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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.

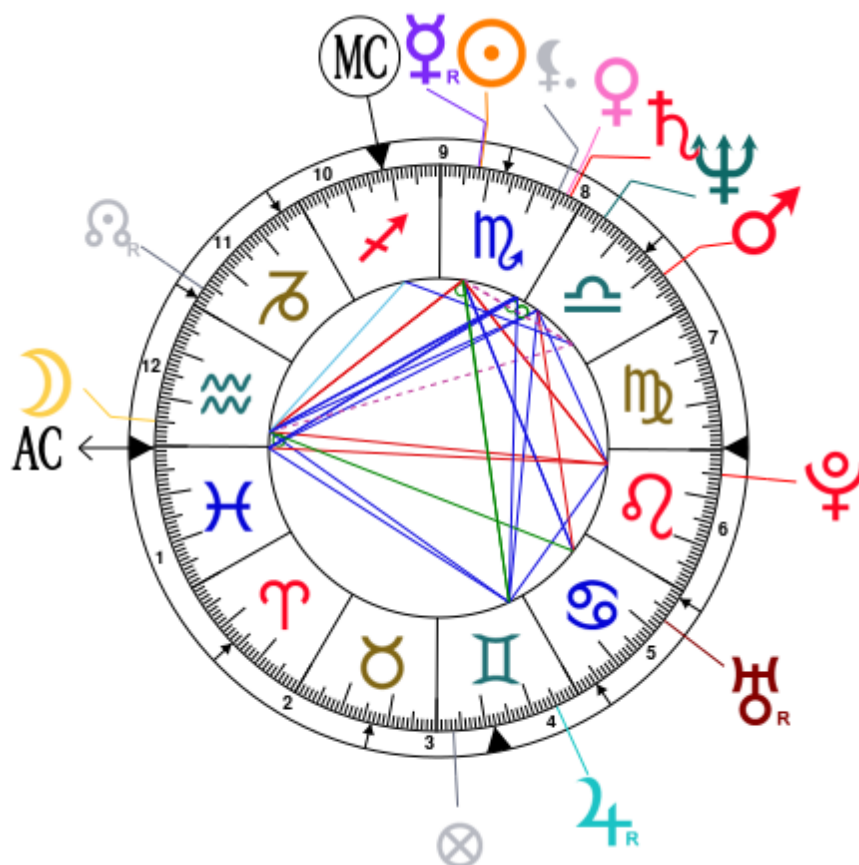


# Your Planets, Houses, Aspects, and Natal Chart

Dominique de Villepin, born November 14, 1953, at 01:35 PM, Rabat (Rabat-Sale), Morocco [6.51W ; 34.02N ; 0W00]

Natal Planets				In House	Natal Houses (Placidus)			
☉ Sun	21°54'	♏	Scorpio	House 9	House 1	0°24'	♓	Pisces
☾ Moon	24°57'	♒	Aquarius	House 12	House 2	13°49'	♈	Aries
☿ Mercury	22°15' R	♏	Scorpio	House 9	House 3	16°39'	♉	Taurus
♀ Venus	3°31'	♏	Scorpio	House 8	House 4	11°46'	♊	Gemini
♂ Mars	8°02'	♎	Libra	House 7	House 5	4°13'	♋	Cancer
♃ Jupiter	24°58' R	♊	Gemini	House 4	House 6	28°24'	♋	Cancer
♄ Saturn	2°45'	♏	Scorpio	House 8	House 7	0°24'	♍	Virgo
♅ Uranus	22°59' R	♋	Cancer	House 5	House 8	13°49'	♎	Libra
♆ Neptune	24°39'	♎	Libra	House 8	House 9	16°39'	♏	Scorpio
♇ Pluto	24°59'	♌	Leo	House 6	House 10	11°46'	♐	Sagittarius
♊ Node	26°15' R	♐	Capricorn	House 11	House 11	4°13'	♐	Capricorn
♎ Lilith	5°24'	♏	Scorpio	House 8	House 12	28°24'	♐	Capricorn
AS AS	0°24'	♓	Pisces					
MC MC	11°46'	♐	Sagittarius					

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 square Moon, orb 3° 03'
- ★★★★★ Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 0° 21'
- ★★★★☆ Sun semi-square Mars, orb -1° 08'
- ★★★★☆ Sun inconjunction Jupiter, orb -3° 04'
- ★★★★★ Sun trine Uranus, orb -1° 05'
- ★★★☆☆ Sun square Pluto, orb -3° 05'
- ★★★☆☆ Moon square Mercury, orb 2° 41'
- ★★★★☆ Moon trine Venus, orb -8° 33'
- ★★★★☆ Moon sesqui-quadrant Mars, orb 1° 54'
- ★★★★★ Moon trine Jupiter, orb 0'
- ★★★★☆ Moon trine Saturn, orb -7° 47'
- ★★★★☆ Moon inconjunction Uranus, orb -1° 57'
- ★★★★★ Moon trine Neptune, orb 0° 18'
- ★★★★★ Moon opposite Pluto, orb -0° 01'
- ★★★★★ Moon conjunction Ascendant, orb 5° 27'
- ★★★★☆ Moon quintile Midheaven, orb 1° 1'
- ★★★★☆ Mercury semi-square Mars, orb -0° 46'
- ★★★★☆ Mercury inconjunction Jupiter, orb -2° 42'
- ★★★★★ Mercury trine Uranus, orb -0° 44'
- ★★★☆☆ Mercury square Pluto, orb -2° 43'
- ★★★★★ Venus conjunction Saturn, orb 0° 45'
- ★★★★☆ Venus conjunction Neptune, orb 8° 51'
- ★★★★★ Venus trine Ascendant, orb -3° 06'
- ★★★★☆ Mars sextile Midheaven, orb 3° 43'
- ★★★★☆ Jupiter trine Saturn, orb 7° 46'
- ★★★★★ Jupiter trine Ascendant, orb -5° 26'
- ★★★★★ Saturn trine Ascendant, orb -2° 2'
- ★★★★★ Neptune trine Ascendant, orb 5° 45'
- ★★★★★ Pluto opposite Ascendant, orb -5° 25'

## 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.

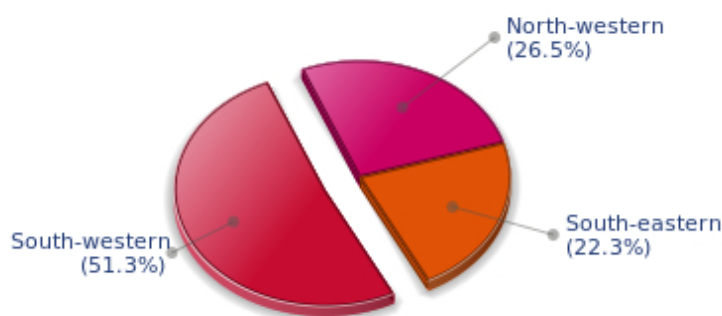
These general character traits must not be taken literally; they are, somehow, preparing for the chart reading. They allow to understand the second part of the analysis, which is more detailed and precise. It focuses on every area of the personality and provides a synthesis of all the above-mentioned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

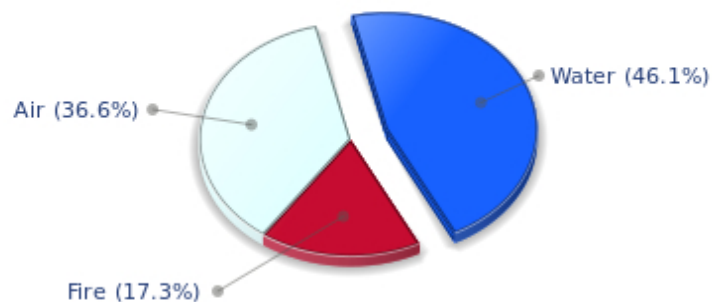


Dominique de Villepin, the diurnal South-western quadrant, consisting of the 7th, 8th and 9th houses, prevails in your chart: this sector brings about a thirst for communication and sometimes a need to take risks in your dealings with others. Relations are a factor of your evolution and your transformation,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

## Your Dominant Modes and Elements

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

### Your Four Elements



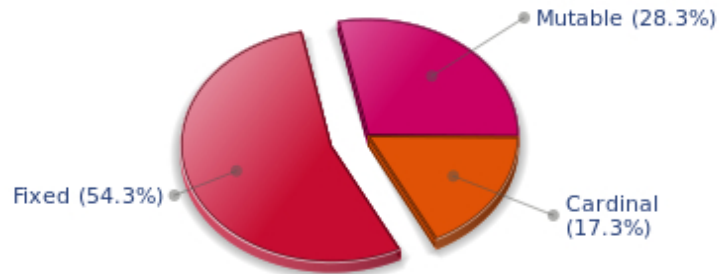
The predominance of Water signs indicates high sensitivity and elevation through feelings, Dominique de Villepin. Your heart and your emotions are your driving forces, and you can't do anything on Earth if you don't feel a strong affective charge (as a matter of fact, the word "feeling" is essential in your psychology). You need to love in order to understand, and to feel in order to take action, which causes a certain vulnerability which you should fight against.

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

Earth qualities are under-represented in your chart, with only 0.00% instead of the average 25%. Deficiency in Earth may indicate that you have no interest in material and concrete values. It is likely that you live too much in your heart or in your mind, or even in your enthusiasm! The fact remains that you may end up in tricky situations, due to your lack of good sense or forethought: material life is unavoidable even if you are rather idealistic, dreamy, or easily content. You must tackle concrete life necessities, for fear of... being forced to cope with them, later, in much more unpleasant ways!

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

## Your Modes



The Fixed mode corresponds to a majority of elements in your chart, Dominique de Villepin, and represents the desire for security and durability: you are able to concretely appreciate a situation and its stability. You definitely prefer to play the role of a loyal, obstinate and hard-working person, rather than to try new and risky experiences - beware, however, not to confuse obstinacy with intransigence. You structure, cement, and strengthen everything you find on your way: it is your nature, although you are not especially interested in swiftness: slow and steady...

## Your Dominants: Planets, Signs and Houses

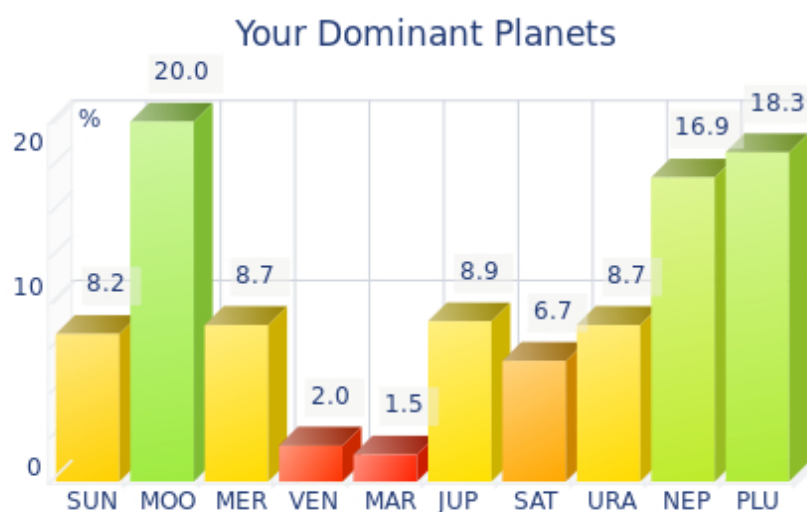
The issue of dominant planets has existed since the mists of time in astrology: how nice it would be if a person could be described with a few words and one or several planets that would represent their character, without having to analyse such elements as rulerships, angularities, houses, etc!

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.

Dominique de Villepin, here is the evaluation diagramme for your planets:



The three planets that are most highlighted in your chart are the Moon, Pluto and Neptune.

The Moon is one of the most important planets in your chart and endows you with a receptive, emotive, and imaginative nature. You have an innate ability to instinctively absorb atmospheres and impressions that nurture you, and as a result, you are often dreaming your life away rather than actually living it.

One of the consequences of your spontaneity may turn into popularity, or even fame: the crowd is a living and complex entity, and it always appreciates truth and sincerity rather than calculation and total self-control.

As a Lunar character, you find it difficult to control yourself, you have to deal with your moods, and you must be careful not to stay passive in front of events: nothing is handed on a plate, and although your sensitivity is rich, even richer than most people's, you must make a move and spare some of your energy for... action!

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.

With Neptune as one of your three dominant planets, you are a secretive and ambiguous person, often confused or unclear about your own motivations! Indeed, you are endowed with unlimited imagination and inspiration, as well as with an extreme sensibility that may turn you into a psychic or a clairvoyant. On the other hand, your impressionability is such that you may have difficulties in separating what is concrete and solid from illusions or dreams.

A mystic, a visionary or a poet, you daydream, like any Neptunian, and you see what few people only can see, all of this being shrouded in aesthetic mists when you are fired with enthusiasm.

A boundless, infinity-loving man like you is inevitably likely to be more vulnerable and easily hurt because of your acute perception of events. In such cases, you are hit full in the face, and you may sink into gloomy daydreamings and dark melancholy.

That said, this mysterious aura definitely gives you an indefinable charm in the eyes of your close friends who are often fascinated by your unique ability to feel and to see what ordinary people can never see!

### Your Dominant Signs



In your natal chart, the three most important signs, delineated according to the above-mentioned criteria, are, in decreasing order of strength, Scorpio, Aquarius and Pisces. 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.

With Scorpio as a dominant sign, you are a strong and astute person, complicated and passionate, sometimes destructive and intolerant, but strong-willed, tough and daring, sometimes bordering on aggressive. So many qualities and dangers combined in one person! Obviously, this often results in a natural selection of people around you: those who stand up to you or admire you and those who can't bear you anymore! But that is precisely what you want. You are what you are and you are not going to transform yourself just to please. You are too proud and you never dread confrontations, although your way of fighting is secret, like your nature that, mysteriously enough, you are so reluctant to reveal even to your close friends who will never understand you. That said... what a hellish charm you have!

Aquarius is one of the most important signs in your natal chart: it endows your personality - at least one of its facets - with originality, to the point of eccentricity, in spite of a sometimes distant and humane side. Likeable and impassive at the same time, you are a paradoxical man, very hard to define because the two planets Uranus and Saturn blend their qualities to create the so complicated and endearing sign that inspires your character. Saturn's seriousness and impassivity is added to Uranus' rebellion, talent, individualism, charisma, extravagance, and unpredictability! One of your main characteristics is that you



never open up on a personal basis, but you tend to do so easily in public. You are actually quite strange. Sexy and charming in public, despite your nice and sociable character, you could frustrate many of your admirers in private because of your impossibility to show deep and warm affection, emotions, tears... But appearance and reality are two different things anyway - you are a kind of a genius, or you have at least a tremendous charm with this sign. You have many friends and an active social life. If you are detached in your love life - only in this aspect, since the rest of chart will confirm it or not - this is no big deal!

Pisces is among your dominant signs and endows your personality with unlimited sources of emotions, dreams, imagination, and sensitivity, to the extent that you literally swim in a cloudy ocean of delightful impressions. These impressions are so intense and overwhelming that you don't really need to take action concretely, to show your dynamism or your willpower, since you already live so intensely with your feelings - you are as keen as a radar, always on the alert! That is why some people may not like your carelessness, and the lack of clarity in your opinions or actions; however they quickly notice your artistic talents, your poetic or artistic side, and your total lack of wickedness. Besides, you feel compassion for people in pain - empathy is one of your great qualities. Thanks to your flexibility, your intuition, and your generosity, you may spend an important part of your life helping others. And if you are creative or if you have well-known artistic talents, everybody will forgive your little flaws: absent-mindedness, lack of energy or of will, too dreamy temperament...

Your Dominant Houses



Houses 9, 8 and 12 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 9th house being one of your most tenanted house, or at least emphasized, travels and faraway places play a major role for you: travels may take place in a symbolic sense, namely mind speculations or conceptions about political matters, philosophy, religion or spirituality, or in the literal sense, such as real long distance travels by plane. It may also be that you spend a part of your life far from home, etc. You are driven by some kind of rebelliousness, which urges you to explore the Unknown; it may also be the call of the adventure. Besides, if the rest of your chart concurs, you may be considered as a real draught, often up hill and down dale, constantly on the lookout for exciting discoveries and new, enchanting horizons.

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

The 12th house is emphasized in your chart: like the 8th house, it has a rich and complex meaning. Although its bad reputation is likely to scare most readers in the first place - it is indeed the house of hidden or isolated places, of solitude, of ordeals or enemies - it can also mean that a part of your life is very deep and intense. If your achievements are not visible in the public eye, you may fulfil yourself in a different but equally important way: you may be involved in secret activities, humanitarian causes, and projects in favour of disadvantaged people. You are likely to work in quiet and remote places. In many cases, you will gain from these hidden activities as many treasures as people who have a more public destiny. It may be because you sublimate your work, or only because you successfully carry out your task within your environment. There is no such things as a good or a bad house, because each area of life is necessary in its own way, and we need all of them, if we are to improve spiritually.

## 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 Scorpio and your Ascendant is in Pisces

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

This special aquatic duet has everything it needs to disconcert people. The Water element gives you a secretive nature marked by exacerbated sensitivity and complex emotions, which are expressed in almost mute manners. You easily get drowned in your inner whirlpool, but you make every effort to conceal this vulnerable point. Scorpio and Pisces, each in its own ways, always look for the thrill of forbidden experiences, unless they try to keep them at bay, or they keep them clearly separated from their ordinary concrete life. Whether you are driven by Scorpio's wildness or by Pisces' fantasy, you yearn to devote yourself entirely to a goal or a person. Nevertheless, your mystical and obsessional facet is not perceptible at first glance because your Pisces Ascendant wears an indifferent and polite mask. Since you are emphatic, you can easily put yourself in people's shoes and if necessary, you offer them your selfless

support. As far as your close friends and relatives are concerned, depending on your mood, they are entitled to undergo your wrath or enjoy your unwavering loyalty. In most cases, you display as a backdrop an irrepressible need to provoke.

### **You were born with the Sun in Scorpio**

Psychologically speaking, your nature is bilious, with aggressive impulses that lead you towards the transformation of your entire being and, continuously, of the situation surrounding you. You seem to be constantly struggling for your self-assertion. You cannot refrain from testing others with cutting remarks, not because you want to hurt them, but because you want to know them better through their reaction; for you, life and the feeling of aliveness are experienced through rebellion and tension. You may be manipulative and your aggressive attitude may equate with sly inquisition. You often remain silent, introverted and secretive, mulling over turbulent thoughts in the depths of your mind, leaving others puzzled by your somewhat peculiar behaviour.

As you are born under this sign, you are secretive, powerful, domineering, enduring, intuitive, assertive, charismatic, magnetic, wilful, daring, clear-sighted, passionate, creative, independent, vigorous, generous, loyal, hard-working, persevering, indomitable, possessive, shrewd, stubborn, ambitious, instinctive, tenacious, sexual, sexy, proud, intense and competitive. But you may also be aggressive, destructive, stubborn, anxious, tyrannical, perverse, sadistic, violent, self-centered, complex, critical, cruel, nasty, jealous, calculating, vulnerable and dissembling.

In love, Sir, you are very magnetic, with a discreet and indefinable charm that inevitably attracts the persons you set your heart on. You detect their weaknesses so well that you can, at will, exert your powers and your manipulation tendencies over them. There are no negative consequences, as long as things go well, because you are very sensual, charming, possessive and swaggering and you make happy all the people who look for this domineering aspect in their partner. However, when things start to deteriorate, your almost pathological jealousy and your capacity to harm when you feel threatened are the causes of your partners' tears.

For you, passion means tension and tragedy. It is the price to be paid for sharing your sexuality loaded with unlimited fantasies, male ardour, loyalty and generosity. You are excessive, but very endearing, and your partner finds it very hard to leave you. It is preferable when things are fine between you.

### **Your Ascendant is in Pisces**

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

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

gullible.

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **The ruler of your chart is in Libra**

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, Dominique de Villepin, is Neptune. It is posited in the sign of Libra and endows you with diplomacy and a deep sense of justice. Amiable, courteous, and moderate, nothing pleases you more than being able to help opposing parties reconcile, which encourages you to develop your power of seduction, or to flee with swiftness when you deem that the cause you stand up for is a lost cause.



## Aspects to your Ascendant

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

### ★★★★★ Saturn trine Ascendant, orb -2° 2'

Saturn is in soft aspect with your Ascendant, Dominique de Villepin. This harmonious configuration brings about a responsible, loyal, persevering, and patient behaviour, and in a word, reliable. Your seriousness is appreciated, and owing to your capacity to easily analyse situations, you come across as a sincere and trustworthy person.

### ★★★★★ Moon conjunction Ascendant, orb 5° 27'

With the Moon in conjunction with your Ascendant, you are a person with a highly-developed instinct, Dominique de Villepin. You are some sort of roving radar, may be too sensitive, but it does you good in the end. Owing to your fragile and spontaneous side, you often enjoy good popularity, and your receptiveness is appreciated at its right value.

### ★★★★★ Venus trine Ascendant, orb -3° 06'

Thanks to Venus, Dominique de Villepin, your behaviour is in harmony with your affective life, and you need not make any special effort in order to express your feelings in a natural way and without arousing people's criticisms. This asset enhances your natural easiness and charm, which is definitely not unpleasant!

### ★★★★★ Pluto opposite Ascendant, orb -5° 25'

Pluto is in opposition to your Ascendant, Dominique de Villepin. At the same time, he is in conjunction with the opposite angle, the Descendant, or DS, which represents other people, associations, and unions. Therefore, this is not strictly speaking a dissonance, but rather Pluto's qualities expressed within your external contacts. Your lucidity and your strength work wonders, sometimes slightly too much, but they operate a natural selection in your relationships, and it is all for the best. It is true that your behaviour may seem a bit domineering and secretive. Nevertheless... isn't it what you finally wish for? If it is at all possible, you must try to display more softness, a value you know nothing about, but which can offer you a few assets, do not doubt it, not even for a second!

### ★★★★★ Jupiter trine Ascendant, orb -5° 26'

Jupiter in soft aspect with your Ascendant naturally endows you with a reassuring, calm, and benevolent side, Dominique de Villepin. You honour your commitments without qualms, and thanks to your heart of gold and your generosity, your behaviour is protective and nice. You like to please other people, and whenever it is possible, you enjoy finding compromise solutions to all problems.

### ★★★★★ Neptune trine Ascendant, orb 5° 45'

Neptune in soft aspect with your Ascendant endows you with a sharp intuition which enables you to instinctively adopt the behaviour which your entourage appreciates, Dominique de Villepin. You have the natural flair which prevents you from making errors of judgment on people. You understand the crowd, and you have the good reflexes for being well-accepted by all.

## Your Sensitivity

Your sensitivity is devoid of infatuation or carelessness, Dominique de Villepin; you belong to the cerebral type and, due to your needs for inner security and for freedom, you consider feelings and emotions as burdens. You are apparently phlegmatic and almost detached. However, your swift reactivity and your fertile imagination make you appreciate friendly gatherings with numerous and varied exchanges. You do not wear your heart on your sleeve. At first, you seem cold but those who know you are aware of your very original and unique sense of humour. Your receptiveness is remarkable. Your observation talents and your detachment work wonders in the defence of your anti-conformist and rebellious ideas. Your stubbornness is obvious and it is very difficult to make you change your mind because you are affectively too vulnerable: it would require lengthy and thorough argumentations aiming at your intellect...

Dominique de Villepin, you find it hard to show what you feel, or you simply consider that it belongs to you and must not be exposed. Anyway, even if your emotions are rich and deep, you keep them inside and you don't wear your heart on your sleeve. Very few persons are able to guess your mood of the moment.

Obviously, you still can be popular, and in that case, it is probably related to a humanitarian context or it involves your dedication. Indeed, the personal side is blurred and this fact allows you to express your feelings without having to open up too much.

### ★★★★★ Moon opposite Pluto, orb -0° 01'

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

### ★★★★★ Moon trine Jupiter, orb 0'

Why should one complicate one's life if it is possible to enjoy the simple joys of the present? This harmonic Moon-Jupiter aspect indicates a cheerful nature, which earns your entourage's liking and protects the balance of your intimate life. Your sociability is supported by your desire to smoothly adhere to a group, a social or family cell. You are fond of moments where you unwind and relax. You value your daily comfort and, to preserve it, you accept to play by the rules of privacy. When this aspect dictates your attitudes, you behave like a person easy to get along with... even though your personal demands, relegated to the backseat, come up again at top speed and force you to behave more in line with your inner needs.

### ★★★★★ Moon trine Neptune, orb 0° 18'

This harmonious Moon-Neptune aspect indicates an exceptional receptivity. You are sensitive to ambiances and you can grasp what is at stake in any given situation. You can pick up things in the general atmosphere that the majority of people miss out. Your deep intuition allows you to feel the

subtlest details, that « little nothing » which is the key to behavioural patterns. Inspiration is your guide and imagination accompanies your daily rhythms. Mysteries, psychology, esoterism, fantasy, the supernatural... one of these fields, at least, is of concern to you. You pay utmost attention to your inner life, to moments of tranquillity when you relax, when you allow your mind to wander at will. The danger is that you may seek refuge in the imaginary and that you shirk reality.

★★★★★ Sun square Moon, orb 3° 03'

In your chart, two polarities are clearly opposing - or complementing – each other: on the one hand, solar values, the image you project and the models you follow. On the other hand, lunar values, moments of letting-go and well being through casualness. When you commit yourself in a project, it is often to the detriment of your peace of mind. Conversely, you completely feel that you are your true self only when you are no more under the scrutiny of the outside world. Therefore, you separate your social and professional activities from your private life and you seldom match the requirements of the former with those of the latter. It may be a hurdle, a fundamental anxiety. It may also be an obvious asset, when it is well integrated: in that case, you succeed in assigning to yourself, and in fulfilling, objectives that are not necessarily in line with your intimate natural demands, which are preserved and separated from your intentions, your ambitions and your expectations. Thus, a strong will can turn this Sun-Moon hard aspect into a rich instrument for creativity. A shadow zone, or uncertainty, still remains: on the affective plane, you are very sensitive. May be too much, to the extent that you become vulnerable in many circumstances. Because in different periods of your life, your landmarks (solar) and your intimate balance (lunar) will be simultaneously challenged.

★★★★★ Moon inconjunction Uranus, orb -1° 57'

The Moon and Uranus intrinsically share little in common: they get along as well as fire and water! It is difficult for you to reconcile your desire for well being and intimacy with your destiny's dazzling passions and thunderbolts. You may feel that your intimate and family realm hampers your freedom. There is a potential for crises, explosions or splits. The desire for independence does not get on well with security concerns. There may be strong temptations endangering your very life foundations and you may embark upon a liberating and personal adventure. However, you fear rash decisions. Your need for security may temper your impulses and put a brake on your individualistic aspirations. To harmonize these tendencies within your intimate life, you must leave yourself enough room for personal expression or for an activity of your own. Otherwise, as days go by, built-up tensions may jeopardize the quiet course of your life.

★★★★★ Moon sesqui-quadrate Mars, orb 1° 54'

The Moon-Mars dissonance suggests touchiness and sometimes, aggressiveness. You are irascible and very sensitive to all sorts of threats and dangers. You react very quickly, too hastily. To protect your well being, you must learn to control your mood, to coordinate your actions and to balance your opinions. You are often disturbed by plain facts: Either you seek refuge in your intimate realm and refuse to face the truth or, on the contrary, you are engaged in altercations, which forbid all tranquillity. It is important that you balance these two tendencies and that you alternate moments of action with phases of carelessness and relaxation. These two attitudes are relatively irreconcilable.

★★★★★ Moon trine Saturn, orb -7° 47'

This harmonious Moon-Saturn aspect is an element of stability for your private life. Your daily life lives up to your demands, you are totally true to yourself and logical through your very intimate behaviour. You do not choose the easy way out: on the contrary, it is in difficult situations that you are at your best. It is very unlikely that you become destabilized by trifles. This aspect indicates stability and also

perfectionism. You are longing for a private life respectful of your heart of hearts and your genuine desires. Your well being is at this price, and its quest remains perpetual. Despite your reserved private behaviour, your emotions run very deep. You have a strong need for protection and for security. Your aspirations lead you towards contemplation or studies, more than towards social futilities.

#### ★★★★★ Moon trine Venus, orb -8° 33'

The harmonious Moon-Venus aspect is an element of intimate balance that favours sensual and affective fulfilment. The search of well being includes all kinds of emotions and feelings. You love, you enjoy life in simple ways and you arouse your entourage's affection. The persons belonging to your inner circle are also objects of desire and pleasure. Tenderness and love are probably one and only thing: you are moved by the gestures of affection provided to you and by the daily acts which strengthen two persons' mutual attachment. Whereas other people dread routine, in your case on the contrary, it increases your amorous feelings. You loathe all kinds of violence, particularly in your intimate life. The danger of this planetary configuration may be your constant changes of mood: whims are often on the agenda... and your will is quite weak. One last point: this aspect is frequently found in the charts of people with an aesthetic or artistic sensitivity.

## Your Affectivity

In your chart, the Sun and Venus are both in Scorpio. With this configuration, love is but excessive, burning or... inexistent. It is all or nothing, rosy or black! For you, a relationship is necessarily intense and passionate. The transition is tenuous between crazy love and hatred. This is the omen for an excited affective life. But beware of in-between situations! Your fiery character is not satisfied with ordinary, monotonous, smooth and simple love affairs. Because you question yourself and you are fond of amorous challenges, you gladly provoke crises and gnashing of teeth... until you reach a hypothetical affective paradise where you and your partner can retain your own specificity, your will and your truth. What an ambitious programme! It is important that you relativize your tendency to over-analyze sentimental issues. You are sensitive to power struggles and you do not spare helpless people. You must be guarded against your propensity to take advantage of vulnerable people. With the persons who accept your will to experience your infatuations right to the end, there are lots of passion and excitement in prospect.

You cannot dissociate love from passion, Dominique de Villepin. Your feelings are immediate, imperious, intense, and it is absolutely impossible for you to think of an amorous relationship without fusion, without the irresistible desire to know everything about your partner: emotions, feelings, sexuality, everything must be experienced in a possessive, absolute and unrestricted way. Actually, your feelings are as complex as they are deep. You seldom love, but when you do, a burning ardour and its torrid, violent frolics consume your couple. It is obvious that such powerful feelings may lead to jealousy and absolute exclusivity, almost bordering on the will to control your partner. If your relationship is genuine, all is fine. But if it is not the case, there are real dangers of shared wounds within your couple; it is hard to reconcile passion with tranquillity and it is clear that for you, sentimental serenity involves a partner who is either as complex as you and who instinctively understands you, or who is complementary, and as calm and steady as your impulses are intense and deep.

When you fall in love, Dominique de Villepin, your feelings immediately reach a considerable level of intensity and quickly take you into the realm of passion. You are not a mild person when it comes to love, either you love deeply, or not at all. According to the Tradition, this configuration strongly

associates feelings and sexuality. In your approach to love, feelings are intimately linked to desire and love physical aspects. It does not take you long before you deliberately infuse a fair amount of torrid eroticism into your behaviour, so as to make your idyll as burning and deep as your inner feelings are! If no adverse aspect affects Venus in the 8th house, you become possessive in the positive sense of the term: you happily care for your significant other, including for her financial interests. Venus in the 8th house protects everything that deals with investment, management of other people's possessions and particularly, those of the wife. Your benevolent attitude, which you also express outside your couple's relationship, usually causes pleasant surprises in the guise of unexpected inheritances. When there are tense aspects of square or opposition to your Venus, you may fall into the trap of obsessive and dangerous jealousy. And it would be a disgrace since, as the saying goes, jealousy is uncalled-for and very harmful when it is unjustified, and it is useless and too late when harm has been done...

#### ★★★★★ Venus conjunction Saturn, orb 0° 45'

You favour deep feelings and a sincere affective life. In love, you are not content with shams or uncertain compromises. Your couple's relationship is based on mutual trust. You strive to build a lasting link, a true love that complies with your aspirations and your heart of hearts. This harmonious Venus-Saturn aspect indicates wisdom. Inexpressible truth is preferred to appearances. A love affair is an adventure, above all. Discovering the other one, step by step... any relationship takes a fundamental dimension right away. It is relevant to mention a little puff of romanticism and a passionate nature, although quite modest and reserved. You do not commit yourself thoughtlessly! This is a major asset for long lasting love. You are able to question your affective behaviour and to adjust to your significant other. You handle crises quite well and you overcome all the difficulties inherent to amorous rapports.

#### ★★★★☆ Venus conjunction Neptune, orb 8° 51'

Your sentimental life unfolds like a strange dream. Love is too delicate to be tamed or controlled. You follow your heart impulses in an idyllic ambiance, far from reality's ordinary constraints, far from conventions and conformism. You exude a particular charm, discreet and subtle. But your affectivity may be disconcerting. You are very sensitive to marks of affection and tenderness, although you are aware that love cannot be bought or won. What is meant to be will be and it is impossible to know the hows and the whys behind a prevailing harmony. The obvious danger is that you may refuse to make any effort in such conditions. Living as a couple must feel natural and you do not need to objectively build the foundations of a relationship. You are an idealist and you dream of an affective paradise, which may be too good to be true...

## The Way You Take Action and Your Sexuality

No one can say that you are particularly aggressive, Dominique de Villepin! Actually, it takes a great deal for you to become able to express your anger because you belong to the wavering type and you are not prone to risk-taking; you loathe violence and you would rather not intervene than start a conflict. Moderation and the happy medium in all things are your favourites. One of the only areas that makes you wage war is injustice, whether you are the one who is stricken or whether it is someone who is helpless. In this particular field, as in that of sexuality, you are not impulsive and you appreciate it very much when your partner shows the way, preferably with much serenity and gentleness. Actually, the form and characteristics of your sexuality depend on the rest of your personality.



You have a tendency to think relationships in terms of a duel, where one of the partners must hold sway over the other one, Dominique de Villepin. It may be disturbing, but you are satisfied because you know that your strong natural authority enables you to be in the domineering, and not in the dominated position!

Therefore, you excel in all activities having an important relationship component, or with some form of rivalry, authority, or fighting: a critical and uncompromising presenter, a prosecutor, a salesperson responsible for canvassing (although it may be double-edged), an attorney (but not to the defence, of course) etc.

You appreciate people who have the energy to take decisions. For you, in the end, to take action means to confront others, for worse, but hopefully, very often, for better.

★★★★★ Sun semi-square Mars, orb -1° 08'

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 are the very type of the researcher endowed with great intellectual and imaginative capacities, Dominique de Villepin, and your curiosity is very deep. Researches, riddles and mysteries appeal to you and with a remarkable sixth sense and intuition, you endlessly try to unearth the truth, in all areas, like a psychoanalyst or a detective. You are a very secretive and introverted person, you find it difficult to open up and you rather prefer psychoanalysis. In spite of your clear-sightedness, you find it hard to deal with people: your critical mind, tinted with irony and causticity, may be destructive, especially since your determination and your stubbornness do not incline you to giving up. You are fond of provocations and you handle contradictions skilfully even though you may come across as dishonest.

You have a roaming mind, Dominique de Villepin, in the best sense of the term: you are interested in higher knowledge, whether in the moral, spiritual, political or religious field. You are attracted to what is far away and you want to travel to discover new horizons. It is possible that, early in your life, there was a kind of rebelliousness against preconceived ideas and sometimes, against the education within your family.

You have broad and open ideas. No petty or too concrete thoughts for you! Going further and higher is what matters to you. In accordance with your childhood aspirations, as an adult, you are a great traveller, both in mental travels and physical ones. In all cases, the foreign world's riches stimulate you.

★★★★★ Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 0° 21'

You know how to play with your image, how to give multiple representations of yourself. A precious asset: you are sensitive to other people's opinion and you adapt yourself to the audience. Of course, there is a "show" side in your manner that may prevent perfect cohesion. But that's the other side of the coin,

for an extraordinary capacity to discover. This aspect translates into an acute sense of observation, an intense desire to learn and to bring everything to light. You strive to be informed in many circumstances, to understand the machinery of the world surrounding you, particularly regarding all human topics. And you will change according to that information and the knowledge gained. You have the chameleon's adaptation powers. And its vulnerability, as well.

★★★★★ Mercury trine Uranus, orb -0° 44'

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

★★★☆☆ Moon square Mercury, orb 2° 41'

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 antinomical 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.

★★★☆☆ Mercury square Pluto, orb -2° 43'

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

★★★☆☆ Mercury semi-square Mars, orb -0° 46'

This Mercury-Mars dissonance brings about impulsiveness into relationships and contacts. Your sense of controversy and criticism leads to blunders and thoughtless actions. Your verbal violence may harm the efficiency of your actions. You certainly display your views without circumlocution. Your straightforwardness would be commendable if it did not cause those blunders that spoil many situations. It is important that you learn to control your decisions, to coordinate your mental abilities and your fieriness, so as to fully express the quickness of your mind and of your action. Learn to count to ten before you say anything, as it is an excellent exercise for you!

★★★☆☆ Mercury inconjunction Jupiter, orb -2° 42'

You play with social norms and you scoff at them. Your morality is seldom questioned: you adopt the most rewarding behaviour, precisely the one that wins you your entourage's consideration. But you

sometimes cheat. You are an opportunist and you act according to circumstances, particularly because your moral stand is only a superficial mask. You enjoy concealing your beliefs: life is a social game and you change its rules to suit your convenience. Your flexibility and your adaptation abilities are appreciated. However, it is important that you do not behave inconsistently. A stable and transparent course of conduct may help you avoid many pitfalls or delusions. Beware of words spoken thoughtlessly, of empty promises, and do stick to your indisputable cleverness.

## **Your Goals, Motivations, Career, and Destiny**

### **Your Sun is posited in the 9th House**

Dominique de Villepin, early in life, you apply to yourself the saying "No man is a prophet in his own country". Since you were a little boy, you had the impression that something in you was different and could not be understood by your close friends. Your natal environment prompts you to venture into unknown territories and remote lands, where you hope your real talents and qualities will be acknowledged.

You are more comfortable when you are away from home because of your rebellious mind, because you feel different or because of an awareness which stems from your good sense: what attracts you is far too original, compared to what your family or your roots may offer or may apprehend.

This peculiarity may take various forms, depending on your destiny and your personality: an inclination or a strong aspiration for distant trips, higher and abstract studies, higher knowledge, spirituality, philosophy, religion, moral or culture. You are also interested in occupations allowing you to meet your need to be elsewhere, physically or intellectually, such as for instance, the positions of ambassador, judge, exporter, philosopher, researcher, university teacher, reporter or in any job with the clergy.

It is clear that your social status can be improved in places located far from your home. Your ambitions are not hampered because you are favoured and predisposed for international contacts, or for contacts that are different from your natal environment. You have no problem learning foreign languages and you study this area with the certainty that you are forging valuable assets for the rest of your life.

Your self-assertion and your success go through experiences abroad or connected with foreigners.

As you mature, there is a spiritual, moral or intellectual brilliance linked to higher knowledge that radiates from you. It may also be due to the fact that you are dedicated to a noble cause for which you sincerely spare no effort.

When great planetary configurations of tension are formed in very few moments of your life, you may be affected by illnesses or fevers contracted abroad; or in your profession, where foreign matters are involved, you may have to bear the consequences of conflicts that tarnish your prestige or your honour. What constitutes your strength does not exclude cautiousness. Too much ease may lead to unforeseen situations: even though this applies obviously to all life areas, it is certain that, when exotic trips are involved, or figuratively, when you take intellectual, moral or spiritual stands, you must cautiously step back and show restraint.

## The ruler of your chart is in the 8th 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 8th House, Dominique de Villepin. This configuration gives you a strong inclination for mysteries, the unknown, the occult, sexuality, as well as death. In the materialistic area, matters of inheritance and, more generally, other people's money - stock exchange, speculations, donations, etc. - may play a major role in your life.

## Aspects influencing your ambitions

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

### ★★★★★ Sun trine Uranus, orb -1° 05'

This aspect reinforces the determination as well as the will to further your original, sometimes revolutionary, ideas and designs. Your capacity of innovation is important for your image. You have the soul of a leader. You display a forceful and synthesizing mind. You may tend to oversimplify or to schematize situations. In most cases, you know where you are heading to and how to reach your goals. Your determination is two-edged... not everybody will appreciate your contrasted standpoints. It is yes or no, black or white! This planetary configuration indicates certainties. When it comes to acting according to your inner motivations and to respecting your models, you can show an unusual willpower and sweep aside all obstacles lying on your path.

### ★★★☆☆ Sun square Pluto, orb -3° 05'

You are dealing with both sides of the coin. People are mistaken when they think that they know you well, because the image you project does not necessarily depict what you really are. You may look like any given model, whereas you actually consider social values to be empty and childish. Deep down, you are an anti-establishment person and you do not belong to the world and its laws. Or, on the contrary, you may project a more marginalized image and make it a point of honour to literally stick to your aspirations' ethics. You do not know who you are really, and where you stand. You may choose some sort of marginality, the adherence to another realm and a different scale of values. Unless you choose a life that apparently lives up to the expectations of others. In that case, you preserve a corner for your private secrets, with no norms, no fashion concerns, relationships off the beaten tracks, passions very removed from conventions. Your attitudes may seem paradoxical as you shift from commitment to refusal and from involvement to withdrawal.

### ★★★★★ Mars sextile Midheaven, orb 3° 43'

Your energy serves your professional goals and your social ascent in general, Dominique de Villepin. This beneficial aspect of Mars to your Midheaven endows you with strong dynamism, and it rewards your sustained and efficient efforts. You enjoy taking action, and your results are gratifying most of the time.

### ★★★★★ Jupiter trine Saturn, orb 7° 46'

Jupiter and Saturn are favourably linked to each other in your natal chart. The Tradition indicates that this planetary aspect is a good omen for your social success and good integration in the society. Indeed,

Jupiter stands for public life, respect for laws and hierarchy, and acceptance of established rules, whereas Saturn symbolises wisdom, time, seriousness, and perseverance. Therefore, it is only logical that with this Jupiter - Saturn configuration, your career, or your social destiny if you do not work, is well thought of by society, and that you are most likely to experience its happy outcomes sooner or later.

★★★★★ Sun inconjunction Jupiter, orb -3° 04'

This Sun-Jupiter aspect indicates a strong desire for social and professional integration but it may cause a few difficulties of expression in that regard, owing to excesses or immoderation. There may be discrepancies between your objectives and the means implemented to achieve them. The danger of this configuration may be that you forsake an essential part of yourself for some ambitious but out of proportion plan. Too many efforts of adaptation and an excess of opportunism may make you miss the target. It is important that you remain true to your values and that you do not seek, at any cost, to adjust your attitudes to the situation. However, do not fall into the opposite trap: a need for the absolute that forbids compromises, although they are so necessary. You must reconcile idealism with the demands of the moment, the respect for principles with the sense of timeliness. When this configuration is not well integrated, things get out of hand. Extravagances are glaring. They may translate into an exuberant, overly demonstrative disposition. Personal ambition turns into pride, and joviality becomes immoderation. Outbursts of anger are frequent. However, in a reserved and cautious context, this configuration reveals its positive nature.

★★★★★ Moon quintile Midheaven, orb 1° 1'

Your sensitivity and your emotions are in line with your goal and your ambitions, Dominique de Villepin. 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

With the planet of Greater Fortune in this sign, Dominique de Villepin, your abilities to communicate and your curiosity are considerably strengthened. You are articulate, you have an eloquent pen, and you multiply your centres of interest. Better than anyone, you can handle numerous different intellectual pursuits simultaneously and you increase the number of your friendly and professional contacts. Short and frequent trips are favoured. Just be cautious not to spread yourself too thin.

Oh! The family! It is of utmost importance to you, Dominique de Villepin, and you are happy there. Besides, the planet of Greater Fortune here gives you all the assets you need to successfully build a harmonious, secure, and comfortable home. Your private life is favoured. You feel naturally attracted to matters dealing with soil, stones, and real estate.

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 Gemini increases your mental creativity, your imagination and your capacity for adaptation.



The outcomes may not be seen externally but this configuration usually develops your sense of contact: when Gemini's well-known frivolousness and scattering meet with Jupiter's synthesizing mind and tidiness, it can only endow you with the best assets for your communication and intellectual pursuits.

## Your Serious Side

Perspicacity and profundity, and ability to dissect your passions. You manage to add a dose of reason into the analysis of your most intense moods, and you learn to step back from them. Your instincts are well-controlled, sometimes, a bit too much.

Sooner or later, death and its environment – inheritances, successions, investments, sorrows, or detachment – are areas you will have to deal with, not necessarily in a negative way, Dominique de Villepin. Besides, the Tradition believes that this configuration gives longevity, if other aspects do not strongly state otherwise.

In the affective and sexual spheres, you do not easily grant your confidence, and you need to work on your inhibitions so as to overcome your own fears. Provided you display a strong will, Saturn, as the planet of time, allows you to consider these areas with grace. They become sources of pleasure and joy, under the condition that... you put aside your serious side, precisely. This is likely to occur after your first experiences have taken place.

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 Scorpio reinforces your resistance. Your demand for precision and your will to comprehend all things may make you seem a bit tough or harsh to your entourage. Because you are fond of precision, you are interested in exact sciences; your capacity to understand mysteries is strengthened. You learn to control your instincts, even though it may be detrimental to your spontaneity.

## A Few Special Points

### Your Uniqueness and Your Utopias

Your sentimental life is usually hectic and jerky. You are constantly looking for pleasures and love affairs loaded with feelings and novelties. This also applies to your leisure and to your creativity. You are somewhat insatiable, sometimes unconsciously, and you are prone to reverse your choices. Later on, when you assess the situation, you realize that you seem to avoid stability in these areas.

In your concrete life, you are attracted by eccentric partners who may constitute a danger in terms of durability. In parallel, you are creative, innovative, sometimes at the highest level of your art, but sometimes you may be totally uninspired.

Your children may be an important source of satisfaction or of concern. For instance, birth may occur within non-conventional settings (out of wedlock, or in unforeseen circumstances, or not with the right person etc.).

### **Your Inspiration and Your Illusions**

There is a form of confusion or of vague perception in matters of sexuality, investments, inheritances and, as a general rule, other people's finance and the money you do not earn by yourself.

You have the gift for sounding the depths of your psyche, for feeling what others' motivations are, and you thoroughly understand behavioural patterns, in a sensitive, emotional and non-intellectual way.

This configuration may bring fortune as well as breaches of trust... Be very cautious before trusting anybody, as far as investment and finance are concerned.

### **Your Passion and Your Authority**

Your relationships with your subordinates and your colleagues are marked with passion and may create domineering/dominated connections conducive to conflicts, unless you use your authority to stabilize the situation.

You do not accept your superiors' authority, and you continuously strive to reverse your relationships with them in order to eventually take the domineering role that better fits your nature.

In a few rare instances, severe health conditions may strike you down, but in principle, you overcome them like the phoenix that is reborn from its ashes.

### **Your Isolated Planets**

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

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

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

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

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

### **In your natal chart, Mars is unaspected**

Mars unaspected in a chart is without doubt the most noticeable case among the ten unaspected planets, according to the majority of astrologers. This can be explained by Mars' very nature which is synonymous with action, sexuality, or anger. Whereas with an unaspected Moon, Mercury, or Venus, the energy may be directed inwardly through emotions, the intellect, feelings, or desires, with Mars, there is always a concrete impact, an action, and a momentum directed towards a goal.

Along with Pluto (hidden and instinctive energy) and Uranus (unpredictability), and to a lesser extent, the Sun (energy controlled by willpower), Mars possesses not only the strongest energy, but also the most direct, visible, and instant one. Unaspected Mars sometimes moves mountains and endows the person with inordinate power, sometimes activates the aggressive and quick-tempered facet of his nature.

Depending on the person's natal chart, unaspected Mars may create a war hero, an athlete who achieves incredible exploits, or a quarrelsome, impatient, and chaotic person unable to control himself as soon as this planet is triggered by a hard transit or progression.

It is worth underlining that when Mars is in his home, exaltation, exile, or fall, his unaspected condition has stronger consequences, with a special mention for Mars in Aries, in his home. In such a case, Mars expresses himself without restraint and in fits and starts.

As an example of charts having an unaspected Mars, we could examine that of Dodi Al-Fayed, Princess Diana's last friend, or that of Pete Shelley, the guitarist of Buzzcocks punk group.

## Annex 1: Your Minor Dominants

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

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

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

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

In your birth chart, Dominique de Villepin, the ten main planets are distributed as follows:

### Your Northern and Southern Hemispheres



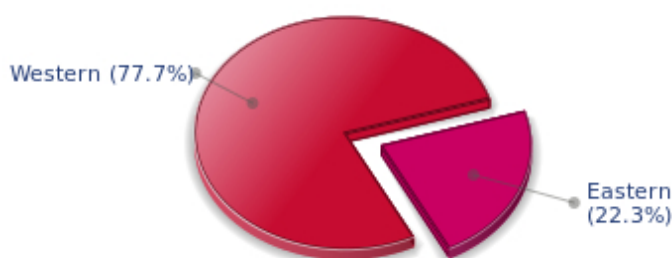
Dominique de Villepin, the predominance of planets in the Southern hemisphere prompts you to take action, to draw attention on yourself, and to make your actions and what you have in mind visible to everyone. Sometimes, without giving a single thought to, and to the detriment of, a richer inner life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

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

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

Dominique de Villepin, 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.

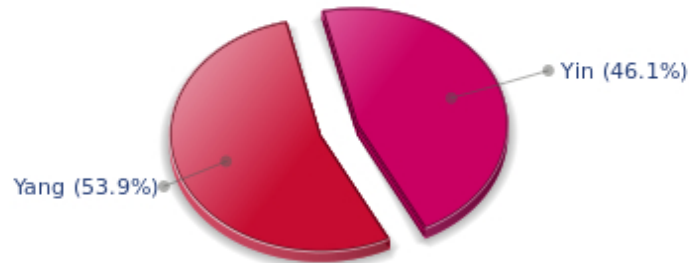
A definite asset... provided that you are not at the centre of the decisions you must take in your life: you may be tempted to listen to the last person who spoke, and your flexibility won't always get you out of the tight spot. You are therefore advised to learn to decide alone and to cope with the 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, Dominique de Villepin: 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.

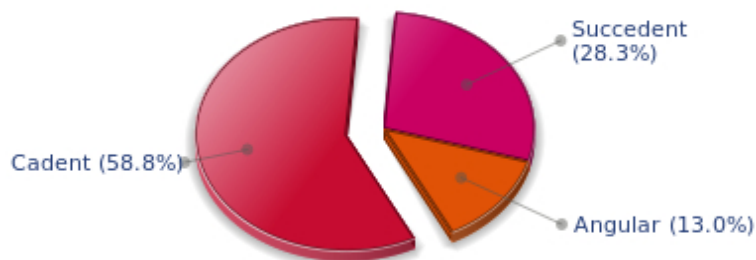
### Your Houses' Accentuations

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



Cadent houses, namely the 3rd, 6th, 9th and 12th houses, are very emphasized in your chart, Dominique

de Villepin. They indicate important potential for communication, adaptability and flexibility. These houses are symbolically linked to the mind and intellect. The relative weakness implied by these characteristics indicates your tendency to hesitate or to be indecisive, but also your remarkable ability to start off again, which is a nice quality, finally: you can easily get yourself out of a tight spot thanks to your mobility and casualness, in the best sense of the term. This group of houses corresponds to evolutionary characteristics of your personality. However, they are only indications and you must include them in the rest of your chart in order to see whether they are validated or not!

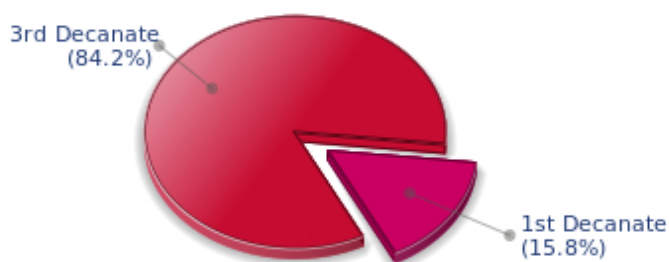
### Your Esoteric Decanates

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

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

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

### Your Esoteric Decanates



The third decanate, which means the part between 20° and 30° of any zodiacal sign, prevails in your natal chart, Dominique de Villepin. 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.

Very early in life you showed a strong desire to intensely live through your passions. You are sensitive to your personal prestige and you adopted dramatic attitudes as you needed your merits to be acknowledged and you wanted to arouse esteem and admiration. Your individualistic ways may have caused setbacks: you are criticized for your egocentrism or at least, for your lack of openness and compassion. As time goes by, your life's challenge is probably to gain a taste for collaborations, fraternity, and unselfish love. If you can put aside your touchiness, you become able to relinquish your pride and to focus your energy on larger actions such as collective tasks, or even, universal works. Life teaches you a philosophy of harmony and union, far from your primary desires and needs. You then discover an entirely different realm, a spiritual dimension, the major features of which are abnegation, selflessness and the access to a world of altruism that provides more satisfactions than anything else. Self-sacrifice, friendship and fraternity are the path to your fulfilment.

### 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.

This configuration predisposes to the quest of the absolute on two accounts: firstly, the very nature of the Black Moon, implacable and extremist, and secondly, she is in a sector of the Zodiac that is traditionally evolutional but extremist. Here, you flirt with death, danger and challenge. Everything suggests transformation, abandonment and revival, passion and cruelty. There is no half-measure in your behaviour, only a terrifying and marvellous thirst for the absolute... That'll take some doing for the person who will experience it with required intensity!

### **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 3rd house: communication constitutes your wealth. You strive to integrate your entourage's experiences, you are in search of a model to follow, of an original ideology or behaviour. Better than anyone else, you can observe your close friends and understand them. Therefore, your destiny hinges on relationships. You can achieve full balance as you make some room for exchanges and dialogues.

### **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 planet Mercury was retrograde on the day of your birth. You probably have to make an effort to harmonize your relations: you are prone to screen others with a critical eye and you do not overlook the slightest flaw. You are exceedingly clear-sighted and you approach your contemporaries with distance rather than with natural. This type of behaviour may be an asset: your enquiring and pernickety mind prevents you from being too gullible. However, your reservations may impede your communication. As time goes by, you learn to establish contacts more spontaneously. During your childhood, you faced problems of expression in your heart of hearts: your doubts prompted you to project an image that was out of touch with the reality... turbulent or withdrawn, you could hardly establish conventional ties. As an adult, you are in a better control of these elements. You still have to find the right way to tell who you really are: this is how you can improve your relationships.

With Jupiter retrograding on the day of your birth, the lesson is about grasping the opportunities that are offered to all of us but that some people take advantage of, while others don't. Persons who quickly adjust to circumstances are more likely to achieve their ambitions than those who need to be encouraged to take action. During your childhood, you may not have efficiently responded to life's concrete enticements, leaving other "luckier" people to achieve what you were dreaming of. You preferred to enjoy yourself, here and now, rather than to look for new paths of development or exploration. It is

possible that you were not optimistic enough. Enterprising minds were alien to you... Later, you find out that, indeed, you give little importance to the credit of the frenzied expansion praised by the modern world. Your path is not oriented towards personal prestige. With subtlety, you integrate non-material values and you accept well the fact that you missed past opportunities.

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

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.

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