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	Sun	Radiate	Expression	Leadership
	Vitality - Purpose - Charisma - Self Realization - Productivity (Actualization)			
	Moon	Reflect	Nourishment	Emotional
	Emotion - Contentment - Imagination - Soul Realization - Roots (Attachment)			
	Mercury	Think	Communication	Cognitive
	Perception - Intellect - Learning - Versatility - Exchange/Discernment			
	Venus	Socialize	Affection	Relational
	Tastes - Feminine Essence - Aesthetics - Values/Ideals - Attachment/Cooperation (Integration)			
	Mars	Act	Passion	Kinesthetic
	Volition - Masculine Essence - Sexuality - Heroism - Actualization/Detachment (Advancement)			
	Jupiter	Explore	Enculturation	Philosophical
	Faith - Growth - Perspective - Philosophy/Ethics - Meaning/Integration (Roots)			
	Saturn	Mature	Organization	Structural
	Crystallization - Responsibility - Authority - Wisdom - Advancement/Fellowship (Cooperation)			
	Ceres	Belong	Prosperity	Natural (Genetic)
	Release/Return - Worthiness - Security - Abundance - Serenity			
	Chiron	Awaken	Service	Holistic (Link)
	Healing - Training - Devotion - Guidance - Polymathic Gifts			
	Uranus	Invent	Authenticity	Intuitive (Cosmic)
	Experimentation - Revolution - Freedom - Individuation - Originality			
	Neptune	Unite	Transcendence	Mythic (Psychic)
	Escapism - Disillusionment - Mystic Vision - Compassion - Redemption			
	Pluto	Transform	Regeneration	Evolutionary (Occult)
	Power - Elimination - Surrender - Research - Renewal			

	Earth Angles	Initiate	Existence
	{Appearance - Hearth - Love - Calling} - Life Experience		
	Nodal Axis	Evolve	Repolarization
	Addictions - Racial Memory - Inborn Talents - Destiny - Enlightenment		
	Lot of Fortune	Synchronize	Serendipity
	{Bodily Health - Calling Prosperity} - Fate/Chance		

	SIGN	PRINCIPLE & ARCHETYPES
♈	Aries <i>Outward Fire</i>	<i>Courage → Heroism Motivation Fortitude Survival Crius</i> Actualization - Flames exploding outward to lead the world.
	Dare-Devil - Warrior - Leader - Pioneer - Champion Activating Identity Creating Competition Expanding Leadership Animating Will Invigorating Vitality	
♉	Taurus <i>Inward Earth</i>	<i>Presence → Belonging Fulfillment Reverence Acquisition Theia</i> Attachment - Earth solidifying to form a tranquil mountain.
	Owner - Gardener - Provider - Builder - Nature Artist Harnessing Form, Utilizing Resources, Consolidating Values, Empowering Organization, Penetrating Nature	
♊	Gemini <i>Spiral Air</i>	<i>Conversation → Spontaneity Interest Understanding Comedy Mnemosyne</i> Exchange - A whirlwind of versatility, curiosity, and variety.
	Trickster - Eternal-Youth - Messenger - Storyteller - Teacher Seeking Expression Adapting Knowledge Distributing Innovation Demonstrating Alliance Evolving Activism	
♋	Cancer <i>Outward Water</i>	<i>Compassion → Love Sympathy Foundations Family Phoebe</i> Roots - Nurturing waves flowing outward to heal the world.
	Nurturer - Protector - Counselor - Healer - Hearth Guardian Activating Imagination Creating Emotion Expanding Compassion Animating Rejuvenation Invigorating Heart-Vision	
♌	Leo <i>Inward Fire</i>	<i>Creativity → Play Delight Creativity Rivalry Hyperion</i> Productivity - Glowing embers of the heart symbolizing royalty.
	Clown - Performer - Noble Knight/Lady- Aristocrat - Magical Child Harnessing Identity Utilizing Competition Consolidating Leadership Empowering Will Penetrating Vitality	
♍	Virgo <i>Spiral Earth</i>	<i>Devotion → Craft Competence Devotion Sacrifice Rhea</i> Discernment - Garden rows planted to harvest in perfect order.
	Worker - Disciple - Craftsman - Mentor - Wise Master Seeking Form Adapting Resources Distributing Values Demonstrating Organization Evolving Nature	
♎	Libra <i>Outward Air</i>	<i>Harmony → Resonance Intimacy Balance Love Themis</i> Cooperation - Intimate winds flow to create social harmony.
	Host - Diplomat - Peacemaker - Fine Artist - Companion Activating Expression Creating Knowledge Expanding Innovation Animating Alliance Invigorating Activism	
♏	Scorpio <i>Inward Water</i>	<i>Empowerment → Surrender Intrigue Impermanence Transformation Tethys</i> Detachment - Torrential rivers of passion flow to transform.
	Investigator - Investor - Researcher - Alchemist - Shaman Harnessing Imagination Utilizing Emotion Consolidating Compassion Empowering Rejuvenation Penetrating Heart-Vision	
♐	Sagittarius <i>Spiral Fire</i>	<i>Faith → Inspiration Enthusiasm Inspiration Quests Coeus</i> Meaning - A fiery spiral seeking the meaning of life.
	Gypsy - Seeker - Explorer - Scholar/Priest - Philosopher/Sage Seeking Identity Adapting Competition Distributing Leadership Demonstrating Will Evolving Vitality	
♑	Capricorn <i>Outward Earth</i>	<i>Ambition → Integrity Responsibility Integrity Achievement Kronos</i> Advancement - A lone peak surveys life with wisdom.
	Entrepreneur - Manager - Advisor - Consultant - Wise Elder Activating Form Creating Resources Expanding Values Animating Organizations Invigorating Nature	
♒	Aquarius <i>Inward Air</i>	<i>Freedom → Authenticity Excitement Aspiration Revolution Iapetus</i> Fellowship - Electric shock waves flow inward to awaken.
	Rebel - Inventor - Reformer - Humanitarian - Cosmic Genius Harnessing Expression Utilizing Knowledge Consolidating Innovation Empowering Alliance Penetrating Activism	
♓	Pisces <i>Spiral Water</i>	<i>Unity → Emergence Wonder Vision Redemption Oceanis</i> Integration - A dreamy vortex of soul sensitive compassion.
	Dreamer - Poet/Musician - Empath - Visionary Artist - Mystic/Oracle Seeking Imagination Adapting Emotion Distributing Compassion Demonstrating Rejuvenation Evolving Heart-Vision	

	<i>HOUSE</i>	<i>LIFE FIELD & THEMES</i>
	1st	Appearance & Actualization
	Embodiment - Self-Expression - Motivation - Personification - Incarnation 1ST-7TH AXIS OF LIFE --> INTERACTION	
	2nd	Security & Attachment
	Resources - Values - Fulfillment - Stewardship - Being 2ND-8TH AXIS OF CURRENCY --> BELONGING	
	3rd	Perception & Exchange
	Environment - Intelligence - Interest - Symbolism - Enlightenment 3RD-9TH AXIS OF INSIGHT --> ENCULTURATION	
	4th	Ancestry & Roots
	Hearth - Foundations - Sympathy - The Well - Heritage 4TH-10TH AXIS OF PURPOSE --> SOCIALIZATION	
	5th	Procreation & Productivity
	Talent - Recreation - Enjoyment - Creativity - Play 5TH-11TH AXIS OF GENERATION --> AUTHENTICITY	
	6th	Employment & Discernment
	Coping - Training - Competence - Routines - Evolution 6TH-12TH AXIS OF SERVICE --> EMERGENCE	
	7th	Companionship & Cooperation
	Involvement - Diplomacy - Intimacy - Participation - Interdependence 1ST-7TH AXIS OF LIFE --> INTERACTION	
	8th	Empowerment & Detachment
	Investments - Research - Intrigue - Regeneration - Eternal Mystery 2ND-8TH AXIS OF CURRENCY --> BELONGING	
	9th	Exploration & Meaning
	Journeys - Knowledge - Enthusiasm - Inspiration - Philosophy 3RD-9TH AXIS OF INSIGHT --> ENCULTURATION	
	10th	Vocation & Advancement
	Social Status - Integrity - Responsibility - The Peak - Calling 4TH-10TH AXIS OF PURPOSE --> SOCIALIZATION	
	11th	Goals & Fellowship
	Association - Innovation - Excitement - Communion - Humanity 5TH-11TH AXIS OF GENERATION --> AUTHENTICITY	
	12th	Dreams & Integration
	Isolation - Visualization - Wonder - Illusions - Transcendence 6TH-12TH AXIS OF SERVICE --> EMERGENCE	

MODES OF EXPRESSION

Outward (Aries, Cancer, Libra, Capricorn): The *Cardinal* signs initiate the seasons. People imbued with many planets in these signs are experts at activation, creation, and expression. They love doing things and initiating projects and situations. They're not so great at following through unless they also have planets in the Inward mode of expression. Their true gifts involve generation energy! A deficiency of the Outward mode can indicate a lack of drive and initiative or impatience.

Activating Creating Expanding Animating Invigorating

Inward (Taurus, Leo, Scorpio, Aquarius): The *Fixed* signs are characterized by source or seed wisdom. They are the masters of the elements and excel at harnessing power and sustaining projects and situations. They are strong at empowering others as well as utilizing resources to construct and concentrate life. They are the four living creatures before the throne of God in the Biblical account, the Lion, the Bull, the Man and the Eagle. Taken to the extreme they can be stubborn, rigid, obsessed.

Harnessing Utilizing Contracting Empowering Penetrating

Spiral (Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius, Pisces): The *Mutable* signs are the educators and seekers of the zodiac. They excel at discovering the meaning that underlies life events and distributing knowledge and insight. They are naturally reflective and contemplative, able to penetrate to the core of any situation and learn from the experience. These signs are skilled at accelerating people's evolution and evolving fields of wisdom. They are masters of adaptation but can become scattered, depleted, and restless.

Seeking Adapting Distributing Demonstrating Evolving

ELEMENTS OF BEING

Fire (Aries, Leo, Sagittarius): These people are full of charisma, longevity, and vitality. Their character's exude confidence and inspiration and their bodies enjoy action, energy expression, and motion. They are strong in the physical and spiritual realms, acting as conduits between them. The Fire element animates people, and a person deficient in it can lack zest and energy. Taken to the extreme, fiery people can be impulsive, aggressive, egocentric, and fanatical. People blessed with Fire are here to be living beacons of warmth, creativity, daring, and optimism. They are both enterprising and courageous, spirited and inspired.

Identity Competition Leadership Will Vitality

Earth (Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn): These people are grounded and full of practical wisdom and a deep reverence for nature and the world of things. They excel at manipulating forms, living in the "real world", and creating, maintaining, and improving structures and organizations. Of all the elemental types, they thrive in the physical dimension. They are usually very sensual and present. The Earth element brings industriousness, and a person deficient in it can lack the ability to cope with responsibilities. Taken to the extreme, earthy people can be rigid, controlling, possessive, and overly cautious. People blessed with earth are natural builders and crafts folk, skilled at organizing daily life.

Form Resources Values Organizations Nature

Air (Gemini, Libra, Aquarius): These people are brainy, blessed with intelligence and communication/conception abilities. Their focus in life is the mental realm of ideas, awareness, and knowledge. They are very diplomatic as a result because they see the interconnectedness of life. They thrive in any situation that requires thinking abilities and are experts in the domain of mind and socializing. The Air element produces brilliance, and a person deficient in it can lack perspective and logic. Taken to the extreme, airy people can be "air-headed", inconsistent, scattered, and indecisive. People blessed with Air are here to enliven us with intellect.

Expression Knowledge Innovation Alliance Activism

Water (Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces): These people are adepts at emotional expression. They are gifted healers, empaths, and nurturers, concerned with the welfare of others. You can sense their inward, silent connection to soul forces and the realm of imagination and dreams. They thrive in realms of feeling expression and are usually very visionary, psychic, and compassionate. The Water element bonds people together and sustains us, and a person deficient in it can be unsympathetic, cold, and aloof. Taken to the extreme, watery people can be overprotective, clinging, insecure, and secretive. People blessed with Water are flowing masters of change, able to sustain our dreams and dissolve our wounds.

Imagination Emotion Compassion Rejuvenation Insight

ASPECTS: DIALOGUE OF THE PLANETS

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The most important factor to take into consideration with any aspect is the alchemy of the two planets being analyzed. What reaction would they have alone? Then apply the actual meaning of the aspect they share.

Conjunction A dynamic, energetic fusion that ignites the planets into a new cycle of action & potential
Combined Forces Strength through Unity The Call to Adventure Emerging New Possibilities
Impulsive Change A Fascinating Blend of Essences Initiation Sparks Fly What New Quest Can
Begin? When a planet "Returns" it conjuncts itself starting a new phase of evolution in it's influences!

Configurations: Stellium, Grand Stellium 8th Harmonic Aspect



0°

Opposition Flowering of Awareness through Contradiction Controversy for Reconciliation
Re-polarization for Resolution Evokes a Choice: Separation or Transcendence/Allowance of Differences
Challenging Relationships Fascination of Attraction & Projection Facing the Shadow
Unify Duality for Symbiotic Union Principle of Balance: Which Planet is out of Balance?

Configurations: T-Cross, Grand Cross, Mystic Rectangle 8th Harmonic Aspect



180°

Trine Creative Blending of Energies Alliance through Cooperative Expression Cultivating Talents
Things Come Together With Ease Effortless Action Luck Harmony Unappreciative Laziness
Meeting of Allies on the Path Harvest of Creative Skill Blessed with Visualization & Facilitation
Reality Follows Belief Dissemination of Talents & Truths Ripening of Ideals Acquiring Treasures

Configurations: Grand Trine, Grand Sextile, Grand Trine Kite, Wedge, Mystic Rectangle, Diamond



120°

Square Conflict for Growth, Passion, & Individuation Crisis Calling For Decisive Action Restriction
Restless Friction leading to Production Create Structures to Contain the Potential of Both Planets
Revolt & Re-evaluation Indicates Difficult Change Forced Breakaway Overcoming Obstacles
Crossing the Threshold *Waxing*: Outward Action to Resolve Inner Crisis *Waning*: Inward Action to Resolve
Outer Crisis

Configurations: T-Cross, Grand Cross, Wedge 8th Harmonic Aspect



90°

Quintile Divine Inspiration and Creative Expression Cosmic Consciousness & Genius Magic Play
Miraculous Breakthroughs of Divine Intervention Romance Meditation Sacredness/Holiness
Tapping Higher Orders of Intelligence Spiritual Gifts requiring Cultivation Setting New Trends
Specialization Purposeful Focus Biquintiles (144°) can also signify genius and spiritual gifts
"Venus' Beauty Bestowed"

Configurations: Grand Star Quintile



72°

Sextile Empowerment through Synthesis Organizing Creative Impulses Meeting the Mentor Charm
Both planets are infusing each other with new ideas and energy! Productivity, Efficiency, & Lucky
"Flower of Life" Fruition Pollination Fruitful Mental Creativity Renewal & Reorganization
Exciting Opportunities through New Ideas and Encounters Completion of Quests Freedom!

Configurations: Yod, Grand Sextile, Mystic Rectangle, Grand Trine Kite, Diamond



60°

Quincunx Seemingly Irreconcilable Differences requiring Adjustments and Ingenuity Paradox Riddle
Finding Solutions through Bridging Fields Improvement Training Trials Testing Conundrum
Analyzing Irritation for Perfection A Fork in the Road Proceed with Humility Making Compromises
Surrender to gain Meaning Face the Supreme Ordeal Overcome Past Failures

Configurations: Yod Fixed Sign Quincunx = Inconjunct (More Difficult to Resolve)



150°

Crescent (Semi-Square) Agitation Sowing Seeds of Conflict Rising/Growing Energies Frustration
Refusal of the Call/Elixir Lays the Foundation for things to Come! Disruptive Influences Isolation
Challenging the Familiar Feeling Rejected Spiritual Activities Favored Look Beyond Forms

(8th Harmonic Aspects: Abrupt Changing of Directions/Dimensions Caution Resistance Resolve Problems Seek Advice)



45°

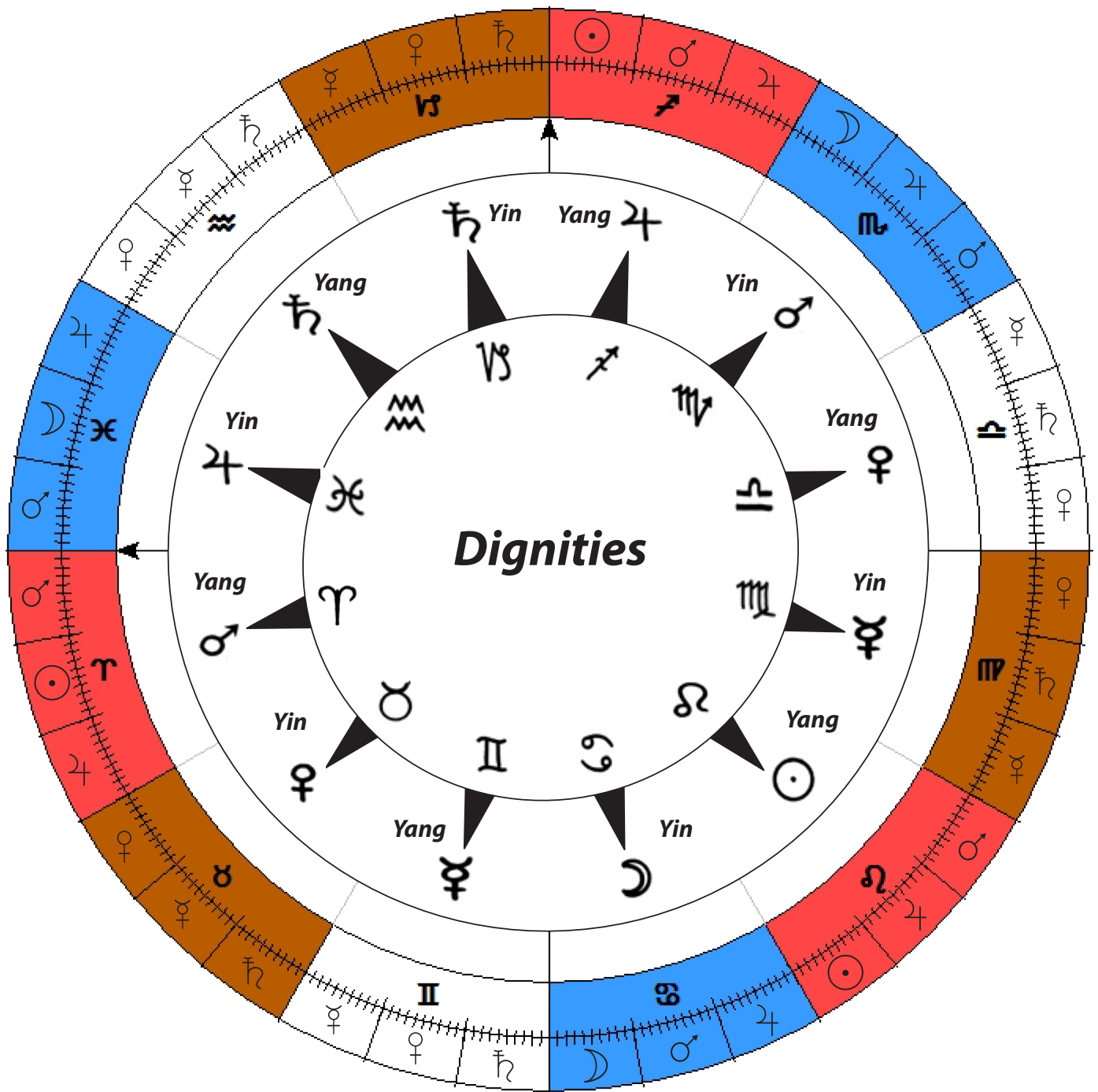
Gibbous (Sesquiquadrate) Stressful Antagonism One Planet's Energy is Stressed by the other producing
Discord Tension around Seeking Fulfillment The Need to Follow-Through Requires Healing
Decisions Must Be Made to find the most enlightening path!

(8th Harmonic Aspects: Abrupt Changing of Directions/Dimensions Caution Resistance Resolve Problems Seek Advice) 135°



General Aspect Guidelines: The nature of the slower planets seeks expansion and focus through the lens of the faster, more personal planets. Waxing aspects seek to create and build structures and fuel activity while Waning aspects are more focused on reorientation, reflection, and seeking the meaning behind the activities and structures. Applying Aspects are full of anticipation, mystery, & power and in the natal chart indicate unresolved themes from the karmic past. Separating aspects are more relaxed, steady, and reliable and indicate gifts you've already resolved and are now ready to apply to the lessons and experiences of this lifetime.

8th Harmonic Aspects (Conjunction, Crescents, Squares, Gibbous, & Opposition) seem to create the most challenge and strife!

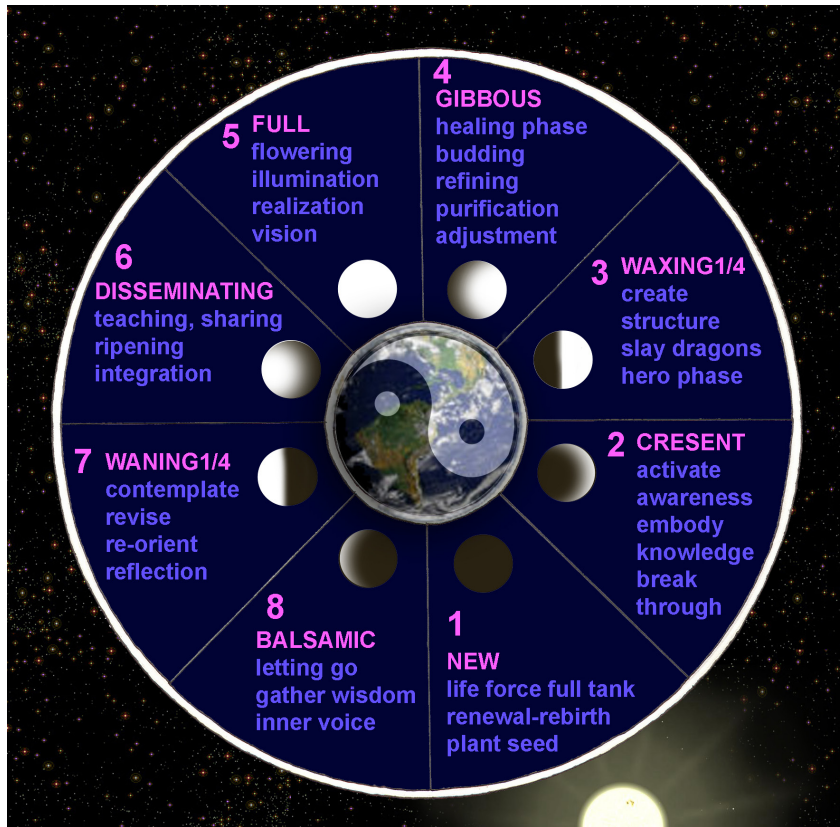


Dignities

Every Sign of the Zodiac is governed by a particular planet. The Sun and Moon govern Leo and Cancer, while each of the other five traditional Planets govern two signs each, as shown in the central diagram above. When doing interpretations it's important to remember that a planet creates an image-bridge between the House it occupies and the House(s) it governs. There is a vivid archetypal flow of imagery happening behind the scenes.

Decans

Each Sign is also divided into three ten-degree segments called decans, illustrated in the outer wheel above. The planet that governs the Sign also governs the first decan. Then the planet that governs the next Sign of the same Element going counter-clockwise around the Zodiac (the way planets transit) happens to govern the middle decan. Then the planet that governs the remaining Sign governs the last decan. Decans symbolize the dimension of Emotional Desire (what they really want) and add yet another layer to the interpretation of planets.



The eight Moon Phases of the Lunation Cycle occur every month, adding a subtone to the energy of each 3 1/2 day period. The cycle starts when the Moon aligns with the Sun under the New Moon and slowly grows into the Crescent Phase, then the Waxing Quarter Phase, then the Gibbous Phase, and finally peaks during the Full Moon Phase. After the Full Moon, the cycle begins to wane through the Disseminating Phase, followed by the Waning Quarter Phase, and ends with the invisible Balsamic Moon Phase. Under New Moons you are asked to plant a new seed in the affairs of the House in your chart that hosts the New Moon so that it can flower and begin bearing fruit 6 months later when the Full Moon falls in the same house. Keep a New & Full Moon journal and be amazed! In your birth chart, you have both a Birth Lunation Phase that you were born under and also one that you are currently progressing through based on the angular relationship between your Progressed Sun and Progressed Moon, a cycle that takes nearly 30 years to complete. Your Natal Birth Phase inspires and affects your whole life, while each Progressed Moon Phase colors and influences one particular 3 1/2 year period.

NEW MOON: You were born under that critical opening phase of the entire monthly cycle, when the moon is aligned with the sun for a fresh new beginning. Your soul has emerged from the dark to initiate a whole new cycle of experience. You must project your essence into unknown soil. What are your aspirations and intentions? You are standing at the threshold of a new life and a strange adventure beckons your soul. It's time to discover a new way of being in the world and a different identity through trusting the wisdom of your instincts. Your instincts are wired into your body's wisdom, that subjective "knowing" you have in your gut. You need to listen to that primal voice and develop a living conversation with it. It carries the secret of secrets waiting to blossom along your path. You've got to become more cellular. Every cell of your body is imprinted with the creation codes of the universe. Learn to intuit and draw on their wisdom. In other words, be spontaneous and impulsive. Divide and multiply and know the wisdom of the sphere that contains wholes of life. Move out into life fiercely and conquer new experiences! Others might call you irrational and impractical at times and that's okay. The New Moon is the time of high magic, which doesn't make sense to our strategic minds. You have a blank slate before you. What do you want to create on it? Live in the moment fully and don't get caught up trying to analyze the past until you're at least 58! It won't get you anywhere. You're here to try new things, to adventure into life. Be bold, take risks, and leap into your life with courage! You don't function well according to other people's agendas, schedules, structures, or realities. Make decisions moment to moment as each new situation arises. You are being called to hone your instinctual awareness, so it's best not to know where you are going or how you will get there. During this phase in your soul's cosmic journey it is filled with the maximum amount of vital life force and vigor. Your tank is full and you are ready to trek into uncharted territory. People will naturally be drawn to you for your charisma, leadership, and charm, waiting to see what you will accomplish. Don't get snagged into living their lives. You don't even know what you will accomplish because to you life is a blank canvas waiting to be soaked with fresh colors. You are in the world but not of it yet. This phase is about finding your place and your belonging in the world. Leave your unique impression on the trails of life. Overcome many challenges and grow stronger. There is a new potential rising inside you. Your mission is to heroically project it into the world! The main ability you need to develop is courage!

CRESCENT: This is the primary image people use to symbolize all things lunar. You find it on everything from flags and art to postage stamps and logos. You happen to be born under this famous and critical phase of overcoming the inertia of your soul's past to move onward and outward into life. You must struggle against the forces of soul inertia like a seed struggling to break through the surface of the earth. Mobilize your life by learning to take charge, getting excited about opportunities that arise, and focusing your potential. There are hundreds of new avenues for you to explore. Don't let fear and your patterns of resistance hold you back from stepping into new experiences. The karmic residue of your soul is murky and it will try to keep you aimed at familiar territory, familiar faces, things, and places that feel safe. But you can't fall for it. You'll rot away if you're not expanding your horizons and shining your light into unknown frontiers. Strike out by following your curiosity. You are a creature of curiosity. Let it guide you. Get out in the environment and move around in circles. You'll see extraordinary places and meet interesting people who will assist you in finding and fulfilling your path of self-realization. If you feel overwhelmed by karmic tendencies like dependencies, fears, habits, insecurities, addictions, and unconscious patterns, then you need to make a critical break with the past and swim into a new life that you have never known. There is a vibrant ocean of imagery and experience stirring in your heart. It's streaming with life and invoking your deepest emotions to help you dissolve your old patterns of being. When you finally close those creaking old doors, new ones will blast open! Thoreau said, "Most men live lives of quiet desperation." Don't settle for a life of quiet desperation! Get out into life and stretch yourself across its blank pages. Don't fill those wonderful shining pages with the garbage of your soul's past. You've been there and done that. Time for something new! Don't think that this won't be a painful process, either. It beats dying in place though. You are too susceptible to the opinions of those who love you. Treat those who would have you throw in the towel on your destiny to live a secure normal life as inside traitors secretly plotting your demise and just listen to your heart and follow its invisible compass into your destiny. It alone will point the way. Whatever your soul's ultimate goal is in this life, you must discover it and stamp it deeply and daily into your psyche, your thoughts, and your emotions. When you start getting excited in and empowered by your new life then you're on your way up your particular mountain in the world. You've got to get out of the stagnant valley and reach your apex! You may experience some shock as you encounter the harshness of the world and its daunting ability to crush your dreams and leave you stranded in random states of despair. But the frustration and disillusionment are part of the journey too and must be honored. They'll deepen you and make your vision stronger. This is a training lifetime. You'll become more capable with each new obstacle you encounter. Crescent means, "growing one." As you grow and reach your goals the momentum of your life will increase and you'll feel alive and excited about experience, no matter the outcome. Develop your natural talents and skills with faith and perseverance and eventually the world will grant you your dreams. And when those moments of truth arrive, be prepared to take full advantage of them! The main ability you need to develop is communication. Embrace the courageous conversation with life!

WAXING QUARTER: The half-full moon is gradually gaining in light and the point of crisis has arrived in your soul's evolutionary journey. The light must overcome and conquer the dark in you nature. This lifetime promises challenges, action, vision-building, and critical decisions. With the moon squaring off with the sun the tension generated drives the momentum of the cycle. This is the point of no return, the threshold into unfamiliar lands of enchantment. You must learn to create a structure in your life that can contain the vision that has been deposited in your soul by the universe. Can you unravel the mystery of your life? You are here to take charge and shape your surroundings and are often impatient with limitations and obstacles. You prefer to harness your intense willpower and blast right through opposition. You are like a pioneer aggressively settling new lands with a sense of adventure and boldness. Your courage is strong, but it needs to be balanced with compassion, diplomacy, and rooted in reality. Life will force you to make tough decisions at critical moments in order to mold and strengthen your resolve. You need to build a foundation for your life. Can you accomplish what you've set out to do? Don't worry if people think your goals are impractical or too lofty. You can achieve anything if you follow through. There will always be resistance from the status quo. The establishment's fear of change, chaos, and invention will try to devour your visions. You must be willing to make a stand against the majority and boldly take the road less traveled. New vibrant visions are trying to come into concrete form through you and you must stake out territory in strange new lands to build your mystery. There's no room in the old lands. So set your bearing on the unknown sea! As long as your ego is balanced with diplomacy you will succeed. You've come to learn how to manage crisis and the energy of change. That's why your life is so filled with contradiction, action, movement, drama, conflict, crisis, and change. As old structures collapse, you will be ready to command the chaos and reform and redirect the energy into new forms. The world is waiting desperately for the new forms that you have to offer! Don't hold back by procrastinating. Let them come forth. Give birth to new

wineskins for the new wine. You often rise to the occasion when things fall apart or when others are in danger. The mythic image of the First Quarter person is the hero or heroin thriving on crisis and becoming energized, excited, animated to save the day. This doesn't bode well for living daily life with regular down-to-earth folks. You are the rare adventurer who passes through the small town on the epic quest to slay the dragon. What dragons will you slay with your life? You might try and produce crisis just for the adrenaline rush if you're not getting enough excitement and adventure. Maturity grows when you are able to commit to deliberate action that involves developing productive forms for the creative visions stirring within. The most important ability to develop is compassion for yourself and others.

GIBBOUS: The waxing moon is approaching fulfillment, but it's not full yet. Your soul is idling at the brink of vision and revelation in this life. You are evaluating the journey, analyzing your life, and seeking ways to bring the perfection of the spirit that unites us all into everyday life. This is a lifetime of healing, service, and devotion to something greater than both yourself and your visions. This is your soul's time to grind against reality and reach for perfection, knowing it will only be found after you're long gone. You are at your best when analyzing and improving structures. The physical world is a barrier to your path. Can you push through outer resistance with deep devotion, humility, and wheelbarrows of humor? Only then can your birth vision be realized in the pragmatic world. There is a deep dissatisfaction that gnaws on your heart and on your bones because you think that you'll never be perfect. But what is perfect? For some it may be red; for others blue. It's subjective. Learn to define your own perfection with all its wonderful flaws. In this lifetime you must learn to celebrate your flaws! Show your wounds to the world and walk in your grief. There you will find joy and a lot more too. For you walk the path of the wounded healer who must sacrifice everything to reach fulfillment. Through continual refinement, adjustment, and compromise your commitment will be tested and you'll find that humility and humor are your best allies. Dive into your creativity and forge ways of giving your life in service to others in ways that do not rob your soul of passion. It's important that you learn to eliminate aspects of your life that are not functional or operational. Your mind is like a razor blade, sharp and able to notice the subtle flaws, even in yourself. By being compassionate you can overcome criticism and self-effacement to express the perfection of the Spirit in everyday life. Don't get snagged upstream on the details of life. There is a whole river you must carefully navigate. This is the rocky river of your life, always adjusting here, fine-tuning there, until finally you're flowing! Flow with the process of life one step at a time, chapter-by-chapter, scene-by-scene. And for heavens sake, stay centered and present in the current chapter! It's tempting to peek towards the end of your story to see what the Full Moon will bring. Simply ignore it by focusing on mastering the skills you've come to train and use your time wisely by giving those skills humbly to the world through service. Don't be afraid to serve many apprenticeships. And equally, don't be afraid to recognize when you've achieved mastery after devoting yourself to a skill for at least thirty years. Your whole life is about training, honing, fine-tuning your soul through hardship, discipleship, service, and devotion to a spiritual craft, even if the actual work you do in the world is tedious. Just do it with the presence of a Zen Master! It is this kind of enlightened focus, seeing divine craftsmanship and presence in the mundane and simple that will ultimately guide you to the mature illumination. The most important ability to cultivate is devotion to life and to your craft.

FULL MOON: The sun and moon were facing off with each other at the moment of your birth, occupying opposite sides of the sky. When the sun set, the moon rose to govern the night in all its mysterious splendor. When the moon set early in the morning, the sun rose gloriously to reclaim its celestial throne and to fill the world with light. And you were born in the ethereal waves of this cosmic dance. When a soul steps into the world during this vivid and intense phase it has come seeking fulfillment, illumination, and pure vision. This is the culmination lifetime of the soul's monumental journey, and all its karmic strands hitching rides. Life is never a solitary affair. And souls strive for vision. This is the time of spiritual awakening when your soul discovers the meaning behind all its struggles down corridors of ages past. This is the season your soul team wins or loses the super bowl! The full moon is a time when your instinctual urges must be balanced with raw love to realize the ultimate path of truth, which is reflected in love. Can you carve out a life of purpose? Your relationships are the key to navigating your intense life because the luminaries are moving in opposition to each other expressing the spiritual dynamic of balance and polarity. You must integrate the polarities that rage inside you. If you let them leak wildly into your companionships and friendships, they can destroy everything. It is through your interaction with others that you will gain full consciousness of your inherent tension and discord. Your soul has come seeking balance. Which means you've lost your balance and need others to help you find it again. You find it through learning to give attention and love to both sides of your nature governed by the luminaries in your chart. You are called to resolve the opposition. These two sides of your nature will always struggle to pull you apart. You must consciously bring resolution to the inner conflict. Each side of your nature reflects a different strand of your ancestral memory. In achieving balance, you bring ancient wounds and battles into harmony and peace. Bring the two sides of yourself together at last. Sign a treaty of respect and peace. Once these inner nations begin working together and appreciating each other despite their shortcomings, you'll be initiated into the deepest wisdom. Life will call you to the edge so you can engage the spiritual frontier. Until you manage this inner diplomatic mission, your life will be like a great country divided and ravaged by civil war. Seek to express these opposite forces swelling inside you through artwork of any kind. Give images to their being so you can begin the peace talks. Art therapy will prove highly effective. You will learn to accept both sides of your war-torn self. Then you will achieve synthesis between all your disparate parts and be initiated into wholeness and wholeheartedness. Your life will be deeply infused with purpose and meaning. You will never find it in others though. You will only find it in yourself through interacting with others deeply. You must mastery the art of strategy, the art of thinking before acting or reacting in any situation. This will bring harmony into the picture and grant you with the grace to approach the inner circle of faith. The primary ability you'll need to fully arrive is balance.

DISSEMINATING: The waning moon's light began to diminish quickly during your birth. The fruit of your soul is ripe and ready for humanity to feast on. You are here to live in the moment actively pursuing your highest vision and purpose, spreading inspiration from the depths of your delicious wisdom. You have a teacher within who has a great lesson to offer humanity. The subject of your teaching has to do with what your soul has found to be meaningful in its cosmic and planetary journeys. The goal of this life is to teach what you have learned and share the fruit of your wisdom. Convey your message with faith and vision. Live your life to demonstrate this truth. Walk your talk. Then you will feel like you belong in this world with its harsh and magical ability to transform your life. Life becomes bleak and meaningless unless you express and share your truth so that it can contribute to the evolution of the race and the development of a civilization based on spiritual principles. This phase is not about becoming fanatic or full of your own importance. You are simply the messenger, and your lens must be pure so that all who need to hear your cosmic wisdom will be open and receive it. It is imperative that you spread your message, but everyone else does not need to feel that same urgency. It is not your responsibility to embrace the message, only to deliver and live it with passion. You don't know what kinds of impacts and waves you'll make on others. You will be drawn to anchor your truth in reality by networking and connecting with others of like mind who share your zeal and enthusiasm. This is the key to bringing the vision into social action. In the process of interacting with those who bare similar or different truths, you will become enriched in the sharing. The more open and inclusive you can be the better your life mission will progress. As you open to other rich and profound truths your soul will experience a call to reorientation and revision, which will be the course for your next incarnation merged with other possibilities. Einstein was born under this lunar phase and acts as the perfect example of someone who came to disseminate the great truths and principles of the universe. Find the teacher within through hours of contemplation and long walks in nature. Take your place in the stream of history as one of the light bearers of your generation. What truths can you show the world? You were meant to become a teacher of teachers!

WANING QUARTER: The dark, invisible, and mysterious shadow is overcoming the light on the face of the moon in this waning phase. It is a lifetime of crisis, but the crisis is within. This is the life where your soul must endure a revolution of consciousness. People born under the waning quarter moon are here to reorient themselves to life, to look beneath the structures of life through hours of deep contemplation and reflection. Your soul has already triumphed on another forgotten battlefield and now you've come into this life with a sense of desperation. The struggle is over and your soul is left wondering what will happen next. It is time to revise your life, to literally find a new vision. It's time to let go of your soul's old worn patterns and to forge a new destiny. However, this lifetime is not about fulfilling or even initiating that destiny. This phase is about turning away from what has transpired, about questioning your beliefs and values. Old ways of behavior and unconscious patterns must be overcome so that you can begin to move toward that new journey. As it stands there is a discontent brewing within. The old accomplishments aren't so satisfying as you first strive to repeat them unconsciously. Disillusionment is the key experience of this phase, a literal freeing from illusions. Life-altering events will force you to redefine your way of belonging in the world. Your beliefs and values must undergo severe change. Old crumbling ideologies cannot adorn the horizons of your tomorrow. Others will try desperately to hold you in place, to hold you to what is tried and true. But you must boldly turn away and stop playing by outdated rules. You may feel like a spy or traitor in your own homeland seeking something new and different. When you gain the courage to come out of hiding, to finally reveal your true self, others will be shocked. You are here to help decompose and destroy tired ways of living, being, and doing. But usually there is a shred of truth and experience from the past that you know you must take with you because of its timeless archetypal meaning. Still, you must refocus your awareness and aim it at new creative potentials and possibilities. You may search your entire life before you finally glimpse the horizon that will manifest them.

BALSAMIC: This is the time of the month when the moon disappears for three days. It's time to go into the breathing silence and invisible darkness to merge with eternity. Your soul has come into this life to experience surrender. It has a deep store of ancient secrets and the chalkboard of your experience is overflowing with imagery. Now at the end of your soul's great cycle, you come to realize the true nature of love beyond all the bells and whistles. The ultimate path to union with eternal being is through the mystery of love. The moon is returning to the sun preparing for the rebirth and renewal at the new moon. You are called to gather your soul's wisdom and breath meaning into a new vision. It is not easy being born under the dark, foreboding phase of the lunation cycle. You carry so much within that you spend your life tying up the loose ends of karmic strands shared with people, places, situations, and things. You must learn one thing. The people who walk across the stage of your life who you feel that instant familiarity and intensity of attraction with are the ones whom you have karmic loose ends with. Master the art of surrender with these folks. Treat them like angels even if you feel deep resentment or outright hatred for them as time goes on. And when it's over, totally let it go! It isn't meant to last forever like storybook romance. The Zen master Suzuki said, "We don't need to learn how to let things go. We just need to recognize when they've already gone." You are supposed to burn through some intense interactions with many people and the territory is tricky. If you fixate on one person, then you never meet the rest of them. If that one person goes away feeling bitter and rejected then another person shows up with the same lesson for you. It's like their soul gets back in line in another body. You will have long, enduring relationships, but mostly many deep, quick encounters to reconcile forgotten soul differences. This is how you will find resolution. It is time to erase the chalkboard and prepare for a new journey. And it takes your whole life to get the board clear. But your soul will prosper in the next dimension for it and the ancestors will smile. You come into this life knowing you are not like everyone else. You are way complex emotionally. In addition, you are ahead of your time because your soul has stored up so much depth, experience, and wisdom. This wisdom needs to be distilled into spiritual seed that you must scatter throughout your life for future generations. You must strive to life that future potential now in the face of extreme non-acceptance. Yours is a special, invisible destiny. Cultivate your soul wisdom and give it to those who will nurture and carry it forward like a spiritual teacher passing his truth on to students. You have the opportunity and challenge of launching a mutation in consciousness on this planet. Do it boldly and learn to listen to the secret voice of divine being in your heart.