



# *The Moon*

## *How to Become a Practicing Astrologer Part II*

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*Part 1**1. The Moon and Its Magic*

In the ancient days the Sun was masculine, and recognized as the king, the emperor, or the high priest. Thus, the Sun was considered most positive. By the law of opposites, the Moon was considered negative. Thus, people felt that a great deal of knowledge regarding life could be gained by watching the Moon.

The Babylonians did not seem to feel that the Moon was negative, but rather that it was the key symbol to understand in the horoscope. Based upon this concept, I'd like to talk at length about the Moon.

The Moon has a monthly cycle and if watched, gives us wonderful clues as to the nature of life.

We need to recognize and pay more attention to the two luminaries: The Moon and the Sun, the lesser light and the greater light.

Now the Moon is like the Sun; it is an amplifier. An amplifier is an electronic piece of equipment that lifts and multiplies a force. It's like trying to listen to your radio or your stereo, but you can't hear it. You go over and you turn a little knob. That little knob is hooked to an amplifier and it increases the sound coming out of the set. The Moon is a subjective amplifier.

"The Moon is a subjective amplifier. The Moon subjectively amplifies anything that it touches."

The Moon is an amplifier. The Sun is an amplifier. The Moon is a subjective amplifier. The Sun is an objective amplifier. This means that when we look at a horoscope, where the Moon is and what it connects to (by aspects) tells you what that soul is amplifying, intensifying and invigorating, subjectively. Where the Sun is, and what it is connected to, tells you what that soul is amplifying objectively.

What do I mean by amplifying subjectively? All this means is that whatever's happening, it's working your emotions.

It's very important to break down the chart and grasp its symbolic meaning. For example: If the Moon is aspecting a planet, you have two planets to examine. Everybody asks, "Which planet do I pay attention to?" You ignore the Moon, and pay attention to the other planet! The Moon simply subjectively amplifies that other planet. The Moon also amplifies subjectively the house and sign it is in.

Let's say we have a chart in which the Moon is squared Mars. This gives problems because squares are difficult to live with. However, is the problem really out there in the world, or is the problem really in the person's head? It's in the person's emotional computer, because the Moon is a subjective amplifier. Whatever will happen, will happen because of the individual's head trip. The Moon, because it's squared Mars, will amplify it, enlarge it and put the problem totally out of proportion.

Now, if it were the Sun squaring that Mars, the problem will be truly out there in the world because the Sun is an externalized, or an objective amplifier, for better or worse.

So if you look at a person's chart and examine the Sun, you're going to see what is real in his external world. If you look at the person's Moon, you're going to see what is real (for him) in his internal world.

Therefore, any time the Moon is linked to a planet, the Moon amplifies that planet, bringing that force into one's life. Thus, the person tries to make changes, consciously and/or unconsciously.

An "unaspected" Moon is not unaspected. It is conjunct the house that it is in, as well as the sign that it is in. Further, this "unaspected" Moon emphasizes the quadrant in which it exists.

Following this thought, there's absolutely no such thing as an unaspected planet. This is an important concept. I hear it all the time: "I've got an unaspected planet."

If the Moon is in Aries, you have Moon conjunct Aries. If you have the Moon in the first house, you have the Moon conjunct the first house. If you read it that way, you will understand a person's chart better.

The Moon, as a subjective amplifier, tells you what is being amplified. If the Moon is in the first house, you must ask, "What is the meaning of the first house?"

The first house is personality. The person is amplifying his or her personality. So there is a desire or need that compels a person to make strong personality changes. First this way, then that way. And then back this way again.

The Sun and Moon are tied together with karmic bonds. One of the best things one can have in his chart is the two luminaries linked together harmoniously: Moon conjunct Sun, Moon sextile Sun, Moon trine Sun. This is so because it indicates that the inner life (Moon) and the outer life (Sun), the soul and the Spirit are working harmoniously together. (Yes, there is some positiveness to the Moon opposed the Sun).

If the Moon is squared the Sun, mental and physical health problems might arise; conflicts with bosses, co-workers and spouse will manifest.

One of the more difficult aspects in a chart would be the Moon square the Sun, which indicates that there is something out of phase. There's something wrong with the person's head so that he cannot seem to adjust to the outside world, or there's something wrong with the world that he cannot adjust his head to it.

Another difficult aspect in the natal chart is the Moon inconjunct (150 degrees) the Sun, from cardinal signs or angular houses. This aspect, in general, has a great deal to do with guilt regarding mother or father or both. If not handled, it can cause depression and illness.

This simple basis can be used as a jumping-off point to talk about lunations: Full Moons, new Moons and eclipses.

The Babylonians, who were great astrologers, read all their charts from the lunations: new Moon, full Moon, eclipses and those planets in the karmic degrees:

- The first set of karmic degrees are the five degrees above the ascendant (in the twelfth house).
- The second set of karmic degrees are the five degrees just before the midheaven (in the ninth house).

The Moon is a symbol of the soul (the memory). The Moon is a symbol of vacillation, fluctuation and emotionality. Thus, the Moon is, par excellence, the symbol of change: psychologically, emotionally, biologically and otherwise.

The natal chart remains supreme, and the Moon is one of the keys to understanding that chart. Therefore, one method of understanding the inner, esoteric nature of a person is to take the natal chart, leaving in the Moon and any planets aspected to the Moon. Throw all the other planets and everything else away. It doesn't matter if the Sun is well-aspected. The Sun represents the outside world but people do not live in the outside world; they live in an inner world.

After you have examined the inner, esoteric nature of the person, examine his outer, esoteric nature. Take the natal chart, leaving in the Sun, and all the aspects to that Sun. Now will be revealed the outer, esoteric nature of that person. Remember, if the Moon or the Sun is unaspected in the chart, it is conjunct the house and the sign it's in. It also governs the quadrant it is in.

How many people do you know who are well-off, well-educated, and you think, I wish I had that type of life. Yet, rapidly you find out that they're miserable. Why? Because we all live, to a very great degree, in our lunar world, in our own self-made, emotional realm.

Next, when you look at a chart, you always ask, "Is this the chart of a man or of a woman?" If it's a man's chart, then the Moon symbolizes the type of woman he admires, whether he is aware of it or not.

Let's say that a Capricornian man's chart has the Moon in Leo. In the simplest language what it says is, that despite the fact he is consciously a Capricorn, he "digs" those Leo-type women: showy, classy and fiery.

In a man's chart, the Moon is a fantastic clue to his inner personality, because it tells a great deal about:

1. how he sees women, and
2. the type of woman who moves him.

If you want to know what kind of man a woman is subconsciously attracted to, look to her Sun, by sign, house and aspect. It will tell you everything about her subconscious needs regarding men.

Further, if you truly wish to understand the womanly side of a female, examine where her Moon is, by sign, house and aspect, as this reveals her female, astral body as well as her physical body. You can tell far more about a woman's inner, womanly nature by examining her Moon's position than by examining her Sun.



*Part 1**2. The Moon in the Zodiacal Signs*

Let's look at the Moon through the 12 zodiacal signs.

**The Moon in Aries**

The Moon in Aries produces tremendous desires in both men and women. The Moon is an emotional factor, but we can replace the word emotional with the word desire. The Moon in Aries, the Moon in any fire sign, actually, produces emotionality.

Think of the Moon as a desire principle. The Moon in Aries produces a strong desire for independence — an Aries trait. Personal achievement is probably the keynote. Aries tend to be somewhat loyal, somewhat faithful. They have tremendous energies. If that energy is directed toward self-control they will be very successful in this life. However, far too often the Moon in Aries produces an energy that attempts to control others, rather than produce self-control. This brings unbelievable troubles and difficulties into an Aries' life: particularly in his or her love life.

**The Moon in Taurus**

You should know that the Moon is exalted in Taurus. It is the most comfortable place for the Moon. The Moon creates the least amount of damage or negativity in this earth sign. The Moon is water and Taurus is fixed earth. Therefore, you obtain some fruitfulness there; also, the water finds stability in fixed earth. The Moon in Taurus gives a drive toward

financial security. The primary drive is toward economic security, with the emotional belief that if you can secure the money, you will have emotional security, romantic security and marital security. This may be a false concept, but that is the patterning of the Moon in Taurus.

In other words, there's a desire for security, emotionally and financially. But the financial security comes first. If you ask 1,000 divorced people who have overcome the emotional toll, "What do you think was the key that split the marriage?" the vast majority will respond with "heavy financial problems." So maybe there is something to the practical, down-to-earth Taurus sign.

The Moon in Taurus tends to produce gracious and charming people. Romantically, the Moon in Taurus causes people to fall in love very, very slowly, and then they forget how to fall out of love. The key word in any relationship for the Moon-in- Taurus person is loyalty. And, boy, will they test you. The Moon in Taurus produces an unbelievable desire to excel. This may have to do with equating excellence with financial success.

I believe that the Moon in Taurus, despite the fixity, produces a roller-coaster work personality. There are two types of roller-coaster work personalities: The first pattern is work 60,000 hours in a row, and then collapse for 60,000 hours. The second pattern is to work 30,000 hours in a row, and then collapse for 30,000 hours. In short, the person is either working like hell or loafing.

Those with the Moon in Taurus are "spurters." They have spurts of energy and then they're lazy, followed by another spurt of energy. There is a tendency for the Moon in Taurus personality to be on an emotional roller-coaster, with a tendency to be on the heavy side.

**The Moon in Gemini**

The Moon in Gemini produces a personality that desires to communicate, and desires to communicate, and desires to communicate and desires to communicate. It does not matter what. Meaning is meaningless. Say something; say anything — that's the important thing.

At the deepest level of his being, the person with the Moon in Gemini feels that he always fails at communicating. Always. I don't know what the problem is. He just can't reach out and truly touch. The Moon in Gemini, male or female, tends to produce a somewhat cold, intellectual personality. He considers himself intellectual; he is. But most often he is sterile. There's no feeling, there's no warmth. It's all data, it's not knowledge. It's all data, it's not wisdom. It's all data, it's not human. Because of this complex, he will often make an excellent writer, but a poor speaker.

The person with the Moon in Gemini has terrible problems in life because of his primary problem, which is extreme restlessness, physically and mentally. Just like the Libra, he just can't make up his mind where the heck he's supposed to be going. This Gemini collects an unbelievable host of acquaintances, but rarely has a real friend.

The Moon in Gemini, in a female chart, is a "curse." The Moon in Gemini gives the competitive complex in women's charts. The woman who has the Moon in Gemini realizes she has a great mind and no man is going to B.S. her. She is better than any man, and she's out to prove it. This is where the problem begins. Also, she doesn't have a turn-off switch at 6 o'clock. She will drive herself constantly to prove that she's superior.

I would say, frankly, she probably is superior to most men; perchance all men. But her drive to prove it — her inability to turn off her intellectual, competitive complex — usually

leaves her with five husbands, and no masculine happiness or sexual happiness. I consider it one of the most difficult positions for a woman to have, if she is unaware of it, and does nothing to soften it.

Let's back up a minute. What is the Moon? The Moon is an amplifier. The Moon is a subjective indicator. It tells us what's wrong in our heads, not what's wrong out in the world. It intensifies everything with which it comes in contact.

Pay attention to the Moon; it is the most underrated of all the planets!

If you have the Moon squared Mars in a natal chart, it means that the Moon is the principle of intensification, and Mars is the principle of strife.

This produces an intensified strife. Now, independent of what the aspect is, between these two planets, there will be strife. The conjunction will give the greatest amount of force. The square will give the greatest amount of strife. The sextile will give little strife, and an opportunity for love. The trine will give the least amount of strife, and the most good fortune in sexual romance and in making changes. The Moon opposed Mars will cause major strife. However, the opposition will cause less strife than the square, and will be a lesser force.

In short, independent of the aspect, there will always be a greater or lesser amount of strife, and a greater or lesser amount of good or bad fortune caused by the aspect proper. Now the problem that exists with the Moon squared Mars is 3 percent in the world, and 97 percent in the person's head.

So if you are counseling the person, and he is having trouble because of that lunar force, it can be changed; it definitely and easily can be changed by changing the head trip, the attitude.

Whereas, if he had a Sun squared Mars, he may change his head trip by becoming detached, and by being more patient, but the truth is that the problem is only 3 percent in his head, 97 percent out here, coming at him. So the best advice is: Remember to duck! Improve your attitude, but duck, because the Sun is an externalized amplifier. It amplifies from the external world. It really has very little to do with what's inside the head, as far as the force is concerned.

Another interesting factor about the Moon is that women are more sensitive to it than men. A lunar event in a husband's chart will happen, and he might not feel it directly. However, the wife will directly experience it. A wife may have a powerful solar aspect, and the event will manifest directly in the husband's life. Men pick up women's solar forces; women pick up men's lunar forces. That may serve as a word to the wise, before getting engaged.

A married man who has a powerful Moon, good or bad, will give it to the wife. You will see that aspect manifest most of the time through the wife. A married woman who has a powerful Sun, good or bad, will give it to her husband. You will see that aspect manifest most of the time through the husband. This concept is important because it tells you something about the mysticism of sexuality. It tells you something about the male/female polarity of our being.

Let's return to the Moon through the signs.

### **The Moon in Cancer**

The Moon in Cancer points out the desire to be sensitive. There's a sensitivity to surroundings, whether you want to call it the environment or something else. Those under the zodiacal sign Cancer are thin-skinned and are extremely easily hurt. However, they seem (like all signs) to be unaware of the hurt they cause in others. Their attitude is very much like the Aries (both being cardinal).

The key thing to remember is that Cancerian people are really willing to give, provided there's a guarantee that they'll get back more than they give. It's a terrible truth. The other two things that Moon in Cancer produces are:

1. Worriers. If they have nothing to worry about, they will worry about not having anything to worry about. It's amazing.
2. "Self-distractors," if there is such an English expression. They really know how to distract themselves from their goals. Again, just like the Aries.

The Moon in Cancer is not the kind of person who should go into business for himself. It's well-known that people with the Moon in Cancer make big money for corporations, companies and other people. After a while, the person whose Moon is in Cancer thinks, Well, if I can make millions for others, I should be able to make thousands for myself! He usually falls flat on his face. Why? He's too sensitive. He's too easily hurt. And he's too easily self-distracted. But, the real reason is that he is just too selfish and too pushy.

The Moon rules Cancer, however, and there is just too much water here. People just cannot handle all that emotion. Also, remember, the Crab has giant pincers!

Cancer's intuition is good, as long as it does not directly relate to him or her. Further, he or she is not a good self-starter. The self-distractedness and the worrying produces an emotional state that interferes with the intuition that worked so well for others.

### **The Moon in Leo**

The Moon in Leo produces a desire to be in charge, and to be in the limelight. It's a limelight complex. The Moon in Leo possesses a desire to control, but it's not an aggressive, Scorpion control. It's control like that of a queen who would say, "I really would like..." and her courtiers say, "Yes, your Majesty." She needs to be the center of attention. The danger of the Moon in Leo, and certainly more so for a man, is his intensity of pride. If you flatter him, he is the easiest of all people to manipulate. He really laps it up. People with the Moon in Leo and men with the Sun in Leo don't need any enemies; they have themselves. Some might believe that people who have the Moon in Leo are hopeless romantics. They fall in love with love, rather than in love with people.

### **The Moon in Virgo**

The desire of the Moon in Virgo is the desire to love with their minds, rather than with their hearts. Therefore people with the Moon in Virgo appear cold, indifferent and calculating. Their primary interest is data, and a typical desire is to be a teacher and/or a professional student.

The worst trait of the Moon in Virgo is that they tend to be patronizing. They don't have a good self-image, and so they'll try to flatter or patronize others. It usually does not go across well. The Moon in Virgo does not produce an emotionally inclined individual; rather

an individual who is staid, intellectual. This person loves to travel, loves to investigate, loves anything that produces change, except emotional change. Expect a great artist.

The person whose Moon is in Virgo experiences very strong inner reservations about life and about himself. This produces unbelievably heavy conflicts, doubts and reservations about his or her own goodness, and the goodness of life.

We have covered six signs. What can we say about these signs that is positive? What can we really say that is positive about the Moon in Aries? They are emotionally energetic.

How about the Moon in Taurus? Gracious, warm and stable.

What about the Moon in Gemini? Adaptable, data collector, and communicative.

How about the Moon in Cancer? Private and strong.

How about the Moon in Leo? Beautiful.

How about the Moon in Virgo? Artistic.

The Moon in Leo tends to produce very attractive women. The Moon in Pisces, the Moon in Virgo, and the Moon in Scorpio also tend to produce people with very attractive faces.

**The Moon in Libra**

There are three vital factors to understand with the Moon in Libra: There's a desire to be affectionate, socially affectionate. There's a desire to seek approval, social approval. There is a desire for beauty, for elegance.

What gets the Moon in Libra personality into more trouble than anything else is the desire for "fairness." This person wants to be fair to everybody. This just does not function very well in this world.

Most Moon in Libra personalities have to learn the magic mantra: NO! Because they sometimes try so hard to please everybody, they can't please themselves. And they become miserable and hard to live with. This personality should learn to say no and not feel guilty about it.

**The Moon in Scorpio**

Most astrologers would agree that this is a most difficult position for the Moon to be in. The Moon in Scorpio drives a person toward spirituality, occultism and inner development. There is a tendency to be very physically active. The two most difficult aspects you need to look for in a chart, when the Moon is in Scorpio, are: shamefulness and negative thinking. They are very negative thinkers on the whole. There is a marked tendency to feel that something is wrong with them.

How about this? People with the Moon in Scorpio tend to be very militant — a militant mother, militant mistress, militant wife, militant teacher, or just plain militant. Their intuitions are tremendously strong and accurate. The Moon is in a water sign, and that

would develop the intuition. They also have a hard, cold sense of humor, which they do not handle well if it's turned back upon them.

The Moon in Scorpio women often think people are only after their bodies, because they know they are not beautiful. Perchance, they see their minds better than most people.

### **The Moon in Sagittarius**

Probably the most important new factor about the Moon in Sagittarius personality is that she tends to set goals that are absolutely unreachable. Actually the goals might be reachable, but Moon in Sagittarius just thinks they're unreachable. It's an offshoot of the grass-is-greener attitude. She makes a conscious effort to set goals that are impossible so she can prove that her God still loves her, and that she's a good person. It's a dangerous game to play and many Sagittarians play it and lose.

Most Sagittarians are unbelievably lucky. We would expect that to be true because the vibration of Sagittarius is the vibration of Jupiter, the greater benefic.

### **The Moon in Capricorn**

The Moon in Capricorn produces a desire to be hard-working and practical. Through history, the Moon in Capricorn is called "the ruthless Moon," as in: Don't get in my way, I'll run you down. The ruthless Moon, the Moon in Capricorn. Don't antagonize a person with the Moon in Capricorn unless you're ready for a ruthless battle. The Moon in Capricorn personality enjoys work, enjoys contests and is an over-achiever.

Security lies in authority. Security lies in authority. Security lies in authority. The Moon in Capricorn personality thrives on other people's respect. He or she needs that respect, lives on it. The Moon in Capricorn personality can become unbelievably bitter if he fails or if he feels he has lost respect. He can't handle defeat well at all. Bitterness is the outcome rather than admitting, "Oops, I did something wrong."

### **The Moon in Aquarius**

The Moon in Aquarius produces the desire to think: Hey, the world needs me. That's how they feel, that the world needs them, that they can make the world happier and better. And they have, because they're here. They certainly have fantastic minds.

One of the axioms regarding the Aquarian personality is this: If you want to know what the world's going to do tomorrow, en masse, see what the Aquarians are doing today.

This is an air sign, and therefore has a social coldness. The Moon in Aquarius personality gives an impersonal friendship. Such a person loves organizations and informal friendships. She doesn't like passionate relationships, and she prefers humanitarian love over sexual-emotional love.

### **The Moon in Pisces**

Finally, we have the Moon in Pisces, which is a soul looking for perfection. This person should start by looking inward. He doesn't want to bother with anything mundane, anything down to earth so he constantly trips over his own feet. The Pisces develops a

philosophy that makes material things unnecessary, which is obviously fallacious, Neptunian and self-deceptive.

Those who have the Moon in Pisces develop their own codes, ones that are impossible for the world to live within; it's impossible for them to live within the codes, too. This makes them unhappy or difficult to live with. The key about the Moon in the Pisces personality is that it is very hard, if not impossible, for them to lock onto the realities of everyday, practical existence.



*Part One**3. The Moon Psychologically, Biologically  
and Sociologically*

Astrology is an angular science in which the planet in angular houses gives force to the chart. Thus, if an "unpected" Moon is setting on any angle (first house, fourth house, seventh house or tenth house), it will be quite obvious as you move through life. However, you could have a very strongly aspected Moon, out of the twelfth house, and it may be very hard to see or feel its effect, because it is not angular.

Psychologically speaking, the Moon is the soul. The Moon symbolizes emotionality, domesticity, as well as mobility, changeability, adaptability and motherly instincts. It's important to recognize that the Moon deals with the sense of form. If you're an artist with a strong Moon, you will have a good sense of form, line and design. The Moon, particularly in its negative signs (water signs) and negative houses (water houses), produces a psychological impressionability, with resulting moodiness. People who have poorly aspected Moons have tremendous impressionability. That means they're feeding emotionality in and then overreacting in their subjective minds to these impressions.

Biologically speaking, the Moon relates to liquids, so bodily fluids, including blood serum and the lymphatic system, are ruled by the Moon. The Moon relates to fertility. The Moon deals with hereditary qualities. In a child's chart, the Moon will reveal whether there is a hereditary problem. (Karmic problems are usually revealed by Saturn.)

Sociologically speaking, the Moon deals with mother, the wife, the family and the nation.

The Moon cannot be separated from the Sun, nor the Sun from the Moon. Thus, one of the important ways to clarify the Moon is to deal with it as an eclipse — the eclipse of the Moon or of the Sun. When the Sun is eclipsed, the Moon is in front of the Sun, that is, between you and the Sun. When the Moon is eclipsed, the Sun is between you and the Moon.

One of the important lunar relationships in a horoscope is the Karmic Eclipse. To locate it in a chart, open the ephemeris to the year and day of birth, and simply start backing up the months until you find the first solar eclipse before birth. This eclipse is called a Karmic Eclipse of the Sun. Because the Moon got in front of the Sun, blocking it out, the Moon is more important at that moment.

All you do is take your ephemeris for the year of birth, open it to your month of birth. On the left page it says, "New Moon." If that month has an eclipse of the Sun, it will be listed right below this with degrees and sign. Now, take an "e" meaning eclipse, and draw a circle around it, which represents the Karmic Eclipse point, and drop it into the chart, just like you would a planet. Somewhere before nine months, there will be a listing of the solar eclipse. It is all right if you have to go into the ephemeris for the year before your birth.

It does not matter whether it was a total or a partial eclipse, or any other form of eclipse. It just needs to be a solar eclipse.

In the Rosicrucian ephemerides, the eclipses are always indicated on the top of the left page. They are also indicated on the first right-hand page of each year.

If you have the 1980s ephemeris, let's assume someone was born April 12. You simply look on page 10 of the Scientific Ephemeris and see that there is no eclipse in April. If there was an eclipse after April 12, it would not count. It must be before the birthdate. So you back up into March and listed on page 8 is a new Moon, but not an eclipse. You back up into February 1980. There you see a ringed eclipse of the Sun on February 16, 1980, 26 degrees, 50 minutes of Aquarius. So anyone born in April would have a Karmic Eclipse at this degree. The house, sign and aspects of the Karmic Eclipse will tell you a great deal about hereditary defects, family karma and other conditions in the life whose chart you're reading. There are no mathematics; you just pull it straight out of the chart from the ephemerides.

The next thing I want to talk about is Lunations.

Lunation is simply a fancy word meaning a new Moon, a full Moon or an eclipse. In virtually every month, there's one new Moon and one full Moon, and these will fall into your natal chart, and activate it in some way. Here, the key Law is:

*What the new Moon promises, the full Moon fulfills.*

When we start talking about lunations in the horoscope, we have jumped from natal astrology to predictions by the art and science of transits.

The Babylonians used three markers as the ultimate techniques for predicting, as they fell into the horoscope.

1. The new Moon,
2. The full Moon, and
3. The eclipses when they occurred.

Three placements were noted:

1. Conjuncting or falling on a planet,
2. Conjuncting the cusp of the tenth house, and
3. Conjuncting the cusp of the first house.

The first question we have to ask regarding lunations is: what is the orb, in degrees, of a lunation? Some astrologers give 15 degrees, some give 10 degrees. I give approximately 7 degrees. The lunation will definitely reach 7 degrees. Beyond this range, the force of the lunation becomes weak.

You know the principle: The tighter the aspect, the more intense the aspect. I feel much more comfortable making a prediction based on a lunation that is only 3 degrees from a planet or cusp. I cherish making predictions from lunations when they're right on a planet, within 1 degree or less.

There is little difference between a new Moon and a full Moon. However, the new Moon is definitely stronger and symbolizes and stresses a beginning. In the new Moon you have the two luminaries conjunct each other. Thus, when a new Moon conjuncts a planet, there are three planets at one point in the chart. You would expect, therefore, a greater degree of intensity and probably singularity of energy.

The full Moon is weaker, and symbolizes an ending. With the full Moon you have one of the luminaries opposed the other luminary. So when one of the luminaries is conjunct a planet, the other luminary is in opposition to that same planet.



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*Part One**4. The Lunations to the Planets***Lunation to the Sun**

A lunation works just like transits and, technically, a lunation to a planet or luminary can be any aspect whatsoever. However, I generally do not make prediction from lunations, except by conjunction. Sometimes, I do so by opposition. Rarely by square; never by trine or sextile.

If you have a lunation on (conjunct) your natal or progressed Sun, the key is to recognize that this symbolizes that you're coming to a fork in the road. It signals a turning point in life. Now, if the lunation occurs on, or very close to your birthdate, the turning point will be a major factor.

A lunation on the Sun, which is the power force, simply means it's a time for clear judgment, and for foresight. Clear judgment and foresight are needed to handle the new conditions that will arise due to the turning point.

When there's a lunation on the Sun, expect change in your life. The positive or negative factor relates more to the aspects of the natal Sun.

The Sun is always the symbol of a man in your life: Boss, friend, husband, father or authoritarian figure. So if you're having an eclipse on the Sun, you can expect some problems to arise from these five groups.

Any time there is a lunation on the Sun, beware of male ego (especially in a woman's chart).

Man or woman, it's the time to button your lip, take a back seat and learn to say, "Yes Sir. Yes, Ma'am."

The lunation is active for one month on either side of the lunation date. It has a two-week bull's eye on either side.

If you're a man and there's a lunation on your Sun, watch your ego, and your boss' ego so you won't get into an ego battle during the lunation period. Watch your own ego so you can remain in control.

### **Lunation to the Moon**

If there is a lunation on the Moon, it deals with changes, and with women in general. We have to watch our emotions in these areas. A lunation on the natal Moon always indicates a change, as opposed to a fork in the road. A lunation on the Moon indicates you will feel differently about things. What things? The things to which the Moon natally is linked by aspect; the things to which the Moon is linked by house and sign. Emotionally, one will be more wise, more impressionable than usual. Therefore, watch who you are around, and what you look at on TV or at the movies.

If you have a lunation on your Moon, which is squared Neptune, don't drink or go to places where the emotional input will likely be negative.

The Moon is a symbol of fourth-house conditions, domestic things. A lunation on it could indicate home changes or emotionality in, or with, the household. A lunation on the Moon would not be a good time to deal with the public, if the natal Moon is poorly aspected. The public may tend to be fickle or you may tend to vacillate.

Certainly when the Moon is having a lunation, expect it to be a time for change. If the natal Moon is favorable, it would be highly favorable for that change. If the Moon was afflicted natively, you may feel like making the change, but it is not the best time to do so.

The first seven years of life are ruled by the Moon.

### **Lunations to Mercury**

Mercury, in terms of when people relate to it, is featured in youth, probably between ages 8 and 15.

One of the keys to being a good astrologer is to understand that every planet symbolizes a type of person. For example, if I have a Mars squared Saturn, that says I will fight with older people. If I have a Jupiter trine Saturn, it means old people will be very lucky for me. So astrologers should always symbolize a planet in terms of types of people. If you have a good Jupiter, you know that certain people will be lucky for you, those symbolized by Jupiter: Lawyers, doctors, judges, veterinarians, dentists and religious people. If you have a

good Saturn, old people will be very lucky for you. If you have a good Sun, it means very powerful people will be lucky for you.

Certainly with any lunation of Mercury, we know that the tendency for traveling and for mental activity is pronounced. The tendency for study, for travel, is marked. Usually when there's a lunation on Mercury, our talents are brought to the fore. A lunation on your Mercury means you want to travel, or there will be an opportunity to take short trips, generally by car. However, whether those journeys are by bus or airplane is primarily determined by the aspects to that natal Mercury. Certainly, any lunation on Mercury makes the mind very active and restless.

Lunation on the Mercury normally indicates travel by car, as opposed to luxury liners (Neptune) or airplanes (Uranus).

### **Lunations to Venus**

Venus symbolizes young people. Lunations on Venus indicate popularity, fame, entertainment and being entertained. As Venus is a symbol for money and love, I would expect some activity manifesting with regards to love and/or romance. Happiness and pleasures would also tend to manifest under a lunation on Venus. Certainly, enhanced appreciation of art, beauty, cultural interests would manifest. Many people purchase clothing under this aspect.

Many times when you see Venus activated by a lunation, it indicates a restlessness. This usually triggers a spending spree. Venus is also allurements and beautification, jewelry, clothing, cosmetics and home furnishings.

If you're reading a person's chart and Venus, which is triggered by the lunation, is squared Jupiter, it is not the best time to buy art or clothing. It is not the time to get your hair cut or colored or changed in any way.

### **Lunations to Mars**

Any time you see a lunation on Mars, you know that it is going to be an exciting month: Eventful, fiery, fighting, impulsive, forceful, adventuresome, bitchy and crabby.

Mars symbolizes young, virile men and women. The duration of this lunation to Mars technically lasts three to five days on either side of the partile. Guard against getting involved in discussions, quarrels, fights, argumentation and misunderstandings. Beware, too, that small cuts, burns and bruises can be sustained at this time.

The second key point is: It is not a good time to begin a new venture. Of all the things that are started under a lunation to Mars, 99 percent of them never reach completion. A project, a relationship, just will not have any staying power.

The lunation on Mars is often a time of sudden sexual romance, an interlude. The quality, positive or negative, will, as always, depend on the aspects to the natal Mars.

Again, the impulse to make the changes, to begin new things, will be very strong. The advice is to sit still, keep your mouth closed and think about doing it later. And then think about it some more. When the lunation hits Mars, Martian energy is released and a great amount of work can be accomplished in a very, very short period of time.

**Lunations to Jupiter**

Lunations to Jupiter have to do with professional people: Lawyers, judges, doctors, veterinarians, dentists and clergy. Jupiter represents money, wealth and joviality. If, therefore, you are having a lunation on Jupiter, it will be a happy and fortunate period. It could be a strong study period as well.

Optimism, generosity and confidence should manifest. Attitudes and events should improve in one's life. The lunation to Jupiter should bring benefit. It is an excellent time for seeking out and finding opportunity because, generally, it is a lucky period. It is sometimes called a period of easy come, easy go. Love flows in and flows right out. Money flows in and money flows right out. Opportunity flows in, and if you don't grab it, it will flow right out.

Normally, a person's mental and physical health should improve. A lunation on Jupiter will give an abundance of vitality.

The central effect of a lunation on a Jupiter, though it will begin to manifest within two weeks on either side, will probably last about five days on either side.

**Lunations to Saturn**

Regarding Saturn, it symbolizes old people, particularly old men. Saturn also represents government agencies as well as government agents — like tax collectors, not like CIA agents.

The lunation on Saturn simply indicates a period that will be a slow, difficult period. Don't plan to do too much. Don't anticipate that a lot of good things are going to happen quickly. It's not a lunation on Mars, it's just the opposite. Saturn is a slowing-down period. Saturn is an obstacle period. Obviously it is not a good time for starting new ventures, because things go much too slowly, with too many obstacles.

I have seen many people, under this lunation, quit their jobs to go into business for themselves. Not good timing at all. I've seen so many people quit their jobs under this lunation, to get another job. Bad timing again. Usually they take three to six months before they get another job. It's not a time to make changes or to try to move forward in new ventures.

Saturn has much to do with concrete wealth and security.

Psychologically, the lunation to Saturn will be "saturnine": heavy, serious, reflective and somewhat withdrawn. The key word would be "depressed." People need to watch against their negative thinking at this time.

Certainly, watch out for accidents to bones. It's not the best time to take part in stressful activities such as skiing, jumping out of airplanes, tobogganing and drag-racing. Watch the muscles and the bones at this time in your life. The vitality and health are not the best; resistance and physical stamina are at a low ebb. I suggest that you read or study during this time.

### **Lunations to Uranus**

A lunation on Uranus means that all new, exciting, unplanned events will happen. The best way I know to say it is: Surprise! Vastly different things manifest under this lunation. Changes are in the air. Change manifests out of the clear blue sky.

Remember to remain flexible, adaptable.

Be ready for "acts of God." I would rather say acts of the devil, but, you know, people tend to blame events on God. In other words, Murphy's Law is in effect: If anything can go wrong, it will go wrong. However, this depends on how your Uranus is aspected in the natal chart. There are two things to be remember:

1. If you're planning something, do not plan it around a lunation of Uranus. The weather, and everything else, will usually be against you.

So watch making changes under a lunation of Uranus, or Mercury. These two air planets have a great deal to do with the weather. Ask yourself, "Does the success of this project depend on weather?" If it does, and there is a lunation close by, you're in trouble.

2. Regarding changes under the lunation of Uranus, sometimes we can't help it, we have to undergo change. If we have to make changes, the secret to enduring a lunation on Uranus is to make a small change; stay away from extreme changes.

**Lunations to Neptune**

The lunation of Neptune manifests two weeks on either side, with a bull's eye of three to five days on either side.

This is where subtler feelings and emotions are stimulated. If one likes to drink, whether that's champagne, wine or schnapps, there is a tendency to drink more. If one puffs on cigarettes, there will be a desire to puff more. If one is a drug user, one will tend to use more drugs.

Psychologically: vagueness, deceptions, self-deception and nebulous conditions will tend to manifest. Be specific. If you're under a lunation to Neptune, find out why you are debating about going to the North Pole, and arguing whether you should go east or west. Don't just start; ask key questions first.

Under this lunation, I have found many people move to another state. They move quite far away, they change jobs. Within three to nine months, they move back, or at least try to. What is started under a lunation of Neptune is reversed within a short period. This is an important concept, especially if you are thinking of selling your home.

In other words, this lunation tends to sidetrack people. Things are not what you thought them to be and you will be back where you started.

**Lunations to Pluto**

The lunation on Pluto is like that of Mars. It opens up an active period. There is activity between you and groups of people and aggravation sometimes manifests. Whatever you

do, or whatever happens at this time has a "duplicating" effect. If you undergo surgery during this time, you will probably undergo that same surgery again within two to seven years.

If you have a fight with the family, usually you'll have that same fight two or three times within a few months.

If you quit your job under this lunation, you'll probably quit your job two or three times within a short period. Pluto is a small Mars, fighting and duplicating the fighting. Pluto also deals with groups of people, so it has a lot to do with politicians, investigations, the mafia, the Cosa Nostra and unions. Pluto also has a great deal to do with the subconscious mind and its desires.



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*Part Two**1. The Prenatal Moon*

The Moon is a subjective amplifier. Any time there is an aspect off the Moon to some planet, it intensifies that planet's urges.

The prenatal lunar conjunction is an area of vital importance. The prenatal lunar conjunction is simply that planet which the moon last passed over before birth. You know that the planets move counterclockwise. They go from 6 to 5 to 4, of the clock. Right? They move counterclockwise. If you had a number of planets, and the Moon was at 6 of the clock, the last planet that the Moon crossed over would be the planet at 7.

I'll say it again. The Moon moves counterclockwise. The planet that is on the tail of the Moon is the planet that the Moon passed over last. Therefore, if the Moon was at 3 on a clock face, where would the tail of the Moon be? Four is the correct answer. Let's assume that the Moon is at 11. Where would the tail of the Moon be? Twelve is the correct answer. If the Moon was at 7, its tail would be at 8.

The concept of the prenatal conjunction is extremely important because it tells you how the person sees any change in his life. It also tells you how any change is going to affect his life. Life is a series of adjustments to changes. Every human being has a given attitude toward change. The prenatal conjunction tells the subconscious attitude toward change. Therefore, it helps you to re-balance his soul and adjust to change.

A lutation on a progressed planet is usually one-half to one-third the strength of that to a natal planet. The intensity of any lutation, transit or progression depends upon the location of the natal planet and the aspects to (or from) that natal planet. Western astrology gives too much importance to the aspects of the natal planet and forgets the importance of the placement of that natal planet.

A lutation on a retrograde planet is as strong as that of a natal planet. It tends to emphasize the negative vibrations of that planet. Retrograde planets have a greater amount of disruptive forces than a planet moving directly. Therefore the effects of a lutation on a retrograde planet will be more easily seen.

A lutation on a planet in an intercepted sign simply means that it is harder to see the effect in the outside world. They most often are only psychological events, hidden from all except the person himself.

The best advice in counseling someone with a prenatal lunar malefic is to understand the personality type and its attitude toward change. The secret, when there is a malefic involved, is to talk in terms of the opposite: the benefic. Thus, with Mars or Pluto, talk to the person in terms of Venus. If Saturn is the malefic, then talk in terms of Jupiter. In terms of Uranus, talk in terms of Saturn's stability. Regarding Neptune, talk in terms of Mercury.

### **The Moon last over Mercury**

If the Moon crossed over Mercury last, your attitude toward change is Mercurial. Therefore, any change that manifests brings a certain amount of busyness with it.

The change is neither good nor bad. However, it is exhausting, with lots of talk preceding the change, and lots of talk after the change: "Should we really move? Maybe we should buy that other condo. Maybe we should have moved to Upper Skarvovia. I really wonder if we have made the right move." Talk, talk, talk. And sometimes Mercury, which is a third house symbol, gives a great deal of pacing. There can be a great deal of psychological and physical pacing after any move.

Now if, during a particular change, a person has transiting Saturn negatively aspecting that Mercury, this will inhibit the person's ability to express himself. Then a very major problem will occur because of that change. This will produce a very deep frustration.

Keep this in mind when planning a change: One should not make a change when the planet which the Moon last passed over is afflicted by a transiting Saturn.

When a change is made, the psychological pattern is to do a lot of "make work," a lot of talking and a lot of psychological and physical pacing. If Saturn is on top of that Mercury, this will inhibit these actions and will produce a great deal of tension, which will result in a major problem with that change.

### **The Moon last over Venus**

If one has a prenatal conjunction of Venus, any change made will have a Venusian effect. Generally, love, romance and money will be the benefit. Whether it is true or not, we cannot say, even if we could see the aspects to the natal Moon. Why? Because the Moon is a subjective amplifier. Most astrological texts state that this position is good and brings benefits from change overall.

**The Moon last over the Sun**

If the Moon crossed over the Sun last, this means any change made will tend to bring gain in power and prestige, subjectively. There is an attitudinal patterning that ultimately shifts us to where our subconscious, subjective mind exists. Life often brings lemons but the secret to a good life is to learn to make lemonade. It's all in the attitude.

If a person's Sun was the last planet the Moon passed over, the person's attitude toward change will be positive. Change will be seen as positive and good because they will see it as bringing vitality and prestige. This feeling, this attitude toward life and change will bring a more extroverted, more outgoing manifestation. This will add to the change, making it more constructive.

**The Moon last over Mars**

How about if the Moon had last crossed over Mars? That means any change is going to bring dispute, both before and after the change. The Moon last over Mars is not a good thing to have in the chart. These people do not like change because as they look back, each change has brought fighting and pain. Mars is a symbol of pain: emotional, mental and physical pain. That person, despite the fact that it might be a good period in his life, is going to sit there and say, "No. Everything I have done in my whole life has caused me nothing but pain. I am not going to cause any more pain to myself." The astrologer needs to motivate this person.

The mind is like a computer. Unfortunately, most of us are so pre-programmed, especially the person whose Moon went last over Mars, that change is painful even under good aspects. He won't want to make changes. The programming from the past overrides the

emotions of the present. The key reason is that the Moon last passed over Mars just before this person came into this world. Thus, he or she is gun-shy and fears pain. So deal with this person patiently and offer encouragement.

If the Moon last went over Mars, it really doesn't matter if that Mars has three squares or four trines to it. The prenatal conjunction is only concerned with the basic nature of the planet Mars. Its aspects do not change the fundamental nature of Mars.

Again, whether the Moon has passed Mars by 4 degrees or by 40 degrees affects neither the nature nor the strength of the prenatal conjunction.

### **The Moon last over Jupiter**

When the Moon has crossed over Jupiter last, you will find that the person always becomes more philosophical with change. Change will bring philosophical wisdom. Such a person has an attitude that change is good for him, because it causes him to feel that he has learned so much. He feels freer. There is less confinement. Anything that tends to produce a neutralization of negative attitudes toward change will be helpful. Remember, your purpose isn't to predict the future for yourself or for others. Your main purpose is to help balance out the negative future.

How do you help to balance out a person's future? We have two powerful tools: the hand and the tongue. Both are extensions of the Mercury Chakra. The Mercury Chakra is an astral force existing at the cervical area. These tools are very powerful and meaningful in helping people.

A person's story may or may not affect you. I realized how important verbalization is. A woman came to me many decades ago. She sat down nervously, wanting me to read her chart. She was debating about spending the money. Finally, I said to her, "You know, if you simply have a question, I can answer it for you. There will be no charge."

She answered, "Well, the problem is very simple. I have this problem. Will it improve?" I strongly stated, "I am positive the future is going to be much better." She questioned me rather intently for about 15 minutes. She then got up and said, "OK, if you say so. Fine." She then left the office. However, about 10 minutes later she came back, knocked on the door and handed me a bag. She left hastily. In the bag were three razor blades and a bottle of poison. Never, never, underestimate the power of the spoken word.

You might ask how did I know that the woman's life was going to get better? Well, her Moon last went over Jupiter. I also knew that she had Progressed Mercury squaring her Neptune. Thus, things would improve after that aspect. But whether I knew it or not, the key was the power of the spoken word.

And as with astrologers, the average man on the street is becoming more knowledgeable and sophisticated regarding astrology. So what do you say when a client states, "According to my calculations, it looks like my mother is going to die in September"? What do you say after you told the client, "Yes, it does look like a critical month"? And we are full circle, and back to change. Now if you know the client's attitude toward change, you should be able to say something supportive of the situation, instead of something fatalistic. There are people with good charts who say all the time, "Life is terrible!"

There were three great shocks in my life when I first started reading charts back in the 1950s.

1. People would not listen to anything you had to say unless you charged them.
2. The more you charged them, the more attention they paid to what you said.
3. Many people have superb charts but you would never guess it by the way they talked and acted.

Way back in the '40s, my guru said that after I read about 10,000 charts, I would begin to understand my own chart. You begin to understand something you can't get out of a book. It is like a doctor who performs 200 operations on the brain — he improves his instinct and gains a deeper understanding.

If the person has Jupiter on the tail of the Moon, every change that comes about will bring more things, an expansiveness of things, benefit from things, as well as a more positive attitude. The question might arise as to how soon after the change one will become aware of the benefits? This is a good question, but one that is more difficult to answer directly. It is best seen, as you look back at it, after 12 to 18 months have passed. As you look back at all the changes in your life, and see the events as a total picture of change, you gain a better insight into this concept.

### **The Moon last over Saturn**

People who have their Saturn on the tail of the Moon fundamentally lose something every time they make a change. This is a heavy patterning. Also, Saturn is the most objective of all the planets so it does tend to bear reality. So change brings loss. The person doesn't want to

make any changes because she feels she will lose something. The thought patterns of the mind are a self-fulfilling prophecy. She knows that if she makes a change, she will have to lose something. And so she programs herself into loss. The woman who says, "I can't have a career and a boyfriend," tends to cause it to be true because her mind tells her, "I must lose one or the other."

### **The Moon last over Uranus**

Uranus on the tail of the Moon simply means that every time a change comes, it brings chaos. Therefore, if someone is asking, "Should I get married?" The answer is no, don't. And then you go from there to help get the person happily married.

Added to the above-mentioned shocks I experienced in my life was the realization that most people are sick with animosity, suspicion and jealousy. An important thing to learn in astrology is that you are trying to communicate. Do not talk in terms of right and wrong. Communicate, communicate, communicate.

In astrology, no one is a bad person. In the social sciences, practitioners see people as good or bad. This is the incorrect attitude. People say the problem is someone else's. That's also a wrong attitude. And so the word is: Wisdom. Wisdom not in the mystical sense, but in a Bostonian sense of prudence. The attitude seems to be: I am right, therefore I can crush the person; I am right, therefore I can hurt the person.

This is an important factor if you are trying to bring a person to a point of balance. I am not saying you should lie. I am not even saying you should cut the thin edge of truth. I'm saying communicate, communicate, communicate.

My guru would say, "You must understand that if you are sincerely into something as esoteric, something as mystical, something as occult and as spiritual as astrology, you are way ahead of the world. It doesn't make you greater or more wonderful. It just means that you have suffered much longer than most people, and learned from that suffering. And in that suffering and learning process, it is your responsibility to reach out a little further and realize where other people are coming from. Communicate that they are out of balance, and communicate that they are going to lose.

It's just like the man who loves a woman but he squeezes her. It's called possessing. He'll say, "But I love her so much." And he squeezes tighter and tighter. It's just like squeezing the cat. You can only squeeze so tightly, and the cat will react with its claws. You cannot possess in this world, even if the world is gluey; even if the mind is gluey. The attitude toward change is one of the clues to helping people.

### **The Moon last over Neptune**

Neptune on the tail of the Moon simply means that anything that is going to transpire during any change is going to produce disorientation and/or vagueness. It is best to ask, "What am I doing here? What happened?" Any change will be followed by disorientation. It may take a month or a year for that disorientation to dissipate.

If the Moon last went over Neptune, there should be a period of nebulosity, following each and every change. If this is the case, why did I, why do I, keep making changes?

The answer is quite simple: We forget; we get lost in the change. We are "forced" to make the change, just as desire forces us not to think. Likewise the lunations, the aspects, drive us to change.

An aspect is a habit, like mispronouncing a word or scratching your head, or rubbing your chin when you talk. You can be conditioned out of that, but it is amazing how rapidly that habit can return. You never really break a habit, you just overlay it with a stronger, newer habit. And if you look at it from that standpoint, you may have a better understanding of the force the lunation has on your subconscious mind.

### **The Moon last over Pluto**

Pluto on the tail of the Moon basically means that it's going to act like Mars, producing fighting and irritability, with three major differences: Mars is fighting one on one; Pluto is one against a group. Mars is generally a single fight; Pluto is generally repetitious fighting. Mars' reasons are more on the surface of the conscious mind; Pluto's reasons are deep in the subconscious mind.



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*Part Two**2. The Lunations in the Houses*

What is a lunation? A lunation is a conjunction or an opposition of the Sun and the Moon. It may or may not be an eclipse. When the Moon comes up and conjuncts the Sun, it produces a primary pattern called a new Moon. When the Moon comes up and forms an opposition to the Sun, it produces a primary pattern called a full Moon.

The old law states:

*What the new Moon promises, the full Moon fulfills.*

In the ancient days, every month started with the new Moon. And when you read a chart month by month, you are dealing with the lunation of the new Moon. Any event is, to a very great degree, crystallized, formed and determined by that preceding New Moon. It is best to go in astrology from new Moon to new Moon, not from the first of each month.

Therefore, find the first new Moon before birth. It's the new Moon just before you came out of your mother's womb, and into the womb of this world. And just put it in your chart (NM with a circle around it). Leave it in the chart, and deal with it as a sensitive point. Watch the transits and lunations to this point, especially by conjunction. This prenatal new Moon will tell you a great deal about certain emotional patterns and emotional attitudes that are karmic. In short, they are your psychological blind spots.

Any transit or progressed planet will be immensely shaped by where the preceding new Moon was at. The aspect will be determined, to a very great degree, by the preceding new Moon.

A 5- to 7-degree orb is a good, healthy orb of influence for a lunation.

I was taught in the 1940s to use a 3-degree orb for everything. It really simplifies the chart, thus making predictions easier and much more accurate. However, occasionally I found that a larger orb did hold, and I missed something. But, on the whole, all my predictions held up. It is better to have all your predictions hold up than to make many predictions and miss many.

### **Lunation in the First House**

If a lunation falls into the first house of a natal chart, there are a couple of things we can perceive:

1. A definite restlessness manifests.
2. An emotional movement to make a change. The change does not have to come, but there will be a reflecting and, perchance, a verbalizing about this change.

Where the Moon is natally (by house and sign), and what the aspects are from the natal Moon, will determine whether this restlessness is positive or negative.

The astrologers of old paid attention to the karmic degrees. Where are the karmic degrees? Five degrees above the ascendant and five degrees before the midheaven (in the ninth house).

### **Lunation in the Second House**

A lunation in the second house produces a restlessness to make changes regarding economic patterns. Often, a lunation in the second house produces a tendency to overspend, and the desire to think seriously about money matters. Monetary matters will be brought to the forefront. The nature of the Moon at birth will determine the positive or negative factors for about two weeks after lunation.

### **Lunation in the Third House**

A lunation in the third house produces a mental restlessness, and a desire to talk more, to communicate more, to take short trips. The good or bad of this lunation depends primarily on the position and aspects of the natal Moon.

### **Lunation in the Fourth House**

A lunation in the fourth house will cause you to have activity around the house. You want to paint, clean or move the furniture around. You will also want to invite people to the house. A lunation in the fourth house often indicates unexpected guests dropping in. Knowing astrology, you won't be caught unaware, nor with the refrigerator empty. The lunations in the fourth, eighth and twelfth houses will activate the subconscious mind and therefore eccentric conditions: hallucinations, dreams and wrong attitudes.

**Lunation in the Fifth House**

A lunation in the fifth house has to do with personal satisfaction, pleasure and creativity. Most lunations here bring positive and happy events. But, as always, the tone is set by the natal Moon. The Moon has everything to do with mental forms. Fifth house conditions, if they occur, are what we call mystical visions of bliss. They are very hard to pick up; they don't seem to want to come through very clearly.

**Lunation in the Sixth House**

A lunation in the sixth house produces a restlessness associated with work life. It produces a desire to make changes in working habits. Usually this lunation is a quick way of checking the approximate birth time, especially if the natal Moon is afflicted. It tends to test the person's stomach and digestion for a few days. In women, it also tends to produce female problems.

**Lunation in the Seventh House**

A lunation in the seventh house brings a restlessness to make changes in personal agreements, such as marriage or business partnership. There is often more social activity. The seventh house has a lot to do with the general public, as well as open enemies. A lunation here tends to bring about restlessness for more fame or popularity. It also has to do with taking actions against your enemies.

Usually a lunation will affect a person for about two weeks on either side of the lunation. The force of the lunation fires about one and a half days on either side of that lunation.

**Lunation in the Eighth House**

A lunation in the eighth house often causes problems with other people's money, taxes, etc. The eighth house is also your spouse's money and/or your business partner's money. The eighth house is other people's property. It is insurance companies, banks, contractual agreements and debts. So when there is a lunation in this house, look to events in these areas.

The eighth house is the most occult of all houses so lunations in this area will often produce mystical experiences. Thus, watch your dreams at this time (one and a half days each side of lunation) and seek to understand their mystical meaning in your everyday life.

Lunations in the eighth house have more to do with hallucinations, negative attitudes and/or disorientation. Some astrologers say that the lunation in the eighth house is far more dream-like, and/or manifests in the lower dream states or in the lower astral plane. Those lunations in the eighth house are far more collective, subjective and personal.

**Lunation in the Ninth House**

A lunation in the ninth house reveals patterns of emotions regarding professional people — doctors, lawyers, judges, dentists, veterinarians, clergy — and long-distance traveling. The ninth house has a lot to do with philosophy, whether this is philosophy of medicine, theology, science, law or foreign cultures. It can produce difficulties with philosophy, government institutions, higher learning institutions, and/or lawyers. Many times it brings desires for longer journeys.

The best way to distinguish the third house of short journeys from the ninth house of long journeys is that in a long journey, you are not in your own bed that night. A short journey is when you take a trip and finish it in one day, in time to sleep in your own bed.

However, today this sometimes fails us. People fly from America to Paris and return the same day. That is, physically, a long journey. So we have two questions when we deal with the ninth house and long journeys. You have a question of length of time; are you going to be back in your house that night? The second question has to do with distance; how far does the journey take you?

A lunation in the ninth house gives inspiration, with a lighter, more Jupiterian feeling. It is far more visionary. The ninth house relates to the higher dreams, or the higher astral.

### **Lunation in the Tenth House**

The tenth house has to do with authoritarian figures, whether we talk government figures, bosses or others. When there is a lunation in this house, there are two things that will manifest: The desire to make changes regarding the future, or wanting to make changes regarding bosses. The tenth house is your future, so the desire to think about career changes is very strong.

The focus of the energy is toward authoritarian figures, boss, mother, father, spiritual preceptor and people who help (control) your future.

**Lunation in the Eleventh House**

The eleventh house has to do with friends, hopes and desires. Thus, a lunation in this house produces activity with friends, and/or with desires that one has. It can bring new friends into your life. There is always a serious change in attitude toward life.

**Lunation in the Twelfth House**

The twelfth house, in Western astrology, is called the house of self-undoing, and the house of self-help. In the East, it is known as the House of Karma, the House of Liberation. For most people, the twelfth house brings in a lot of negative thinking. People should put more emphasis on the positive side of the twelfth house. Everybody has a dark side, and everyone has a hidden, wondrous side, which is revealed by the twelfth house. All the good karma from the past is accumulated in the twelfth house. It may be hard as heck to get it out into the open, but it is hidden there. The lunation in the twelfth house can bring about some strange feelings.

When the lunation is in the twelfth house, it is not a good time to say anything to anyone. It not a good time to ask for favors, unless that favor can be given immediately.

The twelfth house has a lot to do with the subconscious mind so this lunation is a good time to reflect upon your fears and negative feelings. Never make a change when the lunation is in the twelfth house. In psychological terms, never make a decision when you are moody or depressed. Always make your decisions from a point of strength.

When the lunation occurs in the twelfth house, you are manifesting more desire-forms, rather than true dreams or visions. The twelfth house in this relationship is more like the Jungian Collective Unconscious of the race to which one belongs.



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*Part Two**3. Objectivity and Subjectivity*

Objectivity and subjectivity. The Moon is considered a subjective amplifier. The Sun is an objective amplifier. Thus the Sun will reveal and tell you more truly how things are in the world. If you have an afflicted Moon, you have to pay greater attention to what this Moon says about your ability (or lack of it) to deal with certain types of emotions, attitudes and perceptions.

For example, if you have a Moon squared Neptune, it says your nerves will be heavily frayed, frazzled; it says you may see everything vaguely or confusedly. It means you need to keep your life simple. It is very easy to become an alcoholic, or addicted to sugar, or succumb to some other health-threatening habit. It doesn't mean you are, or will be, an alcoholic or that you'll be addicted to anything. We all have certain frailties, and the secret is to stay away from them. Or as I say in my philosophy, run like hell away from those things that are dangerous to you.

The next thing that we should talk about is the arc of activity.

Follow the transiting Moon around the chart, and every time the Moon forms a conjunction with each natal planet and until it conjuncts the same progressed planet, it forms the arc of activity (AA). In the event that the progressed planet is retrograde, the arc of activity will be from the conjunction of the progressed planet to the conjunction of the same natal planet.

For example, if your natal Mars is in 3 degrees Aries, and your progressed Mars is now at 11 degrees Aries, your arc of activity is 8 degrees. When the transiting Moon comes around every month, it hits the natal Mars and then it hits the progressed Mars. The period between these two conjunctions is the length of time of the activity of the transiting Moon. If we were checking the transiting Sun, its activity would last eight days; the Mars transit would last 10 days. The slower the planet moves, the longer it will take to pass through the arc of activity of that 8 degrees. This determines the length of time that the transit will be active in the chart, and in the person's life.

You should know what's happening each month. Keep a record or a journal of all the arcs of activity and you'll rapidly learn which planets are giving you trouble, by transit. Then you know that when these planets form a progressed aspect, you need to be ready for them, physically and emotionally.

We are not a single state of consciousness! The idea that we have only one mind divided into two parts is very, very childish. We are fragmented into many, many parts. Freud made a giant step forward when he split the mind into two. Had he lived another 15 years, he would have come up with the idea that there are many subconscious minds. There are not two of us, there are six of us. And that is why we are so confused and can't get it together. Astrology tells us how to return to balance.

It is easier for a man to find success in life with five squares in his chart than with five trines. It is easier for a man to find God with five squares in his chart, than with five trines. It is easiest to attain success when the squares and trines come off the same planets.

So the impulse is there — that's what I am trying to teach. That impulse is just a subtle little spark and it goes across the spark gap and it is gone, unless you regenerate it. This is a very important concept in astrology. You have this aspect and it fires across the spark gap, electrodes and all, and it goes "spark" and disappears out into infinity. And that is the end of it unless, of course, we pick it up and say, "That is a great idea" and we bring it back into our heads. Then the karma is no longer the spark, it is us; we are regenerating it, a feedback mechanism. In electronics, too, it's called regeneration.

Everything in this universe involves free will. The spark is caused by causation, but we determine whether or not we will pick up that spark and react to that spark. You can drop the words free will and put in a nice word for the average human being that is me and the other guy, but not you, and that is called habit. Will you or will you not pick up the habit?

If you master the habit, you will shut up and are well on your way, and that is called self-discipline. But the way you reach the average human being is to explain, clearly and vividly, the benefits that he or she will see if he or she shuts up. If you don't show people the benefits, when the spark fires, they are going to mouth off and that will cause disaster.

Here is an example. My step-sister told her new husband every third day, "I am going home to mother!" He heard this for about 18 months. Around 18 months, she literally slammed the door on him and went home to mother. The next day she came back to her husband, and there was money and a note of apology on the table. Now, one day, he said to her, "Don't you dare leave. If you do, don't ever come back!" She slammed the door and the next day, when she returned to him, the front door was literally nailed shut. She went to the back door and it was nailed shut. She went home to mother and never did understand what happened.

And we are back to the First Principle of the Natal Chart:

*Everything is dependent on the natal positions of the planets.*

According to astrology, it will remain so until some stronger force comes by and neutralizes that one spark.

Do not read a chart without looking first to see where the Moon exists, and what planet is on the tail of the Moon. Using these, you will know what that person subconsciously and emotionally feels regarding the fundamental principle of life: Change. Thus you will know how to communicate with that person, and truly be able to help him. Remember: Life is always ascending.



*Part 3*



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*Part 3**1. The Moon and the Sun*

I want to continue to talk about the Moon and the Sun — the two luminaries that never go retrograde. Remember the adage: What the new Moon promises, the full Moon fulfills. So look for what the new Moon brings and watch for the manifestation with the full Moon.

It's important to state that most lunations are not earth-shattering. This is a very important statement. They happen every month. You will find that most aspects are not earth-shattering. They are equivalent to turning little switches. Most of the time, there is only a little firecracker at the end of the switch. Sometimes there's a stick of dynamite at the end of the switch.

It is the little events that lead people down the boring road of life. What astrology is really about is understanding these little switches; learning to know which ones have the stick of dynamite at the end. The important thing is understanding how little things lead to major things, building toward great or damning destinies.

The key factors we are dealing with are little, new patterns: the little switch of little tiny events that often lead to destiny.

Remember the point of astrology isn't to tell people something. That's not the name of the game. Its purpose is to see the future, and for only these purposes: to soften it or to change and improve it!

We have the ability to do that. You have the ability to do that.

Everything coming out of life is good — this is a spiritual truth. The best way I can say it is that God did not make any bad planets. Saturn is a tough taskmaster, but it is good, very good.

There is a difference between falling off a curb and breaking your neck and dying, and falling off and getting a stiff neck. There is still the stress but the intensity is very important.

There are two distinct factors in astrology. One is saying that such and such will happen. The other is the attitude toward that which does happen. Again, one is saying, "Oh, you are going to lose your finger." That's one thing. The other is the attitude toward losing the finger.

I suggest that far more important than the accuracy of reading the chart in the eyes of the person who is having the chart read, is one's attitude toward the event.

One might say, "You are a terrible astrologer because you are reading it as a solar event, and everything you read should be from the standpoint of a lunar event."

The first thing that we talk about is the Moon. What is the Moon? The Moon is the emotional amplifier, and so if you want to understand whether a person sees a thing as good or bad, positive or negative, pay attention to the Moon. This is the very reason we are spending so much time studying the Moon.

Because of the No. 1 axiom — the natal chart is supreme — everything, all events, all aspects, only lead back to the natal chart. The natal chart is your karma, and there is no way normally that you can override it. It is true that you must use metaphysical and occult techniques to override the karma. But it is not an easy thing to do. Karma can be overridden but how do you know if you have overridden your karma unless you have a clear understanding of what your natal chart promises?



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*Part 3**2. Eclipses*

When you read a person's chart, there are a number of things that you must say carefully. You must approach a client carefully with an eclipse. As soon as you say the word "eclipse," almost everyone turns white. They feel that the end of the world is coming. Therefore, I want to stress that eclipses are not negative. They are not negative. Eclipses do not have to be negative.

Eclipses are intensifiers of new Moons or full Moons. Thus, eclipses simply are elevated and intensified lunations. Each minute of a solar eclipse is equivalent to a year. A solar eclipse lasting four minutes will affect the chart, and the person, for four years. A solar eclipse lasting six and a half minutes will affect the person for six and a half years. However, it is only approximately four weeks on either side of the eclipse that the true effect is felt.

Each minute of a lunar eclipse is equivalent to one month's energy. Thus, a lunar eclipse that lasts three minutes will be in effect for three months. Again, approximately two weeks on either side of the eclipse shows its strongest force.

Finally, all eclipses can "explode" when the transiting Mars forms an aspect to it by conjunction, opposition or square.

I repeat, eclipses are not negative. An eclipse is like an ax: you can chop wood with it and keep warm, you can split logs with it and build a house and stay dry, or you can cut off

your foot with it. The ax itself is neither good nor bad. In the same way, the eclipses do by far greater good than bad. Looking at eclipses as a whole, eclipses rarely turn out negatively.

What is an eclipse? An eclipse is a new Moon or a full Moon which also has the same degree of declination. An eclipse is just the handwriting on the wall indicating change. Human beings don't like change; therefore they say eclipses are adverse.

It is very important to relate that eclipses rarely ever fire when the eclipse exists. "Fire" means to activate with force. If there were an eclipse on February 10, in a given year, do not necessarily expect the eclipse to produce an event at that time. You include it in the chart; with a special colored pencil, put it below or beside the date that it occurred. It is wise to put the duration of the eclipse, so you know how many months or years it will be active. Then watch the transiting Mars. Watch when Mars forms a conjunction with it, or an opposition to it, or a square to it. It is at these times that the eclipse will manifest something.

I have found that when there are solar eclipses on the cusp of the first or seventh house, people who are unmarried tend to become married within a year. People who are married tend to have their marriage tested.

When there are lunar eclipses to the first and the seventh house cusps, there are usually big changes. But these changes do not necessarily indicate divorce.

Remember that the zodiacal signs are the mental world of every human being, and the houses are the physical world of every human being. One of the most difficult, yet essential, factors for you to establish is whether the person's planets are functioning through their

zodiacal signs or through their houses. There is a reason that many yogis say, "Eat more." It's to make the houses stronger than the signs.

Are the eclipses going to fire through the houses, which means they will fire in a very materialistic way? Or will they fire through the zodiacal signs in a very mental way?

After your first eclipse patterning, they will recur every 19 years. They will repeat themselves in a 19-year cycle. It is important to duplicate your chart, after you have put in the 19 years saros cycle. It can be a research chart. You start with the year you were born and keep going through the eclipses, years after year, until they start repeating themselves.

Use one color for the Sun eclipse (yellow) and one color for the Moon eclipse (red). Keep dropping them in by degrees. Pretty soon you will see where all your eclipses are falling. They form a series of clusters and this tells you where the emphasis will be in your life with regard to the eclipses.

Over and above this cycle, you should put in your karmic eclipse point. Some say that the pivotal point is the karmic eclipse; it is the center of the saros patterning. You know where the karmic eclipse is and you have all the other eclipses surrounding it. This will give you a beautiful insight into where the symbol of change is in your life; where the battles are going to be fought.

The first thing you must do when there is a eclipse in a chart is to see when the transiting Mars will form its first conjunction, opposition or square to that eclipse. This will cause the eclipse to release its energy more forcefully than the event of the eclipse itself, generally.

Two other things should be stated before we discuss the eclipses on the natal planets. One: the fuller the eclipse, the stronger its force. Two: an eclipse on a progressed planet will be only about half as strong. Remember, what we are looking for with progressed planets is exactly the same thing as transits to natsals.

What differs is the intensity being poured into the progressed planet; it is about half the standard amount.

### **Eclipse on the Natal Sun**

A key is to remember that the Sun symbolizes bosses, and authoritarian figures such as tax people or government workers. Secondly, it symbolizes vitality. Thus, an eclipse on the Sun symbolizes problems with authoritarian figures, and/or loss of vitality. One of the key reasons for problems with authority figures is that the person causes embarrassment to some authority, squeezing them into a corner. That is always very dangerous. Never embarrass authority, as they will come down on you very hard. Also, this eclipse can symbolize a locking of horns between you and authority; it can be a period of ego battles. The boss always wins.

Secondly, an eclipse on the Sun implies a radical change of life vitality, 90 percent of the time, and thus a major lack of energy. It is not a time for doing major projects. For both men and women, it means that the men in your life will be more difficult to deal with. If you can deal with that ego, controlling yourself and not feeling that you must get the better of that person, it will be a very good period for you; not easy, but good if you exercise self-control. An eclipse on the Sun is not a good time for dealing with authority, not a good time to ask

for a raise; not a good time to explain why you did what you did. It is not a good time to ask for a favor or to set up a heavy schedule, for yourself or others.

If you are mature and act mature, being more concerned with "How can I help you?" rather than "How can I manipulate you?" it will produce benefits that will last a couple of years.

### **Eclipse on the Moon**

An eclipse on the natal Moon will be a period of emotionality and change. Fundamentally, it is a restless and jittery period which, therefore, can be an error- and mistake-filled period. It is no time to fill out your income tax forms or other legal documents. It is not a time to propose marriage, though the impulse to do so is there. Wait a while; rethink. Neither is it the best time to be driving on long journeys because accidents could happen (not "must" happen). Because the Moon has to do with change, an eclipse on it indicates it is a period to watch for any changes. If the natal Moon is afflicted, it would be a bad time to make changes. If the natal Moon was well-aspected by sign, house and aspect, it should be a favorable time to make changes, with caution. I say with caution, because an eclipse on the Moon releases emotionality, tending to cause errors in thinking and discordant conditions during changes, if one is not careful.

If an eclipse on the Moon is going to affect the health, it will most likely be with the digestion and stomach: gas, diarrhea, constipation, bloating, digestive problems or stomach problems.

### **Eclipse on Mercury**

An eclipse on Mercury points out that you must watch what you think and what you say!

An eclipse on the natal Mercury states that anything you memorize during this period will be held in the mind forever. Also, anything you can communicate to another person under this eclipse, positive or negative, will be remembered forever by that person, for better or worse.

Any relationship which sustains positively through this eclipse is certainly a pattern of positivity. Any journey that you take under this eclipse will be a journey that is "red-lettered" in your life, with great positivity or negativity. The journey will not be a trivial thing. Something will happen to change your head, although it sometimes takes many months or years before you realize how important that journey was.

Any time there is an eclipse on Mercury, it is a time to grow spiritually. An eclipse on Mercury is the time to do your duty. If you do your duty during this eclipse, it will become a blessing and that blessing will stay with you.

Any writing that you do under this eclipse will reveal your nature. When the eclipse is on Mercury, it is a time to be warm and loving. Interestingly enough, an eclipse on Mercury tends to bring problems with sexual overtones. It often brings problems dealing with older women or younger men, independent of the sex of the client.

Historically, when there is an eclipse on Mercury, deception often manifests, intentionally or unintentionally, especially if the natal Mercury is afflicted. Sometimes people do things intentionally and it turns out to be deceitful. At other times people do things

unintentionally; it is not a conscious effort nor a deliberate act, but it turns out to be deceitful. So, there are intentional and unintentional deceits.

Mercury has a great deal to do with bicycles and automobiles and, to a lesser degree, airplanes. Thus, an eclipse on Mercury would not be a good time to buy any motorized vehicle. It would not be the best time to write that important letter. Mercury has a lot to do with signing your name. Thus, it is not a good time for signing things, or agreeing to things, as communication and transportation matters can easily go awry. Mercury greatly affects the weather. Thus, you should not have your 25th anniversary in the rose garden under an eclipse of the Mercury. It often brings rain and high winds.

An eclipse on Mercury sometimes brings problems with brothers and sisters, and/or neighbors.

Mercury has to do with transportation and communications, so try not to journey or communicate important matters under an eclipse to Mercury. If you know that you have an eclipse on your Mercury, you are going to know what your gut-level need is. Watch your name under an eclipse to Mercury, as your name could be blemished.

### **Eclipse on Venus**

Venus is love; Venus is money. Therefore, any eclipse on the Venus is a danger signal regarding your love life and/or your finances. Most of all, keep in mind that Venus is allurements. Thus, dangerous allurements regarding love and money can manifest at this time. Be careful. An eclipse on the Venus means you should guard your romantic encounters as they will usually be exciting, dangerous and finally discordant.

Venus is an inner planet, which means that it has a lot to do with one's head. If a person has a good Venus, his life is nice. Historically, Venus is love and money. When there is an eclipse on Venus, do not mix love and money. Don't lend money to lovers, don't go into business relationships with lovers or spouses under that aspect. Venus eclipsed means that the allurements occur and if you don't keep your left eye on your duty, you will get burnt. No one is saying don't play the game, don't enjoy yourself. I am saying don't get lured away from your social responsibilities. Whether you are married or single, watch your obligations. Venus, money and love. Don't mix the two.

Romances started at this time are very unfulfilled and very expensive. People play games with people under this eclipse. The key is not to get lured away from what is truly, truly important to you. Be sure that you fulfill your obligations. Venus is allurements. Remember: All that glitters is not gold and all gold does not glitter!

An eclipse on the Venus is also spiritual, a super wonderful thing. I use the word "spiritual" to mean maturing. If you mature psychologically and emotionally, you are unfolding spiritually. If you are unfolding spiritually, your body and mind will mature properly.

### **Eclipse on Natal Mars**

Mars is tension, temper, resentment, impulsiveness and fighting. Thus, an eclipse to Mars is a clear signal of to be careful of what you do, as compared to an eclipse on Mercury, which signals danger of what you say.

Mars has to do with accidents on the physical plane. Thus, under an eclipse to Mars, beware that you do not have a car accident, fall down stairs, or cut or burn yourself. Other

dangers include fire in the home, fire off the tongue and loss of temper. This is especially true if the natal Mars is afflicted.

If you have an eclipse to Mars and are taking part in an outdoor activity, expect it to be unbelievably hot. With an eclipse on Mars, impulsiveness is the enemy. Also, things started under an eclipse to Mars almost always abort.

An eclipse on Mars will give you tremendous energy. This can be a blessing if you can handle that amount of energy. Most people cannot. For most people, large amounts of energy simply means fighting.

Under this eclipse, be careful that you don't "run over" people while you are doing whatever you are doing.

### **Eclipse on Natal Jupiter**

An eclipse on the Jupiter can bring in a lot of things; it also causes the loss of these same things. Thus, love flows in and love flows out. Money flows in and money flows out. From this eclipse we get the expression, "Easy come, easy go." The secret of this eclipse is that when something good flows in, "nail it down."

I was able to watch for three years someone who had an eclipse on the Jupiter. The person was working, making \$10,000 a year as a hairdresser. The eclipse hit his Jupiter. His boss had a very bad love affair and sold the shop to him for a few thousand dollars down and about \$1,500 a month. The business, when he bought it, was making something like \$250,000 a year. I don't know what the expenses were. He then bought an expensive used

car for \$40,000, a condominium for \$87,000, some clothes for \$26,000 and \$12,000 worth of cheap jewelry. Within 18 months he was bankrupt and for whatever reason, he decided to sell the business for \$50,000 cash. He had a good 18 months. He really did. He had the money coming in and, what he needed to do, was to buy something like a 12-flat and he would have been quite wealthy today. So an eclipse on the Jupiter brings lots of good, but you have to be sure to lock it in.

There was another man who had an eclipse on Jupiter. A couple of months before the eclipse, his business earned a couple of hundred thousand dollars a year. After the eclipse, it had increased to \$400,000 within four months. At that time, someone offered him about \$2 million for the business. He figured that the spree was going to last all of his life, so he did not sell. And he adjusted his lifestyle accordingly. This produced a disaster when the income dropped back to \$200,000. He went deep into debt. The mistake was that he did not sell and he did not invest the money wisely.

Again, with the eclipse of Jupiter a lot of good will come. But it will come and also go rapidly, unless you can lock it in. On a psychological level, remember a very important factor about Jupiter that we tend to overlook. Jupiter has to do with psychological lifestyles. Wherever Jupiter is in the chart, whenever Jupiter is activated, you can see very clearly a person's lifestyle changing.

When there is an eclipse to Jupiter, it might last a couple of months or a year or so. At this time, one's lifestyle is always challenged — by oneself, and by one's own religious conflicts. Do not get married under an eclipse to Jupiter, if Jupiter is natally afflicted. You will have in-law and outlaw problems (or you will become the outlaw) instantaneously.

If you think the name of the game is to spend money, her game will be to save it. If you think the name of the game is to save money, her game will be to spend it. And, of course, you always need to be careful of legal affairs while the eclipse is in effect, a good four to six weeks on either side of that eclipse. Don't be challenged. Don't say those nasty words: "If that's the way you feel, I'm going to get a lawyer." You will have serious problems, and it will take five lawyers to fix. Problems are always emotionally and financially expensive.

From a non-medical standpoint, from an astrological standpoint, be very careful of visiting a doctor under an eclipsed Jupiter. Why? Because your philosophy will differ with the doctor's. I had one experience with a woman who visited a doctor under an eclipsed Jupiter. She had female problems and went in for an operation with the understanding that no matter what was found, only a minimal amount of surgery would be performed. She came of the operating room with extensive surgery. She was crying and told the doctor, "But I told you, independent of what you found, to only do minimal surgery!" He stated, "But you don't understand," and he laid down his life philosophy which, in my opinion, was wrong. He was wrong because you cannot impose your philosophy on another person, especially if its practice has irreversible effects.

Over and above this, an eclipse on Jupiter is a wonderful thing that can bring wonderful benefits, such as spiritual insights, awareness, compassion and benevolent attitudes. If you could only lock them into your heart or your memory.

Jupiter is good but the good doesn't stay. Watch your lifestyle. Don't try to pressure people. Don't try to convert people to your way of life. And watch professional people.

**Eclipse on Natal Saturn**

Saturn puts a damper on almost everything. Everything happens much too slowly. Bitterness comes about because of the way things are done. Heavy, bitter, fault-finding manifests.

Bitterness is the key word, whether it has to do with home or business. Exhaustion results when dealing with buildings and/or house repairs.

An eclipse on Saturn is probably the most critical eclipse and needs to be watched very closely. Saturn is structure, and structure is what we call government establishment, political structures and home establishments. When Saturn is eclipsed, there tends to be a lot of bitterness against the establishment, whether that is your country or job or church or your home structure or your family structure.

There is a lot of bitterness, a feeling that the government didn't give me what I deserved, my family didn't give me what I deserved, my boss did not give me what I deserved.

Shortcomings manifest at this time; everyone sees the establishment as being locked into something, other than that which they want. Thus, a great deal of harshness that is irreparable comes out of this condition. Never start home repairs or building repairs under an eclipse of Saturn! I did that once. I was very young and very stupid. What should have taken a few months took years.

If you are married, you must be very careful about making home changes of any kind under an eclipse to Saturn. An eclipse over Saturn causes depression, moodiness and

gloom. Under an eclipse to Saturn, working on things tends to be very exhausting and expensive.

I knew a man who had decided to build a house some decades back, despite what I told him. He was a fairly wealthy man who was building a \$65,000 house. In those days that was an expensive house. He had a contract and it was promised to be built in six months. Two and a half years later it was finished, at a price of approximately \$200,000.

### **Eclipse on Natal Uranus**

An eclipse on your Uranus will cause sudden, unexpected upheavals in your life. During an eclipse on Uranus, it is not a good time to fly, to have X-rays or deal with any electronic matter whatsoever. This means do not have any electronic or electrical repairs. Do not make any changes whatsoever. You should not take action. If you have an eclipse on your Uranus, you should let your enemy take action. Under this eclipse, stay away from extreme actions. Do not begin things under it because they get out of hand. If you have an eclipse afflicting your Uranus and you have a contest going, the worst thing you can do is to initiate activity. Be less aggressive, and let your enemy be the aggressor. Take only counter-action at this time.

Usually, if you take action yourself, the person will take an action that is totally unexpected because of the unusualness of your Uranus.

When this eclipse fires, it makes for chaos and disorder in your life. Watch marriages and business partnerships under this eclipse; it can tear them apart.

The secret of this eclipse is threefold:

1. Never make changes under this aspect,
2. Never go to extremes, and
3. If you have a problem, it is far better to let the solution come to you, rather than you picking what you think is the solution.

### **Eclipse on Natal Neptune**

Anytime there is an eclipse on Neptune, there are a few things that you have to be careful of: drugs, drinking, delusion and unwillingness to work. For most people, Neptune is the planet of irresponsibility. If you marry under this eclipse, you will find that your partner is totally irresponsible. If you form a partnership under this eclipse, you will find that the partner(s) are totally irresponsible. An eclipse on Neptune brings nebulousness, vagueness and undefined conditions, which makes life very uncomfortable and difficult.

An eclipse on Neptune, the planet of deception, can bring serious loss of face and money. You must guard your name and everything else under this eclipse.

I do not like to think in terms of deception; I like to think in terms of self-deception. It clears the air, and returns it to where the problem began and will end. The biggest singular problem with an eclipse on Neptune is that the person feels restless and wants to make changes. Any changes. The mind is vague, and is not prepared to make wise changes. Change made at this time is like stepping into quicksand. Thus, this eclipse often involves one in scandal: sexual or business.

Do not make changes simply because it seems like a good idea. Weigh it, and don't gamble. Under this eclipse, people have totally changed their lifestyles, only to turn around and change it back again. This can cause a great loss of money. People get divorced under this eclipse, and a year later remarry the same person.

Don't write something vague like, "I want to be happy," and "I want to be rich." That is too vague. Say, "I want \$100,000." Even this is too vague. Say by when you want the money. Make it concrete and make it specific. After that, you write it out, put it under your pillow and sleep on it. The next morning, ask yourself, "Is that clear?" Most of the time you will find, symbolically, that you want to go to the North Pole. You have that clear. A little thought will reveal that you are debating with yourself about whether to go east or west! Get it? It doesn't matter if you are going east or west, you will never get to the North Pole going east or west, so clarify what you are looking for.

Under this eclipse, people will feed you the wrong information (intentionally or unintentionally). Thus, we are back to deception, or self-deception. Under this eclipse, double-check all vital data; perchance have another person also check the vital data.

The secret in dealing with this eclipse is: Don't do anything. Now sometimes we are forced to take action. The best action, in that case, is to write down all the things you could do and pick the best one to act on.

Neptune is the artist, the mystic. Thus, true spiritual awakenings can manifest under this eclipse, if the natal Neptune is well-aspected. If you can grasp these feelings and tuck them away in your memory banks or your secondary memory banks: tapes, notes, etc. and

recapture the feelings, you will have gained great spiritual awareness. It will be meaningful to you.

### **Eclipse on Natal Pluto**

The best way to understand Pluto is to understand it as a small Mars, because it produces the same things as Mars, with a few exceptions. Pluto is like a printing press. Whatever it produces, it reproduces. If you have one fight because of Mars, you will have two or three fights with Pluto. With Mars you are fighting one on one. With Pluto you are fighting with a group of people.

Desire for impulsive change tends to be one of the difficulties. The eclipse of Pluto has a lot to do with ego-battling and, also, skirting the law, and being right on the edge of propriety and/or legality. You have to be careful that the criminal element doesn't come into your life. This eclipse causes people who have criminal tendencies or undesirable characteristics to come to the surface. When a person has this eclipse, there is a major desire to clean out the basement, the attic or the garage. There is also the desire to clean out other people's heads.

Certainly one of the things about an eclipse to Pluto, is that it is a regenerative period, a Phoenix symbol. Let's clean up our life, our property, and let's start over again.



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*Part 3**3. Natal and Prenatal*

The eclipse on the first house cusp almost always seems to indicate a marriage within a year. An eclipse on the seventh house cusp of marriage indicates a major change regarding a personal or a business partnership.

That may be a marriage or a divorce or the person, because of career changes, may be away from the household for many months out of the year. For example, the husband is a traveling salesman and is away seven months out of 12. Just change. Mostly it is divorce or big changes in marriage.

Now, the first axiom to understand the function of an eclipse, a transit, or any progressed aspect is:

*The only thing that ever activates is the natal chart.*

*The only thing that fires is your natal chart.*

The eclipse, the lunation, the transit or the progressed aspects are only triggering mechanisms, that "fire" the only chart there is: the natal chart. The second axiom is supreme:

*Your natal chart is supreme.*

Now, there are three things that are prenatal:

1. The karmic eclipse, which is the last solar eclipse preceding your birth.
2. The emotional eclipse, which is the last lunar eclipse preceding your birth.
3. The prenatal new Moon, which is the last new Moon preceding your birth. This lunation has monumental importance in telling you about the new patterning of this lifetime, as well as which quadrant will be emphasized. If the preceding new Moon is also a solar eclipse, it emphasizes the importance of that new Moon.



*Part 4*



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*Part 4**1. Personality Types*

When many astrologers look at a chart, they note the day the person was born, and they use the planet's day to determine the luck of the person. There is a little rhyme, that comes down from the Middle Ages. It is a tremendous help in understanding the personality types.

Monday's child is fair of face

Tuesday's child is full of grace

Wednesday's child is full of woe

Thursday's child has power to go

Friday's child is beautiful and giving

Saturday's child has to work hard for a living

But the child that is born on the Sabbath day

is beautiful, blithe, good and gay.



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*Part 4**2. The Moon through the Twelve Houses*

The transiting Moon will normally move through a house in approximately two and a half days. It produces little effect, other than setting a general attitude, and a mind focus on that house or sign. It will be a little more noticeable as it forms conjunctions with natal planets; less noticeable as it forms oppositions. When the transiting Moon forms a negative conjunction, it can definitely trigger some new events. But, normally, you will only have a few hours or a day of difficulty.

The progressed Moon travels through a house in approximately two and a half years. It gives strong emphasis as it moves through a house (or sign). All major aspects of the progressed Moon are watched, including the inconjunct (150 degrees), which produces stress, guilt and sickness.

**The Moon in the First House**

The progressed Moon in the first house causes one to start new ventures, and the person is almost inevitably lucky in these ventures, unless the Moon is heavily afflicted at birth. The personality changes markedly, depending on the sign it is now in and the natal aspects of the Moon. The person has approximately two and a half years to manifest these events. If the person has the Moon afflicted at birth, you know that the person is going to jump up,

change his personality, attitudes, and will want to make many changes and create many new ventures, disastrously so.

If your natal Moon is badly aspected, you shouldn't make changes; or you should be very careful of any changes that you make. Let's say that the natal Moon is squared Saturn, all this means is that Saturn is being subjectively emphasized.

Saturn has a cold, aloof and indifferent attitude, which also causes delays. You can be successful if you wait and get over your sensitivity.

### **The Moon in the Second House**

The Moon in the second house will produce restlessness regarding money matters. If you have your progressed Moon in the second house, hesitate before marrying, because he or she will be constantly spending money. There will be a tendency to be extravagant for a two-and-a-half-year period. If the transiting Moon is going through the second house the same thing will manifest, but on a very, very weak scale, and only for a few hours to a day or so. It is not a difference in kind; it is a difference of intensity.

### **The Moon in the Third House**

Moon in the third house causes one to think more, take short journeys, and to talk more. When taking a trip, it will be very beneficial emotionally and financially, if the natal Moon is well-aspected. The Moon in the third house is a time to deal with your family and neighbors. The Moon, the symbol of change, causes restlessness, and people commute more. There seems to be a need to write more, read more, study more and talk more. Again,

the difference of the transiting Moon and the progressed Moon is a question of intensity and duration.

### **The Moon in the Fourth House**

Moon in the fourth house causes the person to put more energy into the home and the household. By progression, it gives a great deal of energy to move and/or change the house markedly, such as major decorating. It is a symbol that a person (usually a woman) will move into the house her mother, mother-in-law, etc. So dealings with the home, or people in the home, is stimulated. The progressed Moon will take two and a half years to move through this house.

The transiting Moon through the fourth house will only be there for two and a half days. It is a short period of time in which you do think about making changes: painting, moving the furniture, cleaning curtains, etc.

The Moon in the fourth house causes you to appreciate your house, to entertain, to have overnight guests.

If you want to be a good astrologer, keep reading your own Moon. Get a big blank book, and every day write something in it — what you did, how you felt — and date the entries. Do this each night just before you go to bed. What was the most critical thing that you did. What was the most vital thought that you thought. Keep doing this for 12 years. Now every three months, reread the book and relate it to your Moon's position by sign and by house. You will find a tremendous link between what you did in relationship to the Moon. And if

you can get a family member to do the same thing, even if he or she does not know astrology, you both will be amazed that we are all doing what the Moon says we are to do.

### **The Moon in the Fifth House**

The Moon in the fifth house manifests the desires for pleasures and for creativity, the highest pleasure being God consciousness, according to the mystics. According to the man on the street, it's food and sex. This patterning causes one to enjoy art and music. The fifth house also has to do with babies. Thus, when the progressed Moon is going through the fifth house, one feels creative and subconsciously tends to become pregnant.

Over and above this, you may want to buy something that is artistic, to purchase music or a book of paintings. One thinks of going to the theater. One feels that one can relax into the world and find a lifestyle that is sociably pleasant, with a greater interest in children and pleasure. This is an excellent creative period on whatever level we find ourselves.

### **The Moon in the Sixth House**

The Moon in the sixth house has to do with work and health. Thus, one thinks about making changes at work, with work, and perchance regarding one's health habits. If the natal Moon is afflicted, watch your health carefully and also watch your job. Try not to make changes during this two-and-a-half-year cycle. If the natal Moon is well-aspected, it would be a great time to look for changes and improvements in your work.

When the Progressed Moon is in the sixth house, one's mind turns to the concept of health and hygiene, regarding the relationship of nutrition and food to health. Many times when

the Moon is transiting through the sixth house, one feels more sensitive toward helping others. When you find the Moon in the sixth house natally, one is quite concerned with one's health and public health. By progression during this two-and-a-half- year period, many people study health subjects or go to school to learn about health.

### **The Moon in the Seventh House**

The Moon in the seventh house causes the person to think in terms of partnerships: Marriage and/or business. There is a desire to share things: knowledge, money, data, bedrooms and lifestyles. The seventh house is the general public, so when the Progressed Moon sweeps up through this house, there is this desire to become more popular, more sociable, in whatever circle is most meaningful to you. In short, it is a period of social activity. When the Progressed Moon goes through the seventh house, a person tends to become more popular, because he comes out of his shell for two and a half years.

If one is married or heavily linked to another person, one definitely needs to pay more attention to that partner, especially if the natal Moon is afflicted.

### **The Moon in the Eighth House**

The Moon in the eighth house can be tremendously difficult, as it has a lot to do with other people's money, both personally and company-wise. The eighth house is other people's money, as well as banks, insurance companies, union loan companies, etc.

The eighth house also has a lot to do with the occult, dreams, visions and the spirit world. When the Moon is in eighth house by transit or by progression, watch your attitude. The

eighth house, like the sixth house, produces difficult attitudes. The sixth house gives temperamentality. The eighth house gives subtle distrust and hostility. These feelings are subtle, but usually cause problems anyway.

When the Moon goes through the eighth house of other people's money and property, it can cause you great concern and/or harassment. It is a time to re-examine your bills, correct your debts, and possibly pay greater attention to your insurance policies. If you have your natal Moon in your eighth house, afflicted, it is an indicator that some time in your life you are going to get burnt because of an insurance policy. Be careful about making contractual agreements at this time, as quite often the agreement falls through.

### **The Moon in the Ninth House**

Moon in the ninth house relates to study, philosophy, religion, law and spirituality. At this time people generally plan to take a long journey, or return to school. It doesn't have to be formal schooling. During this period, people tend to become more philosophical and think more about life's mysteries. The Moon in the ninth house is a good time for dealing with legal problems, if the natal Moon is well-placed and/or well-aspected.

Most astrology books talk about the seventh house being the house of open enemies. Thus, they look to this house to see the outcome of any lawsuits. I have always looked to the ninth house instead, because this house will tell you if you have a good lawyer, etc. I believe that the ninth house configurations tell you much more about how those conflicts are going to manifest, and how they are going to resolve themselves.

In short, pay a little more attention to the ninth house in dealing with legalities. Also, when the Progressed Moon is going through the ninth house, pay more attention to legalizing documents, the notary public, etc.

### **The Moon in the Tenth House**

The Moon in the tenth house points out events regarding your career, and changes that have to be handled with, or through, people of greater authority. At this time, one usually becomes more ambitious and concerned about the future. The tenth house is the house of your career, the house of your future. The Moon is not comfortable here, being 180 degrees away from that which it rules: the fourth house. Thus, you always have to protect your business reputation when the Moon is in the tenth house, particularly if the Moon is afflicted natally.

If you are born with the Moon in your tenth house, it usually indicates that your career will have many changes, many ups and downs. When the Moon is progressing through the tenth house, you have to watch your business affairs very closely for those two and a half years. If you are a business person, you must always be careful for two and a half days each month, when the transiting Moon is in your tenth house.

### **The Moon in the Eleventh House**

The Moon in the eleventh house is a good time to watch friendships, for two and a half days out of each month, or for two and a half years as the progressed Moon moves through the eleventh house. The Moon in the eleventh house stimulates friendship and also helps to fulfill your dreams and goals, as it is the house of dreams and hopes. The Moon in the

eleventh house is also a good time to deal with social organizations, community activities, etc. If a person has the natal Moon in the eleventh house, he is a joiner; in his wallet he has 12 cards from 12 organizations. He loves people.

### **The Moon in the Twelfth House**

The Moon in the twelfth house gives problems, as the twelfth house is called the house of self-undoing. However, we must remember that it is also the house of self-help! The twelfth house is really like the end of the cosmos, symbolically. It is that part of your world that has not yet gelled. It contains the mystery of the comets. We know what comets are. We know how long it takes them to complete their cycles and we know that they should have burned out long ago. So, somewhere in outer space, comets are continuously being born. This is not supposed to happen. But there is matter still in its infancy stages, and being spewed out as comets.

The twelfth house is the House of Egypt; it is also the house of confinement. It is also the house of self-help, the house of liberation. This can happen only in a place where new things are being born. The Moon in the twelfth house means that you should stop daydreaming and regain contact with the earth reality.



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*Part 4**3. Station Points*

There was a week once that had a few difficult days in it; it was a full Moon in Sagittarius. Now some of you will say, "Aw, come on. It was just a full Moon. One comes around every month." But I will tell you a very ancient truth, a great secret: Any time there is a station point of a planet within three to five days of a new or full Moon, that planet radiates throughout everyone's chart. That week, Saturn had a station point at the same time as the Full Moon. Thus, the Saturn effect of heaviness, delays and depression was quite strong.

Thus, when you are looking in the ephemeris, and see station points of planets, always ask yourself, "Are these station points at the time of the new or full Moon?" A new Moon station point is stronger than a full Moon station point. Even a little planet like Mercury, at a station point during a lunation, will markedly intensify that planet's effects. A station point retrograde tends to be more disruptive than a station point direct.

I have another astrological axiom:

*The outer planets reflect the general, impersonal phases of life, whereas the inner planets reflect the more personal phases of life.*

Some people are born with Pluto squared Neptune. That is an aspect of outer planets and a whole group of people, a great number of people, are born with that aspect. Thus, it reflects

the more impersonal era of that group. It is more of an impersonal group consciousness — group karma, if you will. Whereas the Moon squared Venus is an aspect from the inner planets, and is therefore much more personal. It is more individual karma, rather than group karma. What I am saying is, is that you're more your Moon than anything else. Any aspect that is lunar is more reflective of the inner life, of the personal life of the individual. Whereas if you go all the way out to Pluto and Neptune, these are not as reflective of the individual's life as they are of the era that the individual is living in.

The Moon is the most important individual planet that you can study. Always ask yourself when you're studying a chart, how much of the chart is reflecting the era that the person is living in, and how much of the chart is just personal karma?

A rule to remember is that it normally takes three astrological conditions to produce a major event. For example: a lunation, a transit and a progression; or a lunation, a transit and a station point, all coming together at the same time, produces an outstanding event.

The difference might be between someone's tire blowing out and a tire blowing out and causing a major accident. The difference has more to do with the number of astrological conditions, rather than with the strength of one aspect. The more aspects coming together at approximately the same time, the more enormous will be the event.

