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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.

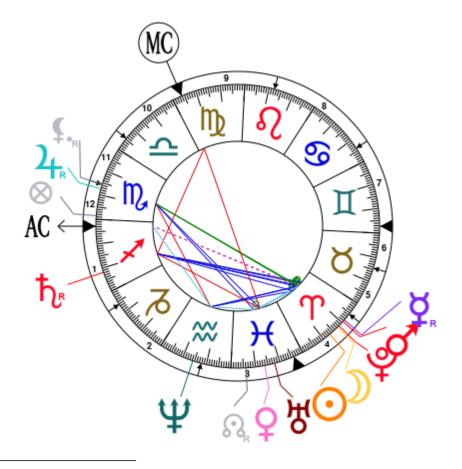
The karmic chart complements the psychological portrait or natal chart. It is based on the positions of the Lunar Nodes, the Black Moon, and the Part of Fortune. These elements of the chart, sometimes referred to as fictitious points, provide information about the spiritual meaning of your destiny. Owing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

Émile Zola, born April 2, 1840, at 11:00 PM, Paris (Ile-de-France), France [2.20E; 48.52N; 0E09]

| ľ                     | Natal Planets       | In House         | Natal Houses (P   | lacidus)      |
|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| <ul><li>Sun</li></ul> | 13°16'              | es House 4       | House 1 2°48' >   | * Sagittarius |
| ) Moon                | 17°32'              | es House 4       | House 2 6°10' \   | Capricorn     |
| <b>♥</b> Mercury      | 21°30' R % Ario     | es House 4       | House 3 17°48′ ≈  | Aquarius      |
| Q Venus               | 13°43' → Piso       | ces House 3      | House 4 26°06' >  | Pisces        |
| O Mars                | 20°40'              | es House 4       | House 5 24°33' W  | Aries         |
| 4 Jupiter             | 17°28′ R ∭ Sco      | rpio House 12    | House 6 15°39' &  | Taurus        |
| <b>5</b> Saturn       | 21°44' R 对 Sag      | ittarius House 1 | House 7 2°48'     | Gemini        |
| ₩ Uranus              | 17°52' → Pise       | ces House 3      | House 8 6°10' 6   | Cancer        |
| W Neptune             | 14°19' <b>⋘</b> Aqı | uarius House 2   | House 9 17°48' 🕠  | Leo           |
| ¥ Pluto               | 18°17'              | es House 4       | House 10 26°06' M | 2 Virgo       |
| & Node                | 6°06′ R → Piso      | ces House 3      | House 11 24°33'   | - Libra       |
| C Lilith              | 15°34′ R € Sco      | rpio House 12    | House 12 15°39' M | Scorpio       |
| AS AS                 | 2°48' >>> Sag       | ittarius         |                   |               |
| MC MC                 | 26°06' M Vir        | go               |                   |               |

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



# List of Your Active Planetary Aspects

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

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**** Sun conjunction Moon, orb 4° 15'
*** Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 8° 13'
★★★★★ Sun semi-sextile Venus, orb -0° 27'
*** Sun conjunction Mars, orb 7° 24'
★★★★★ Sun trine Saturn, orb -8° 28'
*** Sun sextile Neptune, orb -1° 02'
**** Sun conjunction Pluto, orb 5'
**** Moon conjunction Mercury, orb 3° 58'
★★★★★ Moon conjunction Mars, orb 3° 08'
★★★★★ Moon inconjunction Jupiter, orb 0° 03'
*** Moon trine Saturn, orb -4° 12'
★★★★★ Moon semi-sextile Uranus, orb -0° 2'
***** Moon sextile Neptune, orb 3° 13'
***** Moon conjunction Pluto, orb 0° 45'
★★★★★ Moon sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb -0° 15'
★★★★★ Mercury conjunction Mars, orb 0° 49'
**** Mercury trine Saturn, orb -0° 14'
***** Mercury conjunction Pluto, orb 3° 12'
**** Venus trine Jupiter, orb -3° 45'
★★★★★ Venus conjunction Uranus, orb 4° 09'
★ Venus semi-sextile Neptune, orb -0° 35'
★★★★★ Mars trine Saturn, orb -1° 03¹
**** Mars conjunction Pluto, orb 2° 23'
***** Saturn square Midheaven, orb -4° 22'
★ Wranus opposite Midheaven, orb -8° 13'
Neptune quintile Ascendant, orb -0° 28'
***** Pluto sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb 0° 29'
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# Meaning of Stars

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

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

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

## **Preamble**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

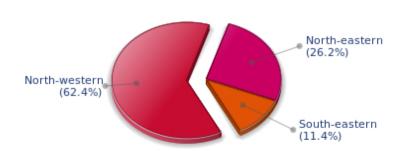
These general character traits must not be taken literally; they are, somehow, preparing for the chart reading. They allow to understand the second part of the analysis, which is more detailed and precise. It focuses on every area of the personality and provides a synthesis of all the above-mentioned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

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

## Your Planetary Repartitions

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

## Your Four Quadrants

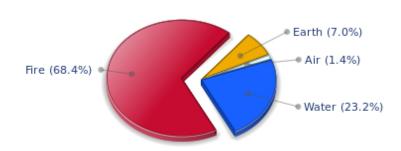


Émile Zola, the nocturnal North-western quadrant, consisting of the 4th, 5th and 6th houses, prevails in your chart: this sector favours creativity, conception and some sort of specialization or training, with helpfulness and relations as strong components. You need others' cooperation in order to work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

## Your Dominant Modes and Elements

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

## Your Four Elements



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

The predominance of Water signs indicates high sensitivity and elevation through feelings, Émile Zola. 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.

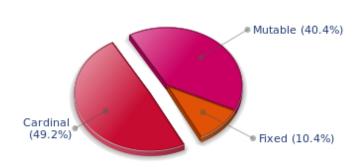
Earth qualities are under-represented in your chart, with only 7.03% instead of the average 25%. Deficiency in Earth may indicate that you have no interest in material and concrete values. It is likely that you live too much in your heart or in your mind, or even in your enthusiasm! The fact remains 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!

Air is under-represented in your natal chart, with only 1.41% instead of the average 25%. Air symbolizes the values of communication, exchanges with others, but also adaptability and flexibility abilities: if you don't get out of your cocoon to talk, to show interest in others, and to socialize, you may have problems understanding others. Because of your lack of flexibility or of your refusal to adapt yourself, you may be suddenly overwhelmed by events. You should get into the habit of talking, of phoning, and of thinking in terms of "mobility, flexibility, adaptability, change" in every circumstance. It will spare you so many troubles!

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



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

## Your Dominants: Planets, Signs and Houses

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

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

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

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

Émile Zola, here is the evaluation diagramme for your planets:

## Your Dominant Planets



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

Mars is one of your dominant planets and provides you with its efficient energy and enthusiasm: with a powerful Mars in your chart, action - but also will and ability to undertake - is not an empty word for you. You are active, dynamic, willing to fight, courageous, and you are never afraid to move mountains, even though risks are part of the adventures that you start with determination.

However, your patience is not always up to your boldness and a kind of feverishness, or even anger, can tarnish the quality of your achievements. That would be a pity since the Marsian is a champion in matters of efficiency! Mars symbolizes display of action, conquering spirit that favours discipline and order - beware of not being fussy - and lies at the frontier between action and brutality, between conquest and potential aggressiveness.

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

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

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

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

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

Your weakness lies in your nervousness, and you may miss your goal because of your "over-intellectualization" that may be detrimental to other kind of energies such as instinct, spontaneity, heart, sensitivity, etc.



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

Arian blood runs through your veins! You have that enthusiasm, frankness, courage, and fastness which usually make you so likeable in spite of your somewhat rough, naive, or violent side. As a bonus, Aries' gushing fire always gives you the impetus to make a fresh start, should you stumble or undergo life hardship!

Sagittarius, an adventurous and conquering fire sign, is dominant in your chart: you are enthusiastic, enterprising, optimistic, very sociable, and mobile - you have itchy feet, both physically and mentally. Nobody gets bored with you because you are always planning things and suggesting excursions, at least... when you are around and not already gone on a trip! Obviously, so many movements for one man may scare people off, and some of them may even criticize your brutality or your tendency to loose your temper, but you are so warm and genuine, so expansive, isn't this a good thing? And all the more so, since your sense of humour is overwhelming...

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 4, 3 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.

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

As the 3rd house is one of the most important houses in your chart, communication plays a major role in your life or in your deep motivations: frequent short trips, open-mindedness - which may offset a lack of mutable signs for instance - listening, discussion, interest in learning, knowledge accumulation or long-term studies, etc., are all areas that greatly appeal to you and are part of your daily life.

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 ta within your environment. There is no such things as a good or a bad house, because each area of life necessary in its own way, and we need all of them, if we are to improve spiritually. |  |
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## 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 Aries and your Ascendant is in Sagittarius

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:

Your Sun sign and your Ascendant sign have numerous traits in common. Fiery Aries urges you to spend you energy to assert your presence in the world. You are a born pioneer, or you are just independent. You constantly challenge yourself, and you seldom dither. Your Sagittarius Ascendant influences your instinctive behaviour and prompts you to also meet people, although it does so in a more civilised way than Aries. You come across as an educated, eclectic, and even humanistic person because you strive so hard to open up to the world and people's diversity. You seem to be a traveller fond of both virtual and actual journeys, and you may lack stability. Those who you know you well are aware that, if they scratch the surface, beneath your idealistic and philosophical outward appearance, your warlike Aries Sun is much wilder than your Sagittarius Ascendant.

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

Your natural energy is cut-and-dried. It may prompt you to take the driver's seat wherever you are. Were it not for the strange feeling of sympathy you arouse, you would seem to be arrogant. Charging ahead is not devoid of drawbacks. Your courage and your restlessness may hurt you and cause you to doubt, all of a sudden. As a consequence, your courage, your honesty, your enthusiasm and your straightforwardness may turn into aggressiveness, rebellion and vulnerability that were never suspected. Fortunately, the level of your dynamism is very high and your instinctive and pugnacious side, your particularly profuse energy will not leave you helpless for too long. The fire in your blood will put you back on the saddle towards new stampedes and conquests, as ambitious and glorious as they are perilous.

Because you are born under this sign, you are courageous, honest, enthusiastic, dynamic, swift, extroverted, straightforward, effusive, warm, impulsive, adventurous, bold, martial, competitive, but you may also be gullible, domineering, self-centered, impatient, foolish, thoughtless, childish, irascible, reckless, primary and a blunderer.

In love, Sir, more often than not, your passions are strong and varied. Far from being roadblocks, obstacles have a stimulating effect. You like quick victories and your love life is a series of conquests and of break-ups, as boredom often puts an end to the initial love that made you move mountains.

Your sexuality is powerful and prevails over feelings. You may marry early or on impulse, but it does not prevent you from having a rich and varied love life. Usually, you have few children.

## Your Ascendant is in Sagittarius

Psychologically speaking, your nature is extroverted and independent, oriented towards expansion and sociability. You have the soul of a leader, energetic and active. Your charisma and your drive are fully integrated into the collective life. Indeed, as an action-oriented fire sign, you challenge yourself and you succeed in accomplishing the task straight away. Sagittarius is hard to follow because his spirit and his independent mind constantly prompt him to go further and higher.

As you are born under this sign, you are charismatic, fiery, energetic, likeable, benevolent, tidy, jovial, optimistic, extroverted, amusing, straightforward, demonstrative, charming, independent, adventurous, straightforward, bold, exuberant, freedom-loving. But you may also be irascible, selfish, authoritarian, inconsistent, unfaithful, brutal, unreliable, reckless, tactless or unpleasant.

In love, Sir, you are the mobile fire that consumes everything in your way. You are constantly in love, you are passionate and your energy and your extroversion create a love life that could fit a serialized novel: mobile and changing, you are not the man of a single woman, at least until you find the person who resists you and who arouses a love powerful enough to tame you.

Your need for freedom and independence is so strong that it is difficult for you to settle down. Many break-ups are caused by a feeling of smothering, when your love of the moment becomes too demanding. However, since you are also unstable, you often patch up as if nothing had happened and you will be forgiven: this paradox comes from your explosive mixture comprising ardour, energy, benevolence and fickleness.

Similarly to the way in which you run your business, you will settle down when you reach your forties or

your fifties. You become a good husband and a good father, well acquainted with the rules of your society, full of contentment and joy. Your home will provide the room you need so that you do not feel imprisoned.

## The ruler of your chart is in Scorpio

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, Émile Zola, is Jupiter. It is posited in the sign of Scorpio and makes you appreciate mysteries and the unknown. You need to understand, to solve riddles, and to take action behind the scenes, perhaps so as to be even more efficient. Your criticising skill is a weapon, but it may also backfire on you, just like your sometimes excessive obstinacy.

## Aspects to your Ascendant

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

## ★★★★★ Moon sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb -0° 15'

Sometimes, Émile Zola, your sensitivity clashes with the image you want to project. As a result, you may feel vulnerable and suffer if you let yourself be disheartened. Try to put things into perspective and to confront your emotions without fearing your external image. This is how you can compensate for this minor dissonance between the Moon and your Ascendant.

## \*\*\* Pluto sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb 0° 29'

Pluto is in dissonance with your Ascendant, Émile Zola. You may be slightly aggressive and at the same time, mysterious or impossible to understand, to people's eyes. You are sensitive, instinctive, and you feel everything more deeply than anyone else. Be careful that this feature does not mark your behaviour with too unsociable a note. Indeed, it would be a pity since the forces at work within you can be easily controlled and turned into assets if you care to stand back. Detecting other people's weaknesses is fine. But don't misuse this ability!

#### > Neptune quintile Ascendant, orb -0° 28'

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, Émile Zola. 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 temperament is impulsive, Émile Zola, you are fond of instant thrills and you do not like to wait because you grow weary quickly. With you, things must keep moving fast! Your vivid imagination triggers enthusiasm, audacity and independence because you need to undertake and to achieve. You do not fear to be defeated and, far from slowing you down, rivalry and struggle have a stimulating effect. Because of your sensitivity all on edge, you are irascible and unpredictable: it is easy to unwillingly get you started and this makes your life a bit difficult with the family and with friends. You are perceived as an impatient person, short-tempered, whimsical, unstable and even, aggressive, and people think that you don't take your entourage's needs into account. However, you may also be warm, ready to help and to comfort whenever you are able to control your impulsiveness. You must not be worried about losing your identity when you listen more to your close friends...

Your family, your home and often your mother, Émile Zola, have a strong emotional importance. You feel attached to your roots and the intimate surroundings in which you live are essential; you are deeply fulfilled by this continuous source of affective charges: your home and private life are sacred for you, and you can feel very uncomfortable or unsafe if you are deprived of your haven of peace.

Paradoxically, the Tradition indicates that you are predisposed to frequent home moves.

## ★★★★★ Moon conjunction Pluto, orb 0° 45'

You are a riddle for people... and for yourself. This harmonious Moon-Pluto aspect arouses your desire to understand and to express elements hidden in your unconsciousness. You are interested in the occult, in laws that rule beings and things in the dark. You like to pull strings and to manipulate situations without people's knowledge in order to remain mysterious. You feel fine when you are not in the limelight, but you intervene in the dark, with subtlety. Your intimate behaviour reveals the distance that you strive to keep in order to protect your inner life. You gladly cultivate the angel of the bizarre, even in your life habits and in your daily rhythms.

## \*\*\*\* Moon conjunction Mars, orb 3° 08'

Your vivid imagination goes hand in hand with you desire to make your dream come true and to struggle, so as to remain true to yourself. You easily mobilize your energy and your resources. This harmonic Moon-Mars aspect indicates the will to keep your intimate balance under all circumstances. You thrive in action; you court danger, particularly when your regular environment is endangered. In the private sphere, you exhibit complete straightforwardness. This planetary configuration allows you to quickly get back on your feet within a new context. You adapt well to unprecedented situations. Your capacity to integrate events rapidly can only increase your adaptation abilities.

#### \*\*\* Sun conjunction Moon, orb 4° 15'

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

## \*\*\*\* Moon trine Saturn, orb -4° 12'

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 sextile Neptune, orb 3° 13'

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

#### \*\*\*\* Moon inconjunction Jupiter, orb 0° 03'

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

## ★★★★★ Moon semi-sextile Uranus, orb -0° 2'

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

## Your Affectivity

In your chart, the Sun is in Aries and Venus, in Pisces. Paradoxical association: the enthusiasm and the

spring freshness of the Aries Sun echo the subtlety and the distance of a Piscean Venus. Your aspirations (solar), prompt you to be carried away by your heart impulses and to exchange with spontaneity ... but your desires (Venusian) obey different rules that are elusive, and sometimes, irrational. Between the beginning and the end, the frontier is often tenuous and the balance is fragile. Your affective behaviour may seem disconcerting because you can abruptly shift from enthusiasm to renunciation. This is because your senses do not follow your ideals, because your desires do not match the patterns that appeal to you, as sincere as they may be. Your loved one does not necessarily resemble the conceptualized ideal you dream of. Attraction – or repulsion – is based on ineffable impressions that short-lived and sudden impulses cannot erase nor construct. Although you may show a certain naivety, your senses quickly discriminate between the one-night-stand illusory enthusiasm and the essential harmony without which two persons drift apart, sooner or later. Love is not simple! And if it were, indifference would rapidly triumph over the wildest feelings.

Compassion and self-sacrifice: you are fond of this romantic mode and you are willing to express your feelings, the intensity of which is unlimited, Émile Zola. With excitement and imagination, you dream your amorous relationships as much as you actually live through them. The line between the concrete world and your huge hopes is so tenuous that you don't know anymore where it is, although your particularly rich sensuality prompts you to experience your feelings concretely. You want to share communion and passion with your partner. The lyrical flights of your feelings break from your heart as waves that you do not attempt to control because they give you a real, almost voluptuous and carnal joy. You give a lot – sometimes too much - without reservation, almost without propriety, totally revealing your vulnerability during your amorous exchanges because you are sure of the quality and the might of your feelings: they are so powerful and overwhelming that you are aware that nothing can resist them.

With such a configuration, Émile Zola, you are inclined to scattering regarding the expression of your feelings which can easily get carried away in your multiple relationships or within your surroundings. The medium to express your feelings often consists in shared interests for cultural, journalistic or scientific knowledge and frequent short trips. In a way, they lead you to open up more easily, may be because you want to ensure that you don't commit yourself more seriously than you really wish to. Correspondences are high on your agenda, ranging from exchanging letters, via the Internet - oh virtuality...! - to telephone talks. Indeed, you tremendously enjoy communicating in this superficial and a bit distant fashion where you know best how to open up and blend love and friendship without asking yourself too many questions. You are sometimes a SMS champion, always happy with changes and thoughtlessness. For you, undertaking a sole commitment is near to impossible....

## \*\*\*\* Venus conjunction Uranus, orb 4° 09'

Your charm lies in the originality of your approach to love and in your uncompromising attitudes. Your motto? Freedom of love, whatever the price! Should your sentimental life become dull, you find a solution: you are romantic and you reinvent your couple's life, you give a new and unexpected momentum to your emotions. You create the kind sharpness that contributes to your exceptional affective life. You do not fear love at first sight or blazing passions. On the affective plane, you know where you are heading for, whom you love ... or love not. There is an indisputable intransigence. The heart impulses are irrevocable and implacable. You dream of a sentimental life that fulfils your aspirations and you use all possible means to achieve your ideal. Even though you may have to make the necessary sacrifices.

## \*\*\*\* Venus trine Jupiter, orb -3° 45'

Charm and seduction are your assets. This harmonious Venus-Jupiter aspect favours your affective fulfilment and your sentimental well being. You earn your entourage's sympathy thanks to your conciliating sensitivity, your desire to please and your behaviour in society. In many circumstances, you arouse esteem and consideration – essential values to you. You like social whirls, life in society, the aesthetics and the arts. You often tend to look for the easy way out in your business and your affective relationships. You are known as a complacent person. However, your amorous commitments may be quite superficial. It is important that, without breaking the spell, you opt for a more genuine attitude, respectful of your essential desires. As we all know it, love cannot be bought. An indication of balance: because you are aware that compromises are necessary for a love affair to endure, better than anyone else, you know how to maintain harmony in love.

#### ★★★★★ Sun semi-sextile Venus, orb -0° 27'

This aspect gives a strong concern about the image you project. You pay a lot of attention to the impression you make and to the charm you exude. You need to know that you can rely on your seduction capacity and earn the liking of your entourage. What people think is important to you and you try to meet your close friends' expectations. You certainly want to please them, but above all, you need their attention. You are seeking pleasure, esteem and affection. But ideals and desires make up a whole: you can be at your best only with those who naturally attract you and for whom you have an esteem that is independent from facts. Your feelings are a response to your quest of the absolute: the persons you find likeable are adopted. Other people are rejected irrevocably! Your character is very affective and it constitutes an asset in many circumstances. Your capacity to seduce, to gain support and to earn esteem is above average. The only danger may be that you abide by the current fashion and trend more than by your own motivations and by what is essential, for the sake of appearances.

#### ★★★★★ Venus semi-sextile Neptune, orb -0° 35'

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

Impulsive, impatient, quick and energetic? You? Yes of course, Émile Zola. You are courageous and able to make intense and huge efforts for a short while; and what a terrific rhythm! In sport, of course, or in your sexuality, you are not the type who ponders, you take action instinctively, "in a rough and ready way". You are outspoken, you do not worry about other people's opinion and you do not allow them to slow you down or to judge you. You must succeed or fall apart. You cannot be bothered with diplomacy or with compromises. You are too straightforward and unyielding to waste time with finesse or shrewdness. This is what makes you charming because, with you, one always knows where one stands.

It is in the private sphere that your capacities for action are felt, Émile Zola. When you are outside, at work or elsewhere, you do not like to show your true self.

But as soon as you are at home, no doubt, you almost shift identity. You become active and full of energy. You enhance your family environment, you upgrade your personal projects, and you want to take the driver's seat! If not, you move about, and you show your authority, sometimes a bit forcefully.

You are as conciliating and gentle outside as you are inflexible and authoritarian at home. Things had better be moving, or else!

#### ★★★★★ Mars conjunction Pluto, orb 2° 23'

You have a very personal way of taking action and of experiencing confrontations and struggles. The laws of the world are subtle, often with complex and hidden mechanisms. For these reasons, you prefer to act behind the scenes rather than openly. You manage your daily life in a distant and subtle fashion while you try to understand the logic underlying observed facts. You may also provoke events although you act as if you were not concerned. Your interventions will be as efficient as they are discreet. You may secretly transform your life and you live through the inexpressible motivations that connect you with the invisible realm. Things, which cannot be formulated, must be experimented and felt. You test experiences that your entourage find uninteresting and meaningless.

## \*\*\*\* Mars trine Saturn, orb -1° 03'

Persistent action always bears fruit eventually. All that is needed is patience... A quality you have, undoubtedly. As confrontations become unavoidable, you show strong persistence and indisputable perseverance. Potential obstacles are more stimulating to you than they are discouraging. You are naturally fit for effort and for confronting realities and facts. You quickly overcome difficulties and you respond to crises in an efficient and considerate manner. You are enduring. You handle events with rigour and precision. These are valuable qualities nowadays, for they often come with the capacity to undertake adventurous experiences and to take limited risks!

#### \*\* Sun conjunction Mars, orb 7° 24'

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

## Your Intellect and Your Communication Style

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

you do not walk headlong, and later, be forced to reverse back as a result, a situation you do not appreciate too much.

It is usually in the private sphere that you can communicate and think for your best interests, Émile Zola. Your family is very important to you, and your intellectual interests incline you towards real estate matters, asset management, family business, etc.

You may also work at home, and in any case, you are generally more outgoing when you are in a safe and private environment. When you are outside, you come across as unobtrusive, either because you don't pay much attention to events that are not directly related to you, or because you are just shy and on the defensive when it comes to worldly things or public domain.

## ★★★★★ Mercury conjunction Mars, orb 0° 49'

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

## \*\*\*\*\* Mercury trine Saturn, orb -0° 14'

Your vision of the world is rigorous and objective. An exemplary logic characterizes your mental attitude and your human relations. Your discerning faculties overlook no detail. You need to know the whys of your life and to explore the backstage of your surrounding world. The deepness of your relations dismisses superficial connections. It may be the reason why your interest is aroused when you are in touch with elements that are alien to your mode of functioning. You have the soul of a researcher, regardless of the form that your investigations may take. It may be an exacerbated curiosity for human topics or a will to understand relationship stakes. It may also be a hobby or a course of study that introduces you to a riddle. It does not matter! Life is a perpetual quest for the unknown. Your critical mind is highly developed and you take commonplaces for granted only after thorough consideration.

## \*\*\*\* Mercury conjunction Pluto, orb 3° 12'

Gullibility does not belong to the collection of your faults! You have a good grasp of human mechanisms and you easily detect flaws, calculations and hidden motivations. Human relations are subtle, never black or white, always complex. You often speak in riddles or in negations and you prefer to use the ambiguous language of symbols rather than the simplistic clarity of words. In this way, you fuel your mystery. On the relationship plane, your strength lies in the delicate art of highlighting flaws, detecting what destabilizes the enemy or, on the contrary, identifying what is relevant to your friends. You are more interested in what is concealed than in what is openly said. More often than not, you exercise an indisputable clear-sightedness.

## \*\*\*\*\* Moon conjunction Mercury, orb 3° 58'

Curiosity is part of your nature. You perceive everything with sharp acuity. You increase your attempts to establish connections and to exchange opinions and information, particularly when you are in a familiar and intimate context. When this configuration is well integrated, it underlines the multi-faceted nature of the mobility that defines your behaviour and your living conditions and endows you with strong

adaptation abilities. You also show a remarkable gift for improvisation and you pick up the quality of the atmosphere so swiftly that you get off any tricky situations. However, you must keep your adaptation capacity under control because when it is overdeveloped, it may become an agent for instability.

## xxxxx Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 8° 13'

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.

## Your Goals, Motivations, Career, and Destiny

## Your Sun is posited in the 4th House

Unless salient factors indicate otherwise, Émile Zola, your nature is not very extroverted and your tendency is to keep to yourself emotions that may run very deep. Your will prompts you to create some sort of security, or cocoon, around you.

You are deeply attached to your family and to your initial home. You need this cosy and warm atmosphere, your parents' love and your family security, and later you reproduce them in your adult's home. Such strong bonds with your family and your home benefit your self-assertion as they combine professional efforts with presence at home. Working at home is particularly suitable, as are, indirectly, professions related to genealogy or even more, to real estate, because you are comfortable with the security aspects of the places you visit.

Your father often plays a major role, possibly an excessive one, with the danger that he may smother your desire for freedom and autonomy and contribute to aggravate your already strong natural introversion.

You are what is called belated and it is mainly during the second part of your life that you can concretely and efficiently exercise your will. Your assets lie in your determination to build a stable and comfortable home. However, family conflicts may exist and you may quarrel with your father over authority matters or over your projects; later, you may even undergo this sort of troubles in your own home if you are not flexible enough.

## The ruler of your chart is in the 12th 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 12th House, Émile Zola. Your private and inner life is of utmost importance to you. "To have a happy life, live unexposed" is a proverb that you can apply to yourself. You are particularly fond of quietness, and sometimes even of solitude. You steer clear of agitation and

hubbub, and you prefer to dedicate yourself to values you deem essential, without making any noise.

## 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 conjunction Pluto, orb 5'

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

## \*\*\* Sun sextile Neptune, orb -1° 02'

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

## \*\*\* Saturn square Midheaven, orb -4° 22'

Saturn is in dissonance with your Midheaven, Émile Zola. Of course, nothing really serious is to be feared. It is just that sometimes, you feel that an unfair slowness keeps on delaying the achievements you deem that you deserve right now. You must work twice as hard to climb up the rungs of success, and above all, you must not get disheartened. Effort is one of the values you must work on, and it is a punishment by no means. It is obvious that your goals are achievable, but you must remain on the right track and show perseverance. That's all!

## \*\*\*\* Uranus opposite Midheaven, orb -8° 13'

Uranus is in opposition to your Midheaven, Émile Zola. Strictly speaking, this is not a dissonance since it is at the same time a conjunction with your Imum Coeli which symbolises your roots, your family, the home where you were born, as well as the home you set up. Since he symbolises deep changes, Uranus brings about repeated and continuous changes in your private life. It does not mean changing partner, but home moving, new human environment, removals, dwelling in very different places, and experiencing unexpected lifestyles. These areas are the ones most affected by changes, which is not the case for the professional plane, although in some circumstances, both are linked of course.

#### ★★★★★ Sun trine Saturn, orb -8° 28'

This aspect indicates a firm and discreet will, a rigorous and objective character. You are clear-sighted, particularly in difficult situations. You enjoy the moments of calm and solitude during which you can review your life at will. Your judgments are enduring and often extremist. You are outraged by injustice and inconsistency. When a problem arises, you do not take the easy way out with short-term solutions,

on the contrary, you strive to solve the issue thoroughly. Better than anyone else, you challenge yourself, you review your choices and your attitudes. This is the reason why you are capable of handling crises and of overcoming any obstacle that requires an in-depth and relevant response. You may lack spontaneity but your behaviour reveals your wisdom. When you are facing an issue, you put forward the good question, to others, but also to yourself.

## Your Assets and Your Part of Joviality

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

Although Nature's nudge in the right direction is not spectacular here, Émile Zola, it is very real, nonetheless. Your sense of dedication, your generosity, and your compassion are developed to such an extent that they often enable you to happily find fulfilment in non-mediatized areas such as humanitarian work and charities. Your human qualities are strongly favoured when you strive in obscurity, discretion and silence. Your reward is a life that is rich and not limited to material contingencies.

The planet Jupiter symbolizes expansion, broadness and generosity. Jupiter is associated with the functions of synthesis, enthusiasm and optimism. In your natal chart, his house position is more important than his sign position because, like Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto, he is a slow planet. Many people born in the same period have Jupiter in the same sign. This is the reason why the sign occupied here is less meaningful than when it is occupied by the so-called fast planets, i.e. the Sun, the Moon, Mercury, Venus and Mars. Therefore, some caution is to be exercised as you read what follows.

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

## **Your Serious Side**

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

Solemnity, seriousness and discipline are your keywords, Émile Zola. It is difficult for you to relax, and it is most likely that at the beginning of your life, you are shy, quite introspective, and distant. You may be worried even though you have no reasons to do so. Your doubts may be overwhelming to the extent that they affect your vitality.

As time goes by, thanks to your strong will, your serious side becomes an asset for your success. You learn spontaneity, risk-taking, and lightness, and you are less concerned with the image you project because, in your heart of hearts, there already are hindsight, solemnity, and some sort of wisdom!

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

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

## **A Few Special Points**

## Your Uniqueness and Your Utopias

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

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

## Your Inspiration and Your Illusions

Your relationship to money is particularly vague. You tend to avoid analyzing your financial resources, as though this topic were neither important nor real. You belong to the category of people who never know how much they have in their bank account and in their purse.

This approach is positive in that, if you have a strong sixth sense, you can get good bargains more easily than other people... It may be some sort of blindfolded fortune, although there are real dangers of losing a lot and of being deceived.

Beware not to overstep legal boundaries, lest someday your carelessness in the financial area gets you into big troubles. It would be a pity if what you earned, thanks to your sixth sense, were taken away from you.

## Your Passion and Your Authority

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

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

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

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

## Your Isolated Planets

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

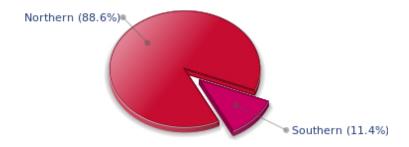
## Your Planetary Repartitions: Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western Hemispheres

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

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

In your birth chart, Émile Zola, the ten main planets are distributed as follows:

## Your Northern and Southern Hemispheres



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

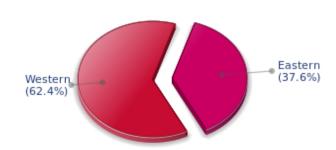
The birth chart is divided into two other parts, Eastern and Western, by the axis linking the Midheaven

to the Imum Coeli.

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

Émile Zola, 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, Émile Zola: more concerned about actions than reflection, you sometimes rush without standing back and without the deepness that is needed. However, your spontaneity prompts you to take fresh starts, even after repeated failures caused by your rashness.

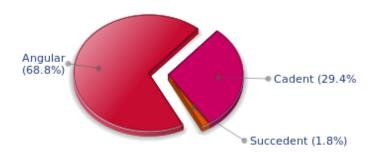
#### Your Houses' Accentuations

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

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

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

## Your Houses' Accentuations



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

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

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

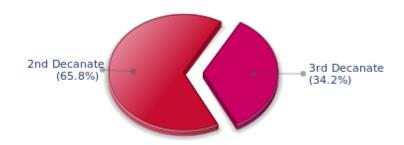
#### Your Esoteric Decanates

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

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

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

#### Your Esoteric Decanates



The second decanate, which means the part between 10° and 20° of any zodiacal sign, prevails in your natal chart, Émile Zola: these 10 zodiacal degrees emphasize logical thought and mental values. Therefore, you may be drawn to some kind of scientific activities, research, writing or any sort of expression where you have to... think a lot.

## **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 doings indicate the challenge to dedicate an important part of yourself to devotion and abnegation. Life imposes a few sacrifices on you, whether agreed upon (and voluntarily taken up) or imposed by daily vagaries. Very early you showed a sharp critical sense and your attitudes were rational, logical and reasonable, although individidualistic. As time goes by, you learn to make concessions and to offer an essential part of yourself so as to outgrow the "every man for himself" principle. Ordeals are meaningful: people may not respond to your games and your entourage may thwart your plans and your ambitions... You may need to achieve the "old souls" detachment, those beings who have learnt that only essentials are to be kept – inner life or survival- and who know that this world "petty things" are vain. Better than anyone else, you cope with situations of crisis because, whatever the circumstances, there is a hidden spiritual dimension and a springboard for evolution. You will slowly get to know the art of accepting things without going back on what you have said or done. Compassion and altruism become the central theme of your life.

The Lunar Nodes highlight all types of discoveries and explorations. There is a strong desire for travels, whether actual trips or spiritual, inner ones. Since your childhood, you are particularly interested in unlimited spaces and total freedom. You never trusted smothering attachments and you always allow your thoughts and actions a free hand. The danger is that your life may be unstable because you so badly need to evolve and to discover... Life is an eternal quest of something else, some vital but hidden dimension that is beyond you. Therefore, it is difficult for you to blossom when your family or work environment is routine. However, it is important that you control you wild tendency (the other side of the coin of the wonderful freedom of thought): life requires more sociability. It does not mean that you must accept a conformism that is too far from your inner aspirations. More than other people, you need to develop your relations, your exchanges and your dialogues. In this regard, your destiny is marked by communication.

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

#### 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 12th house: it is when you face difficult situations that you give of your best. Ordeals have a stimulating effect on you, once the first moment of bitterness or of despondency is gone. Life hardships make you stronger and make you grow. You can better than anyone else shift cycles or lines of conduct: you are detached from events and you give them their inner and spiritual dimension. You challenge yourself and you evolve according to the obstacles laid on your path. Your destiny is particularly influenced by altruism, dedication and renunciation. Your spiritual progression may take precedence over your everyday constraints: source of ordeals, but above all, of inner growth. Life is a perpetual initiation and a quest beyond the invisible.

#### 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 in not oriented towards personal prestige. With subtlety, you integrate non-material values and you accept well the fact that you missed past opportunities.

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

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.