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As men become more aware and more fascinated with one's spiritualism and New Age philosophy, more and more people have become interested with horoscopes.

Understanding Horoscope

In astrology, a horoscope (also known as person's birth chart or the natal chart) is a figurative analysis in the form of a table or a two dimensional chart which shows the positions of the sun, the moon, and other constellations, and positions of all the planets in the zodiac in relation to the Earth, at the exact place, time (hour and minute) and date of the birth of an individual.

A horoscope has many formats, depending on the country or culture. But whatever forms your horoscope takes, one thing is common to all horoscopes, and that is it is based on a person's place of birth, date of birth, as well as the precise time of birth.

What does a horoscope looks like?

Parts of Horoscope Wheel (Circle)

12 Houses. Typically, a horoscope looks like a pie, or a wheel or circle divided into twelve 30° divisions called houses ordered counterclockwise. These are located in the large space in the chart between the inner circle and the second circle.

The first house begins at the ascendant, the "nine o'clock" position on the left-hand side of the chart wheel. And the others are numbered counterclockwise from that point. These makes first six be considered below the horizon, and the other six above.

The houses' positions remains fixed relative to the native or subject. The signs and planets all move through the twelve houses during the course of a day, and the planets move through the signs over the course of months or years.

Each house signifies an aspect of the subject's life (money, children, family, or personality).

12 Signs in the Horoscope. The houses are superimposed with the 12 signs of the zodiac. The order of the astrological signs starts with Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn, Aquarius and Pisces.

Cusps. The Cusps, the 12 straight lines, the boundary between two signs or houses, separating the houses. There are some cusps that include a small portion of the two signs or houses under consideration. For instance, the cusp between any two houses will fall at the same degree for each of at 12° of Leo; the second house will begin at 12° of Virgo and so on.

Center. This is the Earth's placement.

Planetary/Other Horoscope Symbols. These include the Sun, Moon and eight planets. Each planet/point/part is located within one or another sign, and at a certain degree (zero to thirty°), and minute (zero to sixty degrees). These symbols are written into the horoscope Wheel.

The sun's position is considered within one of the twelve zodiac signs depending on the month of

birth. This sign of the zodiac in which the sun is located for the native is then called the sun sign or star sign of each person born that month. This sun sign is the single astrological fact familiar to most people. If there is an event that occurs at sunrise, the ascendant and sun sign will be the same; other rising signs can then be estimated at approximately two hour intervals from there.

Astrologically, the planetary ruler of Leo and is exalted in Aries, the sun represents the conscious ego, the self and its expression, personal power, pride and authority, leadership qualities and the principles of creativity, spontaneity, health and vitality, the sum of which is named the "life force".

8 Planets. In Chinese zodiac signs tradition, the planets are also associated with the basic forces of nature. The patterns that the planets make in the sky reflect the ebb and flow of basic human impulses.

Moon. The ruling planet of Cancer and is exalted in Taurus, the Moon is associated with a person's emotional make-up, unconscious habits, rhythms, memories, moods and their ability to react and adapt to those around them.

In Chinese tradition, the Moon symbolizes Yin, the passive and receptive feminine life principle.

Aspects. This is the angular relationship between the pairs of planets themselves and other points. Aspects are considered to function within an orb of influence, the size of which varies according to the importance of each aspect. The orb is the difference between the exact and the actual aspect.

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