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# Albert II of Monaco's Astrological Portrait













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#### Introduction

To fully benefit from this portrait, we suggest that you read its introduction and its preamble carefully, and then that to take the time to soak up the interpretations of each chapter. Given the large number of texts, which mirrors the human being's complexity, you may need to go through the contents several times, so as to get a good grasp of their meaning and to know yourself better. This will reward your patience.

The purpose of this report is to describe your psychological portrait and to highlight the most fundamental features on the personal area. The report begins with the analysis of your planetary dominants and outlines your personality's general traits before going into further detail. Minor dominants are analysed at the end of Annex 1, for purposes of clarity. Your report then delineates the various facets of your personality:

In general, even when relationships are not involved, we express ourselves and we feel according to our character and our personal motivations: this is indicated by the Ascendant and the Sun sign which both give details on the way we function. They shed a tremendously important light which allows to figure out your personality. Here, we describe your Sun sign (your inner self), your Ascendant (your behaviour as seen by others), and the ruler of the Ascendant (interesting additional pieces of information about the style of your personality). These descriptions alone cover nearly a third or a half of your psychological signature, depending on your natal chart characteristics.

Then, we address your sensitivity, or in other words, the way you receive things and how you express your emotions; it works as a constant filter for all your exchanges, even when it becomes a more secondary element in your amorous relationship, because at that moment, affectivity prevails. Sensitivity is the way you perceive things, it is your radar, your daily mood, and at the same time, it indicates how you react to your entourage, on a daily basis. It is what others immediately see of you. In the second paragraph, we explain in which areas of life your sensitivity and your emotions are strongest, therefore, where you are most vulnerable.

After this, it is your affectivity, the way you love and how you charm, that comes into play as soon as you fall in love: the first part indicates its basic structure or its main form. The second part describes the areas where it is best expressed and how you display it, according to your personality.

A third fundamental area deals with your mode of action and your sexuality: how you behave, how you manage to obtain what you want, what kind of desires you have. There are twelve possibilities, very

different from one another. The study discloses the specific one that applies to you. In the second paragraph, we explain in which life areas you may most efficiently take advantage of your capacity for action and for conquest.

Your ways of communicating and of thinking are obviously among the major elements that must be integrated into the delineation and the description of your personality. Indeed, they influence your general behaviour and may modify or enhance the image your project (for instance, extraversion may "compensate" a weak affectivity, but a huge number of cases are possible). An additional chapter indicates the favourite areas where you enjoy communicating, thinking and meeting with people.

Besides, we analyze an even more personal aspect that is important to define and understand what may occur within your couple: each of us have a centre of interest, a privileged manner to be fulfilled or to achieve our destiny; this main motivation is indicated by the positions of your Sun and your chart ruler in the astrological houses and we provide you with its detailed description.

A natal chart contains the potential for specific fulfilment and a whole range of assets, protections and qualities. How does the lucky factor manifest in your personality? In which area can you best exploit your qualities? The answers are precisely revealed to you in this chapter.

On the other hand, we all feel in us a part of vulnerability, doubts and fears. How does this part of solemnity or serious side play out? How is it possible to handle it in order to evolve and to get rid of useless elements? All this information is provided to you in these two paragraphs.

Then, you can discover three additional traits of your personality that must be considered as secondary ones. They deal with your predispositions, which means that they need to be triggered by external events because they are not influenced by your will; let's call it a part of fate. Please, bear in mind that your destiny can unfold only in accordance with what you are: therefore, even if they belong to your more unconscious self, these characteristics are parts of you, definitely.

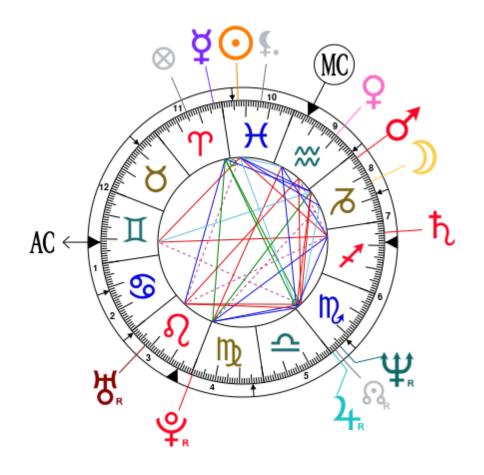
The karmic chart complements the psychological portrait or natal chart. It is based on the positions of the Lunar Nodes, the Black Moon, and the Part of Fortune. These elements of the chart, sometimes referred to as fictitious points, provide information about the spiritual meaning of your destiny. Owing to the fact that we all have in us acquired knowledge and the urge to go on a quest, our life is an evolutionary journey... However, these texts must be read with great caution: this is the reason why you will find this analysis in the Annex 2 of your report.

## Your Planets, Houses, Aspects, and Natal Chart

Albert II of Monaco, born March 14, 1958, at 10:50 AM, Monte Carlo, Monaco [7.25E; 43.45N; 1E00]

ľ	Natal Plane	ets		In House	Natal	Houses	s (Placidus)
<ul><li>Sun</li></ul>	23°19'	+	Pisces	House 10	House 1	21°22'	<b>∺</b> Gemini
) Moon	16°40'	18	Capricorn	House 8	House 2	11°23'	<b>O</b> Cancer
<b>♥</b> Mercury	3°17'	တု	Aries	House 11	House 3	0°59'	€ Leo
Q Venus	10°14'	***	Aquarius	House 9	House 4	24°07'	€ Leo
O Mars	27°53'	18	Capricorn	House 8	House 5	25°29'	M Virgo
4 Jupiter	0°34' R	m.	Scorpio	House 5	House 6	8°10'	M. Scorpio
<b>5</b> Saturn	25°20'	N	Sagittarius	House 7	House 7	21°22'	→ Sagittarius
<b>W</b> Uranus	7°58' R	N	Leo	House 3	House 8	11°23'	<b>⅓</b> Capricorn
W Neptune	4°25' R	m	Scorpio	House 5	House 9	0°59'	<b>≈≈</b> Aquarius
¥ Pluto	0°32' R	m	Virgo	House 4	House 10	24°07'	<b>≈≈</b> Aquarius
<b>ℴ</b> Node	2°03' R	m	Scorpio	House 5	House 11	25°29'	→ Pisces
C Lilith	13°55'	€	Pisces	House 10	House 12	8°10'	o Taurus
AS AS	21°22'	H	Gemini		•		
MC MC	24°07'	***	Aquarius				

In keeping with the common practice, we consider that a planet posited within 1 degree of the next house belongs to that house. We allow an orb of 2 degrees for the ASC and the MC.



## List of Your Active Planetary Aspects

Please find below the list of all the active inter-aspects which are interpreted in this report, in addition to your planets in sign, in house, and all your planetary dominants. Since the aspects between slow-moving planets are of a collective nature, they are not displayed, in compliance with our interpretation rules.

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★ ★ ★ ★ Sun sextile Moon, orb 6° 39¹

★★★★★ Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 9° 57'
**** Sun sextile Mars, orb -4° 34'
**** Sun bi-quintile Jupiter, orb -1° 14'
*** Sun square Saturn, orb -2° 01'
****** Sun sesqui-quadrate Uranus, orb -0° 2'
**** Sun square Ascendant, orb -1° 56'
★ ★ ★ ★ Sun semi-sextile Midheaven, orb -0° 48'
★★★★★ Moon quintile Neptune, orb 0° 15'
★★★★★ Moon sesqui-quadrate Pluto, orb 1° 07'
**** Mercury sextile Mars, orb 5° 23'
★★★★★ Mercury inconjunction Jupiter, orb 2° 42'
***** Mercury trine Uranus, orb 4° 41'
★ ★ ★ ★ Mercury inconjunction Neptune, orb -1° 08'
★★★★★ Mercury inconjunction Pluto, orb -2° 44'
***** Venus semi-square Saturn, orb -0° 06'
**** Venus opposite Uranus, orb -2° 15'
★★★★★ Venus square Neptune, orb 5° 48'
**** Mars square Jupiter, orb -2° 4'
★★★★★ Mars square Neptune, orb -6° 31'
Mars inconjunction Pluto, orb -2° 38'
**** Mars bi-quintile Ascendant, orb -0° 31'
Jupiter sextile Saturn, orb -5° 13'
***** Jupiter trine Midheaven, orb -6° 26'
***** Saturn opposite Ascendant, orb -3° 57'
*** Saturn sextile Midheaven, orb -1° 12'
***** Neptune sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb -1° 57'
*** Pluto opposite Midheaven, orb -6° 25'
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## Meaning of Stars

Stars indicate the strength of the aspects. Two solid coloured stars (there are half-stars also), mean that the aspect is powerful enough to be noticed at the first reading.

We strongly advise that you read the paragraphs displaying less than two stars later on, after you have absorbed the full import of the other texts.

The yellow colour indicates a soothing and conciliating aspect, and the red colour, a dynamic and tense aspect. The red aspects enable you to evolve, to take action, and to learn to turn your "weaknesses" into assets through your life experiences. The yellow aspects are innate strengths on which you rely in order to grow better with the former...

#### **Preamble**

When interpreting a natal chart, the best method is to start gradually from general features to specific ones. Thus, there is usually a plan to be followed, from the overall analysis of the chart and its structure, to the description of its different character traits.

In the first part, an overall analysis of the chart enables us to figure out the personality's main features and to emphasize several points that are confirmed or not in the detailed analysis: in any case, those general traits are taken into account. Human personality is an infinitely intricate entity and describing it is a complex task. Claiming to rapidly summarize it is illusory, although it does not mean that it is an impossible challenge. It is essential to read a natal chart several times in order to absorb all its different meanings and to grasp all this complexity. But the exercise is worthwhile.

In brief, a natal chart is composed of ten planets: two luminaries, the Sun and the Moon, three fast-moving or individual planets, Mercury, Venus and Mars, two slow-moving planets, Jupiter and Saturn, and three very slow-moving planets, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. Additional secondary elements are: the Lunar Nodes, the Dark Moon or Lilith, Chiron and other minor objects. They are all posited on the Zodiac wheel consisting of twelve signs, from Aries to Pisces, and divided into twelve astrological houses.

The first step is to evaluate the importance of each planet. This is what we call identifying the dominant planets. This process obeys rules that depend on the astrologer's sensitivity and experience but it also has precise and steady bases: thus, we can take into account the parameters of a planet's activity (the number of active aspects a planet forms, the importance of each aspect according to its nature and its exactness), angularity parameters; (proximity to the four angles, Ascendant, Midheaven, Descendant and Imum Coeli or Nadir, all of them being evaluated numerically, according to the kind of angle and the planet-angle distance) and quality parameters (rulership, exaltation, exile and fall). Finally, other criteria such as the rulership of the Ascendant and the Midheaven etc. are important.

These different criteria allow a planet to be highlighted and lead to useful conclusions when interpreting the chart.

The overall chart analysis begins with the observation of three sorts of planetary distributions in the chart: Eastern or Western hemisphere, Northern or Southern hemisphere, and quadrants (North-eastern, North-western, South-eastern and South-western). These three distributions give a general tone in terms of introversion and extraversion, willpower, sociability, and behavioural predispositions.

Then, there are three additional distributions: elements (called triplicity since there are three groups of signs for each one) - Fire, Air, Earth and Water - corresponding to a character typology, modality (or quadruplicity with four groups of signs for each one) - Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable - and polarity (Yin and Yang).

There are three types of dominants: dominant planets, dominant signs and dominant houses. The novice thinks astrology means only "to be Aries" or sometimes, for example, "to be Aries Ascendant Virgo". It is actually far more complex. Although the Sun and the Ascendant alone may reveal a large part of the character - approximately a third or a half of your psychological signature, a person is neither "just the Sun" (called the sign) nor just "the first house" (the Ascendant). Thus, a particular planet's influence

may be significantly increased; a particular sign or house may contain a group of planets that will bring nuances and sometimes weaken the role of the Ascendant, of the Sun sign etc.

Lastly, there are two other criteria: accentuations (angular, succedent and cadent) which are a classification of astrological houses and types of decanates that are occupied (each sign is divided into three decanates of ten degrees each). They provide some additional informations.

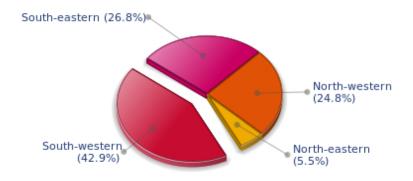
These general character traits must not be taken literally; they are, somehow, preparing for the chart reading. They allow to understand the second part of the analysis, which is more detailed and precise. It focuses on every area of the personality and provides a synthesis of all the above-mentioned parameters according to sound hierarchical rules.

As explained in the introduction of your Psychological Portrait report, minor dominants are analysed at the end of Annex 1, for purposes of clarity.

## Your Planetary Repartitions

Each quadrant is a combination of the four hemispheres of your birth chart and relates to a character typology. The Southern hemisphere – the top of your chart, around the Midheaven – is associated with extraversion, action, and public life, whereas the Northern hemisphere prompts to introversion, reflexion, and private life. The Eastern hemisphere – the left part, around the Ascendant – is linked to your ego and your willpower, whereas the Western hemisphere indicates how other people influence you, and how flexible you are when you make a decision.

## Your Four Quadrants

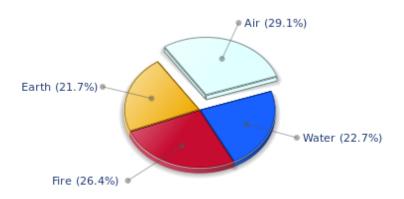


Albert II of Monaco, the diurnal South-western quadrant, consisting of the 7th, 8th and 9th houses, prevails in your chart: this sector brings about a thirst for communication and sometimes a need to take risks in your dealings with others. Relations are a factor of your evolution and your transformation, which you accept serenely. Indeed, what matters to you is the movement and the energy that link you to others and that make you gain more awareness. A kind of rebellion or a desire to get away from it all is rooted in you.

#### Your Dominant Modes and Elements

Albert II of Monaco, here are the graphs of your Elements and Modes, based on planets' position and angles in the twelve signs:

#### Your Four Elements

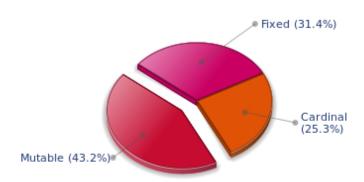


Cheers for communication and mobility, Albert II of Monaco! The predominance of Air signs in your chart favours and amplifies your taste for relations and for all kinds of short trips, whether real (travels) or symbolic (new ideas, mind speculations). You gain in flexibility and adaptability what you lose in self-assertion or in pragmatism.

Albert II of Monaco, Fire is dominant in your natal chart and endows you with intuition, energy, courage, self-confidence, and enthusiasm! You are inclined to be passionate, you assert your willpower, you move forward, and come hell or high water, you achieve your dreams and your goals. The relative weakness of this element is the difficulty to step back or a kind of boldness that may prompt you to do foolish things.

The twelve zodiacal signs are split up into three groups or modes, called quadruplicities, a learned word meaning only that these three groups include four signs. The Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable modes are more or less represented in your natal chart, depending on planets' positions and importance, and on angles in the twelve signs.

#### Your Modes



The Mutable mode is the most emphasized one in your natal chart, Albert II of Monaco, which indicates a mobile character that is curious and thirsty for new experiences and evolution. You are lively and flexible, and you like to react quickly to solicitations, but don't confuse mobility with agitation, since this is the danger with this configuration - and with you, stagnation is out of the question. Security doesn't matter as long as you are not bored. You optimize, you change things, you change yourself... all this in a speedy way.

## Your Dominants: Planets, Signs and Houses

The issue of dominant planets has existed since the mists of time in astrology: how nice it would be if a person could be described with a few words and one or several planets that would represent their character, without having to analyse such elements as rulerships, angularities, houses, etc!

The ten planets - the Sun throughout Pluto - are a bit like ten characters in a role-play, each one has its own personality, its own way of acting, its own strengths and weaknesses. They actually represent a classification into ten distinct personalities, and astrologers have always tried to associate one or several dominant planets to a natal chart as well as dominant signs and houses.

Indeed, it is quite the same situation with signs and houses. If planets symbolize characters, signs represent hues - the mental, emotional and physical structures of an individual. The sign in which a planet is posited is like a character whose features are modified according to the place where he lives. In a chart, there are usually one, two or three highlighted signs that allow to rapidly describe its owner.

Regarding astrological houses, the principle is even simpler: the twelve houses correspond to twelve fields of life, and planets tenanting any given house increase that house's importance and highlight all relevant life departments: it may be marriage, work, friendship etc.

Albert II of Monaco, here is the evaluation diagramme for your planets:

#### Your Dominant Planets



The three planets that are most highlighted in your chart are Saturn, Mercury and Pluto.

Saturn is part of your dominant planets: among the facets of your character, you have a grave and serious side, wise and somewhat severe, since your concentration can be powerful, to the detriment of carelessness and friendliness.

You often look austere, but it is only an appearance, a kind of modesty or reserve; however, it is true that the Saturnian, who is fond of time, effort, asceticism, rigour and sobriety, may have popularity issues. Nevertheless, honesty and straightforwardness, reliability, as well as slow, wise and deep mental process, although not very popular and visible qualities, eventually become noticed and appreciated. Saturnians' second part of life is usually easier and more fulfilling.

Like the Jupiterian, your Saturnian facet prompts you to seek the essential, security, and longevity. However, the difference with the former is that you will never give priority to wealth or "the bigger, the better" philosophy for the sake of power. Saturn, like Jupiter, symbolizes social integration, and it is usually considered positive to have a harmonic Jupiter and Saturn in one's chart because of their social adaptation capacities.

Your vulnerability lies in your too serious and austere side, which may lead to unwanted loneliness and affective frustration. This generally does not last because Saturnians often hide deep down a golden heart that ends up revealing itself...

With Mercury among your dominant planets, you are certainly cerebral, nervous, swift, curious, quick-witted, and you love to communicate. Your psychological pattern is intellectual, all the more so since Mercury is important, with its whole set of assets but also of weaknesses, obviously.

Your sensitivity, emotions, and heart's impulses give precedence to thinking, which can lead people to believe that you are a playful and witty but heartless person, intellectualizing situations and juggling with words and numbers whilst ignoring human aspects of things. Of course, it is said that cats always land on their feet - this is your Mercurian strength and your trump card!

Your weakness lies in your nervousness, and you may miss your goal because of your

"over-intellectualization" that may be detrimental to other kind of energies such as instinct, spontaneity, heart, sensitivity, etc.

With Pluto as a dominant planet in your chart, you are a magnetic and mighty predator, like the Scorpio sign ruled by this planet, who needs to exert pressure on others in order to "test" them. You are always ready to evolve, to risk destruction for reconstruction - including your own - to live more intensely whilst imposing your secret authority on things and on people you encounter.

You may come across as wicked, cruel or too authoritarian, but actually you only follow your instinct, you sound people out, and you like to exert your domination simply because your vital energy is too powerful to remain inside. You are inclined to be passionate, with hidden motivations. You are sometimes misunderstood but one of your great Plutonian assets is to go successfully through each life ordeal with ever growing strength.



In your natal chart, the three most important signs, delineated according to the above-mentioned criteria, are, in decreasing order of strength, Aquarius, Capricorn and Gemini. They are often prominent because your Ascendant and your Sun are posited there. However, it is not always the case: it may be because they are occupied by a cluster of planets, by a planet near an angle other than the Midheaven and the Ascendant, or because two or three planets are very active and form numerous aspects from these signs. Therefore, you partly take on the three signs' characteristics, which are somehow superimposed on your natal chart, and all the more so if any of the signs in question is highlighted.

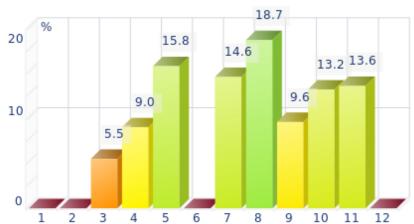
Aquarius is one of the most important signs in your natal chart: it endows your personality - at least one of its facets - with originality, to the point of eccentricity, in spite of a sometimes distant and humane side. Likeable and impassive at the same time, you are a paradoxical man, very hard to define because the two planets Uranus and Saturn blend their qualities to create the so complicated and endearing sign that inspires your character. Saturn's seriousness and impassivity is added to Uranus' rebellion, talent, individualism, charisma, extravagance, and unpredictability! One of your main characteristics is that you never open up on a personal basis, but you tend to do so easily in public. You are actually quite strange. Sexy and charming in public, despite your nice and sociable character, you could frustrate many of your admirers in private because of your impossibility to show deep and warm affection, emotions, tears... But appearance and reality are two different things anyway - you are a kind of a genius, or you have at least a tremendous charm with this sign. You have many friends and an active social life. If you are detached in

your love life - only in this aspect, since the rest of chart will confirm it or not - this is no big deal!

Capricorn is one of your dominant signs and endows you with a grave and serious style that seems to stick to you constantly. But if you have that reserved and cold side - as some extrovert people may think - on the other hand, you possess sturdy qualities: you are strong-willed and tough. Your long-term vision, your sense of duty, and your ambition are not affected by the derisory and erratic motions that seem to upset most mortals less steady than you. Besides, you are like a good wine, you age well and your natural solemnity or serious side paradoxically turns into an almost cheerful appearance, as you grow older. You are actually very sensitive when it comes to love. Faithful, caring, sweet, and sensitive, your behaviour is very different in your everyday, sentimental life. A golden heart beats under your tough and austere appearance...

With Gemini as a dominant sign, your qualities include being lively, curious, mobile, clever, and flexible: you often make others dizzy, and you may come across as a dilettante - a bit inquisitive, shallow, and insensitive because you may be too intellectualizing. However, your natural curiosity, a nice quality, and your quick humour, allow you to demonstrate to everyone how much they may gain from your company, and that your apparent flightiness hides an appetite (particularly mental) for life, which itself conceals a terrific charm!

## Your Dominant Houses



Houses 8, 5 and 7 are the most tenanted ones in your natal chart. To compute their strength, planets and angles are weighed according to various astrological criteria such as swiftness, activity, angularity, rulership etc. From the analysis of the most tenanted Houses, the Astrologer deduces the fields of activity that are most relevant to you, be it because of what you are experiencing, or what you may experience in the future, or because of your deep inner motivations.

Your 8th house is very highlighted: it is the most complex house of the Zodiac. It symbolizes above all passion and transformation, which often go hand in hand. Indeed, you have a tendency to experience everything to the bitter end, and you overstep propriety borders because you want to understand everything, even what is... forbidden. This house relates to complex spheres such as sexuality, possessions and dispossessions that don't depend on you (inheritances, donations, sudden financial losses), death too - not yours in particular, so, don't worry! - and understanding of hidden or occult things: here are the fields that affect you generally, because you are naturally interested in them or because life gets you involved in spite of yourself.

The 5th house is one of your dominant houses: hobbies, love life, sports, and games, including speculation and all kinds of entertainment, are fields that you actually take seriously! On a more subtle level, artistic creation as well as other forms of creation - including begetting children - could be one of your assets. You gain from taking part in leisure associations and various activity clubs in which a catchword resounds more than for most people: pleasure.

Your 7th house is one of your dominant houses: it symbolizes other people, marriages, associations, contracts, and partnerships. Your personal achievement and maybe your problems - depending on the rest of your chart - are mainly influenced by your rapports with others, the area in which you tend to commit yourself a lot. You appreciate communication, and you give importance to others' opinions. Success requires the support of others, which seems obvious and natural to you. Your marriage generally contributes to your fulfilment.

## Your Style, Behaviour, and Peculiarities

What is commonly known as "sign" indicates the position of the Sun in the Zodiac. The Sun highlights all the characteristics of the sign he tenants. According to astrology traditional rules, these characteristics are all the more pure and exact when the Sun is strong in the sign, or when the sign is particularly highlighted within the chart. Here, we indicate the pure characteristics of the sign but you must bear in mind that they may only shed a light on a particular aspect of your personality. Indeed, the sole sign of the Sun, or of the Ascendant, can never describe an astrological chart because it depends on the degree of strength of the said sign in your chart.

Another important point must be underlined. Contrary to the Ascendant, which clearly describes your appearance, your vitality, your physical constitution, your spontaneous behaviour and the image you project, your Sun sign describes your inner self, which you may not completely be aware of, and which may emerge gradually as you mature: it is about your inner personality that you reveal only to the members of your entourage whom you trust. The Sun sign is likely to be the final form of your personality, once it has evolved in line with the energies of the other parts of your chart, the beginning of which is seen in the Ascendant, your external "bark".

The Ascendant is one of the major components of your natal chart. It is the zodiacal sign that rises in the East at the very moment of your birth. To calculate it, it is therefore necessary to know your exact time of birth.

It provides with a wealth of information on your personality. It is one of the key features that allows the analysis of several parts of you, such as your appearance, your character as it is initially perceived and your immediate behaviour. It describes the external aspect of your personality which you always display, but it also describes your physical constitution in the long-term, in other words, your health.

Please be aware that, in spite of the importance of the Ascendant, the accuracy of its description depends on how strongly highlighted it is in your natal chart. We use the entire set of astrological rules to assess the strength of the Ascendant. In most cases, the Ascendant is as revealing as your "sign", i.e., the sign where the Sun is posited at the time of birth.

#### You were born under the sign of Pisces and your Ascendant is in Gemini

Before broaching the details of the meaning of your Sun and your Ascendant, as a preamble, we offer a brief generic interpretation of their combination in your chart:

This zodiacal duet has everything it needs to make your head spin! Pisces and Gemini are both Mutable, dual, and even multiple signs which share the same adaptable, flexible, and ambiguous temperament. Owing to your ambivalent and undulating qualities, you are able to understand the most different viewpoints, and you focus so much on their nuances that you seem to revel in contradictions. Indeed, versatility is not devoid of shortcomings, and instability is often one of them. To make up for it, you display the compassion and the capacity to put yourself in people's shoes, all features which come from your Sun in Pisces, a Water sign with a subtle and complex sensitivity. However, owing to your Gemini Ascendant, you come across as a caustic, lively, and nervous person. This intellectual sign is responsible for your detached and chameleon-like outward appearance, which your entourage may perceive as quite

a superficial one, in the worst cases. When you are in society, you are communicative and curious, and you seldom unveil your idealistic and mystical tendencies, which are the traditional attributes of Pisces. Therefore, contrarily to the image you project, you are more resistant to social norms and codes because you are obsessed by chimeras belonging to a different world...

#### You were born with the Sun in Pisces

Psychologically speaking, your nature is adaptable and receptive, exactly the opposite of the sign of Virgo whose very essence is to analyze every detail, thus creating a definite duality between the self and the outside world: conversely, Pisces absorbs and erases all forms of differentiation they face. With Pisces, there is no opposition, no conflict and no individual reaction. There is only fusion, non-separation, a perpetual and mobile spreading of the self over some blurred and huge sensation of sympathy with the environment. It is the absolute reign of feelings and emotions over the intellect and its separative logics.

As you are born under this sign, you are emotional, sensitive, dedicated, adaptable, nice, wild, compassionate, romantic, imaginative, flexible, opportunist, intuitive, impossible to categorized, irrational, seductive, placid, secretive, introverted, pleasant, artistic, and charming. But you may also be indecisive, moody, passive, confused, wavering, lazy, scatterbrained, vulnerable, unpredictable and gullible.

In love, Sir, you are the very type of the sentimental romantic in the highest meaning of the term. You live your love affairs in your mind. You upkeep the west of your endless daydreamings just to exacerbate your emotions and your feelings, over and over again.

You fall in love frequently and according to how your encounters develop. You adjust to the person you set your heart on and you may harbour illusions because your imagination and your capacity to intensely live a virtual life are very strong. You are utopian and you are so gentle that you usually achieve your aims in spite of your boundless passivity: you seldom take the first step, except when you are thrown a line, which is as big as a tree trunk...

You live for love and through love. Your only weakness may be your lack of determination at the early stage of a relationship. However, once you get started, if there is any compatibility, you trap your prey with your overflowing affectivity and your unlimited sensuality.

Pisces' waters are shifting and changeable. When other opportunities appeal to you, you are able to handle two relationships simultaneously. You achieve an alternate osmosis with your partners and you see no harm in doing so, because you live the instant with plasticity and in communion.

You loathe solitude and you prefer to be caught in the nets of a woman even though she does not match your personality. If, by lack of chance, your partner belongs to the domineering and unscrupulous type, you may be trapped and wake up bitter and disappointed that you extended for too long the illusion of a marvellous story.

Once you find your soul mate, your home is usually harmonious. In your couple, love is immense, even mystical. Like a wave, it bathes the shores of your emotions, which range from the noblest feelings to the wildest physical passions. Since you merely live in concrete life, it is necessary that your partner be well grounded, so that your home is well up kept and your children are properly reared!

#### Your Ascendant is in Gemini

Your mobility is such that you are in every place where you are not expected. You spend lots of time asking questions and... answering them. Your curiosity and your quick-wittedness are insatiable. Your mind is in constant turmoil, hopping from one topic to another, solving problems, accumulating anecdotes and knowledge within a short range of time. Your mobility is mostly mental, it takes you afar and turns your daily life into a mosaic of intense and pleasant moments that are not necessarily related to one another...

As you are born under this sign, you are nervous, expressive, lively and adaptable, with a quick mind and a good sense of humour. You are bubbling, playful, sociable, clever, curious, whimsical, independent, intellectual, flexible, ingenious, fanciful, imaginative, charming, cerebral, and you are into everything. You may also be whimsical, unfocused, quirky, superficial, indiscreet, opportunist, unmindful, selfish, sarcastic or mercurial.

in love, Sir, you increase the number of your love affairs, probably because you do not want to give up your freedom too quickly. You are cerebral to the extent that games of seduction remain... a real game, where feelings and carnal pleasures are merely present.

Paradoxically, you are very charming and attractive but you are more interested in the game itself. Indeed, thrills of verbal joust, fun, the pleasure to communicate over and over again, remain the centres of your concerns.

You clearly prefer to be a bachelor because you appreciate its hustle and bustle: outings, exciting parties or a wide range of encounters etc. However, when you meet with your soul mate, you turn into a pleasant and charming partner, although you may not be around too often!

#### The ruler of your chart is in Aries

The ruler of the Ascendant, also referred to as the chart ruler, brings a few interesting nuances to the meanings provided by the Sun and the Ascendant. The sign in which the ruler of the Ascendant is posited fine-tunes the style of personality described by the Sun and the Ascendant. It may strengthen it if the sign is identical to either of them.

The ruler of the Ascendant, Albert II of Monaco, is Mercury. It is located in Aries and adds a note of rapidity and impulsiveness into your chart. You have a spontaneous and enterprising side which prompts you to take action quickly and to be a pioneer. However, as a consequence of this refreshing impetuosity, you may get bored quite quickly and move on to something else if you lose your enthusiasm.

#### Aspects to your Ascendant

Several planets form an aspect with your Ascendant, Albert II of Monaco. Therefore, in their specific way, they modify your behaviour and your personality, which do not take on the pure characteristics of your Gemini Ascendant only, but which are a blend of its characteristics with those of the said aspects.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Saturn opposite Ascendant, orb -3° 57'

Saturn is in opposition to your Ascendant, Albert II of Monaco. It means that at the same time, he also is in conjunction with your Descendant, the angle which symbolises your rapport with other people. This configuration endows your behaviour with a tone of solemnity and seriousness that some people may

claim to be ... overwhelming! Therefore, you must absolutely be aware of this configuration, and force yourself to a more laid-back attitude, especially in your romantic relationships or in your marriage. This type of relationships precisely requires that you open up if you want to succeed, whilst solemn Saturn often curbs your spontaneity. If you are fully aware of this fact, you can turn your sober features into strength, and your often belated marriage can be a great achievement!

#### \*\*\*\* Sun square Ascendant, orb -1° 56'

There may be a contradiction between your will and your external appearance, Albert II of Monaco, which slows down your natural spontaneity and in some circumstances, gives rise to doubts regarding your behaviour towards other people and the need to be true to your own beliefs. There is certainly nothing serious with this minor dissonance between the Sun and your Ascendant, only choices that are to be made, so as to remain in harmony with yourself.

#### Mars bi-quintile Ascendant, orb -0° 31'

Your vitality and your taste for action are obvious, Albert II of Monaco. Thanks to Mars, your behaviour is often perceived as energetic, or at least, as action-oriented and enterprising. Your dynamism is one of your constant assets.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Neptune sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb -1° 57'

Neptune is in dissonance with your Ascendant, Albert II of Monaco. You may have difficulties in controlling your emotions, and you tend to hesitate about the behaviour to adopt in society. In some circumstances, you distrust everyone, yourself and other people, without knowing the reason why. Keep your feet on the ground and do not allow your imagination to carry you too far away from sheer reality! No one nurtures bad intentions towards you. This is something you must realise if you do not want to get worked up about... nothing.

## Your Sensitivity

Your sensitivity is withdrawn, Albert II of Monaco: more than anyone, you tend to lock yourself in your ivory tower, as you are aware of a kind of superiority that may be real, though overrated. Your moods are not perceptible because you control them with a tight fist. It is difficult to know if you are happy or upset because you show nothing. You avoid situations which compel you to reveal your emotions because you are not demonstrative. Please, be aware that it is not your amorous behaviour that is being analyzed, but the daily expression of your sensitivity. You dread the crowd and you need calm, and even solitude, to feel comfortable. You are well-equipped to remain balanced in all circumstances, but it may prove beneficial if you progressively take a relaxed attitude and show more dedication, as you are worth it; it is easier for you to exteriorize your feelings when your projects or your ambitions justify that you do so. You do not practice gratuitous outpourings, particularly when your are with a group, because you are afraid to open up, as if you were on the defensive, without any reason most of the times.

Albert II of Monaco, your emotions are intense, even violent sometimes. You feel things and react with so much strength that it may torment you! On the other hand, you are extremely intuitive, warm, imaginative and you possess a kind of indefinable charm full of density and mystery. Your sharply developed intuition endows you with a predisposition to clairvoyance.

Matters linked to death and inheritances, family investments etc., may play an important role in your destiny. Your mother often has a prominent role and may strongly influence your major life decisions until you become an adult.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Moon quintile Neptune, orb 0° 15'

This harmonious Moon-Neptune aspect indicates an exceptional receptivity. You are sensitive to ambiances and you can grasp what is at stake in any given situation. You can pick up things in the general atmosphere that the majority of people miss out. Your deep intuition allows you to feel the subtlest details, that « little nothing » which is the key to behavioural patterns. Inspiration is your guide and imagination accompanies your daily rhythms. Mysteries, psychology, esoterism, fantasy, the supernatural... one of these fields, at least, is of concern to you. You pay utmost attention to your inner life, to moments of tranquillity when you relax, when you allow your mind to wander at will. The danger is that you may seek refuge in the imaginary and that you shirk reality.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Moon sesqui-quadrate Pluto, orb 1° 07'

This planetary configuration causes distrust (Plutonian distance) towards individuals, groups, or your own family environment (lunar values). It may bring about a feeling of affective or relational wound. The feeling of security is absent, or fragmented or illusive. How is it possible to feel integrated whereas you know that you are different and on your own? It is the myth of the « ugly duckling », with its different specific characteristics, an alien to its origins and its roots. It is important that you accept your differences and that you have them accepted by others, without forsaking your essential values. This is how you can exercise your group ownership without allowing them to exclude you or to repress your secret determinations. When this aspect is well integrated, it is a factor of lucidity for your emotions. You perceive without gullibility what is really at stake in your intimate relationships and the flaws of your environment. The fact that you do not readily trust people spares you many traps and delusions.

★★★★★ Sun sextile Moon, orb 6° 39'

This aspect is a strong homogeneity factor: the image you project is in conformity with your real nature and does not upset your basic balance. This is probably the cause of your feeling at ease, your consistent behaviour and your determination to remain your true self, regardless of external pressures and whatever is expected from you. At best, your will and your sensitivity are in harmony, your unconscious abilities are mobilized and controlled by your conscious will, with no imbalance. However, it is important to avoid the traps of self-satisfaction that would be harmful to your real exchanges and would lock you up in comfortable and rigid schemes. It is possible to remain natural and yet, not be content with the sole well being of those who never cheat themselves.

## Your Affectivity

In your chart, the Sun is in Pisces and Venus, in Aquarius. Between the subtle detachment of the Sun in Pisces and the excitement of Venus in Aquarius, the contrast is striking: more than anyone, you are aware that one shifts quickly from fascination to disenchantment or from indifference to amazement. These two consecutive signs react in an antinomical way: while Venus in Aquarius readily gives free rein to her heart or her senses' impulses, the Sun in Pisces does not follow these fleeting stimulations and remains impervious, unyielding and selective. Aquarius is optimistic because the relationship is constantly evolving (tomorrow is another day...). Pisces knows or feels the limits of the relationship (the end is for tomorrow...). You may be criticized for these inconsistencies: I love you madly today and not any more tomorrow. I don't love you but when you leave me, I am hurting! Your affectivity lives on all these paradoxes. More than others, you need to be amazed and to be seduced... Indifference occurs so rapidly! You give a lot to those who deserve your esteem because of their qualities or their shortcomings. Indeed, you may find certain flaws quite seductive because they extol your compassion and your taste for strangeness at the same time.

In love, you are more cerebral and friendly than really passionate, Albert II of Monaco. You are made for amorous friendships, for refined and light feelings where each partner retains one's freedom, and almost detachment, without getting really committed. Sometimes, you may be distant from, and indifferent to, love matters for a while, because you can be completely engrossed in original intellectual pursuits and the collective atmosphere which you are so fond of. You substitute a great number of friendly and light contacts to amorous relationships and it is fair to say that they satisfy you. To fall in love, you need spice and a partner who is original, who amazes you and whom you admire; under such conditions, you can freely express your feelings in an ambiance devoid of constraint, where freedom is perfectly respected and shared within the couple.

Albert II of Monaco, the choice is yours: love encountered while travelling abroad, or just love for travels and focusing your feelings upon this ideal of evasion towards far-off lands? Or may be both. In any case, you often tend to fall in love, and even to get married, with a person of foreign origins. Exoticism and difference mysteriously appeal to you and there is little you can do against it. Early in life, you have a craving for space and for changes, particularly regarding your feelings: there is not a single chance that you are content with habits or that you refuse any new and exciting experience full of unusual and unknown features. You are always on the move and you feel so great when you finally find yourself in a ship at the other end of the world or somewhere in an airport, with all your senses stimulated, ready to be seduced by the unusual charm of the person whom you will meet and who will not resemble you. Your feelings are vast and generous, sometimes even sublimated and idealized because you so adamantly

refuse any limitation. You have an undying thirst for higher knowledge that can only be gained in the field of spirituality or, in the literal sense, through roaming about remote lands, or also analogically, through interacting with culturally different people who have so much to teach you. Your feelings are coloured with the distinctive nobleness and long-term vision that characterize broad-minded persons who do not look at things with an ego-centered and simplistic glance. It is true that, seen from an airplane, the authenticity of all things important stands out finally with more acute sharpness...

#### \*\*\*\* Venus opposite Uranus, orb -2° 15'

You are a hard-liner and you think that love should be genuine or it should not be at all! You have difficulties in resisting your heart impulses and untimely passions that may challenge your affectivity. You need air, freedom and a relative independence. You also need to fully experience your love impulses, regardless of the price to be paid. The heart has its own reasons that no rules can hamper... The obvious danger may be to cause dramatic hurly-burly. Your inflexibility on the affective plane does not favour a quiet life where « one makes do with very little ». You are the all or nothing type. But does the absolute really belong to our world?

#### \*\*\*\*\* Venus semi-square Saturn, orb -0° 06'

This Venus-Saturn dissonance indicates a demanding, complex and often challenged affectivity. You are wondering about the meanings of love, pleasure and emotions. Your passions take an absolute character right away. No compromise, no sham must stain your sentimental life. In such a context, doubts abound. This aspect prompts you to review the roots of your affectivity, so as to find the assurance you lack and to soothe your dormant sentimental anxiety. Love is an eternal and endless quest. Because you are doubtful of the affection people have for you, you may never feel that you are really loved. Your affective behaviour reveals your uncertainties: tests and challenges follow one another until, eventually, you are certain to experience a love that meets your demands. It is obvious that on the sentimental area, you are not looking for the easy way out.

#### \*\*\*\* Venus square Neptune, orb 5° 48'

You are very idealistic in love and you may be blind. In many circumstances, you deem your sentimental life heavenly and you lay yourself open to delusions. Love is a dream and waking up is often painful. Your imagination distorts the game of intimate situations. It is important that you keep your sense of reality and that you avoid to embark upon dark or muddled paths. Forget about artificial paradises! The Tradition very rightly insists on the tendency for impossible love affairs. Your demand and your thirst for the absolute may make you dread to experience a common life that is inevitably flawed with compromises and vagaries. The object of your affection is idealized « because it was her, because it was me » and you do not reckon objective elements that will resurface later in full force. With this planetary configuration, the danger is in the idealistic, even fanciful, nature of your affectivity. It is certain that love cannot be bought or reasoned. But how is it possible to live an absolute passion on a daily basis? You must control your heart impulses and, without losing the sentimental riches that are part of your charm, you must put what you love in harmony with what you dream of.

## The Way You Take Action and Your Sexuality

Albert II of Monaco, you are so resistant and so solid that you are able to cope with any challenge, any ordeal. You behave with persistence, rigour and discipline. You are so obstinate and patient that no effort

is impossible to you, as if sensitivity and emotions were unable to divert you from your goals. With calm and lucidity, even coldness, you face up to things and you plan on a long-term basis. Nothing and no one can prevent you from fulfilling your responsibilities. You are a rock, a hard worker, and your iron will equals your resistance to blows. Your practical sense is at the service of your ambition which is real and energetic, even though it may not be obvious. Sexually, you are active and vigorous. If you show more warmth, you may become an excellent lover; indeed, being demonstrative is not your major concern.

Albert II of Monaco, this atypical configuration in your natal chart is one of the most complex to describe because of the very nature of the 8th house, the house of transformation, of crises leading to personal reconstruction, but also the house of sexuality, hidden knowledge, investment and inheritance.

In addition, the 8th house always deepens emotions and quickly brings passion into the previously mentioned areas. In this house, the quality of Mars' expression depends on the rest of the natal chart.

In order not to make mistakes, it is safer to talk about a possible range of fields of predilection: your energy can be expressed efficiently in areas dealing with financial investment, death, possessions and sexuality.

This configuration may also simply increase the intensity of emotions connected with these hidden topics and, depending on the rest of your natal chart, it may or may not translate into life assets. More than with any other placement, you can be born again from your ashes, like the phoenix. After having undergone a few major ordeals, it is likely that you will have the strength and courage to do so.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Mars square Jupiter, orb -2° 4'

You assert yourself in a spectacular and demonstrative manner as soon as an assembly gathers and there is a chance for success. However, too much haste and zeal may harm your projects and spoil your expected outcome. The danger with this aspect is your overzealousness as you strive to achieve your objectives and your ambitions, forcing your way through events, whereas the situation requires diplomacy and patience. Too much fieriness may make you miss your target. With this planetary configuration, it is important that you keep in mind that some circumstances need to be handled with precision and clear-sightedness. Not all opportunities are necessarily good. It would be a pity to lose your efficiency through excesses of opportunism or of enthusiasm.

#### ★★★★★ Sun sextile Mars, orb -4° 34'

This planetary Sun-Mars aspect reinforces courage, determination and energy. The need for action is obvious. Whatever your will designs is implemented with fieriness, despite all oppositions. You are decisive and wilful, even foolhardy. Your behaviour may be heroic: you know how to face adversity, to stand for your rights and your decisions, regardless of the confrontations you may have to cope with. The only danger may be that you overestimate your chances and your strength. But your audacity turns out to be rewarding, more often that not.

#### ★★★★★ Mars square Neptune, orb -6° 31'

You behave like a bohemian person and you are led by an ideal that you may not control. Your passions are undoubtedly sincere. However, you may target wrong objectives. You engage on hopeless struggles and meaningless confrontations. It is important that you watch out for fanaticisms from all sides and that you remain clear-sighted in the face of your exalted feelings. Your sincerity may work wonders when you

champion lost causes. The most difficult thing is probably to keep your exacerbated sensitivity under control. Because you are deeply moved by facts, because you are sensitive to injustices and to the world's woes more than the average people, you embark on incessant battles, at the risk of undergoing a few delusions, on occasions.

#### Mars inconjunction Pluto, orb -2° 38'

There is a limit to your respect for laws and norms! Morals, conventions, social marks are of little value to you. With a touch of anarchy in the soul, you disregard conventions and you experience a sort of personal revolution. You prefer unconventional actions to dull conformism. To express your differences, you use a wide scope of possibilities that ranges from brewing revolt to ideological renunciation. Sometimes, you dismiss concrete facts that are nevertheless unavoidable. Hence, you undergo delusions and backlashes. You may also act rashly, to the detriment of your ideals. It is important that you control your actions and that you balance the respect for constraints with your personal demands and inner motivations.

## Your Intellect and Your Communication Style

You enjoy discussing and exchanging ideas. You know how to put forward sharp and provoking comments in order to keep the debate moving ahead. You tend to use words to put yourself in the forefront and you may become a leader. Your exact and swift, dazzling understanding favours a direct approach to problems and helpful decisions. You are inventive, intuitive and you are in a hurry to bring your projects to a successful conclusion. You do not pay attention to details and you prefer to go to the essentials. However, your decision-making process may be too impulsive and may throw you into unconsidered actions; this is the reason why it may be good that you listen to other people's advice, that you do not walk headlong, and later, be forced to reverse back as a result, a situation you do not appreciate too much.

You are intelligent and brilliant as soon as you have identified a goal and you have partners to work with you. You are less inclined to undertake strictly personal projects, Albert II of Monaco. Your mind and your curiosity include friends and collective projects. You believe that your particularly well-developed sociability is an asset for them.

Collective works, customers and public domain appeal to you, and you feel that you can achieve in those fields. Your negotiating skills are paradoxically stronger when you face the anonymity of a group rather than in intimate individual exchanges, may be only because you have no real interest in your own projects, for several reasons.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Mercury trine Uranus, orb 4° 41'

Your state of mind is innovative and turns the surrounding world into a constantly moving field of experiences. You ask relevant questions ... and you answer them. Although you are flexible when you ought to, your principles and your beliefs are unwavering. It seems difficult to catch you off your guard. You multiply observations, relationships, contacts and you never lose face: actually, your mobility hides an unshakable determination and a deep lucidity. In a split second, you are able to catch the useful information or the enriching relationship. The original and fanciful steps you take exclude monotony. Your approach to life is amazing!

#### ★★★★★ Mercury inconjunction Neptune, orb -1° 08'

With this Mercury-Neptune dissonance, relations may be distorted by the mirages of sensitivity. You have to make an effort to keep your objectivity. If this aspect is not well integrated, it may harm your good evaluation of human stakes. Your intimate beliefs may limit the dialogue, as if a very specific sensitivity prevented true communication. It may be difficult to find the right wording to express fragile and ineffable experiences. Imagination in power is not easy to share and the poetry of your speeches may be beyond your audience's understanding!

#### Mercury sextile Mars, orb 5° 23'

The harmonic Mercury-Mars aspect is the signature of a quick wit and an energetic character. You take decisions rapidly and you implement them straight away. You never accept stiff situations. You need to design, to take action, to fight to express your acute sense of relation: the world, the people, everything is of concern to you... You need to be involved in relationships and in dialogues. Your sharp retorts earn you a reputation of straightforwardness. On the relations' area, your quick wit and your mobility are greatly appreciated. You find the allies and partners you need at the right time. An art of resourcefulness that is precious...

#### \*\*\*\*\* Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 9° 57'

You know how to play with your image, how to give multiple representations of yourself. A precious asset: you are sensitive to other people's opinion and you adapt yourself to the audience. Of course, there is a "show" side in your manner that may prevent perfect cohesion. But that's the other side of the coin, for an extraordinary capacity to discover. This aspect translates into an acute sense of observation, an intense desire to learn and to bring everything to light. You strive to be informed in many circumstances, to understand the machinery of the world surrounding you, particularly regarding all human topics. And you will change according to that information and the knowledge gained. You have the chameleon's adaptation powers. And its vulnerability, as well.

#### ★★★★★ Mercury inconjunction Jupiter, orb 2° 42'

You play with social norms and you scoff at them. Your morality is seldom questioned: you adopt the most rewarding behaviour, precisely the one that wins you your entourage's consideration. But you sometimes cheat. You are an opportunist and you act according to circumstances, particularly because your moral stand is only a superficial mask. You enjoy concealing your beliefs: life is a social game and you change its rules to suit your convenience. Your flexibility and your adaptation abilities are appreciated. However, it is important that you do not behave inconsistently. A stable and transparent course of conduct may help you avoid many pitfalls or delusions. Beware of words spoken thoughtlessly, of empty promises, and do stick to your indisputable cleverness.

#### ★★★★★ Mercury inconjunction Pluto, orb -2° 44'

Forget simplicity! You definitely enjoy acting behind the scenes and dealing with what is going on underneath. You play games and you operate in the dark. You leave the front of the stage to others and to the gullible ones. You don't display much sociability. When you are nice, it is because you are looking for flaws. This Mercury-Pluto dissonance mingles unconscious fantasies with reality. When it is kept under control, this aspect becomes an unparalleled source of discernment. To that aim, you must overcome your strong tendency for provocations. It is certainly amusing to play destabilizing games but it may also be dangerous. Keep this treatment for your opponents only.

## Your Goals, Motivations, Career, and Destiny

#### Your Sun is posited in the 10th House

Albert II of Monaco, your need for assertion is very strong. It is clearly oriented towards the success of your professional or social destiny, or at least, towards an important rise compared to your initial background; your effort, your will and your goals are well defined in your mind: you have a concrete vision of the kind of destiny you are interested in and you do not want to stay on the backstage! Because in traditional astrology, the Midheaven relates to the mother, should other configurations of your chart concur, your mother might favour your ambition or speed up the success of your career.

You have an innate sense of commandment and a definite taste for honours, prestige, recognition of your self-worth. You don't like vagueness and your objectives are very concrete. You want to quickly leave anonymity and the quietness of the dark, for which you have no affinity. Your determined attitude, and your irresistible desire to play an increasingly important role in the position you hold, are major assets for the actual achievement of your goals. You want to shine forth and to heave yourself up, always higher and higher.

There are real indications of fame, provided that other elements of your chart concur. Even though you did not rise to fame, it is likely that, in your area, you enjoy some degree of glory. You are efficient and, with the help of your organizational skills, it is not difficult for you to find your spot in the sunshine.

In some rare cases, your ascent goes beyond the average ones and it may occur on the spiritual plane instead of the professional or the social plane. Therefore, you may be called upon to play a solar authority role in line with your beliefs and your commitment. You may become a leader or a master in the path you have chosen.

Even though you may hesitate to admit it and to tell others, your frenzied inclination for success inevitably brings about conflicts of authority; striving to heave yourself up, too high and too quickly, to a level that is so different from the one you were at, not so long ago, exposes you to clashes with the hierarchy or with those whom you regularly outgrow in the course of your ambitious journey and who may not agree with you.

There is also the fearsome and dormant danger of exhilaration of power and its disastrous consequences; hopefully, you do not have to jump into it with both feet. A fair dose of detachment and meditation may spare you many a trouble.

#### The ruler of your chart is in the 11th House

The ruler of the Ascendant, also referred to as the chart ruler as explained in a previous chapter, is also posited in one of the twelve Houses of the chart. Just like the Sun in his House, the ruler of the Ascendant provides certain abilities, or it makes you appreciate more keenly certain areas of life.

The ruler of your chart is in the 11th House, Albert II of Monaco. This position often reinforces your sociability and your need for friendship, or sometimes when this is not the case, for all sorts of cooperation, whether social or political. You need to make friends, to share, and it often happens that your life with your friends or in society is much more fulfilling than your family life. You are granted - or you seek - reliable protection and support.

#### Aspects influencing your ambitions

Regarding your destiny or your career, the following aspects of your natal chart allow to fine-tune what has just been said above:

#### ★★★★★ Sun square Saturn, orb -2° 01'

The Sun-Saturn dissonance indicates frequent questionings. For the sake of lucidity, you are doubtful of everything that makes up your life environment, as well as of your entourage and of yourself. Past events are the cause of your distrust. Your motivations are not based on conventions or established norms. They may produce a feeling of loneliness or of revolt. However, you withstand difficult situations. You are pre-adapted to changes of direction and you are able to question the very basis of your life. Doubts are often overwhelming and hamper your steps. It is important that you accept facts with more simplicity and that you take life as it comes, without constantly questioning the validity of this or that option. It does not imply that you must lose the lucidity that is your characteristic. It only means that you have to build the self-confidence that you are lacking.

#### \*\*\* Saturn sextile Midheaven, orb -1° 12'

Thanks to this soft aspect between Saturn and your Midheaven, your long-term efforts and your perseverance are rewarded, and you gradually climb up the stairs of success. Time is your ally as far as your career and social destiny are concerned. Carry on the good work, and rest assured that your seriousness and your obstinacy are appreciated. They are instrumental in your success, especially during the second part of your life.

#### \*\*\*\*\* Pluto opposite Midheaven, orb -6° 25'

Pluto is in opposition to your Midheaven, Albert II of Monaco. Strictly speaking, this is not a dissonance since at the same time, Pluto is in conjunction with your Imum Coeli which symbolises your roots, the home where you were born, childhood, and your family. This configuration may indicate that transformations and upheavals affecting your career are finally less important to you than those occurring in your home, or at least, that values associated with the place where you dwell, or your family, are particularly sensitive and important to you. Since Pluto is a collective planet, you usually "undergo" removals more than you choose them. This statement has no negative meaning. Home is a place that is almost magnetically loaded, where you may strongly feel the values of "power" and domination among the members of your family. There is also the possibility that you are willing to wield this power within your close friends, at home.

#### \*\*\* Sun sesqui-quadrate Uranus, orb -0° 2'

This Sun-Uranus dissonance indicates a dazzling will to be the centre of attention and to proclaim your specificity, by all means. This aspect belongs to the rebel and the revolutionary restive to all forms of authority and of model. To balance this interpretation, the strong need for autonomy bordering on frenzied individualism must be highlighted. You allow nothing or no one to hinder your chosen line of conduct. Obviously, your attitudes are inflexible. You prefer to continue to the bitter end, even when you are wrong, rather than to be more open to people's ideas. Tyrannical attitudes often turn against the perpetrator... However, this configuration is a powerful agent for creativity, provided your hothead and extremist nature is kept under control.

#### ★★★★★ Jupiter trine Midheaven, orb -6° 26'

Jupiter is in soft aspect with your Midheaven, Albert II of Monaco. It means that you are often lucky, or that you receive support in your career or your social destiny. You trust your abilities to overcome obstacles coming up in your way, and you respect authority and laws. So, thanks to this configuration, you make your way in the world with the feeling that you move forward rather quickly, as compared to average people.

#### ★★★★★ Jupiter sextile Saturn, orb -5° 13¹

Jupiter and Saturn are favourably linked to each other in your natal chart. The Tradition indicates that this planetary aspect is a good omen for your social success and good integration in the society. Indeed, Jupiter stands for public life, respect for laws and hierarchy, and acceptance of established rules, whereas Saturn symbolises wisdom, time, seriousness, and perseverance. Therefore, it is only logical that with this Jupiter - Saturn configuration, your career, or your social destiny if you do not work, is well thought of by society, and that you are most likely to experience its happy outcomes sooner or later.

#### ★★★★★ Sun semi-sextile Midheaven, orb -0° 48'

In the professional and social status areas, Albert II of Monaco, you know what you want, and you know how to cleverly obtain it. Because the Sun and your Midheaven are in agreement in your natal chart, you have no qualms and no hesitations when it comes to defining the strategy for reaching your goal.

#### \*\*\* Sun bi-quintile Jupiter, orb -1° 14'

This harmonious Sun-Jupiter aspect indicates an optimistic background that usually wins the entourage's adherence. It also suggests ambition and generosity and favours social integration and success. The desire to earn general consideration prompts you to display energy, joviality and benevolence. However, opportunism may be the other side of the coin. As you strive to win everyone's esteem, you may fall into disrepute. It is important that you remain clear-sighted so as to persistently pursue your long-term aims without believing that you should always « grab each and every opportunity ». However, this aspect remains an element of success because it allows you to adjust your objectives to the context, to whatever the situation offers or, on the contrary, to force your way through events and to achieve your ideals.

## Your Assets and Your Part of Joviality

The present of the planet of Greater Fortune to you Albert II of Monaco, is the gift for investigation, the taste for mysteries and... the capacity to solve them. Your emotions are amplified and prompt you to take your actions to the end, without fear or restraint. You also have the talent to cleverly manage your financial investments. According to the Tradition, sexuality and sensuality are equally balanced with this lucky configuration. So enjoy and be happy!

For you, Albert II of Monaco, nature's present includes a lot of great satisfaction in the area of leisure, entertainment, creation and love. Anything with a hint of pleasure is favoured. A marvellous world exempt from constraint and obligation illuminates your life. According to the Tradition, your luck also applies to your communication with children and your descendants are harmonious and successful.

The planet Jupiter symbolizes expansion, broadness and generosity. Jupiter is associated with the functions of synthesis, enthusiasm and optimism. In your natal chart, his house position is more

important than his sign position because, like Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto, he is a slow planet. Many people born in the same period have Jupiter in the same sign. This is the reason why the sign occupied here is less meaningful than when it is occupied by the so-called fast planets, i.e. the Sun, the Moon, Mercury, Venus and Mars. Therefore, some caution is to be exercised as you read what follows.

Jupiter in Scorpio strengthens your emotional realm and your instinctive capacity to have more lasting and deeper feelings. Your sensuality and your sexuality are favoured by this configuration. You may enjoy strokes of luck in the areas of finance, speculations, investments and inheritances. More than anyone, you can deal with mysteries and anything linked to the unknown.

#### **Your Serious Side**

You thoroughly analyse and criticise the values of freedom, your desires for evasion, and your philosophical concepts. You have your feet firmly on the ground, and you prefer to progress on familiar grounds, step by step, but in depth.

Albert II of Monaco, you have a natural reluctance to grant your trust. As a consequence, associations, union, and sharing with others are difficult for you. On the bright side, you are endowed with caution and wisdom.

You ought to tone down this attitude because it may turn against you in the long run. You may marry late or with a person much older than you. This does not imply unhappiness! It is in your interest to open up to others, although it is hard for you to do so. At the end of the day, your harvest benefits your destiny and your evolution alike.

The planet Saturn symbolizes contraction, effort, time, limitation and concentration. Saturn eliminates anything that is not authentic, sooner or later. It is impossible to cheat him as he gives an irresistible desire to form a coherent whole with oneself, in responsible and wise ways. He is the great purifier. He represents our limitations but also our truth. In your natal chart, the house position where Saturn is posited is more important than his sign position because, like Jupiter, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto, he is a slow planet. Many people born in the same period have Saturn in the same sign. This is the reason why the sign occupied here is less meaningful than when it is occupied by the so-called fast planets, i.e. the Sun, the Moon, Mercury, Venus and Mars. Therefore, some caution is to be exercised as you read what follows.

Saturn in Sagittarius limits your taste for exoticism and for rebellion. On the other hand, he strengthens your sense of responsibilities and your authority. You focus on what is concrete and real and you avoid venturing into unknown territories.

## A Few Special Points

## Your Uniqueness and Your Utopias

Your mind is agile, curious and mobile, and always on the lookout for things that are out of the ordinary. This stems from your interest in strange or original concepts, or in non-conformist people.

Your trips are unforeseen and you are often present where no one expects you. The only problem is that you may shock your entourage, at least, the most conventional persons, because this aspect of your personality is undoubtedly quite endearing, provided that you do not exceed a certain level of eccentricity, whether in intensity or in volume!

#### Your Inspiration and Your Illusions

This pleasant combination may magnify your love affairs and your creativity and give them a romantic and whimsical side. If you are an artist, you often feel inspired and carried away by love and emotional impulses.

This area of your life is intense and, as a consequence, you are more vulnerable than other people. It is up to you to sort out among your positive, creative impressions on the one hand, and your out-of-proportion reactions caused by frustrating events, on the other hand.

You must know that you are exposed to love delusions. However, you are also entitled to the best part of love, when all is well.

In the fields of entertainment and relations with children, you are quite easily influenced and you follow your intuition more than your rational mind; rather emotion all on edge than reason...

#### Your Passion and Your Authority

In general, your childhood was under stress, for many different reasons. Your early life was not very easy, and you probably felt a deep anxiety for reasons... that were not always real.

In your intimate and private sphere, when you feel in confidence, you may be domineering and authoritarian, whereas in public, you never show this facet of your personality.

Your sensitivity is acute, and you may be affected by trivial things without ever displaying your hurt feelings. But as you mature, your finesse becomes an asset instead of an element of vulnerability.

Symbolically, according to the Tradition, your father was authoritarian or domineering. This is not always true, but this is how you perceived him when you were a child.

#### Your Isolated Planets

In general, the ten planets of the chart are connected to other planets by major or minor astrological aspects. It is owing to those ties that the planets' energies can manifest in the chart owner's personality and play out within safeguards according to a specific tonality.

It seldom happens that in a natal chart, a planet is totally disconnected from the nine other planets.

Astrologers have observed that when such a case occurs, the person feels the energy of the unaspected

planet in quite a singular way, very jerky and powerful at the same time. Thus, for instance, the famed astrologer Jean-Baptiste Morin de Villefranche wrote that "an unaspected planet heralds that something strange or extraordinary will take place regarding the meanings of the house in which the said planet is posited" (source: l'astrologie selon Morin).

Rules for detecting an unaspected planet: among all the testimonies that we have reviewed to this day, based on our experience, we tend to agree with American astrologer Janis Huntley who accepts seven aspects, which involve the zodiacal twelve sections of 30 degrees. The aspects to be considered are the conjunction (0 degree, cooperation or tension), the semi-sextile (30 degrees), the sextile and the trine (60 and 120 degrees respectively, aspects of cooperation), the square and the opposition (90 and 180 degrees respectively, tensed aspects), and the quincunx (150 degrees, slightly tensed). In this detection, the chart's angles are not taken into account.

In any case, it is important to remember that an isolated planet clearly expresses its influence when it is a personal planet. Thus, when the Sun, the Moon, Mercury, Venus, or Mars is isolated, it is certain that the effects described by Jean-Baptiste Morin de Villefranche will become manifest. As for Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto, one must be cautious because the volume of cases documented is not yet large enough.

Your chart has no isolated planet, and this particular case does not apply to you.

#### **Annex 1: Your Minor Dominants**

The five following dominants are less significant than those described at the beginning of your report. They may not be strongly felt. In some cases, they add several minor details to the analysis of your character, but they are rather for curiosity purposes. It is not necessary to take them into account when you first read your portrait.

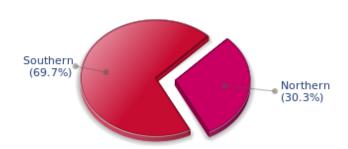
#### Your Planetary Repartitions: Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Hemispheres

The axis linking the 1st house's cuspide (the Ascendant) to the 7th house's cuspide - the Descendant - divides the zodiac into two bowls, a superior bowl, in the South, and an inferior bowl in the North. Quoting an expression by the famous American astrologer Rudhyar, the Southern part and the Northern part correspond to two functions: "being" and "doing". Other concepts are also associated with this North and South distribution, such as introversion - Northern hemisphere - and extraversion - Southern hemisphere - being or appearances, inner life or external life, reflection or action, dreaming one's life or living one's dreams, the abstract or the concrete, backstage or limelight.

This is not about determination but about personal inclination: thus, some people will be thrown into public life despite a prominent Northern hemisphere. If this happens, however, it will not be due to their will, their taste or their deep nature. Conversely, a prominent Southern hemisphere will not bring about a famous destiny to its owner, even if he tends to turn the spotlight on himself, or if he looks for a more active life. It is a matter of deep nature and natural inclination. Of course, none of the typologies is "superior" to another.

In your birth chart, Albert II of Monaco, the ten main planets are distributed as follows:

## Your Northern and Southern Hemispheres



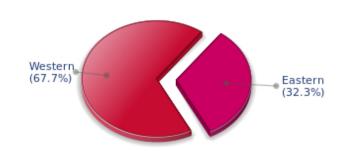
Albert II of Monaco, the predominance of planets in the Southern hemisphere prompts you to take action, to draw attention on yourself, and to make your actions and what you have in mind visible to everyone. Sometimes, without giving a single thought to, and to the detriment of, a richer inner life and a deeper and wiser reflection. Action and communication are inevitable in your opinion, and you tend to think that the only thing that matters is what is seen! This is not always true, and it is up to you to progress through the development of inner qualities such as meditation, solitude and imagination so as to become stronger.

The birth chart is divided into two other parts, Eastern and Western, by the axis linking the Midheaven to the Imum Coeli.

The Eastern part, on the Ascendant side, shows the person's ego, will, magnetism, and vitality, whereas the Western part, on the Descendant side, symbolizes other people, communication, relationships and their influence, as well as flexibility and adaptability.

Albert II of Monaco, here is the planetary repartition in your Eastern and your Western hemispheres:

#### Your Eastern and Western Hemisphere:



The predominance of planets in the Western hemisphere of your chart means that you are quite flexible, capable of empathy, convivial and communicative. An excellent factor for many professional activities or for your social or sentimental life for example.

A definite asset... provided that you are not at the centre of the decisions you must take in your life: you may be tempted to listen to the last person who spoke, and your flexibility won't always get you out of the tight spot. You are therefore advised to learn to decide alone and to cope with the consequences of your actions with courage and without regrets. This attitude will allow you to combine flexibility and action, adaptability and absence of hesitation.

#### Your Yin and Yang Polarity

The twelve signs are divided into two polarities, called active or passive, or sometimes masculine and feminine, positive and negative, Yang and Yin. This classification corresponds to two quite distinct tonalities, the first one bringing extraversion, action, self-confidence and dynamism, the second one, introversion, reactivity, reflection and caution. None is superior to the other, each group has its own assets and shortcomings. Odd signs - Aries, Gemini, Leo, Libra, Sagittarius and Aquarius - belong to the first group, whereas even signs - Taurus, Cancer, Virgo, Scorpio, Capricorn and Pisces - belong to the second group.

#### Your Yin and Yang Polarity



According to the disposition and qualities of your planets and angles, you are rather influenced by Yang energy, the active polarity, Albert II of Monaco: more concerned about actions than reflection, you sometimes rush without standing back and without the deepness that is needed. However, your spontaneity prompts you to take fresh starts, even after repeated failures caused by your rashness.

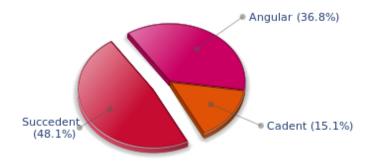
#### Your Houses' Accentuations

Houses are split up into three groups: angular, succedent and cadent.

The first ones are the most important ones, the most "noticeable" and energetic houses. They are the 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th houses. Their cuspides correspond to four famous angles: Ascendant for the 1st house, Imum Coeli for the 4th house, Descendant, opposite the Ascendant, for the 7th house and Midheaven for the 10th house, opposite the Imum Coeli.

Planets are evaluated according to a whole set of criteria that includes comprehensive Western astrology rules. At their turn, planets emphasize specific types of houses, signs, repartitions etc., as previously explained.

#### Your Houses' Accentuations



The emphasis is on succedent houses in your chart, namely, the 2nd, 5th, 8th and 11th houses, Albert II

of Monaco: this configuration usually endows a personality with affective and sensitive qualities. Obviously, to the detriment of self-confidence or self-assertion, but your heart qualities may be very important. These houses also favour realization. Time and patience are part of their characteristics. However, they are only indications and you must include them in the rest of your chart in order to see whether they are validated or not!

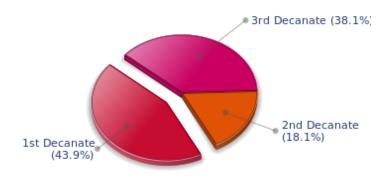
#### Your Esoteric Decanates

Each sign contains 30 degrees and can be divided into three equal parts: the decanates. The Tradition indicates that specific meanings can be associated to each of the three decanates. Their sphere of activity is usually limited to the Sun sign, however, it is even more interesting to observe the distribution of all the planets in the chart to get an idea of the respective importance of the three decanates, which can complement the description of the personality.

These meanings must be considered with the greatest caution. Indeed, they are minor characteristics that can only underline other outstanding traits of character.

Traditionally, the first decanate highlights the characteristics of the sign where a planet is located. The two other decanates correspond to sub-dominant planets, depending on the nature of each sign. This system leads to a multiplication of meanings and it is impossible to have a clear understanding: here, we prefer to give only the meaning of one decanate in comparison with the other two, within the birth chart as a whole. Again, the greatest caution is needed with regard to this minor indication as it is not always reliable: it is not essential that you read these texts in the beginning. You can get back to them later on, once you have read more important interpretations

#### Your Esoteric Decanates



The first decanate, which means the part between 0° and 10° of any zodiacal sign, prevails in your natal chart, Albert II of Monaco: this decanate is traditionally linked to vitality and physical constitution, and may indicate that you efficiently express your concrete energy on the material and sensual planes.

## **Annex 2: Karmic Study**

The karmic theme is a good complement to the psychological portrait, or natal chart. This analysis is based on the positions of the Lunar Nodes, the Black Moon and the Part of Fortune: they are also called fictitious points and describe the spiritual purpose of your destiny. Because there is in all of us an experience and a quest, our life is an evolutionary journey... provided that we head towards the right direction, of course! Indian astrologers highly prize the Nodes axis (North Node and South Node). It is the Ariadne's thread that we are invited to follow. The Black Moon indicates the sector where we are most likely to transform or to transcend, whereas the Part of Fortune points out the area where we can easily express our specificity.

#### The Lunar Nodes: a spiritual path

Lunar Nodes have their roots in the Indian tradition and they are based on a simple concept: each of us have a mission of their own, here on earth, a destiny, a course. According to the Indian philosophy, life is a school: the nodal axis describes our past experiences (South Node, our karma, our spiritual inheritance or our previous lives), and our aims on earth (North Node, our Dharma, the purpose of our current incarnation). This is the reason why the study of the lunar nodes is called "Karmic astrology". Here, we shall not step into hypothetical past lives. Wherever our current trends may come from, all that really matters is that we become aware of the purpose of our life, its finality and our dharma. We are likely to understand our life purpose around the age of 37, when the Lunar Nodes return to their natal position.

Your life's purpose is related to your disregard for material goods and dispossession. Whether or not you enjoy comfort, a financial or affective capital, someday, you question your assets and you start anew. Of course, you enjoy life's simple joys. The security granted by stable relationships allows you to cope with possible delusions. But life undertakes to remind you that nothing is eternal here below, the wheel keeps on turning and, at any time, one may irrevocably lose what one thought to possess forever. Paradoxically, ordeals and losses make you stronger: as time goes by, you feel freer, more detached from the values of this world and closer to the essential... The spiritual life can't be bothered with the prosperity sought after by ordinary mortals. As you give up the values that you once thought to be indispensable, you gain in terms of lucidity and, eventually, in terms of tranquillity. Your powers and your inner dimension will then impress many people: do not overdo it!

You make friends easily and you earn your entourage's confidence and esteem. Very early, you develop an acute sense of fraternal relations, generously receiving and giving. This spirit of mutual aid may lead to a happy-go-lucky attitude that may border on carelessness... As you rely too heavily on friendship, there may be a danger to undergo a few setbacks: idealism and spontaneous dedication may meet with ungrateful reactions or the indifference of the very persons whom you try to help. Your destiny is probably marked with a quest of individual achievement. It is of utmost importance that you create, that you beget a fruit, a work or a child. Little by little, you become independent, without selfishness, but with the strength of those who know that they can only rely on themselves. Do not hesitate to live your dreams to the end and to engender, over and over again. Creation, whatever its form, is the path to your fulfilment. You slowly discover the pleasure to design as you please, without outside interference. It is important that you find an area for your personal expression and, as the poet says, "before the eyes, constantly, night and day, either a great labour or a great love".

#### Lilith or the Dark Moon

The Black Moon is the spark of refusal and distance that is dormant in all of us. Depending on the sign where she is found in your chart, she highlights the desire to transform and to sublimate a part of your life. The Black Moon is unfathomable and mysterious. She gives a different dimension to the sector she touches. Her manifestations are subtle; nonetheless, she is powerful, implacable, demanding to the extreme... The Black Moon is also called Lilith. She is the inner flame of your heroism and insubordination.

The Black Moon here readily sacrifices the ties of this world to the essential: spiritual life and renunciation, fusion into an ideal. Your dreams are strange: life vagaries do not matter since your quest is internal. In the course of your progression, you may often show an unusual faculty of detachment. Although the reasons why you give up a given road for another one may not be always understood... though deep down, you know the reason why.

You have the feeling that you are different from your entourage because you are in charge of both a special mission, and an extraordinary destiny. This configuration may indicate an immoderate pride (when the Black Moon is not well integrated enough). However, when she is well integrated (and she will be, as time goes by), the Black Moon forges an exceptional destiny that implies sacrifices, asceticism and solitude to some extent. The danger is to show too strong an intransigence and to be unable to forgive your entourage's weaknesses as well as your own. But it is also where your strength is found: an innate sense of duty, regardless of the price to be paid for a slow ascension.

#### The Part of Fortune in House

The Part of Fortune is a very ancient fictitious point that depends on the lunar phase at the time of birth. The astrological house tenanted is particularly strengthened. In your chart, the Part of Fortune is in the 11th house: anything that has a human nature catches your attention. Friends, ideals, great humanitarian causes... You have original ideas for the betterment of the world. You do not consider the Tradition – or Traditions – to be immutable and ossified. It is important that you work on a reform or an overhaul of existing institutions: although you do not turn into a revolutionary, you are sensitized to society or educational projects. With the help of your entourage, and because, better than anyone else, you can earn the consideration of your close friends, you will slowly transform your familiar surroundings... since you cannot change the world!

#### Retrograde Planets

The karmic tradition insists on the issues related to the so-called retrograde planets. They are considered to be the inheritance of a past that was not well experienced, a sort of unfinished business. The interpretations of the retrogradation may seem negative or excessive to you. However, you may relate to a scenario that you have often and repeatedly experienced... as if you underwent several setbacks that all have the same cause. Until the day you become aware of it and you can free yourself from it! Through the slow integration of these planetary energies, you will be able to overcome your difficulties and to pay your karmic debt. Actually, each retrograde planet highlights an opportunity for evolution. Nothing can be achieved without the will to grow spiritually and to defeat your own demons.

With Jupiter retrograding on the day of your birth, the lesson is about grasping the opportunities that are offered to all of us but that some people take advantage of, while others don't. Persons who quickly adjust to circumstances are more likely to achieve their ambitions than those who need to be encouraged

to take action. During your childhood, you may not have efficiently responded to life's concrete enticements, leaving other "luckier" people to achieve what you were dreaming of. You preferred to enjoy yourself, here and now, rather than to look for new paths of development or exploration. It is possible that you were not optimistic enough. Enterprising minds were alien to you... Later, you find out that, indeed, you give little importance to the credit of the frenzied expansion praised by the modern world. Your path in not oriented towards personal prestige. With subtlety, you integrate non-material values and you accept well the fact that you missed past opportunities.

Uranus was retrograding on the day of your birth: you have the soul of a rebel and your behaviour may often be tyrannical or extremist. Your manner has brought you setbacks. You lack the flexibility that spares you the pain of forcing your ways through events. The danger may be that you get trapped into rigid patterns and into personal logics incompatible with others'. This is precisely what your life's lesson is about: as years go by, your judgments are more qualified and your attitudes become less cut-and-dried, less stubborn. You must lose the essentially individualistic character of your childhood and be more open to other people's ideas and problems. In other words, a path of love. Without losing your remarkable resolution, you must practice some form of renunciation and be sensitive to various logics that constitute the wealth of your social life.

Neptune retrograding concerns spirituality. You may have expressed early in life a few reluctances about the subtle world of faith. You may have ignored destiny's signs and winks and you preferred to stick to your certainties, to a rigorous and objective control of your life. You dread your own aspirations and you readily trust others': this causes a lack of autonomy and the feeling that you may not receive as much as you give. However, several delusions teach you that you must relativize your calculating and methodical attitude and open up to the irrationality of love in order to find an inner and more spiritual progression. Embracing the invisible is a process that unfolds as years and experiences go by. Your own generosity increases as you become aware of your entourage's generosity.

Pluto retrograde suggests power issues and mishandled relations: for you, everything comes down to power struggles, submission and domination, Machiavellian manoeuvres, including within your couple... The results are complex behaviours and an obsession for the power to influence people. Yet, life teaches that you must simplify your relations and adopt more transparent attitudes and healthier desires... As years go by, you will tend towards more simplicity and you will slowly discover that human energy can, and must, be at the service of the good, or of well being, in compliance with our individual progression.

N.B: modern astrology attaches less and less importance to the principles of retrograding planets.

#### Conclusion

A few remarks are needed here in order to allow you to fully take advantage of your astrological portrait: firstly, do not forget that a birth chart is also a photograph of the sky at birth and a structure that not only contains the personality's characteristics, but also its potential evolution.

We all know that, in real life, people begin to know themselves when they are in their forties, or even later. Likewise, several traits of character in a portrait may seem surprising: in most cases, it means that such features are not yet developed.

Some personalities reveal themselves late in life, whereas others are more precocious. It must be remembered that psychological structures are in a state of continuous evolution because they are influenced by unfolding events and gradual maturity. We can never underline strongly enough the "mobile" nature of the personality, throughout a lifetime.

On the other hand, it is difficult to discriminate what is "already present" at this moment in your life when you are reading your chart's interpretation, from what will appear later in the logic of your evolution: you must sort out all the pieces of information provided and, in most cases, you will see that your astrological portrait is helpful for your endeavours to know yourself better.

Finally, several readings of an astrological portrait are usually necessary in order to absorb all its different meanings and to evaluate the relevance of each character trait.

In any case, better self-knowledge obviously contributes to faster personal blossoming, and it is undoubtedly one of astrology's major roles: contributing to know oneself better, in order to improve more rapidly, to deal with one's weaknesses and to avoid its drawbacks, and to take advantage of one's assets as efficiently as possible.