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Introduction: Your Professional Life & Astrology

Welcome! This course is going to focus on your professional life and using astrology to find the right times to do any number of things professionally, what you should look out for to prepare for potential trouble spots, and some info you can glean from your own natal chart. I personally *always* use astrology for planning anything with The Dark Pixie Astrology! (what kind of astrologer would I be if I didn't??? That'd be a face palm)

Before we get into the lessons, let's briefly cover some of the basic positions you need to be familiar with if you're using astrology for your professional life. They are:

- Saturn and the 10th house: These are the natural rulers of your goals and career. Anything to do with your overarching career ambitions fall under Saturn and the 10th house.
- Mercury and the 6th house: These are the natural rulers of your work life. Astrology views your "job" and your "career" as two separate things; ideally, they're in the same vein, but we all know that they're not for a lot of our lives! Astrology makes that distinction.
- Venus and the 2nd house: These are the natural rulers of your money. The lesson covering money will actually go into some other positions you should use as well (including the position I primarily use now), but you can get started with Venus and the 2nd house.

Lesson 1: Positive Periods for Work/Career

Let's start the first lesson off on the positives! What indicates positive periods for you professionally?

The beneficial aspects are sextiles (60 degrees, or two signs apart) and trines (120 degrees, or four signs apart; signs of the same element trine), so positive periods for you professionally will usually come under sextiles and trines to your 6th or 10th house cusps or rulers, or to your natal Saturn or Mercury, by transit Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto.

Drilling down, Jupiter aspects are more fleeting, so their impact doesn't last as long as the others (usually 1-2 weeks). But you can get a great opportunity right around the date of an exact sextile or trine by Jupiter to the 6th or 10th house cusp or ruler, or to your natal Saturn or Mercury. It's up to you to actually take the opportunity; the downside with Jupiter is you can feel so good that you don't take action. Take action! Then you may be able to expand on it (base energy of Jupiter is to expand).

Positive Saturn aspects are stabilizing. Saturn aspects lasts a bit longer (a few weeks to a few months). Now, Saturn does have a reputation for making its beneficial aspect much, much quieter than its hard aspects, which can make them come and go without you even noticing anything. For this reason, I usually don't put a *ton* of stock into a sextile or trine by Saturn unless it's accompanied by another positive aspect. When it is, it helps ground the energy more and allows you to really get down to business (pun intended!). Saturn is the inverse of Jupiter, Uranus, and Neptune, so it's especially helpful for managing their energy; when coupled with Pluto, this is generally when you have the greatest discipline and self-control for progress.

Uranus is the planet of change, so positive Uranus aspects bring your focus in a new direction in some way. It may be that the work or goals you want to work on or have opportunities to pursue change, or that the way you go about them becomes different in some way. You usually can't go the traditional route when Uranus is involved. You have to look at things in new ways, from different perspectives, and with an eye toward the future.

Neptune is the planetary ruler of intuition, so positive Neptune aspects can strengthen your instincts. This can allow you to get a feel for the subtle energies, the subconscious messages, and just know what's the right choices and actions to take. And, more importantly, you can actually *trust* them! (often, we don't trust our instincts - how many times has that bitten you?) Neptune is also super creative as ruler of the arts and imagination, so if your job or career goals are artistic/creative in nature, Neptune can bring an extra dose of inspiration.

Pluto is the planet of transformation, however this tends to be on display under the challenging aspects. Sometimes it's also required under the beneficial aspects, but it's usually waaaaaay less problematic and more of an easy undertaking with you as a willing participant or initiator. I find more often though that the positive Pluto aspects serve to reaffirm your passion and purpose (also ruled by Pluto) for what you're already dedicated to instead of pushing you to transform your track (which is what the hard aspects can do).

The best times in your life professionally will usually be when you see positive aspects to your 6th and 10th house rulers or cusps or natal Saturn or Mercury (and to money spots, covered in another lesson) in a short period of time (a few months to a year). And, it needs to be a variety (not all Jupiter aspects, for example), so it's usually going to be a mix of positive Jupiter and Saturn aspects along with at least 1 by Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto. The more positive aspects you see, the

bigger the period is and more potential it has for you. These periods don't come along very often; I find it's usually 3-5 times in your entire adult life (which may seem like so little, but just think about it - how many professional highs does one person achieve, even the most successful among us?).

In addition to aspects, you can also look at the planets touring the 6th and 10th houses. This brings a longer-term focus to your work life/job (6th house) and career/goals (10th house). Jupiter in either house is absolutely excellent for job or career opportunities (usually stimulated when one of the faster planets [Sun, Mercury, Venus, Mars] is in the same house while Jupiter is there; Jupiter is in one house for about a year). Couple that with some positive aspects and you've got yourself a jackpot!

Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto in these houses can be more of a challenge. Saturn brings out lessons you need to learn, Uranus can bring instability, Neptune can bring cloudiness, and Pluto can bring power struggles. These 4 will be covered in the 6th and 10th houses in the next lesson on bad periods and what to do with them.

The faster planets move so quickly that they may not do much if one of the slower planets isn't also there; I find two exceptions are when 2+ of the faster planets are moving into the same house within 48 hours of each other (so if both the Sun and Venus enter the 6th house on the same day, this can be beneficial and trigger positive developments, though the opportunities may not be as big as when the slower planets are involved), and Mars.

Mars is the planet of energy and drive, and usually wherever Mars is house-wise, whatever that house rules, that's where our main focus is at that moment. I often found in doing readings that the questions people would ask were ruled by the house in their natal chart transit Mars was

touring at that time! Mars is in a house for about 2 months at time, so when it's in your 6th or 10th house, this brings a 2 month period of focusing on your work life (6th) or career and goals (10th). If there are any other planets in the house, it makes it a lot stronger. Even if it's only the Moon! (which moves the fastest, going through all 12 of your houses every month, so even if it's only the Moon, you'll still likely get two periods of 2-3 days while Mars is in the 6th/10th to kick things up). Mars can take initiative, which means you're more likely to be brave and go for what you want, making it happen on your own.

You can also get positive energy from new moons and eclipses. You'll get 1-2 new moons each year in each house, including your 6th and 10th houses, so there's at least one opportunity each year for focus on your work life (6th; looking for a new job, pursuing job opportunities, making progress with work projects, making good work impressions and connections, etc.) and to focus on your career and goals (10th; looking to change your career, pursue opportunities for advancement, apply for a promotion, gain recognition or public attention, etc.). New moons can have such subtle energy if they don't make a close major aspect to your natal chart though, so just by itself in the 6th/10th houses, it may not have that much impact. The best ones will be when they're in the 6th or 10th and the new moon is making a conjunction, sextile, or trine to one of your natal planets (bonus if it's your 6th or 10th house ruler!).

Eclipses are ramped up new and full moons, and solar eclipses occur with new moons while lunar eclipses occur with full moons. Solar eclipses are great times for new beginnings, embarking on big new ventures that can be a focus for years to come. Lunar eclipses are times for big culminations, seeing the results of all your years of hard work and determination.

Solar eclipses in the 6th house can be great times to focus on pursuing job opportunities and creating the kind of work life you want to have.

You can give your work more attention, and be more detailed. In the 10th house, solar eclipses can be great times to focus on your goals and ambitions. Ambition likely runs higher, and you can get attention for progress you make (even sometimes publicly). Like new moons, these solar eclipses can be best when they're making a conjunction, sextile, or trine to the 6th or 10th house ruler; unlike new moons, you don't need a major aspect to feel the solar eclipse in the house (since eclipse energy is stronger).

Lunar eclipses in the 6th house can bring the culmination of work projects, and you can finish work that has been a focus for a while. This is a time for results, and you can be very busy as you tie everything up in a bow to finish it off. In the 10th house, lunar eclipses can help you reach great heights if you've done things the right way, and for the right reasons. This can be a time of achievement and success and recognition and respect, though it can come with extra responsibilities. It's best when also making a sextile or trine to the 6th or 10th house ruler, and like with solar eclipses, you don't need a major aspect to feel it.

One other note with all of this - you can also keep in mind the natural rulers (planet and house) for whatever your work/career rules. For example, say you're in marketing, and that's ruled by the 9th house and Jupiter. You can then apply much of the same rules to aspects and such involving your natal Jupiter and 9th house (beneficial aspects bring positive periods for your work specifically). Appendix A has a list of rulerships (and you can always do an online search for whatever your work/career is and what the astrological ruler for it is).

On a day-to-day basis for scheduling, you can use the faster-moving planets and their aspects for precise timing. Whenever I'm going to do a launch, sale, etc. I always look at what the faster planets are doing around the dates I have in mind.

I try to choose dates where the transit Sun, Mercury, Venus, or Mars are making beneficial aspects (sextiles or trines) to my 2nd house cusp, ruler, or Ceres (so it's financially fruitful) or to my 10th house cusp, ruler, or Saturn (gives the career and recognition boost).

I also watch every month when the transit Moon is in my 2nd, 6th, and 10th houses (launches while in the 2nd house tend to make it pay out better financially, but I find I often do launches with the Moon in the 10th house; when the Moon is in the 6th house, I try to plan for lots of work to be done because I know I'll be super productive those few days).

Lesson 2: Difficult Periods for Work/Career

Now that we've covered the positives, it's time to get informed on the difficult periods. Not to dwell! But to be prepared and know what to do when you're experiencing them.

The challenging aspects are squares (90 degrees, or three signs apart) and oppositions (180 degrees, or six signs apart or opposing signs). Conjunctions (0 degrees, or in the same spot), can also be considered challenging aspects (usually not with Jupiter, but can be with Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto; by themselves, perhaps not, but if coupled with other hard aspects, then yes). Challenging periods for you professionally usually come under squares and oppositions to your 6th or 10th house cusps or rulers, or to your natal Saturn or Mercury, by transit Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto.

Since the challenging aspects have much stronger energy than the beneficial ones, you don't actually need a ton of them to have professional challenges. Not fair, I know! But it does explain why you probably have more difficulties throughout your professional life, more obstacles to work through, than easy periods. But, a singular hard aspect won't wreck everything, even when it's by the especially-challenging transit Pluto. The challenging aspects usually bring out existing problems instead of making all new ones out of thin air (except for Uranus sometimes!). If you're dissatisfied with the work you do, hate your boss, lack passion and purpose, are not being compensated or recognized appropriately, the hard aspects bring this out. The problems were already there, you just become aware of them in a stronger way, and they become more unbearable. New problems that arise tend to stem from the already existing ones.

Hard aspects by Jupiter usually aren't so bad, especially if they're not accompanied by hard aspects from the others. By itself, hard Jupiter

usually just brings out laziness, a lack of motivation, and excess. When coupled with other hard aspects, the expansive energy of Jupiter can expand on them and make them more challenging. This can be especially true with the conjunction, which is quite positive when accompanied by positive aspects. Also, Jupiter aspects are the easiest to work with, because Jupiter doesn't like the bad for very long and wants us to focus on the good (it does rule optimistic Sagittarius, after all!).

Hard Saturn aspects are highly restrictive. Saturn is the one who zaps up opportunities, dries up your money, and adds on more responsibilities with less pay off. So mean! But there's usually a lesson involved, something you've been missing, something that has been avoided, or something you need to be more disciplined with. Learning whatever it is Saturn wants from you is always the key to Saturn hard aspects, and that includes your professional areas. It can just be really hard because Saturn is suffocating at times, and you don't need other hard aspects to feel this with Saturn. Setbacks and failures can feel like so much more with Saturn, and it's easy to get mired in the depressive quality Saturn has. It's important to learn what Saturn wants from you, and to do things Saturn's way: in the right way, for the right reasons, responsibly and ethically and smartly. This can slow down the challenges that Saturn throws at you, but truth be told, it might not get rid of them completely until the aspect is over (sorry about that!). You should still do it though, because that's usually what determines if it lingers for a while after the aspects end, or if you come out of strong and in a position to get everything on track.

Hard Uranus aspects are the ones who can throw some curveballs. They're often still tied to existing issues, but can feel really out of nowhere. Uranus is the planet of change, and this can result in erratic energy and instability at times. Uranus likes to shake things up to keep us on our toes and make sure we're not letting things get stagnant or

stuck in the same old, same old. Go with change instead of fighting it under hard Uranus aspects, and try to take some control by making changes yourself. Resistance is what usually leads to major problems under the hard aspects. You don't like change? Oh Uranus just targets you more! Look for new ways to approach your work life or goals, set new goals for yourself or pursue different work opportunities, or just shake things up. Keep it fresh. And be flexible when the unexpected occurs. Remember, don't resist, go with it.

Hard Neptune aspects bring the fog to whatever part of your life they're impacting. When it's to your professional areas, this is in your work life or with your goals. It becomes difficult to figure out your path, what the right decisions are, who to trust professionally, and dedicate yourself to something, seeing it through. The problem is, it's so hard to cut through that fog, and often when you feel like you are seeing clearly, you don't realize you're not until the aspect is over and boy is there a big mess to clean up after that! Having strong intuition that you trust is important before you go into Neptune hard aspects, so you can rely on that when you do need to make important professional decisions. During hard Neptune aspects, remaining grounded is important, so you don't let yourself get lost in the fog.

Hard Pluto aspects are the notoriously difficult ones. Pluto aspects hang around for up to three years, and Pluto is the transformer, so it's a doozy! Pluto makes a look at your life and sees where you need things to be torn down to the concrete, and then does it and expects you to build something new. Not the nicest, that one! When impacting your professional life, any little thing professionally you're not really invested in with positive passion and purpose, Pluto can tear down, take away, rip to shreds, annihilate. Positive passion and purpose, that's what Pluto wants from you. Do you believe in it? Are you really connected to it way down deep? How inspired does it make you? The less you're feeling your work or goals, the more Pluto wants you to be doing something

else, and will force the issue if you won't take initiative yourself. Pluto does rule control, so you do have the opportunity to take control if you're willing. That's the one little sliver of hope with Pluto. Take control and focus on positive passion and purpose. This may mean completely moving away from everything you've ever done. That's when the Pluto fear can come in. But keep going with it anyway. What you build under hard Pluto aspects can last for years, decades, the rest of your life.

The most difficult professional periods of your life will be when you have multiple hard aspects to your 6th and 10th house cusps or rulers, or to Saturn or Mercury (and usually some hard money stuff in the mix). Just like with the positive, the more there are, the harder it is. This tends to come along when you have to completely change, assess everything and find a whole new way of doing things professionally. You can experience major upheaval, and how you handle it can dictate whether or not it lasts. Now, as I said, you don't need a lot of hard aspects to your professional areas to have a difficult period, but just 1 or 2 isn't going to derail you like 4 or 5 or 6 or more. When it's a lot, that's when you're potentially looking at major failures, job loss, or business dissolutions.

As mentioned in the positive aspects lesson, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto in the 6th or 10th houses can be more of a challenge. This may not come out though until there are hard aspects involved with the 6th or 10th house cusps, rulers, or with Saturn or Mercury, while Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto are in the 6th or 10th house. That's when it's pretty rough! Remember what each planet wants - do things right by Saturn, make changes and go with it with Uranus, trust intuition and ground yourself with Neptune, and take control of positive passion and purpose with Pluto.

And then there's the ones that really throw you off kilter - retrogrades! Specifically of Mercury, Venus, and Mars. Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto retrogrades generally aren't so bad since they

retrograde for months at a time every year (with their retrogrades, it's more important if they're making aspects and what those aspects are for you). Mercury, Venus, and Mars retrogrades, on the other hand, don't occur as much or as long, and because they're personal planets, we *really* feel them!

In the 6th or 10th house, this can bring up old work or career problems, bring out issues with coworkers, bosses, mentors, or employees, and there can be setbacks and delays and do-overs with work projects. Conjunction the 6th or 10th house cusp or ruler, this can kick you around in a big way, or offer an opportunity for an important second chance that you'd love to have. Square the 6th or 10th house cusp or ruler, or opposite the 6th or 10th house ruler, and there can be major setbacks and delays, lack of resources, questioning your path, feeling insecure about your abilities, or experiencing professional instability. The good thing with the retrogrades is that the problems they kick up may only be temporary, and you can get everything back to normal once the retrograde is over.

But if Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto are in the 6th or 10th house, or you've got other hard aspects occurring to the professional areas, then the problems can last. Retrogrades love the re-'s (redo, revise, revisit, rethink, etc.) and are times to reflect, to be introspective, and to look backward (not to get stuck, sulk, and hurt yourself, but to learn, understand, see what you missed, and move on fully). So reflect on the work you've done, the goals you've worked on, and dig deeper with them, with progress you have or haven't made, and see what you've missed. There is another lesson in this course that focuses specifically on these retrogrades and goes into a variety of questions around them and your professional life.

Also, like in the previous lesson, you can consider all of this with the natural rulers of your work/career (planet and house). When you have

challenging energy going on with the natural rulers, but can struggle more specifically with something in your work/career (which may be frustrating when you have other good work/career aspects but hard stuff happening with the natural ruler! Though that combo may not be as bad, making the hard aspects easier).

And, you can consider what the faster planets are doing day-to-day for timing with hard aspects as well. I try to avoid specific dates where the transit Sun, Mercury, Venus, or Mars are making hard aspects (squares and oppositions) to my 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusps or rulers. Sometimes it can't be helped though, so do as well as you can, and know you'll just have some little glitches to work through.

Lesson 3: Progressions That Impact Work/Career

Progressions can impact any area of your life, including your professional life. Progressions refer to the progressed chart, which adds one day to your date of birth for every year you've been alive to create a new chart reflective of your maturation and growth. It's also used in predictive analysis, and can show important developments in your life.

When a progressed planet moves into your natal or progressed 6th or 10th house, this can be kind of like one of the slow planets moving into that house, but it lasts a lot longer. The fastest-moving progressed planet is the Moon, and that stays in one house for 2-3 years. The others can stick around for decades, which is even longer than transit Pluto! But unlike Pluto, they're not super challenging.

The progressed Sun in the 6th or 10th house ties up more of who you are into the work you do (6th) or the goals you pursue (10th). To satisfy the person you are now, you need to be doing work you connect with as a person. The progressed Moon in the 6th or 10th house makes your work life (6th) or goals (10th) more important for achieving emotional stability and security. If you're not satisfied with this part of your life, that can create emotional frustration.

Progressed Mercury in the 6th or 10th house gets you more focused on the work you do (6th) or your goals (10th), and you can take more time to plan out ideas and put information to use. Progressed Venus in the 6th or 10th house can bring some easier energy for focusing on work (6th) and goals (10th), and you can focus on the work or goals that you love and enjoy pursuing. You can feel more ambitious with Venus in the 10th. Progressed Mars in the 6th or 10th house can increase your energy and drive to pursue work or goals you're passionate about. You may find you direct more of your energy toward work or your goals, and that the more you do, the more you want to do.

You'll also want to compare your progressed planets to your natal 6th and 10th house cusps and rulers. Your progressed planets can make aspects to them, just like transit planets can, and this can create beneficial (sextiles and trines) or challenging (squares and oppositions) periods. Aspects by the progressed Moon last for about 3 months; aspects by progressed Sun, Mercury, and Venus last for about 2 years; and aspects by progressed Mars last for about 4 years.

I haven't mentioned progressed Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto; this is because they move so much slower, that they don't change too much from your natal positions. So, they really only become important in certain situations and circumstances; in the case of your professional life, they may be important if they make an exact aspect to your natal or progressed 6th or 10th house cusps or rulers. The aspect is usually already within orb in your natal chart (when it's to a natal position), so it just becomes exact with the progressed movement. This can trigger some important developments though, and they may be things that have been in the making for such a long time, or that you've always wanted and worked for, or always felt would pass in some way.

You'll also want to look at your natal 6th and 10th house rulers in the progressed chart. Have they changed signs or are about to? Changed houses or are about to? This can show a big shift coming in regards to your work (6th) or goals (10th), a whole new chapter starting. Have they turned retrograde or direct? This is also a big shift, however it may feel like the shift is changing your direction and moving in the opposite direction. Turning retrograde and direct is reversing the motion the planet has been going in, so your professional life may feel like it's reversing course in some way for a period of time as you adjust. Are they conjunct another progressed planet? That planet may seem to be so much more important for your professional life now, until the

conjunction passes. It might even take over for a little while, and you see its energy dominate your professional life.

Take a look at your progressed 6th and 10th house cusps as well. Have they changed signs? More shifting to a whole new chapter. Are they anaretic (at 29 degrees?) or about to be? You may feel you have to take action immediately, while you still have the chance, to make changes in your professional life, with your goals, or take advantage of opportunities you have. Are they at critical degrees or about to be? Critical degrees are points of critical energy, and this can generate some critical energy for you to focus on your professional life. It may come *before* the progressed 6th or 10th house cusp is actually critical though, leading up to it, and then generates positive opportunities while actually critical. The critical degrees are 0, 13, and 26 degrees of the cardinal signs (Aries, Cancer, Libra, Capricorn), 8-9 and 21-22 degrees of the fixed signs (Taurus, Leo, Scorpio, Aquarius), and 4 and 17 degrees of the mutable signs (Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius, Pisces).

Your progressed 6th or 10th house rulers or cusps moving into new signs are one of the indicators for major career/work change in your life. This movement into new signs usually lasts for a while, so it's a change that can stick around. You can see this occur with transits, but I find it's more often with progressions.

One other thing to consider with the progressed chart is if you will experience or are under a progressed new or full moon. The progressed new moon occurs when the progressed Sun and Moon conjunct; the progressed full moon occurs when the progressed Sun and Moon oppose. They are personal new and full moons for you, and you usually experience 2-4 of each in your life. Progressed new moons are awesome times for big new opportunities and embarking on new chapters (in an even bigger way than the changing of signs). Progressed full moons are times of major developments and realizations, and there

can be great success depending on what you've done leading up to it, or a total overhaul. The sign, house placement in the natal and progressed chart, and aspects made can tell you what will be impacted most, but even if no professional areas are touched, these phases can still have some impact on it since they're so big for new beginnings and culminations. But, generally speaking, they will impact your professional life most if they occur in your natal or progressed 6th or 10th houses, aspect your natal or progressed 6th or 10th house rulers (within 10 degrees), or occur in the signs of Virgo (work) or Capricorn (career/goals).

Don't know your progressed chart? You can create one for free using astro.com; in Extended Chart Selection, select Progressed chart in the dropdown menu and generate the chart. It'll show your progressed locations for the day you create the chart. Look for progressed planets in the progressed 6th and 10th house that aren't in your natal 6th or 10th house; look for progressed planets that are moving to your natal 6th and 10th houses or there now; look at the condition of your progressed 6th and 10th house cusps and rulers; and look for progressed planets that are aspecting your natal 6th and 10th house cusps or rulers.

Lesson 4: Money and Astrology

Money! Being compensated for the work you do is a part of life (whether it's right or not, fair or not, well-enough or not is a whole other matter). This lesson is going to cover money from the perspective of astrology, and what to focus on in your natal chart, and what to watch predictively.

In the intro, I mentioned that Venus and the 2nd house are the rulers of your money. But I've actually been using Ceres instead of Venus for a few years and find it's worked like a charm! There's been this debate for a while that Ceres is the ruler of Taurus (who connects to the 2nd house), not Venus. Ceres is a dwarf planet (like Pluto), associated with grains (and food!) and is very earthy. As I've been using Ceres for money matters, it's just made more and more sense. So I still use Venus as a ruler of Taurus (mostly for natal analysis), but now also look at Ceres (for predictive analysis and anything to do with money).

From a natal perspective, you're going to want to assess your 2nd house of money to see what is the best way for you to make money, as well as your approach to money. Look at the sign on the cusp and planets in the house. Also find the ruler of your 2nd house, and its signs and house location and major aspects, especially conjunctions. This all plays into your handling of money and what you should factor in when it comes to career decisions so you're maximizing your chances of being well-compensated. I'm including the interpretations from the site for the 2nd house in the signs and planets in the 2nd house of your natal chart in Appendix B for reference.

Now, what about beneficial and challenging times for money? This will be similar to beneficial versus challenging times for your work life and career, but focused on the 2nd house cusp, 2nd house ruler, and Ceres. Beneficial transit aspects (sextiles and trines) can bring positive energy for you to work with financially. You can make more, and have more

opportunities to make more. You can be more optimistic about your financial life and future. Jupiter focuses on opportunities, Saturn on stabilizing, Uranus on new approaches, Neptune on instinctive decisions, and Pluto on taking control.

Challenging aspects (squares and oppositions) can bring difficult energy for you to have to manage financially. You may lose a source of income, have a big expense, or generally feel like you don't have access to enough. Jupiter can bring out excess spending, and can expand on existing challenges, so it's important to work on controlling the expansive energy and not letting it spiral; Saturn can make you feel like you're not enough, and you may constantly worry about money issues, so it's important to save instead of spend under Saturn, and try to be completely financially responsible; Uranus can bring up sudden, unexpected financial developments, and challenge you to be flexible and make adjustments as you go along, so don't be rigid and do plan for change; Neptune can make it hard to have all of the information you need to make informed financial decisions, and others can take advantage of you financially, so it's important to guard yourself and your finances, and not rush into anything before you have enough facts; and Pluto can make it so you absolutely have to transform your approach with or attitude toward not just money, but values and what you feel is worth something in your life, and face if you've been undervaluing yourself and what you deserve (especially if that's an long old issue).

Conjunctions to the 2nd house ruler or Ceres can go either way depending on the planet. By Jupiter, this can give a great opportunity to make a lot of money, but also to spend a lot of money. If you can control the spending and focus on trying to make more, this can be an excellent period for financial expansion. This also applies for Jupiter touring the 2nd house. By Saturn, this can make you feel much more restricted and limited financially, like you don't have the financial opportunities you want, and you have to work a lot harder to improve your financial

situation. It may not actually be as bad as it feels though, and if you take the right steps to appease Saturn (responsible, ethical, disciplined), you can set yourself up financially for the long-term to be in a good place. This also applies for Saturn touring the 2nd house, though you may not experience relief with Saturn in the 2nd house until Saturn is nearing the end.

By Uranus, this is the planet of the sudden and unexpected, so prepare for some major financial changes. This can be a challenge if it's upheaval and unwelcome change, but you have to be super flexible and go with the flow. It's best to actually plan for financial changes yourself so you can be in control of them and keep them from spiraling. This can be good to make money in a whole new way, or utilizing technology somehow. This also applies for Uranus touring the 2nd house. By Neptune, this is the foggy planet, so you may struggle with seeing things clearly when it comes to money. You may give too much away, be easily manipulated financially, and have to be more realistic. Grounding yourself can help, and try to have some trusted help before it even starts. This can be good for making money through the arts, healing, or spirituality. This also applies for Neptune touring the 2nd house.

By Pluto, this is the planet of transformation, so you may have to transform the way you approach money, your whole attitude about money, and anything to do with money that isn't completely healthy and good for you. When you're doing things right, the conjunction can give you a ton more power and control over your financial life, and you can make more at will. This gives a great capacity for wealth, and wealth creation can be long-lasting under this transit. This also applies for Pluto touring the 2nd house, however in the 2nd house, Pluto generally likes to destroy and tear things down first to force you to rebuild in a way that makes your financial attitude and approach in alignment with your truest self.

You can also track transit Ceres through your natal houses and aspecting your natal planets. This can show where money matters may be focused for you at the moment (by house), and potential financial developments (by aspect). For transit Ceres touring the natal houses:

1st house: This can bring out extra focus on money matters, and you can be more open about what you're dealing with financially, good or bad. You may focus more on financial opportunities or starting new financial ventures, and can take initiative financially.

2nd house: You can feel more comfortable dealing with money matters, and seek out improving your financial situation to help you feel more stable and secure. Your self-worth may be more tied to your financial situation than usual.

3rd house: You can work on financial ideas and plans, and it can be a good time to gather financial information that can help with decisions. You may feel a little scattered tackling some money matters, and have to work on better focus so you don't jump from one to the next.

4th house: Money matters may focus on the home and family, and you can spend more to deal with things at home or with family, or can tackle money issues that involve the home/family. You may want to strengthen your financial foundation, or work on a financial project from the ground up.

5th house: You may want to use money in creative ways, or spend money on creative ventures or hobbies. Money may be seen as something you can use to enrich your life and make you feel good. You can work on financial matters involving children or loves.

6th house: You can pay closer attention to the details when it comes to your finances, and can be a little thriftier and more of a saver. You may stress out over the details and need to believe in your abilities. You may be more compensated for work you've done.

7th house: Money matters may involve other people in your life, and you can tackle financial issues involving others. Problems may come from

others financially, but so can opportunities. Money within relationships can get more attention.

8th house: You may be more focused on sharing what you have with the people you care about most, and using financial resources to cement your financial legacy. You may tackle deeply-held money issues, or work on power and control issues surrounding money.

9th house: You may have a more carefree attitude about money matters, and want to use money to expand your life experiences. You may want more freedom to approach money the way you desire, and can use money as a way of giving yourself more freedom in life.

10th house: You can work on financial responsibilities that you have, and you may take on more or feel more are pushed on you. You can set financial goals for yourself, and reach new financial heights if you've done things right. You may be more compensated for achieving your goals.

11th house: You can focus on financial opportunities that are different or unusual, and push yourself outside of your comfort zone financially. You may benefit from help from groups and friends, and can make financial changes.

12th house: Money matters may be dealt with alone, without a watchful eye. You can feel more confident dealing with them on your own. You may see financial developments or opportunities come to an end, and can let go of financial baggage or karma.

For transit Ceres aspecting the natal planets:

Sun: Sextile/trine presents positive financial energy for opportunity and you can connect with money in a beneficial way. Square/opposite presents challenging financial energy for opportunity, and you may have financial blocks or difficulties to work through that can feel quite personal. Conjunction helps with being better focused and identifying financial ventures that align with your true self.

Moon: Sextile/trine brings positive financial energy to your home/family life, and you can feel more nurtured emotionally with stable finances.

Square/opposite can bring emotional instability when your finances aren't stable, or emotional instability that causes financial instability. Nurturing and support becomes important. Conjunction helps connect your emotions with your finances in a way that allows you to feel supported by what you have and improve support for others.

Mercury: Sextile/trine brings new ideas, plans, and information that can be of benefit for you financially. Square/opposite can make you scattered financially, unfocused and insecure, or give you bad information. Grounded focus is needed. Conjunction helps get you mentally focused on the right ideas to drill down on financially, and you can become clearer about financial ventures.

Venus: Sextile/trine brings pleasant energy for dealing with your finances, and this may involve others or relationships. Square/opposite might make for financial laziness, splurging, or being out of balance in some way financially. Moderation is needed. Conjunction helps bring grounding financial energy, balance, and dealings with others financially.

Mars: Sextile/trine increases energy and drive for money matters, and you can take initiative for what you want. Square/opposite might bring out financial frustration or fights about money, and you may need to take a step back and see things from a better perspective. Conjunction helps with starting new financial ventures, taking initiative, and making a lot more, but also spending more.

Jupiter: Sextile/trine opens up new opportunities financially, and you can feel more positive about financial dealings. Square/opposite might bring out excess, spending too much, or expand on financial difficulties, and controlling that is needed. Conjunction helps with opening up more opportunities and potential for a windfall or some financial luck (but don't push it).

Saturn: Sextile/trine brings stabilizing energy financially, and this can help you feel more secure. Square/opposite can make you feel squeezed financially, like you don't have enough, or like you have too many financial responsibilities that overwhelm. Try to find some space.

Conjunction helps with focusing on financial goals, balancing financial responsibilities, and working on long-term financial plans.

Uranus: Sextile/trine opens you up to trying new approaches with your finances, and you can push outside of your comfort zone a little with financial opportunities. Square/opposite can bring out financial changes you have to adjust to, or restlessness financially with ventures that haven't picked up yet. Conjunction helps with out-of-the-box thinking for financial ideas and ventures, focusing more on your financial future, using your money to impact a group in some way, and making big financial changes.

Neptune: Sextile/trine improves your financial instincts, and you can use your finances to help others in some way. Square/opposition increases financial vulnerability, and money may feel like it slips through your fingers. Careful of being taken advantage of financially, and get grounded. Conjunction helps with being intuitively guided, but you have to be careful of being led by people with false faces, and make sure it's your own intuition guiding you. This can be good for being compensated for artistic works, or for making a charitable donation.

Pluto: Sextile/trine helps you take more control over your finances, and you can think more about your legacy. Square/opposite might bring out deeply-held financial issues, or power struggles over money or obsession with it. Work on issues and don't become consumed, and be mindful of going down unethical or illegal roads. Conjunction helps with transforming your financial approach and attitude, eliminating financial baggage, and finding more power over your finances.

Progressions can also play into your finances. When the progressed 2nd house cusp is anaretic (at 29 degrees), there can be a huge push for you to try to make money in a new way, reconcile a money issue, and you may feel financially strained. This can also apply when progressed Ceres is anaretic. When your progressed 2nd house cusp or Ceres enters a new sign, you can see a shift in your financial perspective, approach, attitude, and different ways of making or managing money

can start opening up to you. When your progressed 2nd house cusp or Ceres aspect one of your natal or progressed planets, that planet can come into play with your financial life. You may see that planet become more prominent, dominant even, for you financially, and what you pursue and how you pursue it may be directly tied into that planet. Again, sextiles and trines bring easy energy, while squares and oppositions present some challenges, and conjunctions can go either way depending on the planet (though conjunctions with the progressed 2nd house cusp or Ceres involved can show the conjuncted planet becoming super important around the conjunction and you can focus on using the energy of the planet in some way with your finances).

You can also see when a progressed planet moves into your natal 2nd house, and this will bring the energy of that planet into your financial life. Progressed Sun in the 2nd house brings a lot more focus on money for you, and you can identify more strongly with how you make, spend, and utilize money. You may feel more like yourself when you have money versus when you don't. Progressed Moon in the 2nd house makes money more of an emotional thing for you, and if you have it, you feel more stabilized, and if you don't, you can feel more insecure. Your emotions may guide you in financial decisions, and you can experience more fluctuations financially (since the Moon is very watery). Go with the flow more, and work on financial issues you have at your core that need to be dealt with.

Progressed Mercury in the 2nd house brings out lots of ideas and plans for making money, and this can make you a little more scattered financially at times. Drill down on your ideas so it's not all talk, and focus on taking action with them. You may find you're a lot more informed when it comes to making financial decisions, and want to become savvier. Progressed Venus in the 2nd house can make it a little easier for you to have what you need when you need it financially. Venus likes to make things a little easier! You can benefit financially from the people in

your life, your relationships, and may find your finances become more entangled with others. Try to make sure it's not too much though. Progressed Mars in the 2nd house brings a lot of energy and drive to make more, spend more, have more, use more money. The drive for money increases, and this makes money a lot more important. Your capacity for how much you can make can surge as a result, but so too does your capacity to spend. Mars is super fiery, so it's easier to burn through money! Try to keep that under control.

Lesson 5: Vocational Astrology Primer

Vocational astrology focuses on the work, the career, that you should have using your natal chart. When you don't know what you should be doing, this is the branch of astrology you can turn to for answers. Now, this can get a little complex, so when you want to go full-on with it, you'll want to seek out an astrologer who actually specializes in vocational astrology. For now, we'll just cover what is essentially the most important position - the Midheaven!

The Midheaven (or Medium Coeli, MC for short, or Zenith) is the very top of an astrology chart. It rules your goals and ambitions as a result, so the career you should go into is usually found through your Midheaven. The very first thing to assess is the sign your Midheaven falls in. No matter what career you choose in life, you will likely find that it satisfies your Midheaven sign in some way, shape, or form. So, let's review the Midheaven in the signs and potential impact on your career:

Aries: An Aries Midheaven needs a career that allows you to take charge and do things your own way. You likely don't like having a boss, don't like being told what to do, at least professionally. You benefit from being your own boss, so this is a Midheaven position that can work for itself (so long as you have the focus and don't get sidetracked a lot thanks to Aries impulsivity). Aries is a fighter, so you can do well in the military, in sports, or anything competitive.

Taurus: A Taurus Midheaven needs some stability and security in your career. Something that's too up-and-down likely isn't going to satisfy you very much. You look to your career to be a grounding influence in your life, and you can be a grounding influence to those around you in your professional world. You may take a while to choose your career, but stick with it once you do. Taurus connects with food (chef? baker? restaurateur? food critic or blogger?), as well as the five senses (so

anything that stimulates the senses, including the arts and anything luxurious), and nature. Taurus is also ruler of money (banker, financier, loan officer, etc.).

Gemini: A Gemini Midheaven needs lots of mental stimulation in your career. If you don't find it interesting intellectually, you get bored quickly and jump around from one career to the next. It's vital that you choose something that will keep you on your toes, otherwise you won't land on anything that sticks. Gemini is a dual sign, so it's possible you may need two different career tracks to achieve this. Gemini connects with learning and teaching, writing and speaking, and working within the community or with young people.

Cancer: A Cancer Midheaven needs to feel emotionally invested in your career. If you don't connect emotionally, you're not very interested. Let your emotions guide you to the career choices you should make. Focus on what nourishes you emotionally, and makes you feel emotionally nurtured, supported, and listened to. You can funnel what you feel into your career (so this can be a good position for the arts). Cancer connects with the home and family (so working with families, parents, children, as caregivers, in childcare, even in medicine where you're helping take care of others).

Leo: A Leo Midheaven needs attention in your career. If you don't get recognition for the work you're doing, you don't feel as satisfied doing it. No surprise, this is the most common Midheaven for celebrities! But you don't have to be a celeb; this could be achieved through attaining a lot of attention within your chosen career path, through building up a brand online or being an influencer, or any number of ways now thanks to the internet and social media. Leo is highly creative though, so it's likely you'll lean toward something creative.

Virgo: A Virgo Midheaven needs a career that feels practical and allows you to be super productive. Similar to Gemini, boredom is a bad thing for you, but instead of bouncing off of the walls, you get anxious and turn inward. You may not desire too much attention for what you do (unlike the previous sign), and can push your way through success quietly. Virgo connects with health (so any kind of health care worker), pets (vet, rescuer, doggy daycare owner, etc.), and work itself (so you could do work that helps other people do their work).

Libra: A Libra Midheaven can thrive in a career with a partner or that focuses on others. Libra is the sign of relationships and the other people in our lives, so there's likely going to be a strong emphasis on others no matter what career you choose. Balance can be important for you, and the more out of balance you feel, the harder it can be to get clear about your goals and direction and make progress toward success. The more balanced you are, the easier achievement can be. Libra also connects with the justice system.

Scorpio: A Scorpio Midheaven can become fully dedicated to your career and goals once you've made a choice, so you do need to choose wisely, otherwise you may waste your time. You need a career that you're truly passionate about, that feels purposeful and you can be a little obsessed with. Scorpio connects with what lies beneath (anything where you need to dig deeper, like psychologist, private investigator, or scientist), sex, death, the taboo, and other people's money (accountant, stock broker, etc.).

Sagittarius: A Sagittarius Midheaven needs a career that gives you a certain degree of freedom and space, or you may use your career as a way of giving yourself the space and freedom you want in life. You may be presented with many opportunities throughout your life to pursue your goals. Sagittarius connects with writing, speaking, teaching, and travel (long-distance; pilot, travel agent, etc.), marketing and advertising,

publicity, sports, being an entrepreneur (hate having a boss), and beliefs (often in a religious context).

Capricorn: Capricorn is the sign that naturally connects to the Midheaven, so there can be some ease with which you approach your career and goals, once you make them. This may come later in life though since Capricorn tends to be the late-blooming sign. When Capricorn blooms early, it can bloom big time, so if you do land on something really young, you can be like a phenom. Capricorn connects with politics, the government, being a boss, and generally having a lot of responsibility in your career.

Aquarius: An Aquarius Midheaven needs a career that is constantly pushing you outside of your comfort zone. If you get too settled, you can become dissatisfied and restless. You may set new career goals and milestones for yourself constantly as a result. You may be attracted to careers that are unusual and unconventional, and shy away from the traditional (or go about the traditional in a different kind of way). You can be inventive and innovative in anything you do. Aquarius connects with technology, groups/the masses, and the future.

Pisces: A Pisces Midheaven can struggle at times with figuring out what you want ultimately. Your intuition may guide you to the right career, and you have to learn to trust your instincts with your professional choices since they can be your asset. You may gravitate toward a career in the arts, or toward one involving spirituality or the metaphysical. Pisces is the ultra compassionate sign, so you may focus on a career that allows you to take care of others or focus on the wants and needs of others.

Once you've assessed the Midheaven sign, you'll then want to track down the ruler of your Midheaven, which is the natural ruling planet of your Midheaven sign. The rulers are:

Aries: Mars
Taurus: Venus
Gemini: Mercury
Cancer: Moon
Leo: Sun
Virgo: Mercury
Libra: Venus
Scorpio: Pluto
Sagittarius: Jupiter
Capricorn: Saturn
Aquarius: Uranus
Pisces: Neptune

Determine your Midheaven ruler and find the sign and house location in your natal chart for the ruler. This can directly tie into your career path as well. You can use the Midheaven signs for the signs of the ruler and house location (1st house = Aries; 2nd house = Taurus; 3rd house = Gemini; 4th house = Cancer; 5th house = Leo; 6th house = Virgo; 7th house = Libra; 8th house = Scorpio, 9th house = Sagittarius; 10th house = Capricorn; 11th house = Aquarius; 12th house = Pisces).

Extra factors: If your Midheaven ruler is conjunct any other planets, that planet can also be like another ruler of your Midheaven, and become super important for your career path. Depending on the planets involved, it might even overtake your actual Midheaven ruler. You can also look at any planets in your 10th house. The 10th house is the house of career (and in Placidus, the most commonly used house system in the West, the start of the 10th house is the Midheaven), so planets in the 10th house can also tie into your career (Appendix C has the interpretations from the site for planets in the 10th house for reference). It may seem like a lot to consider, and this just brushes the surface, but it does give you lots of options to work with.

Lesson 6: Potential Natal Challenges

Some of us have no idea at all what to do for a career for a very long time, and some of us know but seem to encounter block after block, obstacle after obstacle that gets in the way. Or, you may get in your own way! So what are some positions in the natal chart that can indicate you'll have challenges to work through before you can have the career you desire?

First up, the anaretic degree. The anaretic degree is 29 degrees of any sign, and in the natal chart, shows an area of overemphasis or underemphasis (usually the latter). If you have your 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusps or rulers at 29 degrees, or any planets in those houses at 29 degrees, or your natal Saturn or Ceres, this can show you've got some big issues to work through! I find they often start out as something external (some sort of trauma or experience) and turn internal (so you end up becoming self-destructive and get in your own way). The good thing with the anaretic degree is, once you work through whatever the problems associated with it are, it becomes a big asset and power boost for you, so you have the potential to be even more successful than most. It's just working through those issues first that's the tricky part!

Next up, interceptions. A planet is intercepted in your natal chart when the sign the planet is located in doesn't appear on any house cusp. This means the sign the planet is in is contained within the house that has the previous sign on the house cusp. Interceptions are just that, contained energy, and difficult to access on a conscious level. When you have interceptions, they manifest subconsciously, which feels totally out of your control for a while until you learn to harness that subconscious energy and work out subconscious blocks associated with it. There's usually some stuff that's been shoved away inside of you (contained), and interceptions can be associated with holding yourself back. If your

2nd, 6th, or 10th house rulers or your natal Saturn or Ceres are intercepted, this can have a direct impact on your professional life.

If you have interceptions in your 2nd, 6th, or 10th houses, this can be interesting because you likely put a ton of emphasis on your finances (2nd), work (6th), or career (10th) since this usually means the house is large, but it can come at the expense of whatever is intercepted in the house. This may result in being a bit ruthless, tragically ambitious, greedy, or simply having a lop-sided view of your life, lacking balance. Don't ignore your interceptions!

Next, planets conjunct the Midheaven. As stated in the previous lesson, planets conjunct your Midheaven can play an important role in the career route you end up choosing. If you have your natal Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto conjunct the Midheaven though, this can bring on some strain. With Saturn, you may feel like it's a constant uphill battle to get what you want, and you have to work ten times as hard to make one-tenth of the progress. This position can show being a late-bloomer with your career, and you're someone who likely won't achieve success until you've worked at it for a very long time and done everything right. But, once you do that, success can be lasting and you can gain a lot of recognition and respect.

With Uranus, this can create a lot of instability in your career, too much at times, and you may feel like you're constantly being batted around. Just when you think everything's going in the right direction, everything changes and you're scrambling, or just when everything is settled, you no longer want it anymore. Lots of flexibility is required when you have Uranus placed here, and you have to be willing to constantly adapt and make changes on the fly.

With Neptune, this can make it difficult to figure out what it is that you want to be doing with your life. Neptune is the foggy planet, remember?

So Neptune can obscure and cloud your judgment, and you may have difficulty committing yourself to any one thing. Getting in touch with your intuition and trusting your own judgment becomes super important, as well as having some solid boundaries in your life. You may find that the better your boundaries are, the easier it is for you to get focused and make progress. Until then, you can be more easily swayed by others.

With Pluto, this one may be the least challenging, because Pluto simply wants you to pursue what you're passionate about, and that's generally a goal we all have for a career. But when Pluto is placed here, you may have an added struggle of encountering a lot of power struggles and control issues, dealing with ruthless people who want to dominate you and your goals, and you have to fight harder to maintain control. Pluto here can also show that you're someone who needs to undergo a major transformation in your life first before you can achieve what you want (and actually, Pluto conjunct any of the angles or your natal Sun or Moon can show this as well; it's not necessarily career-specific in those cases, but an elevated Pluto means transformation is crucial for virtually every part of your life).

One last thing to touch on - your Lunar Nodes! The Lunar Nodes are the points in the Moon's orbit where the Moon crosses the ecliptic, and are spiritual/karmic in nature. There's a North Node (corresponding to your potential and purpose) and a South Node (corresponding to your baggage and past), and they exactly oppose one another. Because the Lunar Nodes are really important when it comes to your path in this life (what you should be releasing in the South Node and what you should be growing into with the North Node), they can have an impact on your career progress, even when they're not located in the 2nd, 6th, or 10th houses or impacting the rulers. When your Lunar Nodes are anaretic or intercepted, this tends to be the most difficult, and you may be in the camp of having no earthly idea what you want to do or how to attain

what you do want. The principle remains the same though - work on the blocks and subconscious issues, make sure you're eliminating baggage and crutches (South Node) and getting more comfortable with your potential (North Node), and make sure you're addressing any planets that are square your nodes (any planets three signs away are square your nodes and represent blocks to your path).

Lesson 7: Business Partnerships and Joint Ventures

When you want to go into business with a partner, or embark on a joint venture with someone, this actually gets a whole other set of rulers! (just to make things complicated ;p) Mutually beneficial partnerships and ventures fall under the rulership of Pluto, the 8th house, and Scorpio.

When you're going to pursue a business partnership or joint venture, you generally want to see beneficial aspects (sextiles and trines) to the 8th house cusp, 8th house ruler, natal Pluto, or by transit Pluto to the natal 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusps or rulers, natal Saturn, or natal Ceres. It can also be helpful to look at progressions, and see if any of your progressed planets are moving into or currently in Scorpio or the natal or progressed 8th house. Progressions can set you up long-term since they're in play for a longer period of time. And, don't just look at your own transits and progressions - look at the person you're partnering up with too! Ideally, you want to see beneficial aspects for BOTH of you to improve your odds.

Venus, the 7th house, and Libra rule relationships in general and the people in our lives, so you'll often see this in play as well, and beneficial aspects involving them can also be helpful. When you have that going on along with good aspects with Pluto/8th house/Scorpio, you may have a winner!

Also keep in mind that this is a relationship, just a business one instead of a personal one, so you may also want to use some relationship astrology to make sure the two of you will work well together. You can compare your charts to one another (called synastry) and gauge your compatibility just like with a personal, romantic relationship. The main difference will be, instead of preferring emphasis on the 5th house of love and 7th house of commitment, you'll want to see emphasis on the 2nd house of money, 6th house of work, or 10th house of career (the

professional areas). You'll still want to see some good linkages between the primary triad (the Sun, Moon, and Rising) to help support the relationship and your ability to get along. Sharing a sign among the triad (like you're a Taurus Sun and they're a Taurus Moon, or you're both Sagittarius Rising) or having elemental affinity (so you're both air sign Suns or have Moons in water houses) help connect you in a pleasant way and ease understanding.

You'll want to check out the composite chart for the two of you as well. Composite charts merge your chart with the chart of another to create a new chart for the relationship itself (you can create composite charts for free using astro.com, just input both of your birth data in My Astro and select Composite chart (midpoint method) in the dropdown menu for Chart type in Extended Chart Selection). Again, interpreting is similar to a personal relationship, you'll just want to see more emphasis on the 2nd/6th/10th houses (and maybe planets in Taurus, Virgo, or Capricorn, the signs that link to those houses). And don't forget to follow transits to the composite chart and progress the composite chart, just like for each of you individually!

Lesson 8: Electionals

Electional astrology is a part of predictive astrology, and uses astrology to pick a specific date and time for an event to occur. When you need to schedule something for a specific date and time, electional astrology can be super helpful. You look at the chart for the moment the event will begin (using the date, time, and location for the event), and this tells you how it'll play out. This can mean the difference between everything working out or falling apart!

You can use electional astrology to schedule when to have job interviews, ask for a raise or promotion, and more. Now, you can't always help when these things occur, and you are usually restricted to time frames or certain dates to choose from. But electional astrology can help you pick the best of the options that are available to you. Electional astrology is especially helpful if you don't know your time of birth and using regular predictive astrology doesn't give you as much to work with.

The first and most important rule is avoid the void-of-course Moon! There are three void-of-course Moons, but the most commonly used (and one I use) starts when the transit (moving) Moon makes the last major aspect to another transit planet while in its sign and ends when the Moon moves into a new sign. When you buy calendars that have the void-of-course Moon times in them, this is the void Moon periods it's usually referencing.

A void Moon means the Moon is kind of meandering, a little purpose-less, and it's a time when energy wanes, we're all foundering, and stuff doesn't really stick. It's excellent for tying up loose ends and finishing what you've already begun, and planning things you don't want to follow through with. But if you do want to follow through, avoid the

void! If you do nothing else in terms of astro-planning with predictive astrology, do this and it'll help!

I'm going to include here some bullet points for what to look for in charts for applying for a job or promotion, asking for a raise, scheduling a job interview, quitting your job, or starting a business. (some of you may recognize these from the old electionals class!).

For applying for a job, look for:

- Moon in Virgo (sign of work) or Capricorn (sign of career)
- An applying sextile or trine to Mercury or Saturn by the Moon
- Avoid Mercury retrograde (unless you've worked for them before or had the job before)
- Avoid the ruler of the 6th or 10th houses retrograde
- Ascendant in Virgo
- The ruler of the 1st house in the 6th or 10th houses
- The ruler of the 6th or 10th houses in the 1st house
- The Moon sextile or trine the 6th or 10th houses cusps
- The 6th or 10th house rulers sextile or trine the angles
- Venus in the 1st, 6th, or 10th houses
- Mercury in the 1st house
- Jupiter in the 6th or 10th houses
- Venus sextile or trine the 1st or 10th house cusps or rulers

For applying for a promotion, look for:

- Moon in Cancer or Capricorn
- An applying sextile or trine to Saturn by the Moon
- Avoid the ruler of the 1st or 10th houses retrograde
- Ascendant in a cardinal sign
- The ruler of the 1st house in the 10th house or the ruler of the 10th house in the 1st house
- Moon sextile or trine the 1st or 10th house cusps
- The 1st house ruler sextile or trine the 10th house cusp

- The 10th house ruler sextile or trine the 1st house cusp
- Well-aspected Saturn
- Venus or Jupiter in the 10th house
- Venus sextile or trine the 1st or 10th house cusps or rulers

For asking for a raise, look for:

- Moon in Taurus, Libra, or Capricorn
- An applying sextile or trine to Venus by the Moon
- Avoid the ruler of the 1st or 2nd houses retrograde
- Ascendant in Taurus
- The ruler of the 1st house in the 2nd or 7th house
- The ruler of the 2nd house in the 1st or 7th house
- Moon sextile or trine the 1st or 2nd house cusps
- The 1st house ruler sextile or trine the 2nd house cusp or ruler
- The 2nd house ruler sextile or trine the 1st house cusp or ruler
- Venus or Jupiter in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, 7th, or 10th houses
- Venus or Jupiter sextile or trine the 1st, 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusps or rulers

For scheduling a job interview, look for:

- Moon in Cancer or Virgo
- An applying sextile or trine to Mercury by the Moon
- Avoid the ruler of the 1st or 6th houses retrograde (unless it's a job you've done before or you've previously worked for the employer)
- Ascendant in Virgo
- The ruler of the 1st house in the 6th house or the ruler of the 6th house in the 1st house
- Moon sextile or trine the 1st or 6th house cusps or rulers
- The 1st house ruler sextile or trine the 6th house cusp or ruler
- The 6th house ruler sextile or trine the 1st house cusp or ruler
- Mercury in the 1st, 3rd, 6th, or 10th houses
- Venus or Jupiter in the 1st, 3rd, 6th, or 10th houses
- Mercury sextile or trine the 1st or 10th house cusps

- Venus or Jupiter sextile or trine the 1st house cusps or rulers

For quitting your job, look for:

- The Moon in Pisces, the 12th house, or sextile or trine Neptune
- An applying sextile or trine to Saturn by the Moon
- Ascendant in Virgo, Capricorn, or Pisces
- The ruler of the 12th house in the 1st, 6th, or 10th houses
- The ruler of the 12th house sextile or trine the 1st, 6th, or 10th house rulers or cusps
- The 12th house cusp sextile or trine the 1st, 6th, or 10th house rulers or cusps
- Moon sextile or trine the rulers or cusps of the 1st, 6th, 10th, or 12th houses
- Neptune in the 6th house
- Venus or Jupiter sextile or trine the 12th house ruler or cusp
- Mercury in the 1st house

For starting a business, look for:

- The Moon in a cardinal sign
- An applying sextile or trine to Mars or Saturn by the Moon
- Ascendant in a sign related to what exactly the business focuses on
- The ruler of the 1st house in the 6th or 10th houses
- The rulers of the 6th or 10th houses in the 1st house
- The 1st house ruler or cusp sextile or trine the 6th or 10th house rulers or cusps
- Moon sextile or trine the rulers or cusps or the 1st, 6th, or 10th house rulers or cusps
- Mars in the 1st or 10th house
- Avoid Mercury, Venus, or Mars retrograde unless you have that planet retrograde in the natal or progressed charts
- Avoid the 1st house ruler retrograde
- Venus or Jupiter in the 1st or 10th houses

- Positive aspects between Mercury, Venus, and Mars
- Saturn sextile or trine the 1st house cusp or ruler

Lesson 9: Mercury, Venus, and Mars Retrograde Job Tips

I wrote a blog article in 2019 outlining different scenarios for your work life and how they can be impacted by Mercury retrograde, and how to approach them. I wanted to expand on that article for Venus and Mars retrograde as well, so you're fully prepared for all three!

A planet is called retrograde when it appears to be moving backward from our view here on Earth; it isn't actually moving backward, and just looks that way. Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto move backward in retrograde motion for months at a time, and Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto are retrograde almost as much as they're not. This means their retrograde periods aren't quite so formidable.

Mercury, Venus, and Mars retrograde, on the other hand, are pretty formidable! This is for two reasons, one being that they are personal planets (along with the Sun and Moon, but they don't retrograde), and personal planets have a very close tie to our personalities. We feel them in a personal way (fitting for the name!). The other reason is because they don't retrograde as much. Mars retrogrades once every 2 - 2 1/2 years for about 2 months, and Venus retrogrades about every 1 1/2 years for 1 1/2 months. Mercury retrogrades the most often, 3-4 times each year, but only for about 3 weeks at a time.

When it comes to your professional life, these retrogrades are particularly troublesome since Mercury is the natural ruler of your job, Venus is the natural ruler of money, and Mars is the initiator for everything. When they're retrograde, this can get pretty thrown off!

Do know that if you were born while they were retrograde, then the reverse is true for you. This is your natural energy, so you may find you thrive while everyone else wilts! When that's the case, you'll actually want to make use of the retrograde period as much as you can to make

it positive and helpful for your life, because when it's not retrograde, you can struggle more than most.

If you have one of these planets retrograde in your progressed chart, this can give you some of the same protection as a native, and the added bonus is you're comfortable whether the planet is retrograde or not now!

BUT do know even if you have Mercury, Venus, or Mars retrograde in your natal or progressed charts, you'll still feel the hard aspects. Can't escape those!

Retrogrades are times when we're brought back. This can be a good thing, and we reconnect and reflect. Or this can be a bad thing, and we have to redo and reconsider. Retrogrades are times for the re-'s: revisit, revise, rethink, review, etc. Many will say it's NOT a good time to start a new job or business, sign new contracts, have first interviews, and more - but you can't get around some of this. Let's go into various scenarios:

Is it okay to interview for a new job during Mercury, Venus, or Mars retrograde?

If it's a second or third (or more) interview, you should be okay. What's a challenge is when it's a first interview! Now, if you set it up *before* the retrograde started, you may feel that the interview goes differently than you thought it would, or something about the job or expectations ends up being different (not necessarily bad, but different). So definitely keep an open mind and be really flexible. Also listen very carefully to what the person interviewing you say and make sure you fully understand what they want from you, especially during Mercury retrograde. During Venus retrograde, try to be as pleasant and charming as possible, and during Mars retrograde, try to control your temper and manage your energy.

If it's set up during the retrograde, it may go fine, and where it may be different is after the retrograde ends, particularly if you don't start until after it ends. New ventures can go alright if you start and end during the same retrograde (they'll just have a different kind of spin to them), but if you start the job after the retrograde ends, there may be something about it that is different than you thought it would be. There can be extra challenges with co-workers or bosses or employees (especially with Mercury or Venus), and you have to be flexible and go with the flow of it.

For you personally, it can help if you choose a day for the interview when you'll have positive aspects (sextiles and trines) to your natal Sun or 1st house ruler or cusp (rulers of the self, to help you shine), or to your natal Venus or 7th house ruler or cusp (rulers of others, to help you get along with others).

One thing to note - just make sure that the interview doesn't occur while the Moon is void-of-course - that actually matters more because it means nothing will come of it!

Is it okay to accept a new job?

Similarly to interviewing, if you started the process and had the interview and got the offer and accepted all during the retrograde, you can be alright (again, there will likely be something different about it though). If the process started during the retrograde and you'll start the job after the retrograde, you may be alright as well, however watch for terms of the job changing, a delay in starting, or some confusion that has to be worked out.

If you started the process and interviewed and all *before* the retrograde and you accept and start during, then watch for changes with the job after the retrograde ends.

Note that you should try to choose a day to accept the job when you'll personally have a positive aspect (sextile or trine) to your natal Mercury, 3rd house ruler or cusp (for good news), or to your natal 6th or 10th house rulers or cusps (6th = work, 10th = career). This can help you negate the retrograde energy. And don't accept when the Moon is void-of-course!

Is it okay to start a new job?

If you started the process and did the interview and accepted and started the job during the retrograde, you should be alright, just like interviewing and accepting (and again, there may be something different about this job).

If you interviewed and accepted *before* the retrograde begins and you start the job during the retrograde, watch for potential delays, initial hurdles to jump over with the work, and have extra patience with yourself and others. Challenges with others may be present with Venus (as well as financial issues, those terms may be different), and your drive for the work may change with Mars (so make sure it's really what you want, otherwise frustrations can come out really quickly).

Is it okay to ask for a raise or promotion?

If you've asked for one before, then it can be alright; if you haven't, then it might be dicey. If you're a retrograde native, it can be the perfect time! Or if maybe your boss is a retrograde native, they may be more receptive too. Mercury and Mars retrogrades can be more receptive to the raise or promotion than Venus, who may throw up blocks and hurdles, so I generally wouldn't advise it under Venus retrograde.

Since Mercury is a communication ruler, you do have to be careful of what you say and how you say it during Mercury retrograde. You'll want to make sure you're very, very clear about what you're asking for and what your expectations are. During Mars retrograde, make sure you're keeping an open mind and not trying to push things on others. Don't flip out if they don't agree to what you want!

If the retrograde will sextile or trine (positive aspects) your natal 2nd house ruler or cusp (house of money), this can be a good time for it, or if you'll experience sextiles/trines by transit Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, or Pluto to your 2nd house ruler/cusp during the retrograde to counterbalance (but without any hard aspects by the retrograde to the 2nd, 6th, or 10th house rulers or cusps - then it might be rough!).

Is it okay to quit a job?

Mercury, Venus, and Mars retrogrades are notorious for making you absolutely loathe the work you're doing if you're not passionate about it! So that desire can be there easily if the work you're doing is not something you're really connected to. But actually doing it during the retrograde? It's a lot less likely with Venus (general laziness kicks in), so you may talk about it but not want to follow through (yet). With Mars, it's more likely to be an impulsive decision, and if it's impulsive and without thought or a plan, then it's not really the best idea (unless it's a really hostile work environment). In that case, you may regret it when the retrograde is over. If you've thought about it and have a plan, then you can be alright. But do know your employer may either a, try to get you back, or b, not be a good reference! (more likely a under Mercury retrograde and b under Mars retrograde).

Is it okay to start a business or career?

If you have positive aspects going on to your 2nd, 6th, or 10th house rulers/cusps (the professional houses), to the 1st house ruler/cusp or Sun (great for new beginnings), or to the natural planetary or house rulers of whatever business/career you want to start, then you can be a-okay. If it's met with challenging aspects, then it may experience massive hurdles that don't make it worth it.

If you're going to start, know that things will be different. It may start out one way and then morph into something else entirely! Also, if you start during one of these retrograde periods, look forward to when that planet will retrograde again. You may find that the business makes lots of progress and flourishes when the planet is retrograde again, or that at least you give it more attention.

What does it mean if I'm fired?

This can happen when the retrograde is in your 2nd house of money (giving money problems), 6th house of work (giving work problems), or 10th house of career (giving career problems), or making a hard aspect (conjunct, square, opposition) to your 2nd, 6th, or 10th house ruler or cusp, or natal Saturn or Ceres. But there usually is something else going on at the same time (the retrograde alone doesn't do it, there's going to be other hard aspects at the same time). You may not understand it with Mercury (and it's likely to be much more temporary), you may be lazy about it with Venus, and you may be frustrated and angry with Mars.

Once the retrograde ends, it's possible your employer may want to hire you back. But it's probably best to say adios! It's likely that this isn't what you should be doing, or even what you want to be doing.

Appendix A: Astrological Rulers

This is an alphabetical list of the astrological rulers for various subjects/areas of life. Whenever you want to look up something specific predictively, look up what it is and see the rulerships [for example, say you want to find when it would be a good time to get a pet. Look up 'pet' and you'll see: Mercury, Virgo, 6th house (small animals), Neptune, Pisces, 12th house (large animals)].

acne - Aries, Mars, 1st house

addiction - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

administrators - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

adrenal glands - Libra, 7th house, Venus

agriculture - 4th house, Moon, Cancer

airplanes - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house

alimony - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

ambassador - Sun, 5th house

ambush - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

animal - Mercury, Virgo, 6th house (small animals), Neptune, Pisces, 12th house (large animals)

ankles - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

armed forces - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

arms - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

arthritis - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

assassination - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

astrology - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

aunts (and uncles) - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces (siblings of 10th house parent), Mercury, 6th house, Gemini (siblings of 4th house parent)

authority figure - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

babysitter - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

back - Leo, Sun, 5th house (general; small of the back - Libra, 7th house, Venus)

balance - Libra, 7th house, Venus
bankruptcy - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
bar - 5th house
beginning - Mars, Aries, 1st house, new moon, solar eclipse
bicycling - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
bladder - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
bondage - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
bones - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
book - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
boss - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
bowels - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
brain - Aries, Mars, 1st house
breasts - Cancer, Moon, 4th house
breathing - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
bunion - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
busses - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
butcher - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
butt - Libra, Venus, 7th house

calves (body part) - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
camp - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
career - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
cars - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
captive - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
causes (you champion) - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
chest - Cancer, Moon, 4th house
children - Leo, Sun, 5th house
chin - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house
circulation - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
city - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
clandestine - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
cleaning - Virgo, 6th house
clients (yours) - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

clothing - Libra, Venus, 7th house (general; for specific articles of clothing, look up the body part(s) they cover)

club - 5th house

colds - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

colon - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

commitment - Libra, 7th house, Venus

communication - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

community - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

computer - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

confinement - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

constipation - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

controversy - Libra, 7th house, Venus

copyrights - 2nd house

coroner - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

corns - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

cough - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house

counsel - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

counselors - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

country - 4th house, Moon, Cancer

cousin - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

coworkers - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

craftsmen - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

cramps - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

creativity - Leo, Sun, 5th house

danger - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

dating - 5th house, Venus, Leo

dean - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

death - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

debt - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

delusion - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

desires - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

despair - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

destruction - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
diabetes - Libra, 7th house, Venus (kidneys), the Moon (pancreas) -
general
diarrhea - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
digestion - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
dizziness - Aries, Mars, 1st house
divorce - Libra, 7th house, Venus
doctor - Saturn, 10th house, Capricorn (your doctor - Libra, 7th house,
Venus)
dreams - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius (future dreams), Neptune, 12th
house, Pisces (subconscious dreams, sleeping dreams)
driving - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
drugs - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

ears - Mars, Aries, 1st house
earth - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
eczema - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
education - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house (higher), Gemini, 3rd house,
Mercury (lower)
elementary education - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
elimination - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
emotions - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
empire - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
employees - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
enemies - Libra, 7th house, Venus (open - those you know about),
Pisces, Neptune 12th house (hidden - those you don't know about)
envy - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
escape - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces (mental and physical)
estates - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
exhaustion - Leo, Sun, 5th house
eyes - Mars, Aries, 1st house

face - Mars, Aries, 1st house

family (general) - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
farmers - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
fashion - Libra, Venus, 7th house
father - Saturn, 4th or 10th house (4th house is dominant parent, 10th is other parent)
fear - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
feet - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
fingers - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
firefighter - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
foreign countries/people - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
foundation - 4th house, Moon, Cancer (inner/core), 10th house, Saturn, Capricorn (external)
friends - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
fugitive - Libra, 7th house, Moon

gadget - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
gall bladder - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
gallstones - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
gambling - Jupiter, 5th house, 9th house
garbage - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
gardens - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
gossip - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
government - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house (general), 11th house (advisory bodies in government)
grandchildren - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
grandparent - 1st and 7th houses (parents of 4th house parent are 7th house, parents of 10th house parent are 1st house)
grave - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
groups - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

habits - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
hamstring - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
hands - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

hay fever - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
head - Mars, Aries, 1st house
headache - Aries, Mars, 1st house
health (general) - Sun, 1st house, 6th house
heart - Leo, Sun, 5th house
hemorrhoids - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
hips - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
hobbies - Leo, Sun, 5th house
home - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
hopes - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
hospital - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
hostage - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
humanitarianism - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

illusion - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
imprisonment - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
income - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house
inflammation - Leo, Sun, 5th house
inheritance - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
in-laws - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
insurance - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
intestines - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
intuition - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
invisibility - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
isolation - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

jealousy - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
jewelry - Leo, 5th house (general - look up body part the jewelry is on for specific pieces)
joints - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
joint finances - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
judge - 9th house (general), 10th house (presiding over case)
jurors - Moon, 11th house

karma - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
kidnap - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
kidneys - Libra, 7th house, Venus
king - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
kingdom - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
knees - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

lawsuit - Libra, 7th house, Venus
lawyers - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
legal agreement - Libra, 7th house, Venus
legal document - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
legal matters - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
legs - Sagittarius (upper), Aquarius (lower), Capricorn (knees)
letters - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
liver - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
loans - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
lungs - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
lymphatic system - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

marriage - 7th house, Libra, Venus
magazine - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
maid - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
malice - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
mayor - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
meditation - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
memorials - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
menstruation - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
migraine - Aries, Mars, 1st house
mining - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
mischievous - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
misfortunate - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
mistake - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

money - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house (yours), Scorpio, Pluto, 8th house (other people's)

monuments - 4th house, Moon, Cancer

mortgage - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

mother - Moon, 4th or 10th house (4th house is dominant parent, 10th is other parent)

movies - Leo, Sun, 5th house

murder - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

museum - 4th house, Moon, Cancer

music - Neptune, Pisces

nails - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

neck - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house

neighbor - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

neighborhood - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

neurosis - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

nerves - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

nervous system - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

news - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

newspaper - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

nose - Mars, Aries, 1st house

nursing home - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

occult - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

opponent - Libra, 7th house, Venus

organize - Virgo, 6th house

orgasm - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

outlaw - Libra, 7th house, Venus

pancreas - Cancer, Moon, 4th house

parents - 4th and 10th houses (one is one and one is the other, 4th house tends to be dominant parent)

parks - 4th house, Moon, Cancer

partnership - Libra, 7th house, Venus (business partnership - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio)

past - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

penetration - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

pension - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

peril - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

persecution - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

pet - Mercury, Virgo, 6th house (small animals), Neptune, Pisces, 12th house (large animals)

philosophy - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house

plays - Leo, Sun, 5th house

plots - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

PMS - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

poetry - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

poison - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio (the poison itself, to poison), Neptune, 12th house, Pisces (poisoning)

police - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

politician - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

politics - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

possessions - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house

president - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

prince - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

principal - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

prison - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

prisoner - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

profit - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius (of your career/business), Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio (mutual profit)

psoriasis - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

psychic - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

psychology/psychoanalysis - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

psychosis - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

public image - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

publishing - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house

quarrel - Libra, 7th house, Venus

radio - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

rape - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

real estate - 4th house, Moon, Cancer (land itself), Saturn, Capricorn,
10th house (price)

rebirth - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

recluse - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

rectum - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

religion - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house

reproduction - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

repairmen - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

reputation - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house

research - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

retirement (money) - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

retreat - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

routine - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

royalties - 2nd house

rumors - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

runaway - Libra, 7th house, Venus

sacrifice - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

sadism - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

sciatica - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house

scalp - Aries, Mars, 1st house

seclusion - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

secret society - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

self harm - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

self-undoing - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

servant - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

sex - 5th house and Leo (for fun), 8th house and Scorpio (for
procreation/orgasm)

sex organs - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
sexual transmitted diseases/infections - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
shepherds - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
shoulders - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
sibling - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house; 1st sibling - 3rd house, 2nd sibling -
5th house, 3rd sibling - 7th house, and keep going forward 2 houses for
each sibling
sidewalk - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
singing - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house
skin - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house (general and dry skin), Aries, Mars,
1st house (oily)
slave - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
social life - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
societies - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
sodomy - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
software - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
solar plexus - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
sorrow - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
spasms - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
spider veins - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
spine - Leo, Sun, 5th house
sports - fire signs, fire planets
spouse - Libra, 7th house, Venus
status - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
stepchildren - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
street - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
stomach - Moon, Cancer, 4th house
subconscious - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
suicide - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
surgeon - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
surgery - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

taxes - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

teacher - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
teeth - Saturn, Capricorn, 10th house
telephone - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
television - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
tenants- Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
theater - Leo, Sun, 5th house
thighs - Sagittarius, Jupiter, 9th house
throat - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house
thyroid - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house
tongue - Mars, Aries, 1st house
tools - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house
town - 4th house, Moon, Cancer
toxicity - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
tradesmen - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house
transformation - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio
treason - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
tribulation - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces
tumors (general) - Cancer, Moon, 4th house (in specific body parts, look up the individual body part)
travel - 3rd house (near), 9th house (far)

uncle (and aunt) - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces (siblings of 10th house parent), Mercury, 6th house, Gemini (siblings of 4th house parent)
ulcers - Cancer, Moon, 4th house
undertaker - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

vacation - 5th house (General), 3rd house (nearby/day trip), 9th house (far away/escape)
valuables - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house
varicose veins - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius
vocal cords - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house
voice - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house

walking - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

waste - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

wealth - Taurus, Venus, 2nd house

weather - 4th house, Moon, Cancer

will - Pluto, 8th house, Scorpio

wishes - Uranus, 11th house, Aquarius

witch - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

work - Virgo, Mercury, 6th house

worry - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

wrists - Gemini, Mercury, 3rd house

zoo - Neptune, 12th house, Pisces

Appendix B: 2nd House Interpretations

2nd House in Aries

You have a strong drive to make money, and are assertive in the ways that you go about making money. Your confidence can be linked to how much money you have or make, and the more you make, the better you feel about yourself. You can be a spendthrift at times, blowing money on impulse buys and things you don't really need. You have to work at being financially disciplined. You can make money through something Aries-related, like the military, as an entrepreneur, as the boss, through sports, or through competition.

2nd House in Taurus

You want a lot of money so you can spend on things of value, that are worth much in your eyes, or that seem luxurious. You can have expensive taste, only wanting the finest things in life, but you tend to stick to spending the money you have rather than how much you wish you had. You can be good at business, and take a practical approach to your finances. Making money can come easily to you. You can make money through something Taurus-related, like using your senses (food, drink, art, music, physical therapy, massage, as an audiologist, optometrist, etc.) or through finance.

2nd House in Gemini

You take an intellectual approach to your finances, and use your mind to help you financially. You can spend a lot of time thinking about your finances, and come up with plans and budgets that come and go. You can adapt to whatever financial situation you find yourself in. You can make money through something Gemini-related, like writing, speaking, detail-oriented work, planning, with younger people (like teaching), or using your mind in some way.

2nd House in Cancer

You can keep your money, save and invest wisely, and don't want to spend too much on anything except your home or family. You could spoil your family but be cheap with everything else. Having financial security means a lot to you, and you feel emotionally uneasy when your finances aren't in order. How much you make can ebb and flow, changing through your life constantly. You can make money through something Cancer-related, like through the public, nurturing others, in or for the home, or with or for family.

2nd House in Leo

You need to make money in your life so you feel good about yourself. How you feel about yourself is closely linked to your financial life. You need to learn to separate those two things. You may want to live like a king, and only go for items that others might think are tacky or gaudy. You can make money through something Leo-related, like in the public eye (especially in acting/through the theater), through work that helps other people, or work that makes people laugh.

2nd House in Virgo

You know exactly what you want to do with your money, and keep track of every penny. You try to be practical with your finances, always having a sound plan, but you can deviate from it on a whim at times and get yourself in trouble. When your finances aren't in good shape, you tend to be in bad shape physically, and the financial worry leads to physical illness. You can make money through something Virgo-related, like using the details, something with your mind, as an organizer, bringing structure or creating routines, with health, or with animals.

2nd House in Libra

You try to balance your budget and weigh the pros and cons of spending on certain items or investing in certain ways. If you feel like your financial life is out of balance, it really throws you off. You may make your money with the help of a partner, or through marriage. Your

taste is expensive, but you don't usually spend more than you have, and try not to blow your money on anything too frivolous. You can make money through something Libra-related, like the arts, the law, the beauty industry, fashion, or the wedding industry.

2nd House in Scorpio

You keep your financial life to yourself, not wanting other people to know everything you have or don't have. You can make a lot of money in your life, but it may not be an actual goal to do so. You can invest your money and see it pay off long-term, and do well with a business partner. You may need to transform your values and what you need to feel worth something at some point in your life. You can make money through something Scorpio-related, like science, secrets, helping people transform themselves or transforming items/property, or in finance.

2nd House in Sagittarius

You have no problem giving your money away, having a generous attitude toward money, and you only want as much as you need to take care of the basics and to help other people. You don't have a problem trying something risky to make more money, and if it doesn't work out, you dust yourself off and try again. You think long-term when it comes to your finances, and this helps you to improve your finances. You can make money through something Sagittarius-related, like travel, teaching, writing, speaking, expansion, or dealing with foreign cultures/people.

2nd House in Capricorn

You're not a frivolous person, careful with how you spend, invest, and deal with your money. You exercise caution when making financial decisions. You may come across as a little cheap, and can feel like you have less than you actually do. You can get by on very little, and over time, build up your finances so you're more comfortable later on in life.

You can make money through something Capricorn-related, like politics, as a boss or entrepreneur, working with people older than you or with your parents, as a planner, or a career counselor.

2nd House in Aquarius

You don't care very much about money emotionally, keeping your emotions separate from your financial life. Money may come and go for you in spurts, and you may find yourself in jobs where you don't have a stable income, like working on commission or in sales. You can come up with unique ways to make money, ways that no one else would think of, and can throw yourself into it on a whim. You can make money through something Aquarius-related, like technology, as an inventor, in science, helping people realize their dreams, or that focuses on the future.

2nd House in Pisces

You don't take your financial life very seriously, or at least not as seriously as you should. You can be lackadaisical with your finances, coming up with fantastical schemes to earn money that never pan out or you never follow through with, and you can have a hard time keeping tabs on your finances. A budget may seem foreign and incomprehensible. You can trust people too much with your finances, and need to be careful you don't get swindled out of everything you have. You can make money through something Pisces-related, like spirituality, the metaphysical, music, podiatry, or helping others.

Natal Sun in the 2nd house

With your natal Sun in the 2nd house, security is important to you, and you have strong ties to your possessions. You need to learn that who you are is NOT what you own, and that no matter how much money you have, it doesn't make you a better person. Develop strong values, and find your worth through your positive attributes. You're someone who can stick through anything, and won't go anywhere, no matter what happens. Everything lasts with you for a long time, and that's something

to be proud of. You can build a strong foundation for your personality and life to be built on, and once you do, nothing can tear you down. You tend to be good with money, and this placement can be good for making money through being in the public eye or physical activity.

Natal Moon in the 2nd House

How much money/possessions you have has an impact on your emotionally and dictates your feelings of security. If you feel you have enough, then you'll feel great; if you don't, you may go a little bonkers. For some, this may make you a sharp money manager, keeping track of every single penny and making very good long-term investments. For others, this may make you squander money by buying too much, acquiring things because it provides a temporary high (obviously this placement can be prone to shopping addiction if the Moon is difficulty aspected). You're likely a collector of something, and have a hard time parting with things (just don't become a hoarder!). You need to strengthen your emotional/spiritual/familial foundation to help you have long-term security. A happy home equates to a happy life for you. You're not prone to expressing your feelings when you feel them, and you probably go over them carefully before showing them. This can be good in that you don't say anything you'll regret, but it can also mean you regret not saying something sooner. You may be strongly attached to your values, and developing a strong value system can help you, so long as you don't go overboard and become preachy.

Natal Mercury in the 2nd House

With your natal Mercury in the 2nd house, you tend to be more logical, not needing to dig and look around for the answer to problems. You can use what you already have to solve them. You take your time when making decisions, not seeing the point in rushing. You also take your time when learning new things or taking in new information. You can focus on one project or idea at a time, and have a hard time dealing with more than one at once. Once you set your mind to something, there's no

convincing you otherwise, no matter how much the facts may be stacked against you. You can be good with financial planning, and this is a good position to make money through technology, communications, writing, or as an accountant.

Natal Venus in the 2nd House

With your natal Venus in your 2nd house, you want possessions that are of value, and tend to be drawn to expensive but tasteful items. You like to buy things and may give many gifts, but you expect something in return when you do. You can use gifts as a way to win people over. In love, you take things slow and let feelings slowly grow. You need love that's secure and stable, and you can be quite loyal and sensual. With the 2nd house ruling money, you can make money in your life through the arts, in the beauty industry, as a negotiator, mediator, or in law. You also tend to have a way of having the money that you need at all times, and require a certain amount of money to feel secure and comfortable in life.

Natal Mars in the 2nd House

With your natal Mars in your 2nd house, you take a slow, steady approach. You're a hard-worker and understand that you have to dedicate yourself to things if you want the kind of material security that you crave. Some of you may have a hard time holding onto your disposable income, and money burns through your pockets. You're sensual and connected to your body, needing physical experiences. Your energy isn't a burst, but rather a slow burn that can sustain you for a long period of time. You have staying power, stamina, and can work on projects until they're done, no matter how long it takes. Since the 2nd house can show how you best make money, you could work on your own, in sports or physical fitness, in the military, or in the entertainment industry.

Natal Jupiter in the 2nd House

With your natal Jupiter in your 2nd house, you can seem to be lucky when it comes to money, and whenever you need some, it somehow comes. This can make you take advantage though, believing that you don't have to work for financial prosperity and everything will be given to you. Try not to do this. Put in some effort, and you'll have more than you can imagine. The 2nd house rules money, so Jupiter here can show that you can make money through writing, speaking, travel, language, dealing with other cultures, the law, or teaching. You're also quite sensual and like to indulge.

Natal Saturn in the 2nd House

With your natal Saturn in your 2nd house, you may have difficulty attaining the things that you require for stability and security. For some, this can mean that you don't have the possessions you want or items of value that you crave, and even though you may have your necessities, you don't feel it's enough. You don't like to gamble with your security, and will take a more cautious approach. This can work for you if you embrace it, and material security can grow later in life. The 2nd house can show how you make money, so with Saturn here, you could work in politics, government, in business, as a CEO, executive, some sort of leader, manager, or in the public eye.

Natal Uranus in the 2nd House

With your natal Uranus in your 2nd house, you don't care about money and objects in the same way as everyone else does. Some of you may have no attachment at all to your possessions and live a minimalist lifestyle. Others may use them to get closer to the lifestyle that you want. You want to be as free as possible, so objects can be seen as something that holds you back. You may value having financial stability more than having possessions, so you can work at having plenty put away for rainy days and emergencies. You can experience periods of extreme financial success and failure. Since the 2nd house rules money, planets here can show how you can make money, so with Uranus here,

you could make money through technology, science, innovation, original ideas, in a group, or through friends.

Natal Neptune in the 2nd House

With your natal Neptune in your 2nd house, money doesn't mean as much to you as it does to everyone else. You may try to live as simple of a life as you can, but at times, this may hurt you, and you sacrifice too much, including the basic necessities. You can give a lot of your money away because of your compassion, but need to make sure you don't give away so much that you're angry about it afterwards. Make sure you have developed your sense of self-esteem, and you'll usually avoid the pitfalls that come with this placement. Since the 2nd house can show how you make money in life, with Neptune in this house, you can make money through the arts, music, something to do with feet, or water, or through the metaphysical, spiritual, or subconscious.

Natal Pluto in the 2nd House

With your natal Pluto in your 2nd house, you want possessions to give you a sense of power and control in your life. The more you have, the more powerful you feel. You're not a fan of sharing, and want to keep what you have for yourself. You can do well with investing and creating long-term financial plans for growth. Since the 2nd house rules money, any planet here can show how you can make money in life, so with Pluto here, you can make money through research, science, the occult, hidden things, transformations, using other people's money, forensics, or psychology.

Appendix C: Natal Planets in the 10th House

Natal Sun in the 10th house

With your natal Sun in the 10th house, working towards a goal is probably the most important thing for you. You set goals for yourself, make plans, and work long and hard to make them happen. You're an ambitious person with big goals, and you believe in yourself enough to attain them. You want to be the boss and hate having to answer to someone, which is a problem if you're not the actual boss. You can be a good leader, and you work hard to succeed in whatever endeavors you pursue, and take pride in being the best among the best. You may choose work that puts you in the spotlight in some way, especially with politics, sports, or acting, and no matter what you do, you want recognition for it.

Natal Moon in the 10th House

Your career means most to you, and you want to succeed no matter what. If you're not a success, you feel emotionally distressed and insecure. Having your professional life on track is a goal, and you can be quite ambitious. But your emotions may get the best of you at times, and prevent you from being logical enough to do what's needed for success. Ideally, you should have a profession that allows you to express the Moon in some way, like cooking, or something nurturing like a caregiver, or something to do with the home. You may work in the public eye or with the public. You emotionally desire recognition for your work, and may care greatly about your status in life, being charming and appealing. Be leery of getting trapped into trying to "keep up with the Joneses." If you can stop yourself from being like that, you can be very practical, and can attain the goals you truly want, rather than being concerned with what everyone else is doing. Having career success may be more important to some of you than having a strong private life, and many will struggle with trying to find a balance.

Natal Mercury in the 10th House

With your natal Mercury in the 10th house, when you communicate, you do so with authority. You demand that people listen, and they usually do, though you can be overly bossy at times. The 10th house rules your career, so you tend to gravitate towards Mercury-related professions, and could work in communications, as a writer or speaker, with technology, or doing anything with words. Since Mercury is a dual planet, you could have two different professions in your life, or work two at the same time. You need variety and change in your career, and if you don't know what you want to do, you change work often. A job with constant stimulation is best for you.

Natal Venus in the 10th House

With your natal Venus in your 10th house, you come across as very charming, and this attracts many people to you, but you tend to keep them at a distance. You want people to view you as charming and beautiful, and can put too much stock in what other people think of you. You may be attracted to people who are much older than you, and have an easy time dealing with parents, bosses, and mentors. The 10th house rules your career, and you can go into a career in the arts, the beauty industry, law, or doing something creative. This placement can sometimes show someone who's in love with their career, and many workaholics have Venus in the 10th house.

Natal Mars in the 10th House

With your natal Mars in your 10th house, you have a passion for success. You want to succeed in life, and have the drive to accomplish. You know what your long-term goals are, and you know what hard work you have to put in to attain them. You work hard, are focused on your career, and on the direction your life is going in. You take this seriously, and you know that no matter what you have to sacrifice now, it'll be worth it if you get what you want in the end. You can be a little cold personally as a result, and some of you may be tragically ambitious. Since the 10th

house is the house of career, you could work on your own, in sports or physical fitness, in the military, or in the entertainment industry.

Natal Jupiter in the 10th House

With your natal Jupiter in your 10th house, you want to succeed in your life, but you try not to be tragic about it. You're positive about your goals and ambitions, and treat people well along the way, making many useful connections. You look up to people who have achieved something in their lives. The 10th house rules your career, so Jupiter here can show that you have a career with writing, speaking, travel, language, dealing with other cultures, the law, or teaching. This can be a good position for you to have career success in your life, almost coming easily, which can make some of you more lazy with career matters.

Natal Saturn in the 10th House

With your natal Saturn in your 10th house, your career is important to you, and you take the work required seriously. You may have a hard time finding a career or being successful in your career until after your first Saturn return (when Saturn returns to the exact placement it was at when you were born; occurs in your late 20's or early 30's). You may become more successful later in life, and generally get better with age. It takes time for you to not feel the weight of people's attention, and it's something that makes you uncomfortable for some time. You work hard and take your time, not in any rush to attain your goals. Since the 10th house rules your career, with Saturn here, you could have a career in politics, government, in business, as a CEO, executive, as some sort of leader, manager, or in the public eye.

Natal Uranus in the 10th House

With your natal Uranus in your 10th house, you do things your own way, and may not be a fan of being tied down to your career. You need a career that gives you plenty of freedom to do what you want, to explore your ideas, and to express yourself creatively. You don't care about

where you fit in society, and aren't concerned with social climbing. Your elders may be unusual in some way, and you can make an unusual mentor/parent. Since the 10th house rules your career, planets here can show careers you go into, so with Uranus here, you could have a career in technology, science, innovation, using original ideas, working in a group, or with friends.

Natal Neptune in the 10th House

With your natal Neptune in your 10th house, you can wander with your career for some time before you figure out what you want to do, and struggle with making clear goals in your life. You may avoid responsibility or making any adult decisions, especially if your childhood wasn't stable. You may not care much for the spotlight, but others can take advantage of you for that, so you need to allow yourself to be praised for your work. Since the 10th house can show the career you may have in life, with Neptune in this house, you can have a career in the arts, music, something to do with feet or water, or through the metaphysical, spiritual, or subconscious.

Natal Pluto in the 10th House

With your natal Pluto in your 10th house, you're highly ambitious, perhaps tragically so. You feel connected to your purpose and life path, and you strive to succeed no matter what. You can be powerful in your career, or have control issues in your career. You need to deal with past issues and allow yourself to transform. Since the 10th house rules your career, any planet here can show the career you choose in life, so with Pluto here, you can have a career in research, science, the occult, hidden things, transformations, using other people's money, forensics, or psychology.

Appendix D: Notes on the Capricorn Stellium & 2020 Astrology

Jupiter and Pluto meet up 3 times in 2020, kicking up some more of that Capricorn stellium energy. That's been the big thing we've all been looking toward for 2020, Jupiter, Saturn, and Pluto coming together in Capricorn (though Saturn is in Aquarius right now, but comes back to Capricorn July 1st). This is a life-changing time!

There's been a lot of talk about the global, societal, and economic impact; I wanted to touch on personal impact, because it'll impact each of us in a different way depending on what it's doing for you personally. The first place to look is which of your houses in the stellium occurring in **(look for where 22-26 degrees Capricorn falls)**. What does that house rule? Some part of life related to that house has the potential to undergo a massive change.

Let's say it's the 1st house; this is the house of the self, some part of your personality, who you are as a person, your character or identity, may experience major change, or you may decide to focus physically and alter your diet, change your routine, get control of your body. This is a time to transform (Pluto), to take control (Saturn), and to expand on that (Jupiter).

Go to [THIS ARTICLE](#) for an intro on the houses and what they rule.

How massive of a change you experience may depend on if this is making aspects to your natal or progressed charts. If it's not aspecting, then the change for you may be smaller, quieter.

Aspects are between 22-26 degrees of:

Conjunction: Capricorn (this can go either way)

Beneficial aspects: Taurus, Virgo, Scorpio, Sagittarius, Aquarius, Pisces

Challenging aspects: Aries, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Libra

If you're experiencing beneficial aspects, you're someone who needs to look at this as a massive period of opportunity. What you've worked long and hard at, been smart with, been disciplined with, leads to open doors now (whether they open for you or you open them for yourself). You're meant to find more power, to elevate and thrive, to be rewarded and make progress. This is a huge opportunity for you so don't squander it. Embrace it and run with it!

If you're experiencing the challenging aspects, this period is about you focusing on whatever is being hit with a critical, thoughtful eye, in an introspective way, asking hard questions, and being honest with yourself about hard truths. What's potentially stripped away now is likely what has been needed to be gone for a long time, but it's scary and unknown. Coming out of these aspects, you have even greater potential, but **only** if you approach them the right way. Don't fight it, and go with it. Dig deeper into the dark, and face the demons associated with whatever is being hit. Do things the right way, and be clear about your intentions. The more you avoid, the worse it gets. **There are major lessons for you to learn this year, major realizations to be had, major issues to be understood.**

If you're experiencing the conjunction, I think I've noted this in both the Saturn-Pluto (read [HERE](#)) and Jupiter-Pluto (read [HERE](#)) articles on the blog, but **this is perhaps the most important period of your entire life for whatever is being conjuncted.** Conjunctions are neutral and can go either way, good or bad. Upside is, if it's bad right now, you can turn it around to make it better. But the intensity, the unrelenting nature of the energy you're experiencing, it can be suffocating. You absolutely have to focus on whatever is being conjuncted, otherwise it may not make it under this kind of intense pressure. Ignore at your peril! Whatever is being conjuncted, it is front and center in your life right now. The planets deem it so. Why? That's what you need to ask yourself. Why is that

position so important for you? Why is it so important at this moment? You know the answers. You know the way. Trust in that.

SO assess the house location 22-26 degrees Capricorn falls for you in your natal chart, and any major aspects it makes to your natal or progressed charts. This gives you a good idea of what the stellium wants from you, and what this year may be demanding from you above all else.

If this stellium isn't making any aspects for you, well you might be dodging a bullet! LOL! The emphasis will be on the house location, when that's the case, so focus on what that house naturally rules.

You can also look at transit Uranus and Neptune aspects for this year; transit Uranus is in Taurus, turning retrograde August 15th at 10 degrees Taurus and ending the year at 6 degrees Taurus, and Neptune is in Pisces, turning retrograde June 23rd at 20 degrees Pisces and ending the year at 18 degrees Pisces. If Uranus is your dominant energy, it's a time of change-change-change and flexibility; if Neptune is your dominant energy, it's a time for building boundaries, strengthening intuition, and utilizing imagination.

2020 also has some serious retrograde energy as we not only have Mercury retrograde, but also Venus and Mars retrograde to deal with. When you've got a year stocked with retrogrades like this, it's a year where we're having to spend a lot of time reflecting, reviewing, revising, and revisiting (fitting!).

The Capricorn stellium has us in a vice and is pushing us in so many ways, but these retrogrades want us to make sure we're not going into anything haphazardly and are considering all that has already occurred. The greatest predictor of the future is the past! So don't ignore what has

already happened, what messages the past may have for you, especially when the retrogrades are occurring.

Another thing - make sure you plan for breaks this year! The intense pressure of the Capricorn stellium mixed with all of the retrogrades is going to make us bone tired. Take time to chillax! Admittedly, this may be hard to do with the Mars retrograde in Aries (aye that'll be frustrating energy), especially with it starting conjunct (aligned with) Black Moon Lilith (like seriously, we're going to be chomping at the bit!). Establishing healthy, positive, productive outlets can be the best thing to do, and end up setting you up long-term to better handle anything that gets thrown your way.

Extra: Predictive Astrology Articles

Here are a few old predictive astrology articles from old newsletters that could be helpful for business stuff:

Predicting Lazy Days (so avoid them!)

We all have days where we don't feel like doing anything at all, and end up just lazing the day away. You actually can tell when those days will come astrologically, and they involve Venus and Jupiter.

Venus and Jupiter are the planets that just want to kick back and enjoy life, so when they aspect any of your natal planets or house cusps, you can be prone to laziness. The upside of these planets is good luck and positive energy, but sometimes, they just make us not want to do anything at all because we feel too good.

This is especially true with conjunctions, squares, and oppositions to your Sun, Moon, Venus, or 1st house cusp or ruler. Laziness is difficult to avoid then! They can also show being indulgent, especially to the Moon or Venus. To the Sun, 1st house cusp or ruler, you can have general, overall laziness. To Mercury, you can experience mental laziness, and to any of your house cusps or rulers, you can see laziness regarding the areas of life they rule.

You can also experience laziness when you have aspects to your natal Venus or Jupiter, especially conjunctions, squares, or oppositions by transit Sun, Venus, or Jupiter. When Venus and Jupiter link, no matter what the aspect, those days can be the most difficult to make productive. You feel so good that you don't feel as motivated to do anything. Which is a shame because if you can get yourself moving, their happy energy can make even better things happen for you!

When to Change Direction

There are times when we feel we need to change the direction we're heading in, and we know we want to, but aren't sure if it's the right time. Astrologically, Uranus is the planet of change, and Saturn rules your direction, so if you have a linkage between them (transit Uranus to natal Saturn or transit Saturn to natal Uranus), this can be the best time for a change of direction. Saturn naturally rules the 10th house while Uranus naturally rules the 11th house, so you can also have a good time for it when transit Saturn aspects your 11th house cusp or ruler, or transit Uranus aspects your 10th house cusp or ruler. Hard aspects (squares, oppositions) can be difficult, but even those can be worked in your favor, and actually, if you're really making a huge change or unsticking yourself from a rut, a hard aspect can be much better for you.

Retrogrades have a tendency to make us want to change our direction when they impact our Saturn, Uranus, 10th house, or 11th house, but they aren't usually the best times to actually do that because what comes during a retrograde will often leave once the retrograde is over. Mercury and Mars retrogrades can stimulate this need for a change in direction most, but it's something you shouldn't rush into with these two, no matter how much you want to.

Mars going through your 10th and 11th houses in normal forward motion can also be a good time to focus on your direction and make a change. As the planet of energy and drive, being in this house brings you energy and drive to make your direction a priority.

When to Stop

There are times when we need to stop something, and using astrological timing, you can improve your odds of it being done once and for all. The easiest thing to use are full moons, which correspond to endings. With 12-13 full moons each year, that gives you lots of

opportunities to end something. You can correspond what you're ending to the appropriate house or sign the full moon will be in.

The 12th house is the house of endings, so you can also use this house to time your endings. When a faster planet (Sun, Mercury, Venus, Mars) goes through this house, you have the opportunity to get some endings done quickly. The Moon is in this house for 2-3 days each month, and you get a quick boost of energy for endings when it is.

Bigger stuff to end may require the outer planets (Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto). You can look for them going through your 12th house, or more likely, making aspects to the 12th house ruler or cusp. Aspects will last anywhere from a couple of weeks (Jupiter) to a couple of years (Pluto), and sextiles and trines will make the endings easier for you, while squares and oppositions make it more difficult and require more effort from you. Conjunctions can make it so you feel you absolutely have to end this no matter what it takes.

When to Write a Book

Many people dream of being writers, but when is a good time to actually do it? Astrologically, writing is ruled by Mercury, Gemini, and the 3rd house. It can be helpful to write with the transit (moving) Sun, Mercury, Venus or Mars in your 3rd house. The Sun, Mercury, and Venus are in this house for about one month once per year, giving you a solid writing period. Mars is in the 3rd house for about two months every two years, and you can get a surge in energy and drive for writing.

Jupiter is in the 3rd house for one year every 10-12 years, and can give you a prolonged period of opportunity to write. Saturn in the 3rd house might make it take longer or zap your inspiration, but it can be good if you've been working on a writing project for a long time and doing right by it. Uranus can make inspiration come and go in spurts; Neptune can

be good for imagination but requires more discipline; and Pluto brings a serious attitude about it. The Moon is in your 3rd house for 2-3 days each month and can give you a more emotional connection to your writing.

A progressed planet entering Gemini, your natal or progressed 3rd house, or conjunct, sextile, or trine your natal or progressed Mercury, natal or progressed 3rd house cusp, or natal or progressed 3rd house ruler can also bring excellent periods for writing, and it might be a reflection of where you are at the moment.

A new moon in the 3rd house or conjunct Mercury can be good for starting a writing venture, while a full moon in the 3rd house or conjunct Mercury can be good for finishing. Sextiles and trines to your 3rd house ruler and cusp can also be excellent, as well as to your natal Mercury.

You can also see all of these aspects with your Jupiter, 9th house, or Sagittarius since these rule publishing, so writing under a Jupiter/9th house/Sagittarius aspect can be for the purpose of getting published at some point, or can show getting your writing out there.

Jupiter and Saturn on the Midheaven

Transit (moving) Jupiter and Saturn on the Midheaven, or 10th house cusp, can bring about periods that are excellent for making progress, achieving your goals, and experiencing success. The 10th house cusp is the highest point of your chart, so it's associated with "hitting a high point." When you have transit Jupiter or Saturn conjuncting the 10th house cusp, this often denotes a time where you're hitting a high point with something, and these can be periods full of opportunity and achievements. It's likely that the biggest achievements in your life will coincide with something on the 10th house cusp.

Transit Jupiter comes to this point every 11-12 years, while transit Saturn only does it every 28-32 years. Jupiter comes more often, and can often be associated more with opportunities, and you can find it easier to experience success with Jupiter on the Midheaven. It can just come to you, and you can get recognition, praise, and attention. You can make the right impressions on the right people, and you can make connections that propel you forward.

Transit Saturn on the Midheaven usually only occurs twice as an adult, and these are usually periods of great success and achievement BUT only if you've been doing things the right way. If you've been working hard and smart, you can achieve great success, the biggest and best of your life. But if you haven't you can be kicked down from a high place and experience setbacks that take time to recover from. So when you see this one coming, it's important to get your ducks in a row and work on doing things the right way.

When to Make a Hobby Something More

Maybe you have a hobby that you've thought about trying to make more than a hobby, and with a new year coming, this could be one of your resolutions. So when is a good time for it? Hobbies in general are ruled by the 5th house, the Sun, and Leo, so when the Sun, Mercury, Venus, Mars, or Jupiter are in your 5th house, the Sun is in your 1st (house of self), 2nd (house of money), 6th (house of work), or 10th (house of career) houses, or when you have positive aspects (sextiles and trines) to your natal Sun, 5th house cusp, or 5th house ruler. It can also be a good time when you have your progressed Sun conjunct, sextile, or trine your natal or progressed 1st, 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusps or rulers, or when you have progressed planets in your natal or progressed 5th house or in the sign of Leo (though this gives a big period of time for you to do it).

It's also good in general when you have 1st house transits, since the 1st house rules new beginnings and is good to help you get moving. You can try with sextiles and trines to your 1st house cusp or ruler, or with transit Sun, Mercury, Venus, Mars, or Jupiter in your 1st house.

Hard aspects - squares and oppositions - to your 5th house cusp, ruler, or natal Sun can make it difficult for you to turn your hobby into something more since they rule your hobbies, or to your 10th house cusp, ruler, or natal Saturn because these rule your aspirations. Having transit Saturn in the 5th house can make it so you have to work a LOT harder, but you can make it work over time; having transit Uranus in the 5th house can bring opportunities out of the blue, but also take them away quickly; having transit Neptune in the 5th house can be excellent for creativity, but you may have a hard time focusing on the mundane aspects of making it something more; and having transit Pluto in the 5th house can make you take it very seriously, but you may need to make a transformation of something before you can do anything with it.

When to Start a New Business

With a new year now underway, some of you may be thinking about starting a new business in 2017. Anything to do with your career and professional life falls under the rulership of the 10th house and Saturn, so if you want to do this, you'll want to do it under aspects to your 10th house cusp, 10th house ruler, or natal Saturn. If it's something you want to be into for the long haul, sextiles and trines by Saturn can be beneficial; if it's something that is a complete and total change from what you're currently doing, Uranus aspects can be beneficial, and that can include the hard aspects, though you'll want to make sure you're not just making changes for the sake of making changes; sextiles and trines by Pluto can help you to gain more power and control over what you're doing. You can also focus on the planet that rules whatever it is

the business will be, and see positive aspects to the natal planet, progressed planet, or by the transit planet.

It's helpful to also see positive aspects to the 6th house cusp, ruler, or Mercury, since they are the rulers of your work life and work environment. Difficult aspects may show you have a hard time adjusting to the new workload or work responsibilities or work schedule. Positive aspects help to smooth over the transition and make you focused on the nitty-gritty and small details that inevitably have to be dealt with when you're starting a business.

The 2nd house is the house of money, so if you see positive aspects going on, this can show that you'll be profitable (or at least not lose too much), while hard aspects can show that it'll take longer for you to make it profitable. If you want to involve a business partner, or will need to take out loans or get investors, then you'll want to focus on the 8th house and Pluto.

When to Hire Employees

Employees are ruled by the 6th house and Mercury, so if you're looking to hire employees, looking for transit Sun, Mercury, Venus, or Mars in the 6th house, or sextiles and trines to the 6th house cusp or ruler or Mercury by a transit planet. With the Moon, you can take the few days the Moon is in your 6th house each month and use that to hire someone. With the slower-moving planets, you can get good energy for hiring for a year with Jupiter. With Uranus, you may need someone different in some way, or who helps you via technology. With Pluto, you may need to be careful of struggling to get them to follow your orders. Saturn and Neptune can make it hardest in the 6th house, and you may have a hard time finding anyone qualified, truly helpful, or who doesn't need you to hold their hand.

A new moon in the 6th house can also be helpful, and you can be energized and enthusiastic about finding someone who will be a good employee. Progressed planets sextile or trine your natal or progressed 6th house ruler, cusp, or Mercury can also bring helpful energy, and the progressed Moon in the natal or progressed 6th house might make you feel like you need to hire someone for support.

Changing Professions With Uranus in Taurus

With Uranus being the planet of change and Taurus being the sign of money, a lot of people (A LOT!) will be changing the way they make money over the next decade. For many, this means a change in profession. If Uranus in Taurus will tour your 2nd house (money), 6th house (work), or 10th house (career), it's almost a guarantee that some sort of professional change will occur. Even if you stay in the same career or job, aspects of it will likely change that may impact your finances.

If the work you do or the work you want to do is governed by a house Uranus will tour in your chart, this can also indicate changes with your existing work (if it's something you're doing), or you may pursue opportunities to do the work you want to do (if you're not yet). Uranus rules the future and what we hope and dream for it. So go for it!

You can also feel this with Uranus aspecting your 2nd, 6th, or 10th house cusp or ruler, or your natal Saturn, ruler of career. Sextiles and trines can show an easier transition for you, though you don't want to be lazy about it. Take control of the good energy. Squares and oppositions can show change that you absolutely have to have, but may not be able to in the way that you want (requiring flexibility), or outside forces may get in the way (requiring creativity). They're excellent for getting unstuck, so if you've felt stuck in your work, you can get yourself out (finally!). And conjunctions, you have to have the change, and you have

to have it now, and you have to have it your way - so do it, but don't be too impulsive about it.

Uranus making a conjunction, square, or opposition to your natal Sun, Moon, Mars, or 1st house cusp can stimulate a strong desire for change in virtually any area of your life, and this often rolls into your work life, so this can also be a time to focus on it (just again be smart and flexible).