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Venus	Cancer	16°Ca57'	05th	Venus	Leo	17°Le09'	06th
Mars	Virgo	00°Vi17'	07th	Mars	Scorpio	07°Sc56'	09th
Jupiter	Capricorn	18°Cp23'	11th	Jupiter	Pisces	16°Pi13' R	01st
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Uranus	Pisces	22°Pi39' R	01st	Uranus	Libra	10°Li37'	08th
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Introduction

What do I want to be when I grow up? This childhood question is now being considered by people from fifteen to fifty. The number of jobs available is not the main problem. The difficulties come from two areas: first, the vocational possibilities are rapidly changing. Second, many of us are considering our second or even third career because our original choice is becoming obsolete, or makes demands upon us that we could not have anticipated, or is losing prestige, or no longer pays well enough, or has become so mechanized as to bore us to automated tears. In short, we want more.

This report describes your vocational aptitudes from the astrological perspective so that they can be matched in the career marketplace. While the jobs themselves are ever-changing, personality is founded on a solid base upon which to pivot. Self-understanding can supply the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual clues to your best line of work. Then you can determine how to apply your strongest capabilities to the career field you find most attractive.

The best career is one that allows you to use your natural talents and skills. Astrologers use a number of considerations to determine the energies that are strongest and most beneficial in your chart, identifying the type of activities that will be most likely to achieve career success. Sometimes your latent abilities will require training to develop into appropriate occupational skills. Also, you may have talents that serve your avocation - your hobby - better than your career. In this report we will consider a number of possibilities so you can get a sense of which talents are most beneficial in terms of career, and how to develop and use them.

Your Ascendant or Rising Sign

Let's begin with a description of your Ascendant or rising sign. Here you find your natural expression in the world - the way you present yourself to the world and the way others see you.

You are original and inventive and your career should draw on these qualities. Whatever career you pursue, and you could go into just about any field, it is the new, the unusual angle that catches your interest. Astrology or other occult subjects may attract your interest, and you have the natural intuition to do well in

these careers. You appreciate the cycles of all life and learn the basics quickly. You have an internal working relationship between the thinking and feeling processes. You seek the uncommon career, or the unusual slice of the career pie. You want the freedom to act on your own initiative, you seek the unexpected turn in the course of events. You would do well in the early stages of management of catastrophes because you can see the long term fall out from the first moment. Your personal magnetism is a strong career advantage. Occasionally you will find that people believe you know more than you do, based on your good judgment and intuitive sense. You need to have a constructive outlet for your ingenuity. Without guidance your cleverness can become disruptive and your genius eccentricity.

Now take these initial impressions forward with you as you read the rest of this report. You will come to see if and how these general characteristics fit into the overall picture of your vocational possibilities. As you read, you may find apparent contradictions. This happens because we are complex beings with many interests and abilities. This report presents some of your many choices along the path to vocational success and satisfaction.

Your Creative Touch

Human creativity falls into three principal arenas: creation (the making of things), recreation (the entertaining side of life), and procreation (the creation of the future). Everyone actively engages in all three creative processes, and we often confuse the feelings of one for another. The term "recreational sex" captures the sense of confusion. Some of us work really hard to get "good sex". Some of us feel sex serves only one purpose, that of procreation. Some of us find the deepest spiritual meaning of life in sexual union. To confuse such deeply meaningful matters with mere recreation can be a problem. In terms of career, creativity plays a big role, but typically sexual involvement in the workplace only serves to establish barriers to the free flow of ideas. To gain better understanding of the inner creative urge in its multiplicity of expression is to gain a leg up on the career issues that can lead us to money and fame without also finding inner satisfaction in the work itself.

Your creativity lies in the ability to diversify an idea. You could have been the original fractal designer, taking one idea and working it into many. You thrive on sharing creative process with others, and brainstorming is your forte. You have the capacity to take a broad view of things, not becoming overly attached to details.

When you come back down to earth, you bring with you the sense of space in which to implement your ideas. Your greatest pleasure lies in sharing your experience, and you work well in situations where teamwork is encouraged.

You may find that at some point your creative focus is modified to include a somewhat different mode of expression that has the following characteristics:

Your creative power lies on the ability to rest with thoughts and feelings, to allow them to run their course without interference. Your fertile mind is able to soak up the facts; you thrive in situations where you can apply that knowledge to problem-solving. You tend to immerse yourself in projects, and may need to take a moment out for yourself to enjoy the process. You take pleasure in the fact that you can manifest a stillness of turmoil even in the midst of intense work effort. You are at your best creatively when you work with the natural direction of life, not fighting the currents around you.

Many people find that the creative urge seeks to apply itself in a particular area of life that may have very little to do with career. By the same token, the creative voice can dictate the path of vocation, if it is either strong enough or consistent with the overall vocational choices. It helps to understand what part of the creative process most pleases you, what feelings and activities you consider to be most creative.

While the approval of others is nice, it is self-approval that you ultimately need. You are able to carry off the dignity required in stressful situations. Your fearlessness can get you into tight situations, but is a valuable career asset most of the time.

It also helps to be aware of how you can use your creativity to the best advantage.

You need a designated area where you can stash your personal belongings, situate yourself, and dig into the work. You may find that you like an office with a door to leave open - or to be closed when you choose.

Who do you most like to play with when you are being creative? You may think this an odd question where career is concerned, but it strikes at the heart of the career game. If you surround yourself with people who share your creative interests, you will fulfill your inner urge more directly and completely. Just as children work hard at their games, you can play hard at work and thus enjoy this part of your life that takes up the bulk of your waking hours.

You have great creative potential. You are able to express creatively because of your understanding of harmony and your ability to refine an idea into a beautiful result. You inspire love in others because of a warm heart and charming, magnetic personality. Clothing manufacturers, art dealers, artists, composers, cosmeticians, anyone whose work involves elegance and beauty will appeal to your creative side. Women may be more likely to get your juices flowing. You could provide services for florists, musicians, or even be a bridal consultant. The idea is that you need a sense of the artistic to pervade your work if your creativity is to develop fully. The justice system, particularly judges and juries, could be part of your creative scene.

You may focus your love affair with food into a career path, or at least use this side of your interests in furthering your career through successful parties and such. As for yourself, you feel better if you do not over-indulge in rich foods. You are at your best when you have a loving, committed relationship, and you have a deep capacity for loving your partner. The arts or music may be a part of your career.

You can develop a sense of the importance of creativity to your work, and also what factors affect your creative expression, by considering how you seek creative interplay with others and with the world.

Your inner sense of beauty can become a source of tension when you find yourself in excessively indulgent situations. When you are attracted to another individual, use your own physical and mental tension to attract them. Inner tension drains your vitality; find outlets for your emotions, such as exercise. You sense the shape of things psychically before they manifest physically. This sensitivity can become a useful tool in planning and design. You have artistic abilities.

The typical results of your creative forays have the following characteristics:

Your emotional life leads to personal growth, but only when you balance emotions in social situations. You have a sense of design and grace which you apply to life's offerings. You tend toward a light-hearted existence which belies the growth which emerges from choices you make. Any inclination toward laziness in relationships will force you to adjust, as your partner will not tolerate it. Harmonious long-term partnerships depend on your willingness to remain flexible, even though your beliefs are unchanging. You would prefer to live in a world of illusion and can make this your life work. You idealize love relationships. You become known for your good taste.

Thinking and feeling are aligned for you. You are able to assimilate information and to put it back out; thus you are a good student. You can use your mental capabilities to promote healing. Common sense, for you, depends on intellectual

awareness. As long as you take a scrupulously honest approach to life, you will find that relationships are positive. Your active mind and optimism are your best teachers. You are logical and thorough in your work and in your personal life. Slow steady advancement in life is related to your skills of concentration and industry. You take the world seriously. You are challenged to maintain structure when your psychic energy is pulling you off balance. Deceptive currents in your life can also help you develop qualities of compassionate foresight.

Current shifts in your creative pattern may be indications of a refinement of your activities to suit the daemon or inner voice. Your awareness of that voice is subject to changes that can have sweeping effects on your career path.

Recent Influences

Your honesty is yours to maintain. Don't get drawn into any illegal or marginal activities that could backfire. Maintain awareness of all the details of meetings with other people, as the details contain the essential information at this time.

You are liable to misjudge the intentions of others just now. Take time to consider the content of their words and actions, and let time be your ally.

Current and Future Trends for the Coming Year

The communication traffic around you is disturbing.

You find that balance is just out of your reach at work and in your personal sphere.

Creativity and Career

You may be wondering how creativity affects your career. Perhaps you don't feel that the work you do is very creative, or perhaps you have creative pursuits that are not part of how you earn money. Creativity is the expression of an ideal that we each find within ourselves. We each have a unique inner essence that deserves to be polished and re-fined in our individual ways. This essence can be expressed through vocation, and indeed it is a force that pushes us toward the most fulfilling career fields. Many factors combine to produce the best vocational choice. Multiple abilities may combine in a profession not usually associated with the individual qualities you possess.

Where You Have the Best Advantage

In the world of vocation certain energies work to your best advantage.

The creative process of nourishment is yours. You tend to sustain and integrate your resources; this gives you the power to respond and to feel. You can creatively reorient yourself, changing shape to fill whatever career container you have at the moment. You can broaden your experience by flowing and spreading yourself as far as you desire. This expansion of consciousness allows for commingling and interchange and is indicative of interpersonal commerce. You have the creative energy found in controlled passion. A key word for your process is TO NOURISH. You may manifest some of these traits in your career: emotional balance (or lack), empathic ability, a sense of your own feelings, psychic or intuitive ability, ability to face pain, and ability to express highest spiritual values of love, compassion, devotion. At best you master emotions instead of letting them have free rein.

These may not be your greatest strengths, yet they work better for you in the work environment, they help you to achieve greater career success and fame, and they may even be essential for financial remuneration. For some people, the things that work where vocation is concerned are very different from what work in relationships or other areas of life.

Your Most Likely Mode of Expression

Your expression in the world tends to be even-handed in most situations. You are comfortable with a wide variety of people and have eclectic interests that allow you to feel at ease in formal, casual, social or work environments. You are able to balance a number of tasks simultaneously, and this capacity may serve you in supervisory and management positions. Because you keep an open mind to the many possibilities, you are often able to find alternative solutions and rank them according to their likely level of effectiveness.

You are dependable in your work, capable of persisting through to completion with assigned tasks. You are able to recall details and accumulate the information you need for your work. You can be rather stubborn. You are also able to adapt to conditions as they arise, learning how to manage and attend to details. You can take on the role of mediator, as you can entertain more than one viewpoint. You can be indecisive. You may decline to take the initiative in any situation, choosing to let someone else be in charge. You need a boost to gather momentum for projects, and are willing to wait patiently for a push from a source outside yourself.

How You Work Best

Each of us has to work within the framework of our personal traits and habits. Life is not so much about changing those habits as it is about choosing to emphasize one set of behaviors over another. Through this process character is revealed. If we changed our behaviors all the time, we would never settle into the strength of character that we need. Generally, when we desire to change ourselves, we aim to change how we understand and work with our inner being, how we can come to accept that being. This section of the report considers how you operate in the world, and thus how you tend to function in the work environment.

Your Strongest Psychological Tendency

The Sun is indicative of your primary psychological type. Psychology and astrology both suggest that each individual has a basic style in interacting with the world. The Sun sign indicates the more conscious portion of your style. Individuals do not necessarily conform to this in their outer expression, but it nevertheless is consistent with the underlying approach to life. With the Sun in Leo, you are primarily the Intuitive type.

Intuitive types listen to their unconscious sources of information, eschewing normal perception. In fact, they are often largely unaware of what is around them in the material world. These people are the inventors, the artists, the forward thinkers because they can see the possibilities of an idea, often before the means of developing it are apparent. Therefore they pursue what they know the world is not yet prepared for. Intuitives jump to conclusions, yes, but not necessarily without the intermediate steps. They either go through those steps at light speed by sizing up an underlying principle or simply recognize an inevitable match of an idea's potential with their own desires.

You fit into the educational system rather well, as many high school and college courses make use of the deductive skills intuitives share with the thinking type. You may respond well to the timed testing that is prevalent today. You can master the complexities of mathematics because you can grasp the results without having to ground your learning in some physical way.

Intuitives contribute through their inventiveness. You are generally willing to sacrifice the pleasure of the moment in the hope of greater future achievement. You are also restless and crave inspiration. Because you thrive in situations where getting to the answer is important, you are good at problem-solving and tasks that require ingenuity. Careers in the creative arts, religious inspiration and scientific

discovery all suit the intuitive type. You can become an inspired leader or promoter. For you the game is more important than winning, the chase more interesting than the end result.

Your Unconscious Interactive Style

The Moon indicates the less conscious component of your interactive style. It shows what skills and talents can be brought to bear when your usual approach is not effective, and as such it indicates your own internal support system. With the Moon in Gemini, your secondary function is the Thinking type.

Thinking types tend to be less personal in their approach to the world. They are focusing on an objective truth that they hope to find, and not on the people in their path. They choose to be logical. They choose to be truthful. They choose to be argumentative - after all, they have argued with themselves enough times! They are usually able to go through a thought process once and stop, without needing to re-evaluate. Air types benefit from an education that includes logical training, but they remain one-sided if they skip over the opportunities to appreciate the people and things around them. They judge the world through a logical process that seldom admits consideration of feelings.

You can do well in careers where it is important to organize and assess quantities of information. You tend to be somewhat more businesslike, able to "cut to the chase" in planning as well as performance. You contribute to society through intellectual criticism, through the exposure of wrong-doing, and through scientific research. You perform well in executive positions partly because such positions are somewhat impersonal. You are willing to tell the truth, even when it is not convenient.

What You Show the World and What You Know About Yourself

If you are aware of how other people see you, you have a distinct career advantage. Such awareness provides a tremendous opportunity to present yourself in the best light possible. You may have a rather different persona in the work place than you have anywhere else because different traits are expected by your co-workers. You therefore can choose to display those personality characteristics that suit your work situation the best.

Your natural direction where individuality is concerned is to proceed on a spontaneous basis and to seek immediate intuitive solutions to problems.

You have vivid communicative abilities and remarkable mental flexibility. You enjoy being around others and are sympathetic and willing to be helpful. You may lean on your co-workers for support occasionally, yet you thrive independently as a general rule. You spend time wishing for things and planning for the future.

Your personality naturally tends to exhibit adaptability and mobility, along with good understanding of events around you. At the same time you like to see change and can implement it yourself. Your naturally good manners come across well in the work environment. Others respond well to you because you draw on your wide range of interests and knowledge of human nature.

The qualities you most easily recognize in yourself are ambition and ruthlessness. The better you know these, the better you can manage them. You persevere to the edge of doom if necessary and beyond. You know that you need time and space in which to revive from such ventures. You understand the basics of life and therefore can be quite sympathetic toward the problems of others. You know that you will survive just about anything that is thrown your way. You know your own desires and how to fulfill them. You may occasionally overestimate your energy and need to know your limits. You meet resistance in almost everything you do - be sure not to project this onto others, it is your own consciousness that resists loss and change. You can be inspired in emergencies and you have the courage to do what is necessary, even though it may seem cruel at the time.

Sometimes it seems that other people understand you better than you do. As you become more self-aware through experience and self-investigation, you see the connections between feelings, situations and events more clearly. You thus are better able to make creative choices in response to life's slings and arrows, instead of reacting from a less conscious drive.

Individual Strengths Being Developed at This Time

As you travel life's path, the balance of your attention changes. These shifts allow you to experience the world in different ways for a period of time, and thereby to develop new skills. The periodic shifts provide what you need to gain perspective if you are to take advantage of learning opportunities as they are presented. These shifts may call for career changes as well.

At this time you have the potential to grow through patient considerations of how factors in the environment are likely to evolve. By considering the practical outcome, you give yourself another way to evaluate problems and deal with them.

For the next few months, you can come to understand your emotional nature as

an inherent strength. You may develop a new toughness. The best path is to avoid aimless drifting while also steering clear of ruthless ambitious actions. You learn to use your feelings as a vocational tool.

During the current period you have more restless energy, together with self-confidence and enthusiasm. You expect to find a place in your career and to hold it. You desire recognition and may sometimes seem self-absorbed. Your sociability is a career strength.

The qualities you stand to gain at this time include self-confidence in almost every area, as well as the capacity to concentrate on the work at hand. Hence you have the likelihood of great career success. You set high goals and have the ambition to reach them. You gain self-awareness and confidence by sticking with projects to the end. You think of yourself as an ordinary person and wonder why others can't keep up. You recognize the real risks that arise in your career moves. Underneath the outer activity you have a deep spiritual awareness. Resistance within yourself is perceived as a barrier to be overcome. You respond to problems in a very practical basis and may need to cultivate the long view.

How You Relate to the World in General

Many factors add up to the sum total of your presence in the world. Some character traits are quite stable, changing very little throughout your life. They are the "mind set" with which you approach all your activities and as such have a strong impact on your career. This section of your report considers how these persistent qualities affect you in your career endeavors.

Psychologists use the terms introversion and extraversion to describe two general ways of approaching the world. These tendencies are rather obvious to others, yet you may not recognize them in yourself.

The extravert evaluates events external to the self. For such an individual other people are the basis for personal decisions. In extraversion the flow of energy is outward; your thoughts mainly concern external objects. You tend to live life and then figure it out afterward. You are usually relaxed and confident, plunging into the water before you know how deep it is. Conduct is essentially governed by external conditions. You tend to unload your emotions as you go along and take an expansive attitude to everything.

Another pair of differences fall on a continuum between very self-directed and self-motivated to more responsive or reactive to other people and outside forces.

You experience a lessening of personal control and an increased tendency to react to outer influences - to respond to the needs and desires of other people. There is the potential to dissolve conditions which are rigid within the personality and to interact with others in a more beneficial manner. You tend to merge your feelings and ideas with other people, caring less for personal ownership and more for cooperative effort. You often make choices that are more beneficial to the people around you than to yourself, recognizing that you gain more satisfaction from helping others. You make a strong facilitator because you are naturally aware of how other people feel and thus are able to provide the motivation and circumstances for them to be successful. You measure your own success in terms of the worldly results.

These two tendencies combine to produce a personal approach to the world.

You tend to respond to others, at home, in personal relationships and in the work environment. Your fundamental beliefs were learned largely through family in childhood, and they may change only after significant thought. Your attitudes toward all objects of personal love, such as mate, child, pet, or friend revolve around responding to them. You usually choose to respond to the needs of others in the work environment, and your attitude toward peers and subordinates is focused as much on their needs as on the work demands. You see yourself as an individual, on equal footing with others. Your efforts are usually directed toward cooperation with people around you and how you choose to grow in that process. You are able to evaluate how you relate on a one-to-one basis with a partner (or an overt enemy); how your sexual response works; what you receive from others, how you share feelings; and how you engage a higher philosophy and relate to social values.

A third consideration is how your mind functions. How you assimilate information and then put that information to use in the outer world can have a huge impact on your career success. It influences not only the career choice itself, but also the area you choose within the career.

You are a person who tends to consider things carefully and rarely jumps into any situation too quickly. You usually find that the ground has been laid and the path prepared for you. Thus, even though you have taken a considered approach, you are not too late to reap the benefits.

Summary

Thus far this report has revealed traits of your personality which you may be more or less familiar with. Most people identify with one or more parts of their

personality. You may not see yourself exactly as described here, and you certainly will want to consider the qualities that are entering your awareness now, as they are the fuel for future personality developments, and possibly for career advancement as well.

Your Vocational Indicators

Each of us has a natural inclination to function a particular way, and these tendencies become pronounced in vocational activities. We carry our personal desires across a personal boundary into the social milieu and find greater or lesser resistance to our desires there. Yet we may stubbornly press on, attempting to bend the world to our personal desires. We tend to hold on to the old form, even if it no longer serves us. "Better the devil you know" is itself a timeworn maxim.

If, instead of insisting, we learn from social feedback and adapt our approach to the world, we find that life is gentler and career more satisfying. Your personal emotional bias, how you concentrate your talents, and how you best learn from experience all impact vocation in spite of any desires to the contrary. There are several fundamental qualities that bear on vocation, and the following paragraphs consider these factors.

The focus is on your self-will and egocentricity. You tend to believe you know the "only" right way to do things. As such, you are best placed in an independent career situation that maximizes your ability to work hard. Your advancement may not be as fast as you would like, but you will know that you are responsible for your personal success.

You have the ability to concentrate on your self-restraint and desire for steady advancement to see you through the long haul. Keep this in mind in every area of endeavor, not just vocation. You learn through focused studies.

There is one area of life where your hard work will achieve the best results. Because of this, you may be steered in a direction that you cannot easily perceive from within the confines of past experience. You need to look beyond past experience and desires into the larger context of your life to find the best place for your efforts. Most people expect a career to provide status, money, and other satisfactions. The type of work indicated here may seem odd, but deserves

consideration nonetheless, as it may deliver long term rewards that you cannot perceive at the outset.

The personal assets you need to develop for career success are personal reserve, executive capacity, ability to exercise authority. Break away from personal ties for that first job, even if it means some loss in status or financial level. The idea is to develop personal responsibility and to assert yourself, independent of your elders. You end up in an independent career of some stature, one that affords you the security you so strongly desire. Professions and the arts are promising avenues for you to follow, and you may attain executive stature.

Current Direction

You are in the mid-life crisis period. You are taking a second good look at yourself - the first was around age 15 - and you may be your own harshest critic. If you have slipped into an unconscious pattern of action, now you must become fully aware of the effect your actions have on yourself, your career, and the other people in your life.

You may also consider the area of your life in which these impulses can best be applied, and the focus that will gain the most positive results.

At this time you address your relationships with significant others. You become more aware of your career associates and their impact on you, and this may cause frustration if you see them as formerly convenient partners or co-workers. Look at others and assess their position in your life; the emphasis is on defining the situation, not provoking change until you are certain.

You can put your attention to details at this time, analyzing what is best for you and also what will make other people more self-sufficient. Avoid the tendency to nag about every little point. It is also important to see how the pieces fit into the larger picture.

All of these considerations come together into a package of skills, decisions, and goals combined with your current potential. The sum total is a description of your ability to learn from experience. If you are well placed in a career field, emotionally suited to the demands of the actual job, and oriented clearly to your goals, you will be successful.

How to Apply Your Energy to the Career

Having looked at how a solid foundation may be established, we now turn to the application of your personal energy to the goal of fulfilling your dreams. The previous paragraphs suggest the most natural form or structure of your career, while the following shows how you pursue it. How do you apply yourself? What drives you? How far can you go? These questions are all answered by your personal energy and how it can work with your natural abilities.

Early on you tend to depend too much on your feelings to guide you through life's situations. You also are truthful to a fault, and this leads to argument instead of resolution. As you develop work skills, you turn the dependence on feeling into skillful assessment of co-workers and an enthusiasm for teamwork. You will always be a truth teller, but you learn to balance truth with tact and can be cordial and diplomatic without becoming false.

You are precise. You are thorough. You seldom miss details. You keep your appointments. In addition to these basics, you are a skilled researcher, able to resolve any ambiguity in the materials you are dealing with. You can be overly critical of yourself and others, and are somewhat irritable from time to time. Learn to leave room for uncertainty, refrain from judgment, and work with your natural intuitive capacity.

The career can flourish through the cooperative efforts of energy and structure, as conditions exist which make this path easy for you to follow. On the one hand, the structure of the best career path is enhanced by the application of energy while on the other hand, your energy is easily directed to fill the requirements of the career's structure. In this way the detrimental and stressful tendencies toward harmful action or weakness are decreased, while your energy is skillfully applied in the most fruitful direction.

Early in life energy almost seems to use you, as you have little control over desires. Throughout your life you learn to moderate desires of the moment with longer term plans, and you adapt to the environment of parental control, school requirements, peer pressure, marriage or relationship responsibilities, etc. Energy becomes, instead of its own director, an agent for your use, being guided by your will. You may find your will power and determination change in their expression earlier or later in your career, depending on your personal developmental path and how you respond to life. Some uses may seem out of reach in youth and commonplace in middle age, or vice versa.

Your Career Success

It is helpful to think of career success separate from the money earned, as success is not limited to material gain. A person could be held in very high esteem in his career field and not be the biggest success in the money department. Also, the slice of the career pie will often determine the earning potential. Of the three factors involved in vocation (career, money and work environment), the career itself has the most public impact. Here is where reputation is built, here is where one gains authority in one's field, and here is where ambition can be fulfilled.

You are not afraid of the hard work - you can get in the trenches with coworkers when necessary. Ambition leads to striving to come out on top of every situation. This attitude can make for over-extension of your energy as well as the appearance of ruthlessness. Actually there is usually an accurate grasp of the situation in nearly every case, accompanied by surprising sympathy toward others. Career fields suited to you include bail bondsmen, brewers, butchers, bill and tax collectors, dentists, detectives, druggists, doctors, embalmers, executioners, funeral directors, insurance salesmen, junk dealers, laboratory technicians, lumberjacks, magicians, pharmacists, paleontologists, psychiatrists, psychics, radiobiologists, radiotherapists, researchers, nuclear scientists, sorcerers, surgeons and tyrants.

You may find that at some point you undertake a second, rather different career that has the following characteristics:

You are a born planner. You seem to see into the future and figure out just the right direction to take. At the same time you want to be held up as a shining example for your peers, so being stuck in an office alone is not good. Expect a mix of conservative attitudes with spiritual leanings. Career fields suited to you include ad writers, advertising agents, airline employees, radio and television announcers, attorneys, booksellers, book publishers, broadcasting technicians, churchmen, clergymen, counselors, flight engineers, missile engineers, explorers, hunters, jockeys, judges, lecturers, military officers, navy men, pilots, professors, publicity directors, theologians, travel agents, traveling salesmen and writers.

For most people there is one area of the life, not necessarily associated with work, that influences the career strongly. There may be skills developed there that can be directly applied to the career. Also, it may influence the choices you make in where and how to pursue your career.

It is beneficial for you to develop close working relationships with your career peers, relationships that may lead to formal partnerships. You are a strong team

leader because you facilitate the communal spirit among your co-workers.

Your capacity for discrimination helps you to be careful and ethical in your career. Because people will judge by the results you obtain is no reason to justify less scrupulous means.

You can develop a sense of how significant career is to your life in general, and also what factors affect the progress of your career, by considering how you become more aware in general, how you interact with the people and events around you, and how these responses affect your work.

You have a direct connection between your ego-consciousness and your soul. The emphasis on inner spiritual meaning and values becomes a catalyst for self-understanding. The focus is less on individual expression and more on a flexible life path which asserts the desire to nurture others in terms of what you know about yourself. This flexibility does not encourage a focused approach; rather it allows for diffuse interests based upon deeply rooted spiritual values. Your natural ability is to allow pre-conscious or unconscious motives to emerge into awareness; these motives are part of what you can learn about yourself. The connection between who you are and what you know about yourself is indirect, coming through the influence of others. You use your thought processes to develop self-awareness. To the extent that thinking has been cultivated, you are well-equipped to plan and pursue objectives on the mental level. It is essential for you to train the mind. Sloppy thinking will only lead to sloppy pursuit of objectives. One quality of mind is its changeability; you can lose focus if your mind is not well-trained and practiced. Another quality is the capacity to resolve conflict; you come to resolutions directly through self-awareness, or ego-consciousness, whereas other people may use different means. You are capable of a profound awareness that all concrete knowledge is rooted in the love principle. The close connection between beauty and ego-consciousness allows expression to embody harmony and balance in concrete form. This can include plastic arts, writing, and any activity whose aim is to achieve a higher level of harmony in the physical world as well as in interpersonal and social relations. You find yourself acting without self-examination, and this is not always the best plan. You work best in situations where considerable training is involved, so that your actions become second nature. You are interested in expansion, optimism and religious or spiritual interests. Your thinking emphasizes the nobler facets of human expression as a result of consciousness. The urge to expand is joined with self-awareness to produce direction and optimism. This combination often signals success throughout life because the higher, more comprehensive awareness of cosmic law is so closely linked to ego-consciousness. It is as though the two are one expression for you. The desire to accomplish something important can be a powerful motivation, and leads to self-awareness. You are susceptible to rigid ideas about the world. There will be far less movement with this combination, as it

is less about awareness of change and more about the limitations we find in the physical environment. There is a focus on the structure of your own personality rather than on things outside the self. Because you may not have a strong sense of the structure of social systems, there is a tendency to be self-critical, sometimes leading to an actual loss of ego-consciousness. Ego-consciousness is not placed within the framework of the world, and thus has no solid ground on which to develop. The result is a difficulty in career and relationships which can only be overcome through steadfast adherence to your goals. The need for sufficient practice in thinking is apparent; clear thought processes will negate any tendency toward depression. You feel an emphasis on the suddenness and change in your life as well as rhythm, independence and even rebellion. You are usually in a state of being ready to take action, coupled with a strong intuitive sense of what direction to take with your life. Controlled by a well-trained mind, intuition can indeed provide equilibrium in your life, as you can foresee conditions and events clearly. When you are out of control, emotional imbalances result and change runs your life, instead of the other way around. The more out of balance you seem, the more your ego-consciousness is ignoring some significant portion of the psyche and its messages. Whatever psychic awareness you bring to your career is a felt thing, not the result of thought. You may find that your thought processes are sometimes inconsistent and self-awareness depends on listening to your "gut". Power is often outside your conscious control. You find it is governed by unconscious drives for the most part. You develop a disciplined will through other channels.

You are a highly sensitive person and can develop your psychic gifts steadily throughout your life. You are aware of events before they occur.

Astrology can help you to become more aware of desirable changes in career. It can also offer insight into any feelings of unrest or anxiety associated with career. The following provides information about the recent past career influences and then discusses current conditions and future trends.

Recent Influences

Any success you achieve at this time will require more effort than it turns out to be worth.

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Personal effort. You have a new or renewed experience of authority in your life. This can be an inner personal authority which you have cultivated, or it may involve outside authority figures, such as your father. In either case personal expenditure

of energy is required. You feel exposed to the scrutiny of others, yet you are more available now for self-examination.

Current and Future Trends for the Coming Year

You find yourself in a leadership position at this time.

Your Best Work Environment

Where the work environment and the securing of employment are concerned, astrology offers many useful insights. It also deals with the actual work that is undertaken. It can reveal how you react to work, to your work associates and to the work environment itself. Regardless of the actual title you hold, the place where you do the work and the people around you make a tremendous difference in the attitudes you develop in the work place. You can learn effective tools for obtaining the job as well.

The best work environments for you include residences, hotels, boats, beaches, docks, sheltered places, wells, fountains, ditches, canals, hydrants, kitchens, cellars, laundries, plumbing lines, north walls or rooms. Geographic locations which may be suited to your work include Africa, Amsterdam, Southern California, Central Canada, China, Holland, Idaho, New Hampshire, New York, New Zealand, Paraguay, Pittsburgh, or Wyoming.

You may work in more than one type of environment or change jobs in order to move to a work environment described as follows:

The best work environments for you include parks, playgrounds, yards, jungles, reservations, steep hillsides, natural fortresses, hot and humid places, forests, main entry, living room, dining room, east walls or rooms, high enough to have to reach to get something. Geographic locations which may be suited to your work include East Africa, Alaska, The Alps, Bohemia, California, Western Canada, Chicago, Colorado, Detroit, France, West Los Angeles, Madagascar, Miami, Missouri, Oklahoma City, Oregon, Pacific Islands, Philadelphia, Sicily, or Zanzibar.

The types of people you work with most successfully may not be the sort of people you would choose for friends or romantic partners. Understanding how to identify compatible co-workers can have a direct effect on career success or failure.

Service is an integral part of your make-up. Your health, your work environment, your relationships with employees and employer all address this human function. This house placement of the Sun does not mean that you will always serve others, but rather that service is a principle to which you devote your individual attention.

Your coworkers are strong, authoritative individuals. They are generally confident of their own skills and open and above board in their dealings with others. They are ambitious and desire recognition, so praising their successes is worth the effort, whether they be the boss, peers, or employees. They can brighten the work area both literally and figuratively. Associates tend to be men.

You pay attention to the details of connections with others. Whether you are servant or master, you are aware of the subtleties of interaction between yourself and others. You are often able to maintain a detached perspective in the midst of chaos, and you later remember the details which are significant.

Your co-workers combine the best of education and reason with a brilliance and versatility born of their changeable nature. These individuals observe and analyze, learning to discriminate between favorable and unfavorable forces. They make for skilled examination of every situation, but may not be reliable in the clinches, as they will dance away to the next situation in which their attention to every detail provides them with the fuel for their own advancement.

There is one area of your life that may be closely involved in your work. It shows where your actual work energy will be concentrated, as well as what outside factors can affect your work performance. Your work depends to a certain extent on these factors that would otherwise be outside the work environment.

Even though your work may not depend on it, your manual dexterity is an asset. Avoid indecisiveness, maximize versatility. Writing may be a significant part of your work.

Your work is likely to follow the path of older family members, or of individuals whose lives you most admire, as these people have similar beliefs and feelings to your own.

Other Factors Affecting Your Choice of Work Environment

As you develop a sense of how significant your work environment is to your life in general, and also what factors affect your work performance, you regain the power to select suitable work.

Emotional intensity in your life produces conflict. Opportunities arise to work with women. Use your innate artistic talent and recognition of beauty to overcome a tendency to dwell on emotional conflicts. You will have chances to form relationships with successful women. You need to control expansive gestures to avoid wastefulness. Your mission in life may center on the development of self-control. You control the movement in your life by examining opportunities carefully. When emotional openings allow depression to creep in, you need to define yourself through clear thinking. Sometimes you feel very isolated from others. Your mind's eye has a camera which is animated by opportunities. You will have amazing successes which come out of these personal "movies". You tend to exaggerate things and to strain your nervous system. You have a heightened emotional life which is directed into specific areas of your life. You pursue opportunities with almost fanatical zest and must be careful to consider other people in your excitement.

At certain times in your life changes in the work environment affect your career. You may change how you feel about your work and your coworkers. During some periods it is more difficult to be hired, or even to find a suitable place to work, while at other times changes within the work environment are easy to achieve.

Recent Experiences at Work

Your honesty is yours to maintain. Don't get drawn into any illegal or marginal activities that could backfire. Maintain awareness of all the details of meetings with other people, as the details contain the essential information at this time.

You actively engage in meeting other people, turning mere contacts into longer lasting career relationships.

Trends in the Near Future

You provide your own challenges at this time. Listen to your inner voice and consider its message carefully. The communication traffic around you is disturbing.

You are less willing than usual to provide nurturing for others. Look to your own

needs first.

You reap the "rewards" of any recent wasteful habits or behavior. Legal matters put you at a disadvantage. Family worries take your attention away from career and work, leaving you feeling depressed and isolated from others.

Your Financial Considerations

Of the three vocational considerations, money is usually the most personal and private. Yet at the end of your life, all you have to take with you is your self worth. All the money, all the material possessions, all the opinions of other people will make no difference at all. What you think of yourself is all you will have. Thus other considerations such as moral growth, personal debts other than those involving money, and self-esteem are tremendously important human issues. The question this chapter revolves around is this: How do you maximize your potential, fulfill your higher mission, satisfy your daemon, obtain the money you need to live, enjoy your life, enhance your moral growth, all within the confines of the natural talents you possess, in such a way that at the end of your life, you are satisfied - personally satisfied - that you did well?

Money comes most easily through sources that appeal to your sense of universality. Thus it is important to believe in the work you are doing, and to find that part of the work that meets with your approval on an idealistic level. Your mystical understanding can be a significant aid in the pursuit of material security, as you see past the supposed requirements to what you truly need to be happy. You may have an impractical streak that needs some objectivity. You deal best with your material world when you work with sympathetic people and avoid situations that distress your sensitive nature.

Where does your money actually come from?

There are currents in your subconscious that push you to evolve into the best you can possibly be. Match these urges with your keen sense of the world, and you may find that your work comes close to measuring up to your ideals. Upheavals in your life are the stuff of greatness, as you can see past the moment to the future, and thereby guide your actions. Imagination and emotion can be powerful career tools. You may be a natural healer.

You become aware before events occur. This precognition has been a problem when you were not clear, but you can cultivate better understanding of it. Discriminating attention to incoming information is a strong key to clarity. Practice using your mental powers; the results will prove your capacity for both ordinary and extraordinary foresight.

You suffer from a periodic lack of energy and are susceptible to infections. You have an innate sense of timing. You are inspired to acts of devotion. Avoid unnecessary use of drugs.

You have specific patterns involving money and material things. You also have a personal moral direction and path toward development of a healthy self-image.

There is another area of life, not necessarily associated with work, that indicates how you actually get your money. It can also reveal who or what has the most direct effect on your self-esteem. Thirdly, it can indicate how you tend to spend your income.

Travel and higher education are important in your acquisition of adequate financial stability. The spiritual side of life may be a source of income and self-esteem for you.

Somewhat jealous of your money, you may use it as a weapon instead of as a tool. You may struggle to achieve and maintain financial stability, yet your perseverance sees you through.

Astrology can indicate the importance of income in general, and how material matters affect your self-esteem.

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Changes in financial matters, as well as movement toward greater or lesser self esteem, indicate how career efforts are paying off materially and emotionally. The following are indications of recent changes in the area of personal resources, followed by current conditions and future trends in this area.

Recent Experiences

It is easy for you to become confused and lose your way at this time, due to odd ideas that enter your mind unbidden.

Future Considerations

You experience a lack of energy at this time, and may feel inferior to your co-workers. The challenge during this rather long period is to temper your attractiveness with compassionate actions.

Career or Mission?

Now that we have examined the vocational possibilities from the geocentric perspective, it is time to consider your higher spiritual mission. Mission is driven by the spirit or inner psychic voice of the individual. Let's take a look at the spiritual potential that reflects the urgings of that voice. Seeing the universe from this perspective gives you a sense of your larger purpose. Then you can look back at the above information to discover the practical means to fulfill your higher purpose.

This section of the report considers several factors that make up your spiritual perspective. Some may be more familiar to you than others, and certainly some will have more impact on your vocation.

Concrete knowledge does not stop at the scientific definitions of things, nor is it limited to the scientific approach to understanding the relationships between people and things. It also includes a felt sense, an inner awareness of the right relationships between things. You can employ concrete knowledge in the mediation between personality and soul, between physical life and higher consciousness. Only through fusion of these apparently separate facets of your being can you approach true knowledge. You tend to seek concrete knowledge through two profoundly significant realities of being. First, you appreciate movement into incarnation. This movement includes the desire to manifest in the material world, and requires an effort of Will. Second, you experience a desire to cooperate with a larger plan. Thus you can combine both the will to manifest individually and the desire to return to the ultimate source. This is "the secret of beginnings."

Mediation occurs not only in conflict resolution between or among people; it is

an internal psychic function as well. Your principal path of approach to paradoxical problems of all kinds is through the desire to manifest in the world. This placement addresses the creative passion as it expresses procreatively. The child is a physical example of the synthesis of opposites. You also have the energy needed to evolve in Consciousness to a higher expression - you can use your mind to mediate within the personality; you can also communicate between the personality and the soul. "The secret ... is the mystery of the relation of Father, Mother and Child," a mystical expression of the power of love.

The search for equilibrium in your life reaches beyond the limits of this plane of manifestation, seeking to integrate the experiences of body, mind and spirit into one profound experience of unfolded consciousness. This level of integration occurs when the soul and the personality are brought into alignment through accident or through ritual experience. Thus ritual is a valuable path for you as you develop a sense of equilibrium. You can develop a fuller sense of the value of ritual through the unfolding of spiritual consciousness. Mature self-consciousness includes awareness of these two appearances and how they interweave to produce what we call life. In your daily activities you may seldom think of this profound reality of existence; as you grow in conscience you develop an affinity for sensitizing yourself to your higher mission.

Your path to transformation of difficulty into harmony - the most direct way to actively engage will to guide your personal power - is to integrate power and will to act as a human being. You have the choice of how you implement your will. The power of the universe acts for and with you through the nurturing capability of the material world which creates a physical form in which our personality and soul can develop on the path to higher spiritual realization. You have deep experiences which reveal the light to you. You have the capability of unified understanding of the feminine principle in all its expressions, embodying it in the mental, emotional and physical manifestations. Outer attention to detail reveals your inner understanding of unity.

You can be energetic, even aggressive at times. At other times your energy is directed into thoughtful devotional activities, quieter but no less energetic. Your energy for movement in thought and action, your passion for dealing with higher spiritual goals is activated through the testing of opposites. Energies are weighed and balanced here, and understanding begins to form about the profitable uses of polarity. Harmony is not only expressed through balance and symmetry, but through intentional asymmetry as well. Knowing how to work with this concept allows you to achieve new levels of energy.

Psychic awareness can be focused to identify the source of conflict and the ground upon which conflict may be resolved. Your higher vision is based on your

examination of the essential duality of physical manifestation. One side of duality is the desire or passionate nature; the other side is the innate quality of compassion which comes from another level of experience. The awareness of essential duality is joined with the activity of the mediator to resolve into Unity. You develop your capacity for compassion through fierce testing. The planetary energies are subjected to physical, mental and spiritual demands which leave you changed forever. While duality is part of all experience, there is a struggle that tests even the nature of opposites. This spiritual battle challenges you to rise above merely material considerations.

We all accumulate debts and responsibilities on the path toward resolution of difficulties. It is through the exercise of intelligent activity - that is, the use of what we know and how we employ that knowledge - that we even begin to approach the freedom we seek from such indebtedness. You seek intelligent activity in all areas of your life through the material plane. The most complete understanding of the laws of Karma and dharma are embodied in planets here. You experience your work and its conclusion in connection with new beginnings as well, moving into a new cycle each time you complete the old one. Intellect becomes a principle factor, as you utilize concrete knowledge in your pursuit of intelligent activity.

The path toward fusion of heart and mind, the subjective purpose for manifestation, is perhaps the most central experience of wisdom that you will ever have. Your life's processes are defined, and the expansive process of your mind and spirit relishes the richness to be found through the same sign as the sign of the Earth, which is the direction intelligent activity is most likely to move and will be described in a later paragraph.

There is a particular direction in which your intelligent activity will most likely move. It is obviously where you position yourself and represents your strongest capacities as a human being. You will display intelligent activity in and your life's mission through melding love and wisdom into a working unity. Your sight is always set on the masses and not the individual, your goals and work tend to be global, in thought and in action. Ritual provides an avenue for working with others. By honoring the human connection to form, you are able to help people move forward. It is through the use of ritual that you are able to resolve difficulties between people, as ritual affords the possibility of acknowledging conflict while encouraging movement toward solution.

Conclusion

The above considerations can be woven together to present an integrated view of your career potential at this time. They indicate the talents and capacities you were born with, and they also suggest directions to go at the present time. As such they provide assistance in making career decisions and can be helpful in considering a wide range of possibilities. Naturally you have the final decision about what changes will be beneficial in this area of your life.

Now that you have read your vocational report, you hopefully have a clearer sense of how circumstances have brought you to your present career position. You may also see ways to apply your natural capabilities, education and training to the goal of a more fulfilling vocation. Finally, you can consider ways to find a job and co-workers that enrich your work and help you come closer to fulfilling your life's mission.