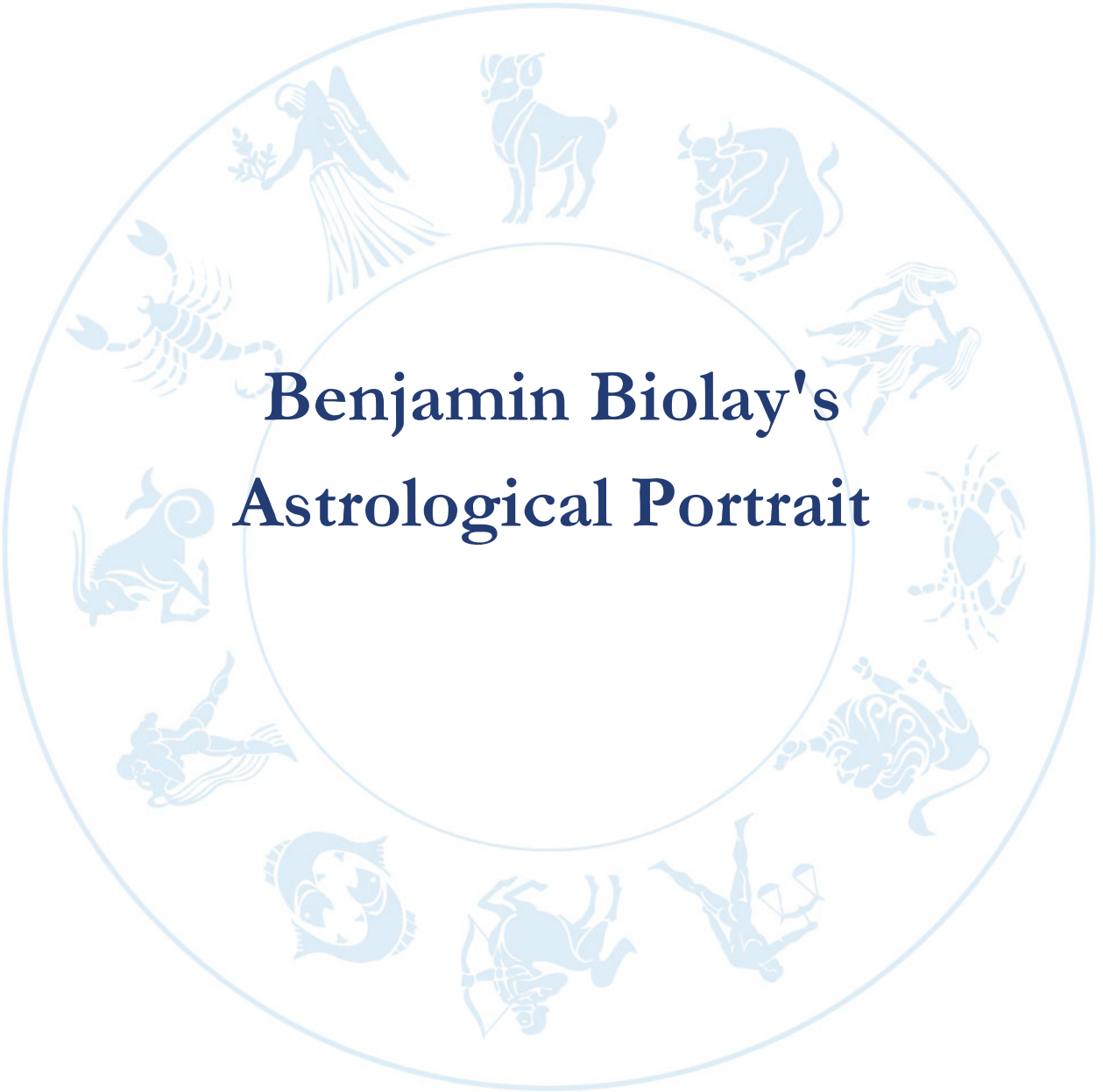




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Introduction

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.

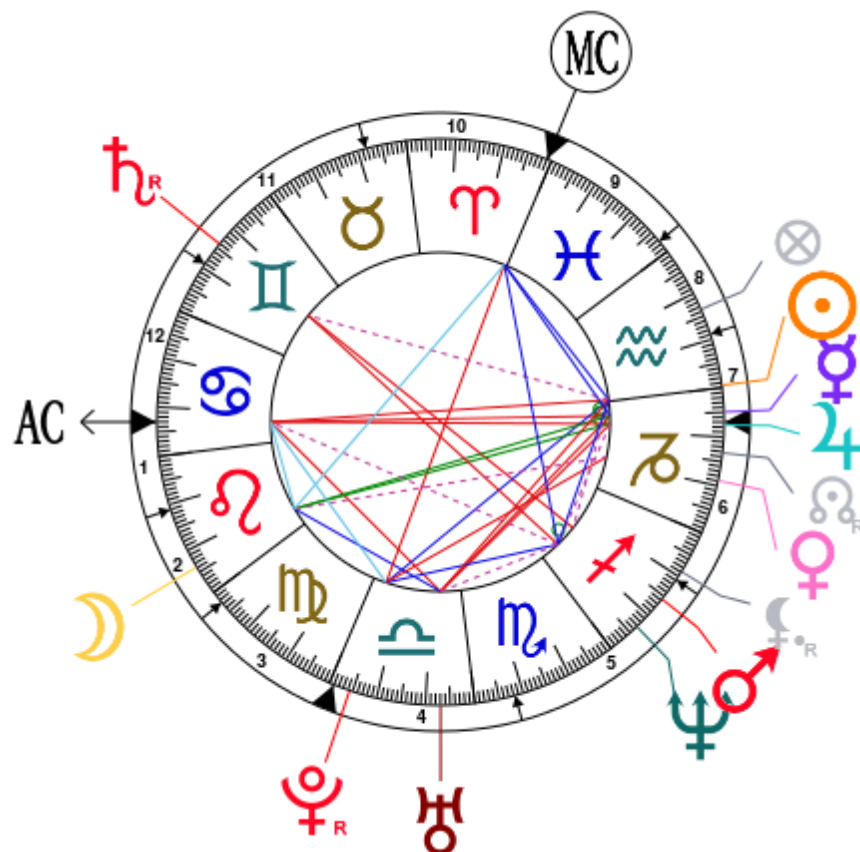
The karmic chart complements the psychological portrait or natal chart. It is based on the positions of the Lunar Nodes, the Black Moon, and the Part of Fortune. These elements of the chart, sometimes referred to as fictitious points, provide information about the spiritual meaning of your destiny. Owing 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

Benjamin Biolay, born January 20, 1973, at 04:45 PM, Villefranche-sur-Saône (Rhone-Alpes), France
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Natal Planets				In House	Natal Houses (Placidus)			
☉ Sun	0°28'	♒ Aquarius		House 7	House 1	23°02'	♋ Cancer	
☾ Moon	23°50'	♌ Leo		House 2	House 2	11°03'	♌ Leo	
☿ Mercury	25°05'	♑ Capricorn		House 7	House 3	2°35'	♍ Virgo	
♀ Venus	11°05'	♑ Capricorn		House 6	House 4	0°55'	♎ Libra	
♂ Mars	14°21'	♐ Sagittarius		House 5	House 5	8°18'	♏ Scorpio	
♃ Jupiter	22°24'	♑ Capricorn		House 7	House 6	19°10'	♐ Sagittarius	
♄ Saturn	14°10' R	♊ Gemini		House 11	House 7	23°02'	♑ Capricorn	
♅ Uranus	23°03'	♎ Libra		House 4	House 8	11°03'	♒ Aquarius	
♆ Neptune	6°48'	♐ Sagittarius		House 5	House 9	2°35'	♓ Pisces	
♇ Pluto	4°22' R	♎ Libra		House 4	House 10	0°55'	♈ Aries	
♁ Node	16°46' R	♑ Capricorn		House 6	House 11	8°18'	♉ Taurus	
♁ Lilith	21°10' R	♐ Sagittarius		House 6	House 12	19°10'	♊ Gemini	
AS AS	23°02'	♋ Cancer						
MC MC	0°55'	♈ Aries						

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.

- ★★★★★ Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 5° 22'
- ★☆☆☆☆ Sun semi-square Mars, orb 1° 06'
- ★★★★★ Sun conjunction Jupiter, orb 8° 03'
- ★☆☆☆☆ Sun sesqui-quadrate Saturn, orb -1° 17'
- ★☆☆☆☆ Sun square Uranus, orb 7° 25'
- ★★★★★ Sun sextile Neptune, orb -6° 2'
- ★★★★★ Sun trine Pluto, orb -3° 54'
- ★★★★★ Sun opposite Ascendant, orb -7° 25'
- ★★★★★ Sun sextile Midheaven, orb 0° 27'
- ★☆☆☆☆ Moon inconjunction Mercury, orb 1° 15'
- ★☆☆☆☆ Moon sesqui-quadrate Venus, orb 2° 14'
- ★☆☆☆☆ Moon inconjunction Jupiter, orb -1° 25'
- ★★★★★ Moon sextile Uranus, orb -0° 47'
- ★★★★★ Moon semi-sextile Ascendant, orb 0° 47'
- ★★★★★ Moon bi-quintile Midheaven, orb -1° 04'
- ★★★★★ Mercury conjunction Jupiter, orb 2° 41'
- ★★★☆☆ Mercury square Uranus, orb 2° 02'
- ★★★★★ Mercury opposite Ascendant, orb -2° 02'
- ★★★★★ Mercury sextile Midheaven, orb 5° 49'
- ★☆☆☆☆ Venus square Pluto, orb 6° 42'
- ★★★★★ Mars opposite Saturn, orb -0° 11'
- ★★★★★ Mars conjunction Neptune, orb 7° 32'
- ★★★★★ Jupiter opposite Ascendant, orb -0° 38'
- ★★★★★ Uranus square Ascendant, orb 0'
- ★☆☆☆☆ Neptune sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb -1° 14'
- ★★★★★ Neptune trine Midheaven, orb -5° 53'
- ★★★★★ Pluto quintile Ascendant, orb -0° 4'
- ★★★★★ Pluto opposite Midheaven, orb -3° 26'

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.

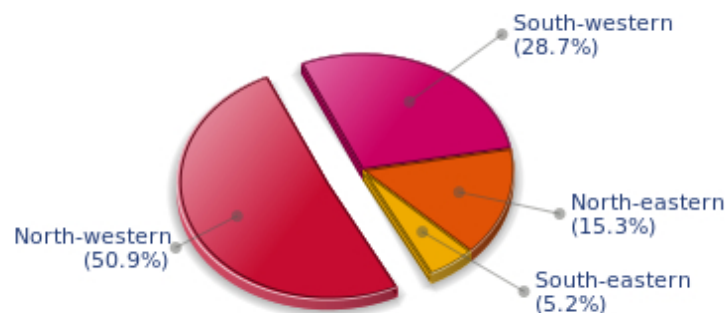
These general character traits must not be taken literally; they are, somehow, preparing for the chart reading. They allow to understand the second part of the analysis, which is more detailed and precise. It focuses on every area of the personality and provides a synthesis of all the above-mentioned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

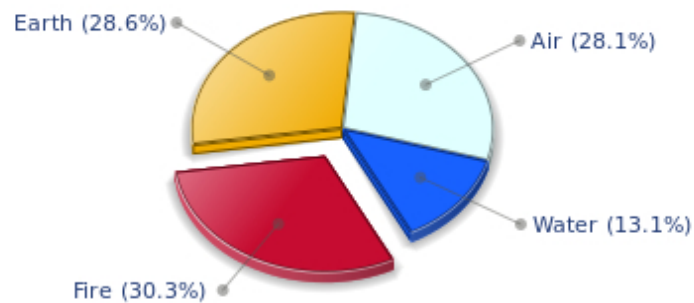


Benjamin Biolay, the nocturnal North-western quadrant, consisting of the 4th, 5th and 6th houses, prevails in your chart: this sector favours creativity, conception and some sort of specialization or training, with helpfulness and relations as strong components. You need others' cooperation in order to work properly, although you are not very expansive: creating, innovating and thinking are what matter most to you because this self-expression enriches you and totally satisfies you.

Your Dominant Modes and Elements

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

Your Four Elements

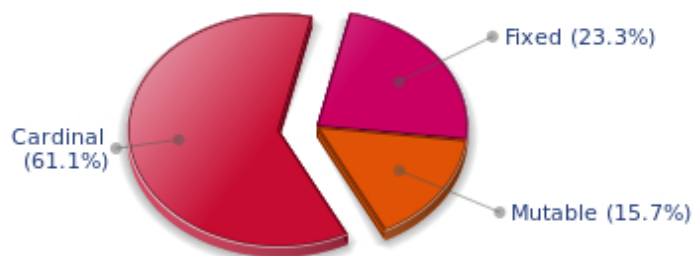


Benjamin Biolay, Fire is dominant in your natal chart and endows you with intuition, energy, courage, self-confidence, and enthusiasm! You are inclined to be passionate, you assert your willpower, you move forward, and come hell or high water, you achieve your dreams and your goals. The relative weakness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

Like the majority of Earth signs, Benjamin Biolay, you are efficient, concrete and not too emotional. What matters to you is what you see: you judge the tree by its fruits. Your ideas keep changing, words disappear, but actions and their consequences are visible and remain. Express your sensitivity, even if it means revealing your vulnerability. Emotions, energy and communication must not be neglected; concrete action is meaningless if it is not justified by your heart, your intellect or your enthusiasm.

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



Benjamin Biolay, the Cardinal mode is dominant here and indicates a predisposition to action, and more exactly, to impulsion and to undertake: you are very keen to implement the plans you have in mind, to get things going and to create them. This is the most important aspect that inspires enthusiasm and adrenalin in you, without which you can grow weary rapidly. You are individualistic (maybe too much?) and assertive. You let others strengthen and improve the constructions which you built with fervour.

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!

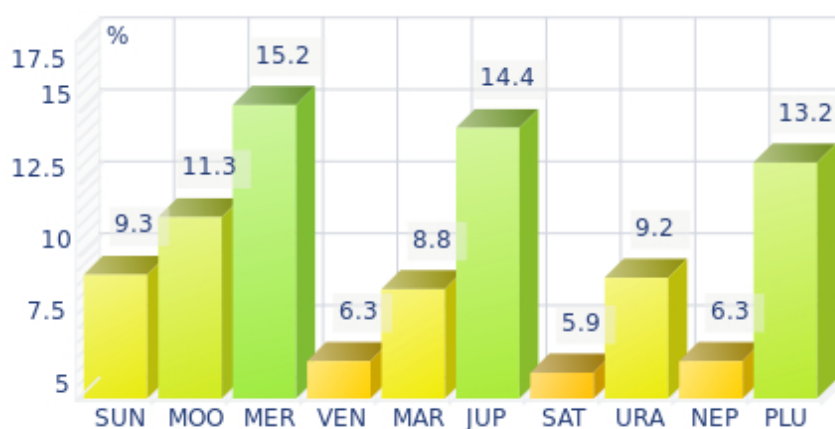
The ten planets - the Sun throughout Pluto - are a bit like ten characters in a role-play, each one has its own personality, its own way of acting, its own strengths and weaknesses. They actually represent a classification into ten distinct personalities, and astrologers have always tried to associate 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 tenanted any given house increase that house's importance and highlight all relevant life departments: it may be marriage, work, friendship etc.

Benjamin Biolay, here is the evaluation diagramme for your planets:

Your Dominant Planets



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

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.

Jupiter, the planet of expansion, organization, power and benevolence, is quite emphasized in your chart. Like any Jupiterian, you are warm, open, sociable, consensual, active and optimistic. You can use your self-confidence to erase differences of opinion, and you leave the task of analyzing and perfecting things to specialists. Your role, and you know it since you were young, is to gather, to demonstrate your synthesizing and conciliatory mind, and to naturally reap its fruits - power.

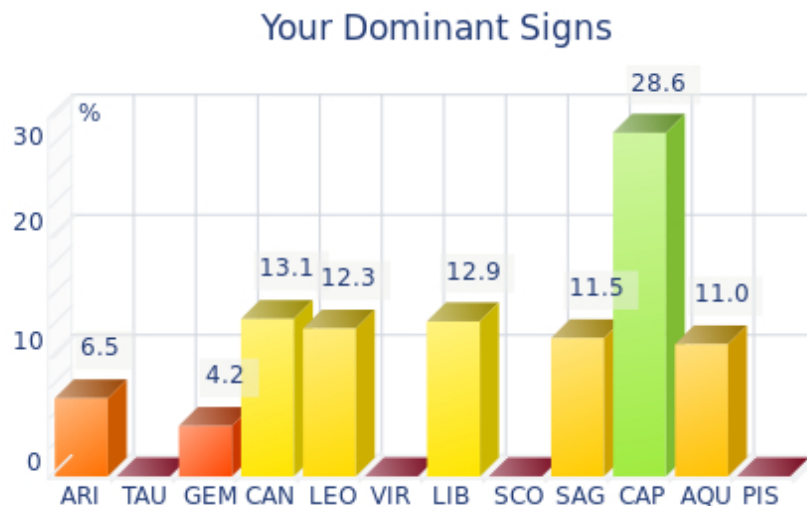
You appreciate legality, social order but also order in general. With you as a leader, every plan or human entity can be organized and structured. You excel at supervising. The Jupiterian type is indeed the politician par excellence, and a positive Jupiter in your chart is synonymous with good integration into society, whatever the chosen path.

Is this idyllic picture really perfect? Certainly not: each planet's typology has its own weaknesses. One of yours is pride, like the Solarian, but your will of expansion at all costs may generate a form of exaggeration in everything, endless pleasure, inappropriate self-confidence that could lead you to rough materialism and the thirst for absurd material comfort - in the worst cases, of course.

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, Capricorn, Cancer and Libra. 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.

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...

Cancer is one of your dominant signs and endows you with imagination and exceptionally shrewd sensitivity. Although suspicious at first sight - and even at second...- as soon as you get familiar with people and let them win your confidence, your golden heart eventually shows up, despite your discretion and your desire for security that make you return into your shell at the slightest alert! Actually, you are a poet and if you are sometimes blamed for your nostalgia and your laziness, it is because your intense

inner life is at full throttle...

With Libra as a dominant sign in your natal chart, you love to please, to charm, and to be likeable. Moreover, you are naturally inclined towards tolerance and moderation, as well as elegance and tact, as if you were meant to please! Of course, you always find malcontents who criticize your lack of authenticity or of courage and your half-heartedness, but your aim is to be liked, and in this field, you are an unrivalled champion!

Your Dominant Houses



Houses 7, 4 and 2 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 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.

With an important 4th house in your chart, your private life, your intimacy, as well as your family and home, play a fundamental role. Your security and your family unit, the one you come from, but also the one you set up when you get married and start a family - or even as a bachelor living alone in your sweet home - are necessary for you to blossom. According to the Tradition, your father may play an important role in your life.

The 2nd house is among your three most tenanted houses: life's material aspects - with everything that is implied in terms of security, appetite for life, desire for possession - are deep-seated and you can never be content with living on love and fresh air. On a more abstract level, you may have similar feelings regarding relationships: possessiveness and jealousy in the worst cases, but also faithfulness and durability.

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 Aquarius and your Ascendant is in Cancer

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:

With this duet of very different signs merging in you, you have everything required to puzzle the members of your entourage and... yourself! Your problem is to blend your thirst for newness and active participation in collective actions with your need to protect your privacy and to cultivate an imaginary world or your secret fiefdom. Indeed, you are often torn between these two contradictory tendencies which come from your Aquarius Sun and your Cancer Ascendant. When you are in unknown settings, your first reaction is to behave cautiously, as if you instinctively fear that unveiling your true self may endanger your inner balance. You dread showing your vulnerability and your emotionalism, and for this reason, you harden your shell. Your Aquarius Sun is willing to remain free in every regard, including towards its personal attachments, so as to be available for as many people as possible and to imprint its

mark on the big collective whole. Although you are impersonal and disinterested, you feel that you must protect your interests as well as those of your friends and relatives. In order to reconcile your quite contradictory tendencies, bear in mind that both signs share the same vivid imagination and sharp intuition, with the nuance that for Aquarius, they are more focused on the future and the society, and for Cancer, they are more laden with nostalgia and lyricism.

You were born with the Sun in Aquarius

In the sentimental sphere, you are particularly sensitive to the values of friendship, in the sense that you see yourself as a link within a chain, certainly a different and original one, but with no will to flatter your ego or to individually assert yourself. On the contrary, your aim is to immerge yourself in your friendly relations and to participate in projects and ideals of the whole human community.

As you are born under this sign, you are idealistic, altruistic, detached, independent, original, surprising, gifted, contradictory, innovative, humanistic, likeable, friendly, self-confident, impassive, quiet, intuitive, creative, charitable, elusive, disconcerting, generous, tolerant, paradoxical, and you cannot stand any kind of constraint. But you may also be marginal, resigned, distant, utopian, maladjusted, eccentric and cold.

In love, Sir, you are totally elusive. The human warmth you show in your group meetings quickly turns into a distant and sober attitude as soon as you are alone together. It is obvious that it may cause some problems if you were thought to be different. Your reluctance to talk about yourself, although not disturbing under other circumstances, is quite inappropriate in the private sphere.

The distance you maintain, as well as your lack of emotionalism, may suddenly disappear to give room for a real relationship, since you are prone to mood swings. The necessary condition is that you have centres of interest to share with your partner. Converging passions will ensure that the magic of your relationship can develop. Ideally, a deep friendship should be the basis of your initial relationship, because friendship is a feeling that particularly suits you; in such a case, imperceptibly, conducive closeness may transform friendship into the true love you give yourself up to eventually.

You are loyal, faithful and surprising. Once you find your soul mate, you feel more comfortable and, if the harmony with your partner is rich enough, you may stay with her your whole life through. You certainly have moments that seem strange to your partner, for instance when you are impersonal or even cold. But your natural magnetism, your communication skills and your shrewdness as you play with words, work wonders for patching things up.

You avoid problems that may cause emotional or sentimental complications. Because you are often disconcerting, your partner may need some time to adjust: you disappear suddenly when you do not want to deal too closely with your individuality. And you reappear as quickly with excuses and a charming casualness, and again, you are disconcerting!

You are interested in things that are out of the ordinary. Your erotic imagination may be immense and inexhaustible. You belong to the cerebral type and you cannot separate physical and sentimental aspects from your imagination's intense activity. As a result, you explore with lucidity all the possibilities that may suit you best.

Your Ascendant is in Cancer

Psychologically speaking, your nature is dreamy, oriented towards nostalgia for things past. You are very instinctive and you protect yourself against the outside world. Your inner life is rich, with fertile and even unlimited imagination, a propensity to avoid unnecessary risks and to pursue security. You show your true face only to persons you can trust, when there is a kind of well being triggered by the nostalgia for the past.

As you are born under this sign, you are emotional, sentimental, restful, imaginative, sensitive, loyal, enduring, protective, vulnerable, generous, romantic, tender, poetic, maternal, dreamy, indolent, greedy and dedicated. You may also be fearful, unrealistic, evasive, passive, touchy, anxious, dependent, stubborn, lunatic, backward-looking, lazy, burdensome, impenetrable and a homebody.

Love in the masculine mode: for you, Sir, in love, you are tender, sensitive and quite loyal. You are influenced by a mother-figure and you unconsciously look for a partner who will offer as much attention and affection as you used to receive as a child. You are a homebody and a dreamer and you blossom in the family cocoon you create, dreaming of adventures and extraordinary trips... that you most often take in your head.

Tenderness is more important than sexuality, even though it is also an agent for security and for stability. You tremendously appreciate to be again the spoiled child that you used to be, as you savour tasty little dishes or as you receive the frequent praises you need in order to feel reassured.

You are sheltered from tragedies and life complications because at the very moment when a difficult situation emerges, you nip it in the bud either by ignoring it or by withdrawing into your shell quietly, until the storm subsides.

Your home is happy and rich, quiet and harmonious, throughout your life.

The ruler of your chart is in Leo

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, Benjamin Biolay, is the Moon. In the sign of Leo, it may endow you with authority and a certain inclination for prestige. Generous and noble, you loathe pettiness. You are not aware that you sometimes irritate the members of your entourage because of your excessive pride or your self-centredness.

Aspects to your Ascendant

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

★★★★★ Jupiter opposite Ascendant, orb -0° 38'

In astrology, Jupiter is the planet of greater fortune. He is in opposition to your Ascendant, Benjamin Biolay. However, he is also in conjunction with the opposite angle, the Descendant, which symbolises your rapport with other people. So, we are not dealing here with a dissonance, but with assets for your communication skill, and a form of natural benevolence which arouses sympathy. Although your behaviour is somehow oriented towards other people, and therefore not the direct expression of yourself, owing to this Jovian facet, your manner is lenient, understanding, and optimistic, which is usually appreciated and offers you many satisfactions in the area of partnership, and harmony in your marriage.

★★★★★ Mercury opposite Ascendant, orb -2° 02'

With Mercury in opposition to your Ascendant, your sense of communication is usually expressed cleverly, Benjamin Biolay. Indeed, any opposition to the Ascendant is at the same time a conjunction with the Descendant which symbolises "the other people", relationships, contracts, and associations. Therefore, your tendency is to use your intellect and your interpersonal skills in order to be understood by other people, more than to be your "natural" and true self. It is as if you have chosen your camp: in your daily behaviour, you seem to prefer to adjust to people rather than to express personal views.

★★★★★ Uranus square Ascendant, orb 0'

This dissonance of Uranus with your Ascendant endows you with a rebellious, original, and unpredictable side, which gives your behaviour a note of dynamism and nonconformism. Of course, other people are sometimes deeply disconcerted by your attitude which does not fit classical or social standards, and you may suffer its consequences, meaning that you feel misunderstood, incorrectly perceived, and considered as a disturbing free electron, or an untrustworthy person. You must remain true to yourself, but at the same time, you must exercise some caution in order not to fall prey to unpleasant misunderstandings.

★★★★★ Sun opposite Ascendant, orb -7° 25'

The opposition of the Sun to your Ascendant cannot be really interpreted as a dissonance, Benjamin Biolay, but rather as a conjunction with your Descendant, or DS, the angle symbolising "other people". Thus, although your capacities for self-assertion, decision-making and shining may not entirely match your natural demeanour as an isolated individual, they can be wonderfully expressed through unions and associations. Indeed, there is a discrepancy between the Self and your behaviour. It is obvious that this aspect slightly tones down magnetism and strength, but at the same time, it puts you at the service of other people in a way that neither alters your personal value, nor puts you in tricky situations.

★★★★★ Neptune sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb -1° 14'

Neptune is in dissonance with your Ascendant, Benjamin Biolay. 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.

★★★★★ Moon semi-sextile Ascendant, orb 0° 47'

Your instinct seldom misleads you, as far as your external appearance is concerned, thanks to the Moon's soft aspect with your Ascendant, Benjamin Biolay. You keep your emotions under rather good control, in instinctive and smooth ways.

★★★★★ Pluto quintile Ascendant, orb -0° 4'

Pluto, the planet of instinct and secret, is in soft aspect with your Ascendant, Benjamin Biolay. It endows you with exceptional lucidity, which enables you to behave in society in an appropriate, though slightly scathing and domineering way. You exploit your nose and your magnetism, and you do so very successfully!

Your Sensitivity

You seek other people's attention and approval, Benjamin Biolay, you need to exteriorize your emotions, to interpret them, and even to dramatically enact them because it is essential for you to shine at the front of the stage. You always try to achieve more and better than anyone else and, whatever the situation may be, you strive to remain warm, generous, loyal, honest, straightforward and courageous. You are always available when your assistance or your advice is needed and you are glad and proud to help. However, you must be wary not to overdo, as you may be domineering! You are not indispensable and people might think that you are self-centered and authoritarian when you handle things with no regard for your entourage's views. It would be regrettable that you project such an image because it may only reveal a lack of self-confidence and you are only trying to reassure yourself...

Material affairs can have an importance disconnected from reality, Benjamin Biolay: you tend to be very emotional about practical matters related to your personal interests.

Maybe you unconsciously fear some kind of shortage. You seek financial security, however, it may prove counterproductive if you display too much sensitivity in a field that doesn't need any.

The way you earn money often looks like roller coasters: sometimes lucky, even very lucky, but you may lose a lot too, because you are unable to stay Zen in all circumstances. Business requires cold blood, although emotions add charm...

★★★★★ Moon sextile Uranus, orb -0° 47'

This harmonious Moon-Uranus aspect indicates that your well being depends on the original quality of your charm and on new-ness. You are not influenced by prevailing trends and fashion. You have a personal view of what a balancing private life should be. You enjoy unexpected situations, even extravagant ones. But if you feel that your living environment hampers your freedom, you suddenly change your attitudes and your habits. Independence is your true realm. You may show an exceptional inflexibility when your intimate life moves away from the patterns you need, deep down. Your entourage must get used to your demands and to the values you are determined to keep with all your might and on which you are uncompromising. This determination does not allow for a laid-back attitude, or an indolence that so often causes degradations. You keep your own daily rhythms under control.

★☆☆☆☆ Moon inconjunction Jupiter, orb -1° 25'

When this aspect is not well integrated, there is a tendency to conceal your true nature and to cheat on your true self. Appearance, emphasis and games hide the essence of your aspirations and may trouble your intimate life. Despite your apparent joviality, it is often difficult for you to live in conformity with your inner demands. Actually, it is difficult for you to reconcile your social life with your private life. The former excludes the latter. To properly integrate this aspect, you must learn to harmonize your external attitudes (social and professional ones) with your daily rhythms. It implies that, when you are in a trustworthy situation such as your family or your home, you accept to behave differently from when you are in a larger context, exposed to social stress. You must neither ignore them, nor should you favour them.

★☆☆☆☆ Moon sesqui-quadrate Venus, orb 2° 14'

With this Moon-Venus aspect, passion and sensuality may often upset your well being and your tranquillity. Your way of loving is dual. You either accept life simple joys, or you live through intense emotions and consuming fevers. It is difficult for you to reconcile your daily life with your affective or

sensual desire. Habits kill passion, whereas passion forbids the carelessness that is yet indispensable for your fulfilment. This aspect suggests the traditional mother/woman and father/lover antagonisms that are incompatible although it is possible to experience them alternately. It is important that you balance these antinomical desires: you may let the turmoil of your heart break the monotony of an amorous life devoid of excitement but it does not mean that you must forsake the reassuring values of a couple, or family cell, where you can rest at will and give free rein to your intimate behaviour. You may indulge yourself but don't forget that you must deserve love.

Your Affectivity

In your chart, the Sun is in Aquarius and Venus, in Capricorn. The association of these two signs is constructive but contradictory. Your affectivity is complex and highly polarized. The desire of the Sun in Aquarius is constantly evolving, whereas Venus in Capricorn needs stability, structure and integration. One of the poles is wide open to all possibilities and swiftly responds to any new stimulation. The other pole needs years to fully develop. There is a distance between your affective ideal, which values an ever-evolving relationship, and your desires, which need a lot of time. When this configuration is not well integrated, it may bring about a series of experiences, which start in an exciting atmosphere but are unable to satisfy your Venusian sensitivity. However, a happy complementarity can be found with this zodiacal duet if Aquarius is allowed enough room and if Capricorn is allowed enough time. Although it is quite a challenge, it is worth the idealism that both signs embody. In any case, your affectivity needs a relationship with deep-seated understanding and closeness.

Benjamin Biolay, it is obvious that you do not easily fall in love. But when you do, your feelings are deep, quiet, serious, and above all, lasting. Your need for security is indispensable for your well being and to enable you to give. You offer security and stability with your sense of duty even though you mix up responsibility and love. The charm of your partner does not only include physical features or aroused sentimental attraction, but also intellectual and moral qualities: you fiercely need authenticity and seriousness because this is the way you are. In general, your loves are not numerous and you become able to express yourself quite late in life. Your quiet and stable feelings are really worth it. If you do not get what you want, the danger is that you may seek refuge in cynicism and that you isolate yourself.

Benjamin Biolay, the position of your Venus is quite particular in the sense that the nature of the planet does not blend easily with the house symbolism. Indeed, Venus deals with feelings and the absence of limitations and control, whereas the 6th house deals with constraints, daily life and work, lifestyle, subjection and service rendered to others: as a consequence, feelings are associated with a framework or with obligations, but this is not necessarily disturbing. More often than not, you meet your spouse or your romantic partner in a setting related to work, an association, or a specific occupation (leisure or rather common work project, etc.). It seems that, for you, such contexts can more easily lift the inhibition or the natural restriction produced by this house-planet combination. Besides, it is commonly believed that amorous adventures with servants (i.e. with subordinate or "socially inferior" persons), or with colleagues, are very much favoured by this configuration. In addition, if no adverse aspect affects Venus in the 6th house, your daily life is entertaining, you appreciate your work, you easily combine business with pleasure, experiencing nice encounters and discovering constantly renewed and enthralling centres of interest. Most of the time, you can count on the favour, the dedication and the esteem of your colleagues, particularly women. Therefore, it is in your interest to work. You are one of those rare persons who approach work as a daily pleasure and never as a constraint because you probably know

how to aim at what you like. Just beware not to fall in love too often in this context !

★★★★★ Venus square Pluto, orb 6° 42'

Nothing is simple in love. You consider your love life with a distant and remote glance. You do not believe in obvious, transparent relationships. Love is a complex issue and its machinery is beyond you. To avoid delusions and indifference, the rules must be changed. Your feelings are alternately cruel and passionate, distant and burning, often paradoxical. Are you the executioner or the victim? Power struggles are omnipresent in your affective life. You seem unable to take life as it comes and to love without asking yourself questions, without doubting. You often love those who are indifferent towards you, while you despise those who love you. It is important that you change your attitude if you want a smooth and happy life. Rely on your forte: an indisputable lucidity that makes it impossible to delude your heart.

The Way You Take Action and Your Sexuality

Benjamin Biolay, you are a real Goliath and you often excel in sport; your thirst for conquests prompts you to constantly launch new challenges. The enthusiasm you put in your undertakings is perfectly well supported by your moral concepts and an idealism compatible with the values of the society you live in. You are pragmatic, enterprising and sometimes, naive. You do not pay attention to details and you launch various great adventurous projects that are all doomed to success. In a few rare cases, you can funnel your huge energy into more philosophical, even spiritual or religious enterprises, where your entire fieriness works wonders. On the sexual plane, your ardour and your spontaneity are your main assets. The danger is that you may spread yourself too thin in the sense that you may forget about faithfulness, particularly during the extensive faraway travels you are so fond of.

Creativity and leisure are the best outlets for your capacity of action, Benjamin Biolay. A conquest must be exempt of constraint, otherwise you cannot open up totally and unreservedly. Your energy expresses itself best in the fields you choose yourself, such as outings, personal projects, festivals, love affairs (Mars' conquering spirit...), sports, games, etc.

The Tradition also mentions children, and it is very likely that their upbringing is stern. Mars is never soft. He is hot and dry, and his efficiency in several areas of life is inevitably far from tenderness. You may be a conqueror in creativity, love and leisure, but please, be a doting father when this responsibility falls to you.

★★★★★ Mars opposite Saturn, orb -0° 11'

Why should you take action? And how? The surrounding world is not to be trusted. Past events have taught you to question simple situations and to intervene after thorough consideration. You are vulnerable to the traps of life, to confrontations and struggles. You may complicate your behaviour at will, often missing your target due to your self-censoring. Your interventions may lack spontaneity. You must overcome your doubts and acquire the certainty that you are able to handle realities and facts. If you make that effort, you can understand that there are many ways to make life simpler for yourself.

★★★★★ Mars conjunction Neptune, orb 7° 32'

This harmonious Mars-Neptune aspect is a signature for the missionary or the inspired activist. You are guided by an irresistible and implacable ideal. Exaltation may border on sacrifice for the sake of the

noble or rebellious causes that inspire your struggles and your actions. Far from intellectual speculations, you need to live through your passions, to take action and to let yourself be carried away by a mission, an ideal or sometimes, an illusion. Indeed, you may be a Don Quixote fighting windmills, dedicating all your energy to an indefensible or a fanciful cause. More often than not, your commitments are courageous, even heroic. And the faith you display turns perilous enterprises into feasible projects. You can successfully implement actions that are considered doomed to failure by others.

★★★★★ Sun semi-square Mars, orb 1° 06'

This aspect shows impulsivity, a fiery character and sensitivity all on edge. The excess of strength and energy may jeopardize your life balance and cause impulsive and unconsidered actions. Your ideals are not always in line with your deeds. You are certainly reactive and you stand for yourself heroically. But your untimely fits of anger may worsen existing tensions and bring about uncontrollable situations. Facts contradict your aspirations. When this configuration is properly reined in, it becomes an inexhaustible source of passion and energy.

Your Intellect and Your Communication Style

You need to concentrate on a subject, Benjamin Biolay, to deepen your research and to follow your reasoning through with persistence and determination. You are the very type of the thinker who needs time and isolation to meditate at length and allow his serious, methodical and rigorous mind to show its worth. Your feet are firmly planted on the ground and to get your attention, ideas must be followed by implementation, for instance as in the case of mathematics applied to physics. You focus on the essential and you look at the world around you with clear-sightedness. You are not very talkative and you act with caution. You may come across as cold and ambitious even though your comments are always sincere and practical. However, be careful not to isolate yourself and to appear as a lofty and intolerant person.

Communication is your forte, Benjamin Biolay: you will use your entire intelligence efficiently in order to achieve agreements, compromises, or contracts. You are a born negotiator, or at least, that's what you try to be because you are not mentally self-centred and your thoughts are more aimed at others rather than at yourself.

With this thinking process, you may be dependent on others and somehow, too adaptable... Flexible, chatty, and outgoing when you communicate, you lose in charisma and in convincing power what you gain in quick, efficient, but sometimes light, compromise. Matters related to marriage are sometimes dealt with thoughtlessly but cleverly.

★★★★★ Mercury conjunction Jupiter, orb 2° 41'

You display strong abilities for adaptation, social insertion and various learning capacities. You are credited with an acute sense of relations, probably because you can speak other people's language. You easily assimilate the most varied settings and your qualities are acknowledged. Your attitude and the words you use have the power to seduce and to convince your entourage. Diplomacy is an asset in your game. You are fit for negotiation and you seek compromise solutions. The only danger may be that sometimes, you too readily accept agreements that turn out to be less positive than foreseen, after a while. This is the other side of the coin for your exceptional flexibility and your unquestionable tact.

★★★★☆ Mercury square Uranus, orb 2° 02'

You are the champion for useless intellectual speculations, for crazy and revolutionary ideas. This Mercury-Uranus dissonance is the signature for an eccentric character, more ready to ridicule generally accepted ideas than to build up stable patterns. Your sense of humour reveals a critical and forceful mind. You can stand for an idea in the face of all opposition but you do not hesitate to support the opposite thesis the day after... with the same conviction. The coherence of your points of view is harmed by these spectacular reversals that constitute your speciality. In the relationship area, you may also provoke dramatic turns of events if your ideas are conflicted. The good news is that it seems difficult to convince you to accept points of view running counter to your principles. Intransigence also has its virtues.

★★★★☆ Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 5° 22'

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.

★★★★☆ Moon inconjunction Mercury, orb 1° 15'

The Moon suggests relaxation, whereas Mercury implies a discoverer's mind. They both make sense and each one requires special attention, as they are sometimes upsetting. This Moon-Mercury aspect is likely to bring about nervousness or instability. Nervousness stems from the multiplication of the spots of interest and the perpetual restlessness of your mind, which prevents relaxation and well being from settling in. The outside world constantly appeals to your attention and you shift from one issue to another, to the detriment of your tranquillity. Therefore, it is important that you find the balance between two antinomial attitudes: letting-go versus curiosity, tranquillity versus communication. The new persons you meet with are not necessarily trustworthy and there is no certainty that the contact is harmonious. It is important that you use both influences alternately.

Your Goals, Motivations, Career, and Destiny

Your Sun is posited in the 7th House

To assert yourself, Benjamin Biolay, you cannot rest until you multiply your contacts. Although you do not consciously understand your ambition early in life, you need to shine through your relationships.

It may take the form of a tendency to rapidly get involved in associations, groups or clubs; you feel fine as soon as people are around you because your communication skills are always highlighted and appreciated; your style is not what matters most because your main concern is to be noticed as soon as you are in contact with the world.

You are meant for marriage, the ultimate form of association. Usually, your destiny is dependent on your marriage, either directly through its consequences on your career and your lifestyle, or indirectly and, in

the long run, through the supports and help you may gain, particularly owing to your honesty and your assertive skills. Marriage constitutes the apotheosis of your ambitions. As you unconsciously understand it, your entire will strives to achieve this aim since your adolescence. You have the required flexibility and talent to turn the life of your couple into daily harmony.

This area is only one of the facets of the fields where you positively exercise your will but... you do so with so much strength and talent!

With this configuration, everything seems all roses. However, it is not as simple and easy as it may look: your will to shine through others and your almost frantic search for contact may hide a fear of solitude and a lack of self-confidence. Why would you constantly seek confirmation of your own worth into other people's eyes if it were not to dispel your own doubts?

You are easily influenced and your apprehension about loneliness and not being up to it may cause troubles and out-of-proportion reactions; struggles, conflicts of authority or even lawsuits may be harmful. You often get over them because your determination to show that you are at your best is stronger than anything else.

Your challenge is to manage to please others and to conceal your domineering and too assertive side: however, do not make too much effort because, in all cases, you will be equally appreciated. Remember that it's better to let well alone!

The ruler of your chart is in the 2nd 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 2nd House, Benjamin Biolay. This position in the House of money earned through work may facilitate the way you deal with financial matters, and may give you the desire to work even harder. Your material situation often improves at the age of thirty.

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:

★★★★☆ Pluto opposite Midheaven, orb -3° 26'

Pluto is in opposition to your Midheaven, Benjamin Biolay. 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 sextile Midheaven, orb 0° 27'

In the professional and social status areas, Benjamin Biolay, 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 trine Pluto, orb -3° 54'

This harmonious Sun-Pluto aspect indicates an exemplary clear-sighted mind. Without destabilizing your appearances or your personality mask, Pluto makes you aware of your subjective and questionable character, as well as of your manner. You never take yourself completely seriously. You have a good grasp of human nature's complex games, without gullibility, without excessive simplification. Because you can perceive hidden elements underlying any situation better than anyone else, you are acknowledged as perspicacious. This aspect allows you to distance yourself from difficult circumstances and to remain impassive when you must overcome pitfalls.

★★★★★ Sun conjunction Jupiter, orb 8° 03'

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.

★★★★★ Neptune trine Midheaven, orb -5° 53'

Thanks to this soft aspect of Neptune to your Midheaven, Benjamin Biolay, your intuition is very sharp, as far as your possibilities for success are concerned. Thus, you have no difficulties in finding your professional or social path, and your nose tells you whether something is good or not for you, even before you start to analyse it. Your imagination and your visionary qualities accompany you along your journey towards success.

★★★★★ Sun sesqui-quadrate Saturn, orb -1° 17'

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.

★★★★★ Sun square Uranus, orb 7° 25'

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.

★★★★★ Mercury sextile Midheaven, orb 5° 49'

Mercury in soft aspect to your Midheaven enables you to easily communicate with your entourage and to climb up the social ladder, Benjamin Biolay. Your strategy is often good, and you correctly think about your interests. Do not change anything!

★★★★★ Sun sextile Neptune, orb -6° 2'

This harmonious Sun-Neptune aspect indicates a highly developed intuition and clear-sightedness and sometimes, a sixth sense. Mental images or information drawn from the unconsciousness impress your mind. What was only a muddled feeling turns into certainty and deep conviction. You do not necessarily need to justify your attitudes: you take a decision because you feel that you have to do so, although you may not control the underlying logics. The danger is that you may follow fanciful or adventurous roads. Beliefs you cannot explain may prove wrong or over-optimistic. However, your intuition is seldom misleading. One last comment: there is often a keen curiosity for the « bizarre » and the paranormal with this planetary aspect.

★★★★★ Moon bi-quintile Midheaven, orb -1° 04'

Your sensitivity and your emotions are in line with your goal and your ambitions, Benjamin Biolay. You do not need to curb your temper lest other people have a wrong perception of you. Indeed, by being your true self, very simply, your social ascent will unfold naturally.

Your Assets and Your Part of Joviality

The present of the planet of Greater Fortune to you Benjamin Biolay, is a positive predisposition for organization, and the ability to reason thoroughly and on a long-term basis. It also endows you with authority and seriousness in all things: your ambitions are clearly favoured, even though it is detrimental to your warmth, your flexibility or your conviviality. However, you can develop all these sides if you want to.

With this planetary position, Benjamin Biolay, your natural benevolence is greatly favoured in your dealings with others. Jupiter in the 7th house is usually considered... to be one of the best possible indications for a successful marriage and a springboard for your social life! Your feelings are generously expressed, and your company is pleasant.

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 Capricorn reinforces the zeal to work. Your seriousness and your organizational skills are assets that will develop increasingly throughout your life. This configuration may favour your social ascent. It is usually in the second part of your life that you can fully enjoy its benefits.

Your Serious Side

Your liveliness and your superficiality are slowly transformed into secondarity, profundity of reflection, and interest for knowledge, contacts and logic.

As soon as you become a member of a community, and when you are surrounded with people or with friends, you instinctively protect yourself, and you even hide, Benjamin Biolay. There is nothing you can do against this. In public, you do not show your real face, but in friendship, you are loyal and reliable.

You prefer quality to quantity, and your friends have every reason to be happy that they won your confidence because they know that they can rely on you under all circumstances. Your friends are usually much older and more seasoned than you.

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 Gemini decreases your lightness, your frivolousness and your heedless. You become more thoughtful, more concentrate and you learn to deeply funnel your ideals; your practical sense is increased, your concern for punctuality and your thirst for precision are reinforced.

A Few Special Points

Your Uniqueness and Your Utopias

As a general rule, at the end of your childhood, you quickly leave your parents' home because your thirst for independence is incompatible with a quiet life with your parents; in other cases, the atmosphere in your family is quite extravagant, even chaotic, and it is difficult for you to become stabilized, to feel secure, even though you need it for your balance. You are craving for it and this is what prompts you to leave your roots, sooner or later.

You are prone to unexpected home moves. Paradoxically enough, it seems that, as soon as you achieve stability, something makes you itch. You may be too sensitive, and when tense situations emerge, you feel an irresistible need for change. The best way to handle these problems may be that you, yourself, organize your instability at home, for instance through extensive outings or trips. In any case, you should

manage to create the impression that you are not in the same place for too long.

The stages of your life unfold without continuity as if there was a rupture between each successive environment created as time goes by. The past disappears quite abruptly and allows you to grow faster. It is up to you to find some stability or some security elsewhere!

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 unsuspected

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.

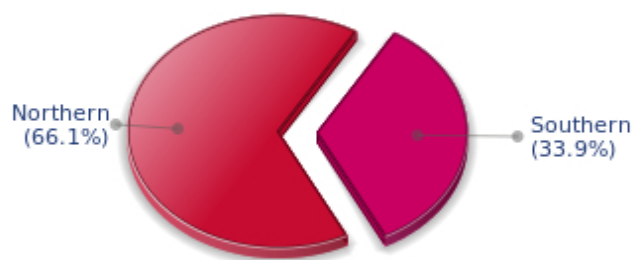
Your Planetary Repartitions: Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Hemispheres

The axis linking the 1st house's cuspid (the Ascendant) to the 7th house's cuspid - 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, Benjamin Biolay, the ten main planets are distributed as follows:

Your Northern and Southern Hemispheres



Benjamin Biolay, the predominance of planets in the Northern hemisphere prompts you to reflect and imagine rather than to exteriorize your actions and to be at the forefront of the stage. So, should you wish to remedy this situation, it is up to you to force your nature to take action in broad daylight, to communicate, and to assert yourself... then, you can move forward in this concrete life and enjoy your newly won situation.

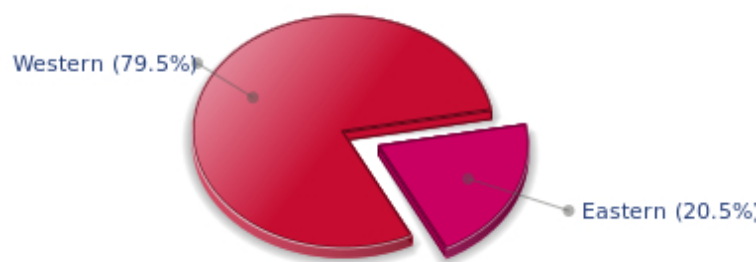
The birth chart is divided into two other parts, Eastern and Western, by the axis linking the Midheaven

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.

Benjamin Biolay, 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, Benjamin Biolay: 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.

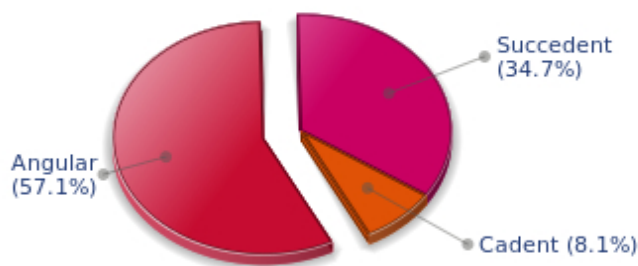
Your Houses' Accentuations

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



Your angular houses, namely, the 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th houses, are very emphasized in your chart,

Benjamin Biolay: according to the Tradition, they are the strongest and most dynamic houses. Should the rest of your chart concur, angular houses suggest that you are an enterprising, energetic and assertive man. Indeed, angular houses are said to generate impulses and to give a powerful and domineering personality.

Unusual fates are often linked to a predominance of angular houses, but this is only a partial indication...

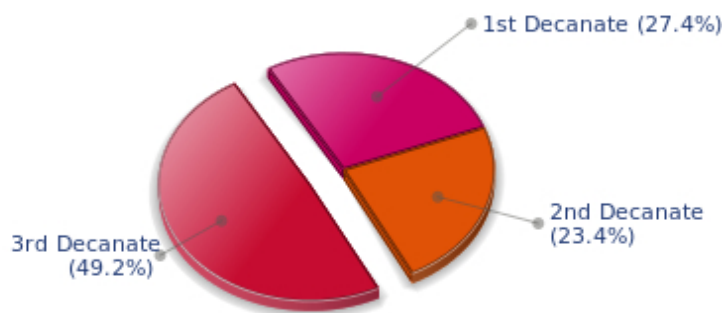
Your Esoteric Decanates

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 third decanate, which means the part between 20° and 30° of any zodiacal sign, prevails in your natal chart, Benjamin Biolay. It contains the degrees of spirituality, traditionally more delicate to deal with, since they incline towards evolution and therefore, destabilizations. Individuals with an emphasised third decanate may have deeper sensitivity than most people, which often brings ordeals but also spiritual rewards.

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 is marked with the major challenge of developing your social image, of asserting your personality... and of leaving your shell. Your childhood and your family roots are very present. You have an inclination for quietness, protections and intimacy. You enjoy at will the moments when you feel "at home", in known territory and familiar situations. But you must learn to thrive in society, to give of your best, to socially shine, particularly when you feel that external pressure and opinions are upsetting. Do not fall in the trap of your dreams and souvenirs! Life implies responsibilities and the will to control, otherwise you cannot feel your true self. You may be too dependent and you must learn to slowly become autonomous, free to take decisions and to take action. Your sense of duty allows you to climb all the steps of a perilous, yet thrilling, social ladder. As years go by, you claim more autonomy, more power and more freedom of action.

A part of you is bohemian: you may shirk realities (at least during the first years of adulthood) and you keep your distance from the constraints of this world! However, life reminds you of them... As years go by, you show more pragmatism. Of course, you must keep your assets: a sharp intuition of people and things, a profitable detachment that allows you to cope with daily petty things. But you must also control the vagaries of life that may fall into the bad side of a "bohemian life" if you are not careful. The consequences may be setbacks and delusions that will cease only when you become aware of realities. As you progress, you may be a therapist who heals the body (a medical occupation)... or the soul because you are altruistic and you know how to listen.

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 notion of freedom takes a special meaning: to be free does not only mean being able to move as you please here and there, nor does it mean having a few hours of leisure available. Above all, it means being able to lead a spiritual quest, to access a different dimension in life: to encounter, to travel, to love and to never be hampered by contingencies, never be slowed down by daily life. That'll take some doing! The comfortable routine of the contemporary world, in this regard, puts you off.

You are a person thirsting for precision and perfection. Your rebellions are frequent: any mechanism that is not running perfectly smoothly is dismissed. Any person whose attitudes seem inconsistent becomes the object of your refusal. Better than anyone else, you can ridicule social stereotyped models, too conventional and ineffective. It is likely that you often succeed in giving a logical dimension to the craziest situations.

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 8th house: you need to constantly transform your life, to evolve and to shed your skin. You do not hesitate to regularly question the basis of your manner. Everything is death and revival and the wheel of life is ruthless: what was still yours yesterday will be a mere souvenir tomorrow... Your wealth is the know-how you demonstrate when you cope with changes imposed by events, while always remaining true to yourself.

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.

The karma associated with Saturn may border on self-censorship: during your childhood, particularly, you were doubtful of your abilities and your talents. You had a propensity to put yourself in a no-win situation and to under-estimate yourself. Obstacles abound: taboos and prohibitions of all kind slow down your evolution. Little by little, you learn to re-evaluate your possibilities and to gain more self-confidence. Your personal rigour then turns out to be constructive: you are not destabilized by life ordeals and you practice a self-discipline that favours steady evolution. Although your path may be steep, it is nonetheless safe.

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.
