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Introduction

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

Paul, born April 6, 1969, at 11:40 AM, Passaic Park (Passaic), New Jersey [74.08W ; 40.52N ; 5W00]

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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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⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Moon conjunction Mars, orb 6° 07'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Moon conjunction Neptune, orb 9° 51'
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⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Mercury conjunction Venus, orb 5° 33'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Mercury trine Mars, orb -0° 03'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Mercury sesqui-quadrate Neptune, orb 0° 55'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Mercury conjunction Midheaven, orb 2° 4'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Venus trine Mars, orb 5° 29'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Venus conjunction Saturn, orb 7° 13'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Venus square Ascendant, orb 7° 46'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Venus conjunction Midheaven, orb 8° 13'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Mars sesqui-quadrate Saturn, orb 2° 17'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Mars quintile Uranus, orb 1'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Mars sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb 1° 43'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Mars trine Midheaven, orb -2° 44'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Jupiter inconjunction Saturn, orb 2° 07'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Jupiter sextile Ascendant, orb 1° 33'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Saturn square Ascendant, orb 0° 33'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Uranus sextile Ascendant, orb 3° 43'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Neptune trine Ascendant, orb 0° 44'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Neptune sesqui-quadrate Midheaven, orb -1° 45'
⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Pluto sextile Ascendant, orb -4° 25'

Meaning of Stars

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Your Planetary Repartitions**

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

![Your Four Quadrants](image)

Paul, the diurnal South-eastern quadrant, consisting of the 10th, 11th and 12th houses, prevails in your chart: assertion and goals achievement are at the centre of your concerns. You are very keen to implement your dreams and your plans. You achieve your ambitions as soon as possible, whether through an active social life, highly charged friendly relations, or an urge to take actions in order to reap - in the eyes of the world, of course - the rewards of your dynamism. It is likely that spirituality or humanitarian actions are part of your motivations, sometimes at the price of some degree of isolation.
Your Dominant Modes and Elements

Paul, here are the graphs of your Elements and Modalities, based on planets' position and angles in the twelve signs:

Your Four Elements

Paul, 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, Paul. 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 9.35% 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 4.70% 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

Paul, 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.

Paul, here is the evaluation diagramme for your planets:
The three planets that are most highlighted in your chart are Mercury, the Sun and Mars.

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.

One of the dominant planets in your natal chart is the Sun. He symbolizes will, magnetism, sense of honour and dignity. You are a Solar being, and you often display charismatic and leadership qualities. Your warmth and your persuasive power lead you far away from pettiness. You enjoy thinking big and, consequently, you move forward according to what you decide.

Your Solarian weakness may be related to the sin of pride or to excessive authority. The frontier between pride and vanity is tenuous: be careful not to overstep it and to keep the nobleness of heart that is part of your charm.

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.

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 Cancer. 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 lose 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...

Cancer is one of your dominant signs and endows you with imagination and exceptionally shrewd sensitivity. Although suspicious at first sight - and even at second...- as soon as you get familiar with people and let them win your confidence, your golden heart eventually shows up, despite your discretion and your desire for security that make you return into your shell at the slightest alert! Actually, you are a poet and if you are sometimes blamed for your nostalgia and your laziness, it is because your intense inner life is at full throttle...
Houses 10, 5 and 3 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 a prominent 10th house, your destiny's achievement may be very notable: the 10th house represents your career, your public life, and your ambitions. A good deal of your energy may thus be used to successfully implement what you have in mind. Instinctively, you are very keen to make your dreams come true. Sooner or later, you will deal with the public, and your personal achievement will go through trials and ordeals: other people and visible actions.

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

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.
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 Cancer

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

This combination is not too comfortable, but it is interesting. With your Cancer Ascendant, your instinctive reaction is to remain cautious whenever you face unfamiliar situations, and watch for anything that might throw you off balance. You try to keep the situation under control, and you avoid unnecessary risks. The boldness and the headbutts of your Aries Sun are toned down by fears when you deem that the final outcome may not be meaningful enough. You are ambivalent and moody, with an imagination which often bolts and supports your clear-cut decisions, or on the contrary thwart them if paranoia is involved. These two signs tend to assert themselves, though they do so in quite different ways. Owing to your Cancer Ascendant, when people meet you for the first time, they notice your outwards appearance which is protective and caring, and that you use your vindictive crab's claws only
in case of vexations. When people get to know you better, they see that beneath this facade, your Aries Sun endows you with a much tougher personality. This discrepancy may scare away a few people!

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 Cancer

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

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

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

Tenderness is more important than sexuality, even though it is also an agent for security and for stability. You tremendously appreciate to be again the spoiled child that you used to be, as you savour tasty little dishes or as you receive the frequent praises you need in order to feel reassured.
You are sheltered from tragedies and life complications because at the very moment when a difficult situation emerges, you nip it in the bud either by ignoring it or by withdrawing into your shell quietly, until the storm subsides.

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

**The ruler of your chart is in Sagittarius**

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, Paul, is the Moon. It is posited in the sign of Sagittarius and gives you a strong inclination for the open sea and for freedom. Loyal and benevolent, you put things into perspective, and you understand the true value of things, perhaps precisely because you travel - whether actually or mentally - and that stepping back from your intimate environment enables you to better perceive what is important and worthy.

**Aspects to your Ascendant**

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

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Saturn square Ascendant, orb 0° 33'

This hard aspect between Saturn and your Ascendant may bring about a lack of self-confidence and some inhibitions in your behaviour, in people's eyes, Paul. Therefore, you must have trust in yourself and you must not be taken away into the spiral of doubts with its usual consequences, which are to hide away, or on the contrary and as a compensation, to overdo. Please, keep in mind that all this is highly subjective, and that in most cases, if you fully understand it, you can gradually overcome this slight restraint, and even turn it into strength. This is how you can keep your self-esteem and transform your prudence into... an asset.

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Neptune trine Ascendant, orb 0° 44'

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, Paul. 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.

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Jupiter sextile Ascendant, orb 1° 33'

Jupiter in soft aspect with your Ascendant naturally endows you with a reassuring, calm, and benevolent side, Paul. You honour your commitments without qualms, and thanks to your heart of gold and your generosity, your behaviour is protective and nice. You like to please other people, and whenever it is possible, you enjoy finding compromise solutions to all problems.
Uranus sextile Ascendant, orb 3° 43'
Uranus is in soft aspect with your Ascendant, Paul. Although your behaviour is original, nonconformist, and free, it is not unpleasant. On the contrary, this facet of your personality is sometimes considered by other people as endearing and unpredictable, in the good sense of the word. One never gets bored in your company because you are often found where you are not expected, whether regarding your ideas, your lifestyle or the way you react. You possess the charm independent and free persons are endowed with!

Pluto sextile Ascendant, orb -4° 25'
Pluto, the planet of instinct and secret, is in soft aspect with your Ascendant, Paul. It endows you with exceptional lucidity, which enables you to behave in society in an appropriate, though slightly scathing and domineering way. You exploit your nose and your magnetism, and you do so very successfully!

Mars sesqui-quadrate Ascendant, orb 1° 43'
When Mars is in dissonance with the Ascendant, Paul, in some particular circumstances, it may translate into hastiness, and even hostility on your part, which your entourage may not understand. You have audacity galore, but it is up to you to show alertness, so that you don’t come across as a short-tempered person unable of self-control.

Venus square Ascendant, orb 7° 46'
In certain circumstances, Paul, you tend to adopt an attitude that is not necessarily in line with your real emotions. This discrepancy between your behaviour and your feelings, caused by Venus, may disconcert the people you mix with. Have self-confidence, don’t be too pushy or... withdrawn, and forget your fears. Then, people can have a better perception of your personality, and you can harvest the fruits of your efforts.
Your Sensitivity

Your nature is optimistic and emotional, Paul, and you are caught up in two incompatible longings: you are fond of exoticism and independence of movement, but at the same time, you feel comfortable in a form of middle-class attitude and conformism; in general, it translates into a succession of moods, now quiet and well adapted to the situations you experience, now marked by an irresistible desire for change and revival. You have a good and naïve nature, with a lot of self-confidence. Your emotionalism prompts you to live intensely a variety of numerous emotional experiences, a bit scattered, but with all the stimulations you need to be a balanced person. Your pleasant and welcoming attitude wins you some degree of popularity, all the more so because, despite your thirst for adventures that may scare away some people, you adjust to your environment's customs so easily.

Entertainments, hobbies and parties, love affairs, holidays, here are the areas where you express best your emotions, Paul. You like children's company, your popularity is often good and you use it in order to increase the number of your encounters in order to see your seductive power.

You are often endowed with artistic creativity. Art is a good outlet for all these gushing and fluctuating emotions that must be released at the slightest external stimulation.

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Moon conjunction Mars, orb 6° 07'

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.

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Moon conjunction Neptune, orb 9° 51'

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

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Sun trine Moon, orb 8° 29'

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

In your chart, the Sun and Venus are both in Aries. Love is a process of constant renewal... You are an Aries to your fingertips and you respond to new impulses, to the freshness of first times, to encounters and to new situations. Even when your couple has reached some degree of longevity! Better than anyone else, you revive amorous feelings and you reinvent the passion of the first moments. You need to regularly create or re-create an atmosphere full of fieriness, discoveries and excitement. The danger may be that you come up against the unavoidable inertia of a life together and that you are at odds with its daily vicissitudes. Indeed, you cannot accept that love wears out, slowly and inexorably... However, you do not let erosion overwhelm you and to that end, you provoke as many storms and tumults as necessary! Your spontaneity attracts as much as it may exhaust. It is hard to quench the thirst for emotions that your affectivity lives on! Obviously, your sentimental life cannot be dull: exciting or inexistent, strong or absent, love must retain the unyielding and so exciting nature of first times. The keys to a lasting relationship lie in the ability to find with your partner the means to reinvent the initial shock, the thunderbolt that made you fall in love on the first day.

Love at first sight, flash in the pan, amorous impulsiveness? All these are part of your way of loving or to fall in love, Paul. Throughout your relationship, you maintain this kind of jerky and lively style, that may seem childish or naïve, but that is so generous and cheerful! You are undeniably possessive and you are not concerned with your partner's opinion but, fortunately, you readily forgive because of your spontaneity and your authenticity. When your relationship is intense, everything is fine. There is no romanticism, no complications with you. You love with ardour and, except for a few crazes and opportunities for new pastures here and there, the only danger may be that boredom settles in. In that case, you leave without regret and you quickly forget what consumed you, not so long ago.

If there are no tense aspects with other planets in your chart, this configuration suggests that you are prone, Paul, to create a link between your career and the sentimental area, even though it may come under various guises: you may be in favour with women in general and enjoy their support as you climb the social ladder and you achieve success more quickly making use of your charm and of your seductive ability. Sometimes, you may mingle love and career (or marriage), thus combining business with pleasure and indeed even... with your destiny. In other cases, you will be interested in Venusian occupations such as the arts, aesthetics, decoration, luxury trade or diplomacy. Whatever your activity, you will appreciate it tremendously and you will feel very much at ease. You will enjoy affective popularity and consequently, an aura of the luck of the devil that can propel you to the top or, at least, to where you dream of being. You are often a perfectionist and the careful zeal you dedicate to the attainment of your objectives greatly contributes to their achievement. Never do you forget them, and nothing pleases you more than to rub shoulders with important people in the higher spheres of diplomacy, politics or business. You love to act as the mediator or the go-between and to have your irresistible charm duly acknowledged and rewarded. According to the Tradition, Venus in the 10th house often indicates that men are strongly attached to their mother and this tie favourably influences their destiny. In some adverse circumstances, you may lack constancy or perseverance in love, or this area may, to some extent, contradict your career objectives, owing to your carelessness. You may be dominated by women, lack authority or you may find yourself doing a balancing act between your love life and your professional life, and being unable to make a choice, thus damaging both.

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ Sun conjunction Venus, orb 3° 07'

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.

★★★★★ Mercury conjunction Venus, orb 5° 33'
This aspect sensitizes you to games of seduction. You like to multiply romantic undertakings, you invent new reasons to seduce or to be seduced. Although your romantic life is not a model of stability, it is full of discoveries, varied emotions, both sensual and cerebral. You know how to earn your entourage’s liking through your acute sensitivity. You play around with feelings, with relationships and with love… Mercury and Venus commonly share the capacity to sensitize to human topics. Your receptivity towards others is high. Your broad-mindedness goes hand in hand with your heart’s generosity. You pay particular attention to the way people look at you and the effect you make when you meet or exchange with someone. Actually, you expect a lot from others: acknowledgement of your qualities, as well as esteem and consideration. You may also be touchy beyond what you may give to think. In many instances, relationship games may turn out to be more serious than expected.

★★★★★ Venus conjunction Saturn, orb 7° 13'
You favour deep feelings and a sincere affective life. In love, you are not content with shams or uncertain compromises. Your couple's relationship is based on mutual trust. You strive to build a lasting link, a true love that complies with your aspirations and your heart of hearts. This harmonious Venus-Saturn aspect indicates wisdom. Inexpressible truth is preferred to appearances. A love affair is an adventure, above all. Discovering the other one, step by step... any relationship takes a fundamental dimension right away. It is relevant to mention a little puff of romanticism and a passionate nature, although quite modest and reserved. You do not commit yourself thoughtlessly! This is a major asset for long lasting love. You are able to question your affective behaviour and to adjust to your significant other. You handle crises quite well and you overcome all the difficulties inherent to amorous rapports.

★★★★★ Venus trine Mars, orb 5° 29'
With this aspect, innate affective behaviours prevail over opportunisms and calculations. You do not cheat with feelings and you prefer to be guided by your likes ... or your dislikes. Love is neither to be reasoned upon nor to be explained. It is important to experience one's passions spontaneously and to give free rein to the heart's tumultuous manifestations as well as to the body's demands. In other words, to be one's true self in the “now”. You need to live intensely, to try all kinds of situations, sometimes to get hurt. Your sensitivity is the driving force behind your decisions and your actions. Real experiences are worth the best intellectual concepts. Spurred by your thirst for emotions, you try to build your life on bases that match your desires. Here, the trap may be that you pay too much attention to your moods and affects. But without them, life would be so dull. Even though emotionalism betrays you occasionally, it remains your best ally.
The Way You Take Action and Your Sexuality

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

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

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

★★★★★ Sun trine Mars, orb 2° 21'
This planetary Sun-Mars aspect reinforces courage, determination and energy. The need for action is obvious. Whatever your will designs is implemented with fieriness, despite all oppositions. You are decisive and wilful, even foolhardy. Your behaviour may be heroic: you know how to face adversity, to stand for your rights and your decisions, regardless of the confrontations you may have to cope with. The only danger may be that you overestimate your chances and your strength. But your audacity turns out to be rewarding, more often that not.

★★★★★ Mars sesqui-quadrate Saturn, orb -2° 17'
Why should you take action? And how? The surrounding world is not to be trusted. Past events have taught you to question simple situations and to intervene after thorough consideration. You are vulnerable to the traps of life, to confrontations and struggles. You may complicate your behaviour at will, often missing your target due to your self-censoring. Your interventions may lack spontaneity. You must overcome your doubts and acquire the certainty that you are able to handle realities and facts. If you make that effort, you can understand that there are many ways to make life simpler for yourself.

★★★★★ Mars quintile Uranus, orb 1'
This harmonious Mars-Uranus aspect indicates an unshakable determination and the will to further your ideas through drastic, sudden, sometimes dramatic actions. You bend the string of your bow before taking action and you hit at the right time. The secret of your feats? An excellent command of your blitz actions. You concoct your plans in the dark, and then you move to an efficient and quick execution step that is often dazzling. You do not have the temperament of a loser. When you face an ordeal, you focus your entire energy and will on your unique aim: victory over any obstacle. This planetary configuration may lead to dangerous, even heroic actions. The danger is that you may over-estimate your strength or your chances for success.
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.

Your lively and conciliating mind is at the service of your career, Paul. Your natural mobility enables you to constantly adjust and to get the positions you want. Your professional achievement is often the result of your ability to understand that the key to success is in changing.

With your extreme flexibility, you may be interested in many simultaneous occupations. In any case, it is unlikely that you remain in the same company or the same sector all your life, unless the said sector is full of variety, human rapports and travels.

🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟 Sun conjunction Mercury, orb 2° 25'

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.

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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...

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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.
Mercury sesqui-quadrate Neptune, orb 0° 55'
With this Mercury-Neptune dissonance, relations may be distorted by the mirages of sensitivity. You have to make an effort to keep your objectivity. If this aspect is not well integrated, it may harm your good evaluation of human stakes. Your intimate beliefs may limit the dialogue, as if a very specific sensitivity prevented true communication. It may be difficult to find the right wording to express fragile and ineffable experiences. Imagination in power is not easy to share and the poetry of your speeches may be beyond your audience's understanding!

Your Goals, Motivations, Career, and Destiny
Your Sun is posited in the 10th House
Paul, your need for assertion is very strong. It is clearly oriented towards the success of your professional or social destiny, or at least, towards an important rise compared to your initial background; your effort, your will and your goals are well defined in your mind; you have a concrete vision of the kind of destiny you are interested in and you do not want to stay on the backstage! Because in traditional astrology, the Midheaven relates to the mother, should other configurations of your chart concur, your mother might favour your ambition or speed up the success of your career.

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

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

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

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

There is also the fearsome and dormant danger of exhilaration of power and its disastrous consequences; hopefully, you do not have to jump into it with both feet. A fair dose of detachment and meditation may spare you many a trouble.
The ruler of your chart is in the 5th 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 5th House, Paul. Your favourite fields include all the pleasures of life: romance, entertainment, gambling, and pastimes. You may also be attracted by creation, whether it is of an artistic, scientific, or cultural nature, depending on your personality. You communicate with great ease with children, and you are naturally fond of them.

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:

🌟🌟🌟🌟🌟 Mercury conjunction Midheaven, orb 2° 4'

With Mercury in conjunction with your Midheaven, Paul, it is obvious that your style of communication and your thinking process reliably serve the interests of your social ascent. The subtlety of your mind works wonders in society. You adapt yourself quickly, which favours your career and your ambitions in general. Your career or your social destiny may be linked to Mercurian values, meaning anything that has to do with communication, exchanges, dexterity, and short trips: journalist, recruiter, writer, television presenter, lawyer, postman, conjurer, juggler, reporter, advertising executive, real estate agent, consultant, etc.

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With the Sun in conjunction with the Midheaven, your will is entirely at the service of your ambitions. With such an aspect, Paul, it is most likely that your destiny is meant to be exceptional, and that you rise to some sort of fame. You may shine in your professional activity, or at least, you may enjoy an enviable social status as early as in the first part of your life. Besides, your profession may have a solar characteristic, which means any occupation with strong glamour, leadership, and personal authority components.

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

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

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With Venus in conjunction with your Midheaven, Paul, it is all your natural warmth, or just your natural way to express your feelings, that is well received in society. This usually enables you to shine with happiness in your professional circles, or to accomplish your social destiny with reliable assets. It may be that a female, or the fair sex in general, favours your career progression and helps you because your
personality arouses spontaneous sympathy. The professions you thrive in are of a Venusian nature, meaning that you deal with the world of beauty, the arts, pleasures, fashion, aestheticism...

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐  Neptune sesqui-quadrate Midheaven, orb -1° 45'
Owing to this dissonance between Neptune and your Midheaven, Paul, you may have difficulties in knowing what you want regarding your professional orientation. Your imagination and your flexibility cause contradictory feelings and sometimes result in indecisiveness. You are doubtful about the path your social or professional destiny should follow. There is definitely nothing serious to worry about. It is just that Neptune represents a heavy emotional burden which you must firmly deal with, so as not to delay your trek towards success!

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐  Jupiter inconjunction Saturn, orb 2° 07'
Jupiter and Saturn form a dissonance in your natal chart. It is far from being horrendous. This planetary configuration, which is deemed somewhere between the individual and collective characteristics, only indicates that your social integration may be delayed, or may encounter a few difficulties. Such slight delays or setbacks often have their origins in your own behaviour. Indeed, since Jupiter represents laws and public life, and Saturn, seriousness and perseverance, in may instances, you may become impatient, or even rebellious to any form of authority or legal constraints, to the extent that you cross the white line... When you face such circumstances, you must resign yourself to listening to reason and accept to wait for your turn, lest... your achievements are even more slowed down by your own haste.

⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐  Sun conjunction Saturn, orb 10° 21'
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 major asset of the planet of Greater Fortune in your chart, Paul, is the increase of your practical sense and of your capacity to create order in your surroundings. You progress easily in your activities and, in most cases, you are efficient, useful and cautious. The danger may be that you do not put yourself in the forefront to reap the rewards of your efforts, especially if the rest of your chart indicates a tendency for introversion or a lack of self-confidence.

Paul, the position of the planet of Greater Fortune in this astrological house brings about easy interpersonal relations, your siblings' love, great communication abilities within your neighbourhood, and pleasant short trips throughout your life.

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 Virgo gives you a talent for work, for practical activities and a higher than average dexterity. You have a strong sense of duty. You are very appreciated in your work environment because you are a perfectionist. The Tradition underlines that all the fields related to health and physical wellbeing are favoured.

Your Serious Side

Your natural fieriness and your impulsiveness are slowed down and well-controlled. You gain in stability, tolerance, and stamina what you lose in spontaneity, competitiveness, and freshness.

Your responsibilities, Paul, constantly increase, slowly, but steadily, as years go by. Your acute sense of duty, your good management of time, your long-term vision, and your moral rigour are the qualities which contribute to your inexorable rise to power with, deep down, odd feelings of anxiety.

With your definite taste for power or for success, you work your way up the top place. But the danger to fall is strong. You need as much persistence to reach the heights of your career, as to... remain there! Many Heads of State have this configuration, at the same time beneficial and a source of potential disappointments if too much importance and energy are dedicated to it. Indeed, climbing to the top should be only one facet of life.

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 Aries decreases your impulsiveness, your primary-ness and your spontaneity. But it endows you with more patience, tolerance and reflection in the long run.

A Few Special Points

Your Uniqueness and Your Utopias

Your mind is agile, curious and mobile, and always on the lookout for things that are out of the ordinary. This stems from your interest in strange or original concepts, or in non-conformist people.
Your trips are unforeseen and you are often present where no one expects you. The only problem is that you may shock your entourage, at least, the most conventional persons, because this aspect of your personality is undoubtedly quite endearing, provided that you do not exceed a certain level of eccentricity, whether in intensity or in volume!

Your Inspiration and Your Illusions

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

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

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

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

Your Passion and Your Authority

Your mind is particularly clear-sighted and, if you are so inclined, you can show creativity in literature because your vision is extremely deep and intuitive.

Your clear-sightedness may be a source of troubles within your entourage or your siblings. Indeed, your penetrating mind may prompt you to say things that you should never utter. You may also show a form of authority that lacks diplomacy when you deal with others.

Your short trips may be surrounded with mystery. In a few rare instances, they may bring about turmoil or on the contrary, happy disruptions.

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
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, Paul, the ten main planets are distributed as follows:

Your Northern and Southern Hemispheres

Paul, the planetary elements of your chart are well balanced between the North and South hemispheres. As a result, your public destiny and your inner life are harmonious, and there is no conflict between your actions and your thoughts. Your private and public spheres coexist in harmony and naturally match your temperament.

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.

Paul, here is the planetary repartition in your Eastern and your Western hemispheres:

Your Eastern and Western Hemisphere:

The predominance of planets in the Eastern hemisphere of your chart enables you, Paul, to assert yourself and to rely on your determination: you know what you want and you have a tendency to take action and to decide with your personal goals as priorities, even if they can be in contradiction with what others think.

A definite asset... provided that you never make mistakes in your choices. You should pay more attention to your entourage in order to counterbalance your nature and to take advantage of your assets wisely. The danger is that you may be too authoritarian and not conciliating enough. Strong determination coupled with flexibility and acute sense of communication are qualities you should develop.

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.

N.B.: this dominant is a minor one. It is not essential that you read its meaning in the beginning. You can get back to them later on, once you have read more important interpretations.
According to the disposition and qualities of your planets and angles, you are rather influenced by Yang energy, the active polarity, Paul: 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.

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Your Houses' Accentuations

Your angular houses, namely, the 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th houses, are very emphasized in your chart, Paul: 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.
The second decanate, which means the part between 10° and 20° of any zodiacal sign, prevails in your natal chart, Paul: 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.

You have obvious sociability qualities. You know better than others how to adjust to a new context and to copy your entourage's behaviour exactly. You do not dissociate yourself from groups or cells (social, family), on the contrary, you frequently adopt flexible attitudes that meet other people's expectations. This may translate into a lack of fighting spirit. You may not dare to go against prevailing fashions and currents. Because you dread unknown situations, you may miss the opportunity to innovate. It is important that you learn to go it alone and to get rid of scruples that hamper your doings: life encourages you to leave aside other people's opinions and, as time goes by, to find your autonomy of thought and action. While keeping your sociable nature, it is important that you develop a sense of individual initiative. In many situations, one can only rely on oneself. In such cases, you have the possibility to achieve the freedom many people dream of, without really giving themselves the means to implement it. Do not allow your entourage to dictate your way of life, over and over again. However, do not fall into the opposite excess: the frenzied individualism of those who value nothing except their own interest! Your life's purpose may be to master your destiny.

Your destiny hinges on spiritual values. Early in life, you developed relationship abilities and you showed a healthy curious mind. You are insatiable when it comes to exchanging new concepts but you limit your horizon line to tangible and useful facts. As time goes by, you feel the desire to leap further and to discover new territories or different philosophies. You may have a growing interest in metaphysics or in religions, or you may travel, so as to keep up with your desire for evolution. Never mind! What is essential is that you never stagnate and that the vagaries of life do not take precedence over your thinking process or your spiritual growth. You dream of getting rid of everyday constraints and of reaching another dimension of life pertaining to large spaces and to ideals. You need to live intensely, to discover again and again. You long for a better world? The danger is that you may get trapped in illusions and utopias. But life would be so dull without an ideal!
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.

Twin relations (those that include your fellow creature, your double) are an object of fascination. You are in quest of your soul mate, your identical being rather than your complement... This attitude brings about exaltations and setbacks: you think that you recognize that special one who really resembles you? Differences, however, grow more painfully as time unfolds. But your search of an absolute relation may also become the cement of a close and privileged couple, impervious to life vagaries.

It is in the humanitarian field that rebellion is best expressed. Your dream is to become the spearhead for a different project of society, the Quixote of altruism. Each individual must be independent, really free to think and to act. Any hindrance to free will makes you indignant! The danger is that you may not tolerate any external constraint. This is probably the price to be paid for a freedom of thought that constitutes the core of your progression.

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 9th house: you live for adventures and you want to go beyond the limits of your abilities with a view to discover new schools of thought. The key to your motivations is travel under all its forms, geographical, spiritual or inner exploration. You need to broaden your field of consciousness, which can be too ambitious a word to describe simple experiences: the taste for foreign or strange cultures, accepting and understanding differences.

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.

Venus retrograding in your natal chart emphasizes love: how did you see yourself when you were a child? You need to accept your identity if you are to fully experience love. As years go by, you learn to better accept your specificities, to open up and to love... What caused your affective problems during adolescence is slowly fading away. There still is a particularly acute sensitivity regarding the affection you receive: a couple relationship needs time to blossom and it is never perfect right from the start. Your problem is that you hardly take a laid-back attitude. Until you are reassured by the attachment of your loved one, you cannot easily express your desires. Wrongly or rightly, you feel that you lacked affection.
during your childhood. Your sentimental balance will be all the more satisfactory as you endeavour to pour out love and tenderness, passion and dedication. You will then respect your own affective patterns and you will arouse the attention that you so badly lacked.

With Jupiter retrograding on the day of your birth, the lesson is about grasping the opportunities that are offered to all of us but that some people take advantage of, while others don't. Persons who quickly adjust to circumstances are more likely to achieve their ambitions than those who need to be encouraged to take action. During your childhood, you may not have efficiently responded to life's concrete enticements, leaving other "luckier" people to achieve what you were dreaming of. You preferred to enjoy yourself, here and now, rather than to look for new paths of development or exploration. It is possible that you were not optimistic enough. Enterprising minds were alien to you... Later, you find out that, indeed, you give little importance to the credit of the frenzied expansion praised by the modern world. Your path is not oriented towards personal prestige. With subtlety, you integrate non-material values and you accept well the fact that you missed past opportunities.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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