideas and energy, take managed risks and just share in the joys of creation. Some of your best investments might be when you have shared your vulnerable ideas or sensitive ambitions. You are motivated by the love and respect of others but also by the love and respect you have for others. Therefore when there is a close-knit team or partnership you feel you are able to work more freely to grow your resources. You might have a knack for speculation, knowing which stocks have future potential or what sector of the economy is going to do well. Hone your instinct here with the aid of trusted others. When you enter into a sacred and sincere agreement with someone else there is a great chance of success.

Leo is often connected with children; perhaps too the inner child. First let's reflect on what your inner child needs: as suggested before, probably some acknowledgment and applause. Ironically this comes when you are true to yourself, not trying to please others to get what you might not have received as a child. Now literal children: if you have children these are your most valuable resources. If not then it is through the resources of children that you find your treasures – imagination, freedom, vitality, innocence and creativity. The secret to your ongoing prosperity are these things.

Ruler of the 8th House is The Sun ...and The Sun is in the 12th House

When the Sun is connected to the 8th House of your Birth Chart it indicates that your wealth is connected with others. You have a yen to invest and share investments. Your marriage and business partnerships are likely to contribute to your sense of well-being and your assets. Wealth is important to you and this position boosts your likelihood to enjoy wealth. You have a better sense of shining in the world when you are able to

accumulate some assets. It is not so much a question of social status or financial security, but rather you experience personal satisfaction when you are able to build a financial portfolio. In some cases you may enjoy the power that comes with wealth, but this depends on other aspects of your Birth Chart. Money is really just a method of exchange. What would you like in exchange for money and assets? What do these things give you? Perhaps a personal sense of satisfaction is most important? The 8th House lends itself to helping you make these assessments. You are better than most people at detecting the underlying currents of money markets, and business deals. When the Sun is in the 12th House of your Birth Chart then you are also an excellent plotter and schemer. You are more likely to work behind the scenes on your journey to financial success. You can spend hours studying the money market, setting your own budget, plotting how to improve your investments and meditating on the current economic trends. You need to be wary of making rash decisions as these could be your undoing financially. You may suffer some financial losses during your life time, but these can be valuable lessons. You do want to acquire wealth and social status, but you also need time to assimilate your lessons. If you do not have these vital retreat times then you are likely to sabotage your own success. As you mature you develop a heightened ability to understand the energies of money, and economics. You also learn to value the good that money can do for other people. Therefore you may choose to become involved in an institution that helps less fortunate people, or to use your psychic gifts to counsel others. You understand the true worth of money, the links that go beyond the material world and into the spiritual.

YOUR FORTUNE



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

Hermann Hesse, Novelist, Poet and Painter

The Part of Fortune

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

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

The Part of Fortune is also known as the Lot of Fortune. In ancient Greece, the concept for fate suggested a lot, a portion or what we were allotted in the lottery of life. The Greek word for fate was 'moira' and the Moirai were the three weavers of fate; those

who measured, allocated and cut the threads of one's life. With this lot, the ancient astrologers recognised that the tapestry created by weaving the three threads of the Sun, Moon and Ascendant together would be fortunate. To the Romans, Fortuna was chance and she spun the Wheel of Fortune. This wheel reminds us not only of the wheel of the zodiac, but the natural cycles and rhythms of life. Fortune is not static but cyclical by nature; hence the Part of Fortune becomes a powerful symbol in your chart that points to your lot on the wheel of fortune. In a contemporary way the placement of the Part of Fortune is where you honour and petition the goddess of chance and acknowledge your share of fortune.

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

The Part of Fortune is in Cancer

With the Part of Fortune in Cancer, your best chance in any sweepstake is to be part of a syndicate, a caring collective. Being part of a tribe you can feel good about being fortunate since others you feel close to are also reaping the rewards. Your lottery ticket has the zodiacal emblem of the crab on it. Like the creatures that dwell on the threshold of the sea, your fortunes are subject to the shape-shifting tides of life. But crabs secure their home regardless of any fluctuation in fortune or alternating tide. You are fortunate as you are able to find stability within the changing rhythms of life which swell, ebb, flood and retract. When you house yourself securely on the edge of life's upheavals, you are better able to prosper in the world without being swept out to sea by emotional complexities. The Moon is the protector of your fortune; therefore it makes sense that prosperity will come in cycles. Therefore find security by protecting your basic needs like your home, nurture your attachments, invest in things that last, save enough for rainy days and then you are in the best position to secure your future.

Fortune comes with attachments so perhaps before you make an investment or down payment with an emotional connection, make sure that it will last a long time. Prosperity is built on an emotionally stable foundation and when you feel secure and enveloped by what you love, over time fortunes grow. When you are surrounded by emotional closeness and security you are more receptive to building your wealth. On your Wheel of Fortune it is important to remember that everything old will be new again so what you nurtured and lovingly cared for over time grows in value. In fact much of your profits are embedded in the ambience and feeling that you put into the environment. Prosperity is not just because the service you provide, the home you sell, the meal you cook or the boat you build is good quality, but because it is invested with care and concentration. Your lot in life might feel as if you are the provider or carer, but on the wheel of life, kindness and loyalty come around again and again.

The Part of Fortune is in the 7th House

Your Part of Fortune placed in the 7th House is considered fortunate indeed. It is through your involvement with others that you are able to become rich and to find more meaning and purpose in life. Others help initiate projects which are worthwhile and expose you to different approaches and values that are rewarding. Traditionally this placement would show gains from marriage and partnerships; in essence anytime that there is a contractual agreement, a verbal commitment or an equal exchange you are in a position to profit from the relationship. This is the potential of your relationships, but you need to choose wisely who will partner you on the Wheel of Fortune. It is as if another is able to hold up a mirror so you can see the reflection of your own worth and value and support and encourage you on the road to riches. Metaphorically it is not the money that is your fortune, but the processes of relationship like sharing, equality, conversation, altercation, empathy, caring and loving that bring pleasure and wealth.

If you were born during the day, you were born just after the Full Moon which signifies that others are able to illuminate your path forward and partner your goals and aspirations. Born at night implies that you were born just before the Full Moon and it is through your openness and responsiveness to others that you develop ways and means to become resourceful. Since others are important on your path to prosperity it is important to develop the skills of negotiation, the art of compromise and the ability to read character. But it is also vital to know how and when to stand up for your rights and your share in relationships. Fortune comes through equality and a transparent, open relationship, even if that relationship no longer exists. Vocationally there are many trades and professions that work with others and you have the opportunity to gain from all of these; but it is when you are in an equal, committed and evenly balanced partnership that you find your lot of fortune.

CONCLUSION



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

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

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

Moneta was also the Latin name for Mnemosyne, the goddess of Memory and the mother of the Muses. Moneta was also said to remind us, at times warn us, of our relationship with money. Therefore Moneta re-minds us that money is not just a literal matter but connected to the emotional and soulful realm of human experience, the sphere where astrology can be so revealing. Embedded in your Horoscope is an instinctual approach to

your values and money. Understanding your own astrological relationship to money can help you be more aware of personal values and your unique approach to money matters. In turn this then helps you learn how to make the most of the money you earn and maximise your prosperity.

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This report is meant more of an introduction to the wonders of astrology rather than a complete course in its intricacies. Further studies, or a consultation with a professional astrologer, are also encouraged to explore this most ancient scientific and philosophic tool.

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