

SOLAR RETURN FORECAST STARTING 04-AUG-16 FOR BARACK OBAMA

SOLAR RETURN ANNUAL REPORT

Once each year, the Sun returns to the exact position that it held at the time of your birth. This report outlines the astrological influences on the year ahead for the positions of the planets at the precise time of your annual solar return.

The report delineates the influence of the Ascendant, Midheaven, Sun, Moon, and each of the nine planets as they interact with each other and with the Houses of the horoscope. Because there is such a wealth of information, you may find it helpful to orient yourself by first reading the following three sections in their entirety (including their subsections):

§2 - The Solar Return Sun: The Central Focus of the Year.

§3 - The Solar Return Ascendant: Personal Themes for the Year.

§15 - Connections between Planets and House Cusps: Key Events of the Coming Year.

The interpretations in this report are based on your natal and solar return charts cast in the Western tropical zodiac for the following data:

Barack Obama
 4 August, 1961 7:24:00 PM
 Honolulu, Hawaii
 Time Zone: 10:00 (AHST)
 Longitude: 157° W 51' 30"
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§1 - Introductory Comments: What is a Solar Return?

Introduction

You have certainly heard the expression "Many happy returns!" - a reference to the annual cycle that begins at your date of birth. The astrological Solar Return is a chart cast for the moment when the Sun returns to the exact position it held in your Natal horoscope. Each year the Solar Return marks the start of your personal New Year, and astrologers look to the Solar Return horoscope to see what events and issues await you in the year ahead.

Astrologers have proposed many methods for interpreting the Solar Return chart. This report follows the method of Alexandre Volguine (1903-1976), a French astrologer who, in 1937, first published his 15 years of research on Returns. Until his death in 1976, Volguine continued to update his study of Returns in subsequent editions of his classic text, "LA TECHNIQUE DES REVOLUTIONS SOLAIRES". For those interested in the astrological theory, the method of Volguine is outlined in the appendix to this report.

In accord with Volguine's method, this report is based on a Return chart cast for your location (which may be different from your birth place) when the Sun returns to its position in your Natal chart. Because we insert an extra day into the calendar every four years during the leap year, your Solar Return may occur either on, or a day before or after, your calendar birthday.

If you do not know your exact time of birth, you can still do a general Return chart by using as your presumed "birth time" the exact moment of sunrise on your birth date. The Solar Return chart calculated from a sunrise birth chart provides a generally accurate astrological forecast for the year ahead; but, if possible, use your actual time of birth to get the most accurate forecast.

According to the astrological theory of Solar Returns, the Natal chart represents a basic blueprint of the individual (similar to the DNA within the nucleus of the cell) and the Return chart reveals the annual renewal or reactivation of the Natal chart as measured against both the ongoing movement of the planets and the newly generated set of House cusps at the time the individual's Natal Sun is "reborn" at the annual (SR) birthday. A key feature of Return chart interpretation involves studying the relationship between the annual Return Houses and the birth chart Houses.

Beginning with the next section, this report will review and interpret the major factors identified by Volguine for identifying the themes and events that will dominate your life during the coming year. The current Solar Return chart actually spans a period of about a year and a half because its influence is felt from three months before the

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current birthday until three months after next year's birthday. This three-month transitional overlap between subsequent Returns represents the period when the themes of one year gradually give way to those of the next.

A note on stressful aspects:

In some delineations you will read that an adverse event could occur if the planet being discussed forms discordant aspects in the chart. The harsh aspects are the semi-square (45 degrees), the square (90 degrees), the sesqui-square (135 degrees), the inconjunct (150 degrees), and the opposition (180 degrees). In addition, the conjunction (joining together) of certain pairs of planets is intrinsically difficult because of the conflicting nature of the planets involved. To determine whether a stressful aspect is in effect, you may need to refer to the section where the aspects formed by the planet were first discussed in the report.

Into every life a little rain must fall. Do not be alarmed if negative predictions show up in various sections of this report. Stressful events often hover as potentials in the background but never materialise. The repetition of a trend in several parts of the horoscope chart is the key to accurate prediction in astrology. In general, adverse events occur only when many aspects or configurations repeatedly point toward their manifestation. If a stressful event is mentioned but once or twice, it is unlikely to manifest. In any case, forewarned is forearmed.

On Aspect Strengths: Next to the aspects you will often find a listing of the "strength" of the aspect. The number you see is based on how close the aspect is to being exact. The higher the number, the more exact the aspect. The aspects range in strength from a low of about 1 to a high of about 8. Theoretically, the very close aspects are more likely to manifest in your life.

Astrological Houses in the Return Chart

If you are not familiar with astrology, it will help to know a little about the astrological Houses as you read this report. You probably know that there are 12 signs of the zodiac. In a similar way, astrologers divide the horoscope wheel into 12 "Houses," which look like a pie cut into 12 pieces. Each House represents a particular area of life. The 1st House starts at the Ascendant, which is the point where the zodiac circle in the heavens crosses the horizon in the east. By convention the Ascendant lies at the "9 o'clock" point on the circle. The remaining Houses follow the 1st House in a counterclockwise direction around the wheel so that the 10th House, which symbolises your career and standing in the world, lies at the very top of the chart. The entry point into each House is called its cusp. Below is a list of the twelve Houses and some of their key meanings for reference as you read this report.

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1st House: your body, personality, personal initiatives, life force.

2nd House: money, income, possessions, values.

3rd House: communication, analytical thinking, writing, local travel, siblings, neighbours.

4th House: home, family, parents, past conditioning, final endings.

5th House: fun, romance, recreation, vacations, children, sports, gambling, creative self-expression.

6th House: service, health concerns, daily grind, subordinates, tenants, pets.

7th House: significant others, consultants, partnerships, contracts, lawsuits, open enemies, the public.

8th House: death, sex, taxes, joint finances, surgery, investigation, transformation, occult studies.

9th House: higher education, long-distance travel, religion, philosophy, the law, foreign interests, publishing, broadcasting.

10th House: career, worldly status, honours, public standing, reputation authority, bosses, parental figures.

11th House: friends, hopes & wishes, group involvements.

12th House: solitude, imaginative endeavours, confinement, hospitalisation, spiritual pursuits, loss of freedom, secret enemies, self-undoing.

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§2.0 - The Solar Return Sun: The Central Focus of the Year

General Significance of the Sun

The Sun, ruler of Leo, is the most important "planet" in the Return. The primal energy of the Sun makes possible our life on earth. The Sun enlivens, asserts, illuminates, vitalises, promotes, fathers, energises, individualises, elevates, and makes conscious. Astrological aspects involving the Sun show how we achieve (or fail to achieve) honour, status, recognition, achievement, and individuation - how we shine, create, and make our mark on the world. People signified by the Sun include fathers, husbands, mature men, bosses, authority figures, and people of influence. In health matters, the Sun symbolises the heart and the spine.

The Return placement and aspects of the Sun may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by the Sun, or indirectly through people symbolised by the Sun. We will next look at the zodiacal sign and House positions of the Sun in the Solar Return chart.



Return Sun in Leo

The Return Sun occupies the exact location in the same sign as the Sun in your birth chart. Having the Sun in regal Leo generally makes you proud, generous, warm, confident, feisty, ambitious, organised, creative, elegant, self-expressive, fun loving, dramatic, and childlike. Your faults may include being too opinionated, self-important, patronising, arrogant, or overly dramatic.

Having considered the sign containing the Sun, we now turn to the Sun's Return House position, which highlights the central themes of the year ahead.

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§2.1 - The House Occupied by the Sun: Major Issues of the Year

Return Sun in the Return 2nd House

The Sun occupies your Return 2nd House and places the focus on financial matters, values, and possessions. Decisions that you make this year could have considerable impact on your income or economic outlook. Important changes are taking place in your finances and also in your sense of self-worth. This is a good year to review your monetary circumstances, revise your budget, and make necessary sales or purchases. You need to align your values and spending habits with your core sense of identity.

If the 2nd House Sun forms stressful aspects with other planets in the Return chart, you may encounter money problems or you may find yourself raising questions about your own worth.

§2.2 - The Sun's Aspects in the Solar Return Chart

Return Sun inconjunct Return Neptune (Strength: 6.65)

This can be a year of artistic, musical, poetic, or religious inspiration. Neptune heightens your intuitive and imaginative creativity. Glamour, glitz, and illusion may become appealing. Spiritual experiences could involve you in an increased awareness of hidden dimensions of reality. You may need to reconsider your pursuit of a cherished dream or ideal. Events may occur that dissolve the boundaries of your ego, enhance your appreciation of mortality, and make you more cognisant of the universality of human experience. You may engage in activities that selflessly assist others or promote the common good. You will want to reserve time alone for reflection, prayer, and meditation. Neptune is a slow-moving planet and this influence may be felt for several years.

This stressful Sun/Neptune aspect warns that the self-sacrifice of Neptune could turn into victimisation, paranoia, martyrdom, or deliberate self-harm. In rare cases, you, or someone close to you, may entertain thoughts of suicide. You would be wise to shore up your mental health and avoid acting as your own worst enemy. You may confront issues involving escapism, confusion, self-deception, hopelessness, drug or alcohol abuse, illicit behaviour, con games, or loss of touch with reality. Be sure to stay attuned to your own inner psychological states and motivations.

A significant man could pass from your life. Extra responsibilities for children may arise. If other factors suggest health problems, this aspect could signify mysterious or difficult-to-diagnose ailments, either physical or emotional, that affect you or a significant other. On occasion, grief, loss, hospitalisation, or confinement may be indicated.

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Return Sun trine Return Saturn (Strength: 4.28)

Now is a time when your hard work pays off. You can move forward in the career arena. It would not be unusual to receive some type of recognition, merit, or award for past efforts. Favourable career developments are possible. You are able to overcome obstacles as you establish yourself in society and work steadily toward your goals. People in authority tend to be kindly disposed toward you.

Return Sun inconjunct Return Midheaven (Strength: 3.65)

The Sun inconjunct the Midheaven calls for adjustments in your life with regard to matters of career, authority, worldly ambition, and parental relationships.

Return Sun inconjunct Return Pluto (Strength: 1.98)

With the Sun inconjunct Pluto in your Return chart, you may undergo changes, crises, or adjustments that will lead to significant personal growth and transformation. This aspect often correlates with events that serve as milestones dividing your life into before and after. An important person could pass from your life. You may feel at the mercy of forces beyond your control.

Issues of power, control, biological urges, childbirth, sexual passion, and human mortality come to the fore. You might develop an interest in Pluto-ruled matters such as research, healing, sex, elimination, birth, death, dying, psychic phenomena, near-death experiences, or the afterlife. If other aspects suggest health problems, this Sun/Pluto connection could indicate a need for surgery. Pluto is a very slow-moving planet and this influence may be felt for several years.

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§3.0 - The Solar Return Ascendant: Personal Themes for the Year

The Ascendant-Descendant or East-West Axis in the SR chart

The East-West Axis of the astrological map represents the Celestial Horizon. The Ascendant (in the East) signifies the filter through which you view the world and the manner in which you project your personality toward others. It also reflects your physical body and your personal initiatives. The Descendant (in the West) symbolises your partnerships, close relationships, and the way you get along with other people.

Planets that form close aspects with the East-West Axis of the Return chart will colour your personality style, personal initiatives, and manner of relating. The degree of the zodiac rising in the East (the Ascendant) varies with your location on earth at the time of your Solar Return. If the Return Ascendant receives particularly stressful aspects, some astrologers advise their clients to travel to a location that will minimise or negate those aspects on the day of their Solar Return. In the following section we consider the influence of the horizon (Ascendant-Descendant) axis in the year ahead.



Return Ascendant in Gemini

Gemini rising indicates a busy year filled with travel, new learning, fresh ideas, and frequent comings and goings. There is a strong emphasis on communication, information gathering, intellectual activities, and contacts with others. Written and spoken words take on special significance. You may find yourself teaching, studying, writing, learning a language, or engaging in activities requiring agility and manual dexterity. This would be a good time to increase your computer literacy. Gemini is related to the young people in your life, and the concerns of children or youth could occupy much of your time.

A potential problem with this placement is a lack of focus because you have too many irons in the fire and you scatter your energies in many directions. Because the Ascendant signifies your body, check to see whether the Ascendant itself or the

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Ascendant's ruler Mercury forms stressful aspects. If so, you could encounter health problems during the year.

The Houses of your Natal chart with Gemini on the cusp as well as the House of your Return chart that contains Mercury, the ruler of Gemini, indicate areas of your life that will be in high focus during the coming year. Planets that form close aspects to Mercury in the Return chart indicate the types of people and events involved.

Because the planet Mercury rules the sign Gemini, Mercury is the ruler of the Ascendant in this year's Return chart.

§3.1 - The SR House Containing the Planet Ruling the SR Ascendant

Return Mercury in the Return 3rd House

With Mercury in the Return 3rd House, you tend to be restless and mentally active. Communications, writing, learning, education, gathering data, teaching, travel, and transit are all highlighted. If you are an author, you can successfully prepare and submit manuscripts for publication. There will probably be many visits, short trips, comings and goings. You could find yourself featured in the news or involved with the media. Contacts with siblings and neighbours will be frequent.

Check to see whether Mercury forms stressful aspects. If so, difficulties may arise because of what you write or say. A sibling could become a source of concern. Problems may occur while travelling. Stressful aspects between Mercury and either Saturn or Uranus commonly indicate travel accidents.

§3.2 - The Natal House Highlighted by the Solar Return Ascendant

Return Ascendant in the Natal 4th House

The Natal House placement of the Return Ascendant shows where you are most likely to take personal action during the coming year. Your dominant interests and activities will centre on 4th House issues such as home, family life, domestic concerns, material security, laying foundations, real estate dealings, parents, elders, your upbringing, and your private life. Under this influence, it is not uncommon to change residence or remodel your home.

There could be a change in the composition of your household, such as a birth, a child going off to college, or an older person moving into your home. The affairs of a parent could occupy much of your time. Since the 4th is the House of endings, you may bring

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an important project to its conclusion. You might also experience a death in the family or some other significant ending.

The Return Ascendant-Descendant axis also highlights 10th House issues such as career, authority, parents, social recognition, honours, achievements, and public life.

§3.3 - Aspects involving the Ascendant in the Solar Return Chart

Return Ascendant square Return Jupiter (Strength: 5.81)

Jupiter stressfully aspecting the Ascendant warns of excessive, wasteful, extravagant, exaggerated, and arrogant behaviour. Becoming "puffed up" with your own sense of self-importance will make it difficult to engage in any kind of teamwork or co-operative endeavour. Guard against overestimating your abilities, promising more than you can deliver, or putting yourself above the law. If you allow yourself to listen openly to constructive criticism, you will go far in overcoming the negative potentials of this aspect.

Return Ascendant sextile Return Uranus (Strength: 3.43)

Uranus, the Great Awakener, represents novelty, originality, disruption, nonconformity, independence, sudden insight, and electrifying change. With Uranus beneficially aspecting your Ascendant, you may experience abrupt changes and pleasant surprises that affect your personal projects and life circumstances. You might also decide to do something new and different about your appearance and manner of presenting yourself to the world.

§3.4 - Planets Rising in the First House of the Solar Return Chart

Solar Return Planets occupying the Solar Return First House

The Return 1st House reveals your yearly personal or psychological activity. Any planets that occupy the Return 1st House show the nature of your activity and your psychological reactions during the coming year. If a planet lies close to the Return Ascendant (within 5 degrees), you will have a fair amount of personal control over the action. Planets in the 1st House that lie further away from the Return Ascendant (more than 5 degrees) indicate that you will have less control and be more at the mercy of the forces symbolised by those planets.

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The Return planets that occupy your Return 1st House are listed below. If this section is blank, there are no 1st House planets in your Return chart.

Return Part of Fortune in the Return 1st House

The Part of Fortune in the Return 1st House indicates success in personal plans and endeavours. Personal initiative and independent action will bring rewards. Follow your bliss, and enjoy a prosperous Return year.

§4.0 - The Solar Return Midheaven: Worldly Status, Career, and Public Activity

The North-South or Meridian Axis of the Solar Return Chart

The North-South or Meridian Axis of the astrological map represents your vocation, public image, parents, and family matters. The Midheaven at the top of the chart (due south in those charts of the northern hemisphere) symbolises your career, worldly status, and public activities. The Imum Coeli (I.C.) at the bottom of the chart signifies your home, your domestic life, and the final conclusion of pending affairs.

Planets that form close aspects with the North-South Axis of the Return chart will colour vocational and family matters during the year. The degree of the zodiac on your Return Midheaven depends on your location on earth at the time of your Solar Return. If the Return Midheaven receives particularly stressful aspects, some astrologers advise their clients to travel to a location that will minimise or negate those aspects on the day of their Solar Return. In the following section we consider the influence of the meridian axis in your Return chart.

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Return Midheaven in Pisces

The Midheaven in Pisces suggests that your career, status, and public activities will involve imagination, creativity, compassion, and visionary thinking. You may feel a desire to live out your faith or render service to others as part of your work life.

The House position of the Return Midheaven's planetary ruler gives further information about your social reputation and vocation in the year ahead. The planet ruling the Return Midheaven is discussed below.

Neptune and Jupiter are respectively the modern and traditional rulers of the sign Pisces. Thus, Neptune and Jupiter are the rulers of the Midheaven in this year's Return chart.

§4.1 - The SR House Containing the Planet Ruling the SR Midheaven

Return Neptune in the Return 10th House

Neptune in the Return 10th House raises the possibility of dissolution, loss, letting go, sadness, misunderstanding, deception, or confusion with regard to career, authority, governmental issues, or parental concerns. A longstanding situation, relationship, or preoccupation related to such matters may dissolve or fade from your life. Your career path may change directions for reasons that are hard to clearly define. Neptune here can bring public recognition or notoriety, depending on your behaviour in the past. Your creativity and imagination become assets in advancing your career.

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§4.2 - The Natal House Highlighted by the Solar Return Midheaven

Return Midheaven in the Natal 1st House

Horatio Alger time: "work hard, persevere, be the best, and you too can be a big success."

The Return Midheaven lies at the top of the Return chart where it reveals the actions and circumstances of your life that will be most visible to others during the coming year. When the Return Midheaven lies in your Natal 1st House, it confers a great deal of choice and control over how your year will unfold. Individual projects and initiatives are favoured. Your personal and professional ambitions assume tremendous importance, and you should be able to achieve a significant career goal during this period. Others notice, respect, and accept your personal authority. People in positions of power and influence offer their support. You are able to assert yourself, accept challenges, and utilise your leadership skills. You are likely to become the centre of public attention at some point during the coming year.

§4.3 - Aspects involving the Midheaven in the Solar Return Chart

Return Midheaven conjunct Return Neptune (Strength: 10.11)

Neptune in close contact with your Return Midheaven acts to dissolve past attitudes toward career, authority, professional advancement, domestic concerns, and parental issues. Your work is likely to involve a certain amount of self-sacrifice as you are called upon to serve others. Success may come in artistic, imaginative, glamorous, or creative endeavours. There is some risk that starry-eyed idealism can impede your ability to bring career goals to fruition. You may need to guard against intrigue, scapegoating, and scandal in your public life. It is especially important to keep your public actions honest and above-board. A sense of confusion and lack of control can accompany this placement. Worries about a parent or authority figure may arise.

Return Midheaven trine Return Part of Fortune (Strength: 4.19)

With the Midheaven favourably aspecting the Part of Fortune in your Return chart this year, you can expect to receive some type of award, honour, diploma, publicity, or recognition for past accomplishments. This often correlates with a job promotion or some other elevation in status.

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Return Midheaven inconjunct Return Sun (Strength: 3.65)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §2.2 - The Sun's Aspects in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Midheaven square Return Saturn (Strength: 3.63)

Return Saturn square the Return Midheaven requires you to be serious and responsible about career, reputation, ambition, public standing, and your role in society. Expect a year of long hours and hard work, during which you will certainly learn a great deal. You may feel a strong need to assume authority and to be in control, but it can feel lonely at the top. Events may occur that compel you to confront feelings of low self-worth, loneliness, or inferiority. Family matters and domestic concerns may become draining or burdensome. People of power and influence can give you a hard time. If you have put in honest effort, this can be a year of great accomplishment; but if you have cut corners along the way, a lowering of your status before the world may ensue.

§4.4 - Planets in the Tenth House of the Solar Return Chart

SR Planets in the Solar Return Tenth House

The Return 10th House relates to career, family, worldly status, and any public actions you take during the year. The Return planets that occupy the Return 10th House reveal the nature of such public activity and how it may affect your vocational and family life.

The Return planets that occupy your Return 10th House are listed below. If this section is blank, there are no 10th House planets in your Return chart.

Return Neptune in the Return 10th House

This interpretation appeared previously in section §4.1 - The SR House Containing the Planet Ruling the SR Midheaven.

§5.0 - The Solar Return Moon: Your Emotional Life

General Significance of the Moon

The Moon, ruler of Cancer, receives and reflects the light of the Sun. As such, the Moon symbolises the inner, reflective, receptive, emotional, and subconscious aspects of human life. The Moon represents our feeling states, heredity, instincts, habit patterns, our early experiences with mothering, and our domestic life. Astrological aspects involving the Moon reveal how we react emotionally, and how we give or receive nurturing and comfort. People signified by the Moon include mothers, females in general, and the significant women in our lives. In health matters, the Moon symbolises cyclic changes, nutrition, and female issues; also, the breasts, the stomach, and the brain matter.

The Return placement and aspects of the Moon may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by the Moon, or indirectly through people symbolised by the Moon. Lunar aspects that are said to perfect on a certain date have an orb of a month or longer. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of the Moon.



Return Moon in Virgo

The Moon in Virgo tends to tone down or dampen emotional expression. You focus on being efficient and getting the job done. There is little tolerance for emotional effusiveness. You are likely to be discriminating and critical of others as well as yourself. Your head tends to rule your heart under this influence. You are likely to show others how you feel by your actions rather than your words. Your emphasis on practicality, perfectionism, and attention to detail may come across as emotionally aloof at this time.

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Return Moon in the Return 3rd House

The Moon, which reflects your feelings and emotional life, occupies the Return 3rd House of communication, learning, intellectual interests, short trips, siblings, and neighbours. This is a year when you can readily give voice to your feelings and make emotional contact with others. With the Moon symbolising fluctuations and rapid changes in your 3rd House, you can expect many short trips, visits, letters, phone calls, travels with family members, and contacts in the community. You may also find yourself frequently on the go. Taking a course to increase your knowledge base can pay dividends later on. Pay special attention to your relationships with brothers, sisters, and other close relations at this time.

§5.1 - Aspects involving the Moon in the Solar Return Chart

Return Moon conjunct Return Mercury (Strength: 4.22) - Aspect perfects on 23-Dec-16.

Return Moon conjunct Return Mercury melds your thinking process with your emotions. This aspect can work either for or against you, depending on how you make use of the fusion of your thoughts and feelings. On the one hand, you could successfully pursue activities that require sensitivity, caring, intuition, and creativity. On the other hand, your emotions could override your rational problem solving skills, causing you to engage in behaviours that you later regret. If this conjunction forms stressful aspects, mood swings and hypersensitivity could result. Opportunities for travel often accompany this aspect. You may also receive important news about an emotional matter during the year.

Return Moon square Return Mars (Strength: 4.08)

The Moon in stressful contact with aggressive Mars may stir your emotions and bring conflict or dissension into relationships, especially with women. An event may leave you feeling deeply hurt or may challenge your basic sense of security. Women in your life may suffer the consequences of precipitate action or excessive force. Difficulties can arise through rash, hasty, ill-conceived, or impulsive behaviour. You tend to blame others for your problems. Stress and excitability can take their toll on your health. Moodiness and irritability can mar your relations with family members or with the public. During periods when you are in the grips of strong emotions, it is essential to take the time to cool down and think through potential consequences of any decisions before you put them into action.

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Return Moon conjunct Return Venus (Strength: 4.00)

Pleasant Moon/Venus contacts bring love, tenderness, affection, fun, and companionship into your life. Love affairs, romance, popularity, social invitations, travel, marriage, pregnancy, and childbirth are common during such a Return year. This is a good time to spruce up your appearance and indulge yourself a bit. Creative, musical, or artistic projects go well. Opportunities for increased income are likely to arise. You are able to deal more calmly with stressful events that arise during the year.

Return Moon square Natal Moon (Strength: 5.27) - Aspect perfects on 25-Aug-16.

With Return Moon square the Natal Moon, upset feelings and emotionally tense situations become a focus of attention. At times during the coming year, you may feel unloved, misunderstood, or unsupported by key figures in your life. Uncomfortable changes may be forced upon you, leaving you feeling insecure or ungrounded. It is up to you to deal constructively with these stressful situations. Remember that the purpose of this hard aspect of the Moon is to present you with opportunities for emotional growth.

Return Moon sextile Natal Venus (Strength: 4.16)

The Return Moon harmoniously aspecting natal Venus has a very positive effect on your emotional life. Close relationships are supportive and friendly. Intimacy comes easily. Conditions are generally harmonious on the domestic front. Romance may blossom.

Return Moon conjunct Natal Pluto (Strength: 3.66) - Aspect perfects on 06-Dec-16.

Return Moon conjunct Natal Pluto stirs up intense feelings and may bring about profound transformation in your emotional life. This year you are able to pursue your objectives with resolute determination. You must, however, guard against acting with a zealous enthusiasm that disregards the needs and feelings of others. Such unilateral behaviour can only upset the apple cart.

Return Moon conjunct Natal Moon's North Node (Strength: 3.27)

Return Moon conjunct the Natal Moon's North Node widens your circle of acquaintances and brings about many contacts with others. Your associations with women play an

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important role in the year ahead. Couples often decide to begin living together under this influence. If the Return Moon forms stressful aspects, however, there is a possibility of a break-up or a separation in a relationship.

Return Moon square Natal Midheaven (Strength: 2.27)

The Return Moon squaring your natal Midheaven can indicate an imbalance between your emotional needs and your professional ambitions. Your desire to care for others runs counter to your work life. Obstacles to advancement may come from certain women in your life. There could be stressful changes in your career. Matters related to family, real estate, and your domestic life may not proceed as smoothly as you would like.

§6.0 - Mercury: Communication, Writing, Learning, Selling, Short Trips

General Significance of Mercury

Mercury, ruler of Gemini and Virgo, was the messenger of the gods. Mercury symbolises language, communication, the thinking process, the intellect, writing, correspondence, education, commerce, transit, movement, and all means of transport. Astrological aspects involving Mercury show how we think and communicate our ideas to others; also, how we move about in our community. People signified by Mercury include writers, communicators, salespersons, students, the young people in our lives, messengers, drivers, neighbours, siblings, and other kin. In health matters, Mercury symbolises the tongue, upper extremities, lungs, respiratory system, nervous system, thyroid, and the sense of sight.

The Return placement and aspects of Mercury may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by Mercury, or indirectly through people symbolised by Mercury. Travel accidents are often shown by afflictions to Mercury, especially hard aspects involving Mars or Uranus. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of Mercury.

Return Mercury in the Return 3rd House

This interpretation appeared previously in section §3.1 - The SR House Containing the Planet Ruling the SR Ascendant.

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§6.1 - Aspects of Mercury in the Solar Return Chart

Return Mercury conjunct Return Moon (Strength: 4.22) - Aspect perfects on 23-Dec-16.

This interpretation appeared previously in section §5.1 - Aspects involving the Moon in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Mercury oppose Return Neptune (Strength: 2.76)

Mercury stressfully aspecting Neptune warns of misunderstandings, misinformation, wishful thinking, confusion, depression, carelessness, and deception. Your thinking may become cloudy, unfocused, self-defeating, or out of touch with reality. Be cautious about whom you trust because people may promise one thing and do another. Verify the facts before making decisions and avoid taking precipitate action. Read all the fine print before signing a contract or making an agreement. If necessary, consult an attorney before signing any document. What you put in writing can later be used against you.

Through its rulership of Virgo, Mercury has a connection with illness. You may wish to consult a health professional regarding any physical or emotional difficulties that come to light during the year. Respiratory infections are not uncommon. Mental depression and hopelessness may also accompany this aspect. Be careful operating any kind of moving vehicle. Accidents due to carelessness, confusion, drowsiness, fog, poor visibility, or intoxication are possible. You may receive upsetting news about someone who has engaged in self-injurious behaviour. If you keep your feet on the ground, you can use this energy for creative, artistic, or imaginative projects.

Return Mercury square Return Saturn (Strength: 2.64)

Mercury in discord with Saturn suggests difficulties and delays related to communication, education, or transport. You may need to do some serious thinking and self-exploration. Problems could arise because of what you say, write, or convey to others. Depressing thoughts may impair your performance. Your ideas could meet with opposition. You may be obliged to travel for some reason, possibly related to business or education, and travel plans could run into glitches. Vehicles may breakdown, and accidents or collisions are possible. Children or young people could develop health problems, become burdensome, or require discipline. Signed contracts and other commitments may run into difficulties later on.

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Return Mercury conjunct Natal Pluto heightens your powers of communication, and you can easily influence others with your thinking. Your mind is sharp and your observational skills are keen. You are able to get your message across convincingly. Your thoughts may turn to matters symbolised by Pluto such as death, rebirth, transformation, sexuality, power, and control. You will need to avoid becoming too fanatical about an idea. Intense experiences can occur while travelling or while sharing ideas with others.

Return Mercury sextile Natal Neptune (Strength: 2.92)

Your thinking is stimulated by your creative imagination. This is an excellent time for any type of musical, artistic, or literary endeavour. Pay attention to your hunches and your dreams. Valuable information comes by way of intuition.

Return Mercury square Natal Moon (Strength: 2.33)

Your head is in conflict with your heart, and you may find it hard to clearly express what you are feeling. Your words may alienate those whom you depend on for support and sustenance. Pay attention to not only what you say but also to how you are saying it.

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§7.0 - Venus: Love, Money, Values, Relationships, Art, Beauty

General Significance of Venus

Venus, ruler of Taurus and Libra, was the goddess of love and beauty. Venus symbolises attraction, romance, partnerships, social life, affection, harmony, fashion, art, style, luxury, money, possessions, indulgences, and sensual pleasures. Astrological aspects involving Venus show how we give and receive love, especially of the romantic sort; also, how we manage our finances, find pleasure, and adorn ourselves. People signified by Venus include lovers, wives, important women in our lives, artists, decorators, musicians, and anyone dedicated to the pursuit of beauty and/or pleasure. In health matters, Venus symbolises problems of self-indulgence; also, the throat, the kidneys, the lower back or lumbar region, the parathyroids, and the sense of touch.

The Return placement and aspects of Venus may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by Venus, or indirectly through people symbolised by Venus. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of Venus.

Return Venus in the Return 3rd House

Benefic Venus in your Return 3rd House is a fortunate influence for writing, speech, and communication. You can express yourself in a pleasant and charming manner. Social invitations or love letters may come in the mail. You could spend time enjoyably with siblings, kin, and neighbours. Success comes in sales and commerce. Trips and visits for fun are in the offing. You may indulge yourself in mental pleasures and intellectual pastimes.

§7.1 - Aspects of Venus in the Solar Return Chart

Return Venus conjunct Return Moon (Strength: 4.00)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §5.1 - Aspects involving the Moon in the Solar Return Chart.

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Return Venus square Return Mars (Strength: 2.92)

Venus stressfully aspecting Mars is an indicator of sexual tension, hurt, passion, resentment, potential legal squabbles, and competition in relationships. It warns of conflict with members of the opposite sex. Upsetting incidents or angry outbursts could affect a love affair and/or your feelings about a loved one. In extreme cases, this aspect can correlate with the break-up of a marriage or partnership. Positively, however, Venus aspecting Mars increases your libido, sex appeal, and animal magnetism during this Return year.

Return Venus trine Return Uranus (Strength: 1.87)

Return Venus favourably aspecting Return Uranus often brings sudden or unexpected romance into your life. This is an aspect of "love at first sight." Your creative instincts are heightened, and flashes of artistic insight are common. You feel drawn to experiences and persons that are progressive, unique, experimental, and original. Childbirth is sometimes associated with this aspect.

Return Venus conjunct Natal Moon's North Node (Strength: 6.27)

Return Venus conjunct the Natal Moon's North Node brings romance and affection into your life. You widen your circle of friends, many of whom may have artistic or musical interests.

Return Venus square Natal Midheaven (Strength: 4.73) - Aspect perfects on 23-Oct-16.

This aspect stimulates your affections and your emotional life. Keep your own desire for love in perspective. Avoid jealousy and possessiveness in relationships.

Return Venus conjunct Natal Uranus (Strength: 3.64)

Return Venus conjunct Natal Uranus can bring a sudden unexpected love into your life. Old love affairs may just as rapidly come to an end. This is a time of pleasant surprises. You may decide to revamp your wardrobe and modernise other aspects of your personal appearance. If you are musically or artistically inclined, your muse will now supply you with a wealth of innovative ideas. This aspect sometimes coincides with getting engaged or having a child.

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Return Venus sextile Natal Venus (Strength: 1.33)

Return Venus sextile Natal Venus makes this an important year for your love life. Romance flourishes, and there may be an opportunity to marry. Social engagements and fun times fill your calendar. Artistic and creative endeavours go well. You may receive invitations, gifts, and quite possibly a raise, a job upgrade, or an increase in income. This aspect creates a background atmosphere of harmony and contentment throughout the year.

Return Venus square Natal Moon (Strength: 1.27)

This aspect stimulates your affections but can lead to excessive emotionality. Be sure to spend time with your friends and loved ones. Avoid falling head over heels into relationships that have the potential to damage your reputation.

§8.0 - Mars: Initiative, Leadership, Drive, Passion, Energy

General Significance of Mars

Mars, ruler of Aries and Scorpio, was the god of war. Mars symbolises initiative, courage, action, daring, aggression, leadership, drive, physical energy, heat, sexual passion, and the willingness to face challenges. Astrological aspects involving Mars show how we act independently, pioneer ideas, assert ourselves, and deal with competition. People signified by Mars include young men, husbands, leaders, warriors, and important men in our lives; also, those who regularly use force, tools, or weapons in their work. In health matters, Mars symbolises fevers, cuts, wounds, the head, the muscular system, red blood cells, the gonads, urogenital system, adrenal gland, and the sense of taste.

The Return placement and aspects of Mars may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by Mars, or indirectly through people symbolised by Mars. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of Mars.

Return Mars in Sagittarius

The planet Mars symbolises your energy, drive, and personal initiative. The zodiacal sign in the Return chart that hosts the planet Mars modifies how you are able to assert yourself, confront obstacles, and face challenges in the year ahead. With Return Mars in adventurous Sagittarius, you are likely to have abundant energy and enthusiasm to

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try new things. This placement can make you rather bold, assertive, and daring. Enjoyment of travel, sports, and outdoor activities may accompany this placement.

Return Mars in the Return 6th House

Taking action regarding health, daily work, and subordinates

Mars, the action planet, shows where you direct your energy. In the 6th House Mars directs your attention toward health, service, co-workers, detailed work, and your daily grind. This would be an excellent year to schedule a complete medical examination. You may wish to undertake a program of diet and exercise to improve your physical well-being. You will probably be fairly busy on the job, and you should be able to accomplish a great deal at work. Use the energy of Mars to plough through the mountain of details you must deal with daily. Rendering some type of service to others can be rewarding, but be careful not to make job-related changes on impulse.

There is a risk of illness, injury, overwork, burnout, or problems with pets and small animals. Colleagues on the job may be pushy, argumentative, or outspoken. Work-related duties could become frustrating and annoying. Service-related jobs may become problematic.

§8.1 - Aspects of Mars in the Solar Return Chart

Return Mars square Return Moon (Strength: 4.08)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §5.1 - Aspects involving the Moon in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Mars square Return Venus (Strength: 2.92)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §7.1 - Aspects of Venus in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Mars conjunct Natal Midheaven (Strength: 5.19)

Return Mars conjunct the Natal Midheaven directs your energy toward career, worldly status, family matters. You are capable of great achievements in your chosen profession. Those in authority are inclined to give you the leeway to pursue your ambitions. Conflicts with a boss or superior are possible. There could also be

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domestic blowups, perhaps related to your pushing forward on different fronts in your career.

Return Mars trine Natal Mercury (Strength: 4.37)

You are able to communicate assertively and convince others to follow your lead. This is a great influence if you are involved in sales, politics, or other forms of influencing people. You may direct some of your energy into study or travel. Athletics and physical activities like jogging or racing are favoured.

Return Mars oppose Natal Moon (Strength: 4.35)

Return Mars in harsh aspect to your Natal Moon brings volatility to your emotional life. Arguments and conflicts with others are likely. You may feel unsupported and resentful that your security needs are not being met. You will need to deal with aggressive feelings in yourself and others. Beware of those who express attitudes of bigotry and intolerance.

§9.0 - Jupiter: Opportunities for Growth and Expansion

General Significance of Jupiter

Jupiter, ruler of Sagittarius and Pisces, was king of the gods on Mount Olympus. Jupiter symbolises good fortune, benevolence, expansion, learning, publishing, wisdom, long-distance travel, foreign interests, further education, philosophy, religion, and the broadening of one's horizons. Astrological aspects involving Jupiter show opportunities for advancement, potentials for growth, and our willingness to gather new experience. People signified by Jupiter include mature men, judges, lawyers, physicians, clergy, university professors, politicians, and those who have achieved positions of prominence or influence in their fields. In health matters, Jupiter symbolises problems due to excess; also, the liver, pituitary gland, thighs, blood, arteries, and the sense of smell.

The Return placement and aspects of Jupiter may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by Jupiter, or indirectly through people symbolised by Jupiter. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of Jupiter.

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Return Jupiter in the Return 4th House

Jupiter in the Return 4th House benefits home, family, and domestic comfort. This is an excellent time to carry out improvements to your home and landed property. You may buy or sell a house. Some will welcome a new addition to the family. Estranged or distant family members may return. Relationships with parents and other family members go well, and old family problems may come up for resolution. You may pursue an interest in understanding your roots, traditions, and ethnic background. Opportunities to buy or sell real estate for financial gain may present themselves. A long-standing difficulty could pass from your life, relieving you of a burden. Your parents may help you financially. A relative may pass on, bequeathing an inheritance.

§9.1 - Aspects of Jupiter in the Solar Return Chart

Return Jupiter square Return Ascendant (Strength: 5.81)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §3.3 - Aspects involving the Ascendant in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Jupiter inconjunct Return Uranus (Strength: 2.73)

Jupiter in hard aspect to Uranus suggests strain, tension, inconstancy, and missed opportunities. Sudden release from past situations or relationships may occur, even if you do not wish it to be so. Your urge for independence can put you into conflict with established authority. A noted astrologer, Ebertin, labelled Jupiter/Uranus contacts "Thank the Lord" aspects, because people often make such exclamations after the pent-up tension in this configuration is suddenly released. There will be periods this year that are extremely stressful and you will be glad when they are over.

Return Jupiter conjunct Natal Mars (Strength: 6.84)

Return Jupiter crossing over your Natal Mars tends to increase your energy, vigour, assertiveness, and sexual drive. You are likely to be quite active this year in an effort to expend your increased energy. This is a good time to be pioneering and to take the initiative in pursuing a special project. The main risk of this aspect is a tendency to overdo or to act without proper planning, which can take a toll on your health in the form of careless accidents or illness.

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Return Jupiter trine Natal Saturn (Strength: 3.39)

Jupiter softens the limiting influence of Saturn. You can more easily accomplish your goals, confront your fears, and overcome your anxieties. Some type of professional success or advancement may accompany this aspect.

§10.0 - Saturn: Duty, Responsibility, Important Lessons, Hardship, Limitations

General Significance of Saturn - The Great Teacher

Saturn, ruler of Capricorn and Aquarius, wrested power from his father Uranus by castrating the ruling father sky-god and casting his genitals into the sea. Saturn symbolises ambition, responsibility, stability, duty, discipline, boundaries, rules, and regulations. It also represents crystallisation, ageing, death, fears, restrictions, hard things, the reality principle, and lessons that we must learn. Astrological aspects involving Saturn show how we build structure in our lives and how we deal with the inevitable limitations and losses that life brings. People signified by Saturn include parents, teachers, taskmasters, older individuals, government officials, bosses, and those of a serious disposition. In health matters, Saturn symbolises blockages, hardening, obstructions, and acid formation; also, the skin, teeth, bones, joints, spleen, gall bladder, knees, the vagus nerve, and the sense of hearing.

The Return placement and aspects of Saturn may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by Saturn, or indirectly through people symbolised by Saturn. Look to Saturn to see where your major struggles will occur in the year ahead. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of Saturn.

Return Saturn in the Return 6th House

Return Saturn in the Return 6th House makes you serious about matters related to daily work, co-workers, service, pets, and health issues. You may need to care for someone who is ill. You are also likely to be quite busy at your work with lots of added responsibilities. Job dissatisfaction can leave you feeling burdened and fatigued. If you decide to quit, you may have a hard time finding a more suitable position. Saturn's lesson has to do with the value of working persistently at a task. On occasion, this position can signify emotional stress, physical illness, gravity accidents, broken bones, or work-related injuries. You could also experience the loss of a co-worker, the ending of a job, or the illness or death of a pet. Adopt a sensible regimen of diet, exercise, rest, and relaxation to safeguard your health, especially from stress-related illnesses.

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This is a good time to schedule both a medical and a dental check-up. If you approach your daily grind with integrity, the negative aspects of this position are unlikely to manifest.

§10.1 - Aspects of Saturn in the Solar Return Chart

Return Saturn square Return Neptune (Strength: 5.10)

With Saturn in harsh aspect to Neptune, you often face situations that are limiting, constraining, depressing, debilitating, or disillusioning. This stressful combination of planets can mean the end of a significant relationship, a period of confinement, or the dissolution of an important structure in your life. Despite the pain of this loss, you are learning a valuable spiritual lesson that will help you to put your priorities in better perspective. This lesson may come in mysterious ways, perhaps through an experience of bereavement, illness, depression, self-defeating behaviour, or the underhanded actions of someone acting behind the scenes to block your progress. Spiritual, artistic, or musical endeavours can provide a welcome relief from the stress of this aspect. The final outcome will be a more serious and responsible attitude toward your own creativity and spiritual development.

Return Saturn trine Return Sun (Strength: 4.28)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §2.2 - The Sun's Aspects in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Saturn square Return Midheaven (Strength: 3.63)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §4.3 - Aspects involving the Midheaven in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Saturn square Return Mercury (Strength: 2.64)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §6.1 - Aspects of Mercury in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Saturn square Natal Pluto (Strength: 2.14)

Return Saturn squaring Natal Pluto radically alters the basic structure of your life. This is a karmic aspect that presents you with the consequences of your past behaviour.

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Events occur that cause major transformation in your personality and force you to confront the limitations of power and authority. You are prone to overwork, and you could undergo drastic changes in career. Crises, illness, depression, falls, accidents, injuries, confrontations, blows, and collisions (literal or figurative) sometimes accompany this configuration. You could easily get into power struggles that test the limits of legitimate authority. Concerns about a parent or parental figure may occupy your time. Disappointment, frustration, or hardship could arise with regard to matters ruled by the Natal House(s) with Scorpio on the cusp.

§11.0 - Uranus: Novelty, Originality, Jolts, Disruptions

General Significance of Uranus - The Awakener

Uranus, ruler of Aquarius, was the original sky-god who was castrated by his son Saturn in a coup to usurp his power. Venus-Aphrodite was born of the white foam that spread around Uranus' discarded genitals in the sea. Uranus symbolises sudden shocking events, electrifying change, wilful independence, separations, originality, inventiveness, modern technology, and progressive thinking. The action of Uranus is abruptly and without warning to shatter the old structure built by Saturn.

Astrological aspects involving Uranus show how and where sudden change, excitement, and disruption come into our lives; also, where we are likely to rebel against the past and strike out to do our own thing. People signified by Uranus include scientists, modernists, astrologers, reformers, inventors, eccentrics, and those who insist on marching to the unique beat of their own drum. In health matters, Uranus symbolises strokes and accidents; also, the ankles and calves.

The Return placement and aspects of Uranus may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by Uranus, or indirectly through people symbolised by Uranus. Look to Uranus to see where you can expect the unexpected in the coming year. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of Uranus.

Return Uranus in the Return 11th House

Uranus in the Return 11th House suggests sudden happenings that disrupt the status quo with regard to friendships, group activities, hopes for the future, and income from career. You tend to attract unusual, progressive, intellectual, or humanitarian friends. Separations from friends and acquaintances are possible. Events may alter your ability to achieve a cherished desire in surprising ways. Children may unexpectedly become

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a cause for concern. Any type of work involving computers or modern technology is likely to go well.

§11.1 - Aspects of Uranus in the Solar Return Chart

Return Uranus sextile Return Ascendant (Strength: 3.43)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §3.3 - Aspects involving the Ascendant in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Uranus inconjunct Return Jupiter (Strength: 2.73)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §9.1 - Aspects of Jupiter in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Uranus trine Return Venus (Strength: 1.87)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §7.1 - Aspects of Venus in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Uranus trine Natal Uranus (Strength: 5.23)

This aspect gives you the opportunity to review where you have arrived in your life and to decide what you need to do to express your individuality. Personal freedom is an important theme this year. You become aware of how unique you are as a person, and you are able to make choices that allow you to make your individual stamp on the world.

Return Uranus square Natal Saturn (Strength: 4.16)

You will experience a conflict between your desire for freedom and your need for structure and security. Sudden events may alter your destiny. Irritability and rebellious attitudes can have untoward consequences. Quarrels, unrest, and separations are possible.

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§12.0 - Neptune: Spirituality, Creativity, Self-Deception, Confusion

General Significance of Neptune

Neptune, ruler of Pisces, was the god of the oceans. Neptune symbolises boundlessness, intuition, psychic sensitivity, compassion, spirituality, sleep, unreality, creative imagination, artistic inspiration, fantasy, illusion, Hollywood, subconscious processes, fog, confusion, self-sacrifice, and self-defeating attitudes. Astrological aspects involving Neptune show how we attune to the feelings of others, use our imaginations, distort our perceptions, undo our own efforts, and also how we deal with the dissolution of old structures in our lives. People signified by Neptune include poets, artists, dreamers, musicians, mystics, spiritualists, idealists, sensitives, and those who compassionately tend to the needy. In health matters, Neptune symbolises the feet, sleep difficulties, intoxicants, mental disorders, and problems with drugs and alcohol.

The Return placement and aspects of Neptune may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by Neptune, or indirectly through people symbolised by Neptune. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of Neptune.

Return Neptune in the Return 10th House

This interpretation appeared previously in section §4.1 - The SR House Containing the Planet Ruling the SR Midheaven.

§12.1 - Aspects of Neptune in the Solar Return Chart

Return Neptune conjunct Return Midheaven (Strength: 10.11)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §4.3 - Aspects involving the Midheaven in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Neptune inconjunct Return Sun (Strength: 6.65)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §2.2 - The Sun's Aspects in the Solar Return Chart.

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This interpretation appeared previously in section §10.1 - Aspects of Saturn in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Neptune oppose Return Mercury (Strength: 2.76)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §6.1 - Aspects of Mercury in the Solar Return Chart.

Return Neptune trine Natal Neptune (Strength: 3.21)

This aspect calls upon you to make a spiritual review of your life. "No Man is an Island". Consider how you are linked to all of humanity and how you are an integral part of the universe. If you have been neglecting your spiritual life, this is the year to get back on track. You may also find yourself interested in the dreams, the unconscious, hypnosis, meditation, the occult, and metaphysical studies.

Return Neptune oppose Natal Pluto (Strength: 1.58)

Return Neptune in stressful aspect to Natal Pluto can indicate periods of feeling disheartened and on edge while you undergo significant changes in your life. Past conditions surrounding family, home, marriage, career, and belief systems may fade from your life this year as they have outworn their purpose or usefulness. Your deepest secrets may surface for review and resolution. Hidden health problems may require medical attention. For many, this time represents a period of crisis in their belief system.

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§13.0 - Pluto: Power, Control, Intense Emotional Experience, Elimination, Radical Transformation

General Significance of Pluto

Pluto, ruler of Scorpio, was the Greek Hades, lord of the underworld. He abducted and raped Persephone - an action that ultimately brought about the season of winter on earth. Pluto symbolises power, control, domination, the management of joint resources, penetration, unconscious processes, irresistible forces; also, uprooting, elimination, death, regeneration, rebirth, radical transformation, and the ending of a phase of life. Astrological aspects involving Pluto reveal which deeply buried factors in our lives need to be brought to the surface so that they can be reviewed, reworked, transformed, or eliminated. People signified by Pluto include miners, psychoanalysts, occultists, undertakers, money managers, and anyone whose work involves exposing that which is concealed or hidden. In health matters, Pluto symbolises the gallbladder, the sex organs, the organs of elimination, and the body's ability to restore itself.

The Return placement and aspects of Pluto may involve us either personally through health matters and life circumstances governed by Pluto, or indirectly through people symbolised by Pluto. We will next consider the Return zodiacal sign and House placements of Pluto.

§13.1 - Aspects of Pluto in the Solar Return Chart

Return Pluto trine Return Moon's North Node (Strength: 4.58)

Pluto harmoniously aspecting the Return Moon's North Node is a favourable aspect that often heralds a life-transforming event. This year you may make contacts with people who have a significant impact on your development. Doors open that lead to future growth. Large gains may come through contacts with others. You are now able to reconcile differences with significant others and to let go of restricting attitudes or conditions that have impeded your growth in the past. It is not uncommon to assume a position of leadership, power, or influence at this time. Some become involved in big business or take on the management of large sums of money.

Return Pluto inconjunct Return Sun (Strength: 1.98)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §2.2 - The Sun's Aspects in the Solar Return Chart.

§14.0 - The Solar Return Part of Fortune

Return Part of Fortune in Cancer

The Return Part of Fortune is a benefic point whose location in the chart is based on the relative positions of the Sun, Moon, and Ascendant in this year's Return. It symbolises those areas of life that are likely to be especially profitable and productive in the year ahead. Knowing where your greatest benefit lies will allow you to focus your energies so that you can achieve a greater measure of success.

When in Cancer, the Part of Fortune advises you to make optimal use of your capacity for caring, nurturing, protecting, and defending what you care about.

Return Part of Fortune in the Return 1st House

This interpretation appeared previously in section §3.4 - Planets Rising in the First House of the Solar Return Chart.

Return Part of Fortune trine Return Midheaven (Strength: 4.19)

This interpretation appeared previously in section §4.3 - Aspects involving the Midheaven in the Solar Return Chart.

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§15.0 - Connections between Planets and House Cusps

Alignments of Planets with House Cusps

The House cusps are power points in the chart, and any planet that aligns closely with a House cusp will be especially prominent in the year ahead. Planet to House cusp alignments often portend specific events whose nature combines the symbolism of the planet and the House involved.

The three sections that follow will look at the contacts, if any, (1) between Return planets and Return House cusps; (2) between Return planets and Natal House cusps; and finally, (3) between Natal planets and Return House cusps.

When comparing the Solar Return and the natal charts, any close alignment between a planet and a House cusp is highly significant. In fact, the conjunctions of planets with House cusps in the superimposed natal and return charts usually pinpoint the major factors that will be operative during the year. Pay close attention to the following three sections because they highlight the specific events that you will need to deal with in the coming Solar Return period.

§15.1 - Return Planets connected with SR House Cusps

Solar Return Planets Connected with Solar Return House Cusps

This section considers the influence of any planet or point in the Solar Return chart that forms a close connection with a House cusp in the Solar Return chart.

Return Sun conjunct Return 3rd House (Strength: 5.71)

The Sun on your 3rd cusp emphasises communication, learning, gathering information, visiting, local travel, and activities in the community. You may wish to write, take classes, or learn more about computers. Some acquire a new vehicle for transport in such a year. Activities with siblings and neighbours may be in high focus. If the Sun forms stressful aspects, you could become concerned about matters related to communications, commuting, car travel, or the affairs of siblings, neighbours, or kin.

SOLAR RETURN FORECAST STARTING 04-AUG-16 FOR BARACK OBAMA**Return Moon's North Node conjunct Return 4th House (Strength: 4.05)**

The Moon's North Node on the cusp of the 4th House advises you to come to terms with your upbringing and family values. This is a good time to work out any unresolved issues that you still have with your parents. Find a way to balance your career with your family life. People you meet this year can help you to lay down new roots and establish a more stable domestic life.

Return Pluto conjunct Return 8th House (Strength: 3.37)

Return Pluto conjunct the 8th House cusp makes this a significant year with regard to sexual matters, joint resources, and issues related to death, mortality, the afterlife, power, domination, and occult interests. This can be a time of extraordinary personal renewal and transformation, often related to the contemplation of human mortality. In-depth research and investigation are favoured. There could be a need for surgery or other potent healing methods. An inheritance or a brush with death are possible. This configuration also warns of obsessive or fanatical preoccupations.

Return Mercury conjunct Return 4th House (Strength: 2.83)

Mercury prominent in the Return chart places an emphasis on communication, adaptability, education, travel, and commerce. This year will be full of mental activity, talk, letters, phone calls, writing, travel, movement, busy work, short trips, and frequent comings and goings. Much of your activity centres on matters related to home, family, and domestic concerns. You tend to be more youthful, agile, quick-witted, and verbally expressive. You may teach, take classes, or receive training under this influence. Pursuing further education can have a beneficial effect on your career. Activities that require physical movement and dexterity are especially appealing. You are also likely to have frequent contacts with siblings, young people, kin, neighbours, and members of your local community.

Return Uranus conjunct Return 11th House (Strength: 1.46)

Uranus, the Great Awakener, represents surprise, novelty, originality, upset, nonconformity, independence, sudden insight, and electrifying change. With Uranus crossing your 11th cusp, you are likely to experience abrupt changes in your friendships, group affiliations, or income from career. A sudden separation or an unanticipated loss of a friend is possible. Unanticipated events may disrupt your hopes and wishes for the future. Children in your life may face unexpected separations from parents, or they may experience other chaotic conditions.

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§15.2 - Return Positions connected with Natal House Cusps

Solar Return Planets or Points Connected with Natal House Cusps

This section considers the influence of any planet or point in the Solar Return chart that forms a close connection with a House cusp in the Natal chart.

Return Ascendant conjunct Natal 5th House (Strength: 7.87)

The Return Ascendant conjunct your Natal 5th House cusp puts a strong emphasis on fun, romance, recreation, personal creativity, speculation, and your relationships with children. A significant love affair is common in such a year. This is a time to express yourself through creative projects, personal adornment, or the purchase of luxury items. Careful attention to your investments can produce gains in the stock market. Winning at lotto or other games of chance is also possible.

Return Jupiter conjunct Natal 8th House Cusp (Strength: 6.36)

Return Jupiter conjunct the Natal 8th House cusp brings growth, expansion, and a sense of ease to joint financial dealings, tax matters, and issues related to death and sexuality. In some way you are likely to benefit through other people's resources. Much psychological healing is possible with this placement. Benefits may also come through occult interests. Occasionally, this placement will indicate an inheritance.

Return Uranus conjunct Natal 3rd House (Strength: 4.12)

Return Uranus conjunct the Natal 3rd House cusp opens your mind to new ideas and fresh ways of thinking. You are likely to be more inventive, creative, and original in the year ahead. You might take up the study of technology, science, or New Age subjects. Sudden news may dramatically affect your life. Be careful while driving or commuting because accidents may occur at those times when Uranus is engaged in stressful aspects during the year.

Return Pluto conjunct Natal 12th House Cusp (Strength: 3.87)

Return Pluto on the Natal 12th cusp raises the possibility of an illness, accident, or injury that could require surgery or hospitalisation, especially if Pluto forms discordant aspects in the chart. A period of grief over the loss of someone or something is

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sometimes indicated. Special care should be taken with the use of alcohol or drugs. Individuals under the influence of intoxicants could pose a threat to your well-being. Be careful to avoid potentially dangerous localities.

Return Part of Fortune conjunct Natal 6th House Cusp (Strength: 1.31)

The Return Part of Fortune conjunct the Natal 6th House cusp benefits matters related to your daily routine, health and diet, relationships with co-workers, and dealings with superiors and subordinates. A pet could light up your life.

§15.3 - Natal Positions connected with Return House Cusps

Natal Planets or Points Connected with Solar Return House Cusps

This section considers the influence of any planet or point in the Natal chart that forms a close connection with a House cusp in the Solar Return chart.

Natal Ascendant conjunct Return 9th House (Strength: 4.79)

Broadening your horizons

The Natal Ascendant conjunct the Return ninth House cusp accentuates matters related to significant journeys, higher education, foreign interests, religion, philosophy, and the law. Events are likely to occur that expand your horizons and broaden your philosophy of life. Perhaps you will learn a new language, take advanced classes, or travel abroad. You may need to take legal action to tie up loose ends. Attendance at religious or other formal ceremonies (e.g., weddings, baptisms, ordinations, commencements) often accompanies this placement.

Natal Pluto conjunct Return 4th House (Strength: 2.78)

Transformation in the home

The Return 4th House cusp falling on your Natal Pluto can bring dramatic changes to the domestic scene. You come to a deeper understanding of your family and its influence on your development. Relationships with certain family members may take on an unusual intensity. As the 4th is a House of endings, a matter or a person symbolised by Pluto could pass from your life at this time.

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The Return 6th House cusp falling on your Natal Midheaven suggests that you may play some subordinate role in your job situation. Work may become tedious and overloaded with details. Workaholic activity is a risk of this position. The burdens of your job can lead to an illness that affects your work life.

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