

MERCURY CENTERED NATAL REPORT

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Introduction to the Mercury Planet Centered Report

Mercury in his Egyptian form Thoth was the Lord of Words. Communication from Mercury is not always just what we want to hear. However, it generally is just what we need in order to understand the energies of the universe more fully. Carl Jung identified this component of the psyche as the Trickster, one who gets us to shift our attention by throwing out unexpected thoughts and feelings.

The esoteric astrologer calls this process 'harmony through conflict'. The essence of the conflict is the apparent separation of Unity into distinct components. The Magician Mercury speaks:

From my substance all things derive their substance,
And all that hath form
Is built from my four-fold elemental manifestation.
Four are the subtle principles
Which the wise conceal ...
FIRE, WATER, AIR AND EARTH.

- - - From The Book of Tokens, by Paul Foster Case

The Mercury-centered chart herein interpreted addresses your personal connection to Unity, as well as your unique understanding of the elements that comprise that Unity. The chart is composed of the zodiacal signs; the planets; and the aspect patterns formed among the planets. The examination of these factors focuses on the relationships among the planets, addressing the key issues of harmony through conflict, one specific manifestation of communication. You will also find reference to Flores, an asteroid companion of Mercury.

Introduction to Planets

The planets in any chart are the actors. They mirror life for us. Their placement in and movement through the signs provide a synchronistic reflection of our potential and experience. They also indicate unique expressions of the Solar energy which drives our physical lives. The planets and moons bear the familiar mythological names of gods and goddesses as well as mortals. The myths themselves stand as metaphors for energies and activities which we experience in our day-to-day activities.

Introduction to Signs

The signs in any planet-centered chart provide the background for the movement of planets and moons. The signs are composed of fixed stars that are light years away from Earth. The constellations were described by various ancient civilizations and are remarkably consistent in different cultures. From our point of view, they provide twelve filters for the light of the planets and moons and modify or focus those energies.

Introduction to Aspects

An aspect is the angular relationship between two points in a chart. Different aspects indicate different influences between the planets. Thus one person with the Sun in square aspect to Jupiter will have a very different energetic experience from a person with the Sun trine to Jupiter. Planets in aspect relate to each other through this direct connection more powerfully than planets that form no aspect. In addition, when several planets form a pattern of aspects, the movement of energy is again increased.

Sun Introduction

The Sun represents the direction of personal mission and spiritual path. Because the Sun is the source of energy that gives us life, it represents the Mind of the Solar System in any chart. As such it is the most powerful point

in the chart. The emphasis by sign describes the more physical attributes of life; by decanate we can gather information about the mental expression; the degree speaks to the spiritual expression of life for the planet under consideration. The Sun's placement provides a focus for the conscious experience of Mercury's energy.

The Sun provides the most powerful indication of your potential at a higher level of expression. It always provides a referent to the intention of Solar Mind, and hence of the larger mind of the solar system. The Sun indicates the individual thrust of your energy.

Sun in Pisces

The Sun in Pisces indicates a fulfillment of the desire to serve for the planetary energy. As such it can indicate a lifetime in which the native experiences the fullest power of the planet's energy. The geocentric chart will indicate how clearly this expression will be felt. The placement of the earth shows the most viable direction, both for understanding the planetary energy and for fulfillment of its promise.

The Pisces Sun in your Mercury-centered chart indicates an awareness of the group experience, coupled with an understanding of the Universe as a whole, as an entity. The highest expression is as mediator in the physical world; the clarity of one's intuition is essential to this higher expression, as intellectual focus alone will fail to fulfill the richness of the possibilities.

Sun opposition Mars (strong)

You advance in life through your own effort, yet your awareness of others makes advancement easy. You also perceive moments when no action is the best choice.

Sun opposition Uranus (weak)

Sudden changes bring new awareness. You have a progressive mind that can manage such changes. You tend to polarize feelings about new relationships.

Sun square Pluto (weak)

Striving for power is the strongest factor in relationships. You will experience remarkable advancement, as well as dramatic health changes, both for the better and for the worse. You have both the positive and less constructive qualities of leadership at your disposal.

Sun semi-square Saturn (strong)

The constructive qualities of firmness, modesty and determination develop when you learn to manage tensions caused by difficult struggles and delicate health.

Sun semi-sextile Jupiter (strong)

Blessed with good health and generally destined for success, your consciousness emerges through the development of creative spiritual awareness.

Sun quintile Neptune (weak)

You are far more sensitive to your environment than most people. Increased psychic awareness can add to your creativity, so learning to use psychic abilities makes a lot of sense.

Sun quintile Flores (weak)

Because your mind works at warp speed a lot of the time, your ideas gel for you quickly. You are ahead of the game as soon as you take the first step.

Venus Introduction

Venus helps to define the role of interdependence in your life. It also indicates your use of concrete knowledge in the search for harmony. Concrete knowledge does not stop at the scientific definitions of things, nor is it limited to the scientific approach to understanding the relationships between people and things. It also includes a felt sense, an inner awareness of the right relationships between things.

The placement of Venus in your Mercury-centered chart shows the role of concrete knowledge in the mediation between personality and soul, between physical life and higher consciousness. Only through fusion of these apparently separate facets of your being can you approach true knowledge.

Venus in Taurus

Your own feelings form a powerful magnet for others, who become aware of you because you project the feeling tone of your mind with ease. You enjoy beauty. You would rather have two or three truly luxurious things that will last than a lot of flimsy temporary junk. Your taste helps you to select quality items that work well together. You can employ an artistic flair in decorating your home and selecting your clothing and accessories. Whenever your choices seem to lack a sense of harmony, you can use your methodical mind to sift through passing fancies or fantasies without indulging them.

Venus conjunct Neptune (strong)

You would prefer to live in a world of illusion and can make this your life work. You idealize love relationships and can be devastated when they end. Know that a new one is just around the corner.

Venus conjunct Flores (strong)

Your natural social facility enables you to further a career of news reporting and information gathering. You may gain success in writing the social column for a newspaper.

Venus trine Earth (strong)

You naturally seek relationships to provide balance in your life. You enjoy all activities more if you can share with someone.

Venus trine Mars (weak)

You experience passionate relationships because of your ability to moderate between Self and other. You have a warm heart and creative abilities. There can be a fluctuating desire for independence / intimacy.

Venus trine Uranus (strong)

You fall in and out of love easily. It is easy for you to move from one relationship to another. Your actions sometimes appear eccentric to others.

Earth Introduction

The Earth represents the direction in which intelligent activity will most likely move. In your Venus-centered chart the Earth is obviously where you, the individual are; thus the Earth represents the human capacity from the perspective of Venus.

You will relate to the energy of Mercury through the sign the Earth falls in, and your awareness of harmony through skilled communication will tend to address this sign and its opposite.

Earth in Capricorn

The Earth represents the direction in which intelligent activity will most likely move. In your Mercury-centered chart the Earth is obviously where you, the individual are; thus the Earth represents the human capacity from the perspective of Mercury. You will relate to the energy of Mercury through Capricorn, and your intellect will focus on concentration and imagination in your career.

Earth trine Flores (strong)

Writing, for you, is a natural outgrowth of paying attention to your surroundings. You publish pieces that tell it like it is.

Earth trine Mars (weak)

Because you have developed your ability to act effectively in the world, you are also able to direct your energies successfully. You generally think before you act.

Earth trine Uranus (strong)

Intuition has developed into a comfortable friend. You understand the flow of your life and its balance. You seek relationships that support your psychic judgment.

Earth trine Neptune (strong)

You are usually able to act compassionately in whatever role you undertake. You think creatively in clutch situations.

Earth square Jupiter (weak)

Obstacles, for you, appear as opportunities to expand into new philosophical arenas. Capable of thinking deeply, you also express yourself clearly in writing and speech.

Earth square Saturn (weak)

Life presents situations in which you use your mind to evaluate the structures you have in place. By recording your thoughts, you often find intelligent ways to conquer big challenges.

Mars Introduction

Mars indicates the direction that your devotion takes. Mars is energetic, even aggressive at times. In other

situations Mars' energy is directed into thoughtful devotional activities, quieter but no less energetic.

Mars reflects the energy and passion that you employ when dealing with communication issues. Mars is an agent for change, providing the energy for movement in thought and action.

Your physical, emotional, mental and spiritual energy is shown by the placement of Mars in your Mercury-centered chart. This energy covers the range from physical stamina to angry impulses to the passion of relationships and the compassion of spiritual involvement. The speed at which you move determines your safety; reckless behavior can result in injury on all levels.

Mars in Virgo

Your physical and spiritual power is centered in the abdomen and your awareness comes from this point. You are able to work with every situation, uncovering the meat of the activity almost intuitively. Where others have missed the point, you are working methodically through the details of projects or activities with your finger on the pulse of what is most important. When you are nervous or irritable, focus again and again on the important points. When you are over-critical of others, recall your devotion to the outcome and employ a constructive process.

Mars conjunct Uranus (weak)

You will make remarkable achievements during your life, but there is a price. You need to take care to avoid accident or injury because of carelessness. You are brutally truthful and sometimes intolerant of others.

Mars trine Neptune (weak)

You suffer from periodic lack of energy and are susceptible to infections. You have an innate sense of timing and attract help at just the right moment. You are inspired to acts of devotion.

Mars trine Flores (weak)

You love a game or job where you can be physically active while gathering information for something you want to write.

Mars square Pluto (weak)

You sometimes appear to have superhuman power. You also seem to solve problems by applying excessive amounts of force. Control cruel urges and you will get further.

Mars quincunx Jupiter (strong)

Fortunate decisions mark the major turning points of your life. You have the ability to concentrate on a particular goal and thus will have successful results professionally.

Jupiter Introduction

Jupiter indicates the path toward fusion of heart and mind, the subjective purpose for manifestation. This is perhaps the most central experience of wisdom that you will ever have. From any planet-centered perspective, life's processes can be defined by the placement of Jupiter in that chart.

The expansive process of your mind and spirit relishes thought and communication. Meditation on the symbol

for Jupiter in your Mercury-centered chart can show you, at the very least, a metaphor for those activities that will lead to the integration of heart and mind from that point of view.

Jupiter in Aries

For you, the urge to grow and expand is directed toward the unfolding energy of discovery. You relate directly to the sprouting of a seed, whether that be in your garden or in your mind. You choose the direction you want to go and you engage in processes that will lead you there, through free choice. Whether through fire in the hearth, fever of illness or excitement, or the oven in the kitchen, heat transmits its vigor to you and reminds you of life's processes.

Jupiter sextile Pluto (weak)

You have a pervasive desire for power; this desire focuses, for the most part, on the spiritual or mental sphere. However, you can attain leadership positions. It is possible for you to lose everything.

Saturn Introduction

Saturn is the Lord of Karma - the imposer of retribution and the cause of all repayment of debts. This is the first of two indications of Saturn in the chart - that we accumulate debts and responsibilities on the path toward resolution of difficulties. The second indication of Saturn's place in the chart is your individual path to the end of indebtedness when you have freed yourself from the accumulation of Karma. It is through the exercise of intelligent activity - that is, the use of what you know and how you employ that knowledge - that you even begin to approach the freedom you seek. Saturn also reflects the structure of your mind and the way you approach structure in all areas of your life. The key is to remove obstacles and hindrances without surrendering any values that are precious to you. This means that you stop acting expediently and begin to act responsibly.

Saturn in Aries

Your intuition reveals structure in the world around you through fresh beginnings. You know ahead of time when plants will sprout, etc. Personal and social rituals support your desire to attain a leadership role. Family members inspire your best efforts, and encourage you to try new things. Ambition and diligence come naturally.

Uranus Introduction

The search for equilibrium in your life reaches beyond the limits of this plane of manifestation, seeking to integrate the experiences of body, mind and spirit into one profound experience of unfolded consciousness. This level of integration occurs when the soul and the personality are brought into alignment through accident or through ritual experience. Thus the practice of ritual offers the principle path for you as you develop a sense of equilibrium.

Uranus tends to bring upset and abrupt change. Incorporation of ritual into your daily life and awareness of the form of ritual can provide a suitable vehicle for traveling life's sometimes bumpy road. Your understanding of ritual can be enhanced by employing it in your daily life. You can use your intuition to determine the form of ritual that can stimulate change effectively.

Uranus in Virgo

Your intuition helps you to make sense of the details of your life in a very different way. You examine every option carefully, and in fact you can generate physical stress and illness through too much mental activity. Such stress can lead to headaches, even migraine. Meditation is an aid to deep relaxation, and can help with the

tension.

Uranus trine Neptune (strong)

You have natural psychic gifts that emerge during sleep or hypnotic states at first. You can achieve spiritual enlightenment through development of this inner vision.

Uranus trine Flores (strong)

You make a very good impression on your community when you do adequate research before publishing your opinions. Intuition plus research equals clarity.

Neptune Introduction

Psychic awareness is indicated by the placement of Neptune in your chart. Neptune also focuses your capacity for compassion. Your higher vision is based on your understanding of the essential duality of physical manifestation. One side of the duality is the desire or passionate nature; the other side is the innate quality of compassion that comes from another level of experience. Neptune's sign shows how and where you focus devotional thinking and action.

Neptune in Taurus

You are interested in subcultures that permeate every society. In particular, you tend to seek out cultures that embody industry and patience. You may have had past life experiences, for example, an architect, builder, or manager of grand enterprises.

Neptune conjunct Flores (strong)

Contradictory elements in your personality merge with your writing talents to produce exciting news stories. Your face may become very well known in the media.

Pluto Introduction

The most direct way to actively engage will to guide your personal power is found here. You have the choice of how you implement your will. At the same time the power of the universe acts through Pluto, and therefore through you. Hence you can use myths about Pluto as a metaphor for the proper context for your will and power. The power and will to act as a human being is demonstrated by the position of Pluto in your chart.

Pluto indicates how you can address the search for resolution of conflict, as well as how to best mobilize your own efforts to maintain or achieve harmonious results from all important endeavors.

Pluto in Taurus

Transformation, for you, carries the promise of separation from other people to establish your own position in the material world. You are determined to acquire money and property, perhaps because you have experienced times of severe deprivation. To achieve your highest potential, you find that you must focus your intentions and actions persistently and devote your energies to specified goals.

Flores Introduction

Closely associated with Mercury is the asteroid Flores. If Mercury is the Lord of Words, then Flores is the reporter / recorder who tracks his remarks and actions. Flores also acts as an assistant to the Magical Mercury, creating just the right balance of distraction and attraction to cause harmony to reign at the end of every effort. Then Flores announces the results in no uncertain terms.

Words, magic and results add up to the way intelligence acts from Mercury's perspective. Flores is like a trained observer who captures both cosmic and individual essence of communication. The placement of the asteroid Flores and its aspects weave a complex story about your capacity to communicate and to express the knowledge you have gained.

Flores in Taurus

Words, for you, provide a vehicle that carries you forward. Both practical and magical, words provide the means to establish and maintain harmony in your life. Your published writing may deal with beautifying the environment, harmonizing the voice, or creating greater comfort around you.

Magic occurs when you sustain the effort of communication. When others have given up, you continue to make an effort, and the result is a harmonious outcome in situations where no good result seemed possible. Transformative changes occur when people hear your message.