THE MAGIC OF ASTROLOGY

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INTRODUCTION

The Truth About Astrology

Astrology is said to be the discipline that teaches us how to create horoscopes and use the positions of celestial bodies, to understand and interpret Human existence on Earth, at least that what it says on a leading astrology website. I often encounter articles and comments questioning whether astrology is a science or trying to or disprove astrology in scientific terms. Personally, I don't see how an analogy between astrology and modern day science can be drawn. Science and astrology are two very different disciplines, based on very different principles. Science follows the of experimentation, observation principles inference, scientific principles must have theoretical or mathematical proof that must always be consistent. Although astrology has it's own set of well defined principles, they very different to those of science.

In spite of what many astrologers may claim, astrology is not without limitations and before we can go about proclaiming astrology a science or otherwise, we have to understand what these are. Astrology (Vedic) is believed to be the product of divine inspiration and was imparted to the Hindu sage, 'Bhrigu' by the Goddess of wealth, 'Mahalakshmi'. This knowledge was recorded in ancient sacred texts, of which only remnants still remain. Astrology is not a perfect discipline and is only as good as the astrologer who practices it.

His or her proficiency determines how accurate the results turn out to be and depends largely on his or her depth of knowledge, type of experience (nature of the predictions made) and length of experience. It would be still however, be logical to assume that even an astrologer, who is by all accounts well accomplished, could not claim to have complete knowledge of astrology, as his or her knowledge cannot exceed that which is contained in the texts that still exist, as these are incomplete themselves.

As explained on a leading astrology website, science and astrology are base on diametrically opposite points of view, in that science is still grappling with compelling questions about the Universe, about the creation of the Universe, the possibility of parallel Universes, that infinitesimally small fraction of a second after the Big Bang and the beginning of time.

So what was there before the beginning of time? If the Universe has continued to expand ever since it's creation, what is it expanding into? Our knowledge is so limited that these questions themselves sound absurd. Vedic astrology on the other hand, comes from a belief system that is based on the principle that an explanation for everything that exists can be found in the Hindu scriptures, or with their help. Many Vedic scholars believe that what scientists are discovering today was known to the sages all along. For instance, the twin Vedic planets, 'Rahu' and 'Ketu' are unique to Vedic astrology. They are said to be represent a

mythical serpent, of which 'Rahu' is the head and 'Ketu' the tail.

These two planets are considered to be malefic and devour other forms of energy like endless pits and eclipse or debilitate the Sun and the Moon. The colour of 'Rahu' is black and that of 'Ketu' is grey. The similarity between 'Rahu' and 'Ketu' and black holes is quite striking, the opposite end of a black hole is thought to be a white dwarf. Another case in point and also featured on the previously mentioned leading astrology website, is the relevance of the number, '108', which is the number of beads in a Hindu prayer bead rosary. Although these prayer beads are a product of the ancient Vedic period, through modern science, we now know that the figure '108' is of particular relevance, as the distance between the Earth and the Sun is approximately 108 times the Sun's diameter. The Sun's diameter is about 108 times that of the Earth's and the the Earth and the Moon is distance between approximately 108 times the Moon's diameter. Is it possible that the ancient Hindu sages were able to determine these celestial measurements, with such accuracy, long before telescopes existed?

Admittedly, none of the above proves anything scientifically, but it does question whether science is really advanced enough to explain astrology. In my opinion, in order to explain or debunk astrology, a scientist would have to first understand and be well versed with the principles of astrology and should be able to practice astrology. I feel that he or she would

then understand that astrological predictions are not binary in nature, everything is not black and white, as it in science and there are authentic shades of grey.

In addition to being used to make predictions about the future, Vedic astrology also allows for remedial measures, through the use of gemstones, talismans, prayer ceremonies, chanting of Mantras etc.

According to the ancient Vedic scriptures, a parallel universe, complete with planets, stars, constellations etc exists in the human body. Obviously, this Universe does not exist in the same physical form we know through astronomy. However, it's existence this can experienced by the awakening of the 'Kundalini', or 'Sleeping Serpent', a brilliant thread running through the spinal cord, the awakening of which is the highest step in 'Tantrik' practices. Vedic astrology recognizes nine planets, twelve zodiacs and 28 constellations. Pandit Sarvesh Nagarvedic, the chief astrologer on the previously mentioned leading astrology website explains that the nine Vedic planets have been accorded the status of demigods, however these heavenly bodies are not all powerful and rely on offerings made on Earth for strength. When we on Earth pray to or appease the power representing a planet, by acquiring it's gemstone or Yantra, we are actually tapping into the power of the planet, present in our own parallel universe. In this way, the planets are easily gratified and respond by bestowing their blessings on their worshippers.

So what does this all this mean? Do the same powers that control our lives by virtue of astrology, exist in the heavens or inside us? "As is above, so is within", would seem to be the answer. Astrological influences are not far removed objects that work in isolation, they are a part of the Universe that we are also a part of and we have the means to strengthen or appease them, as we desire. This is not to suggest that we can completely alter fate, to do that would mean we have the ability to change the position of the planets in our horoscopes, which is of course, impossible. What we have to remember is that astrology notwithstanding, everybody goes through good times and bad times. The basic principle of astrology is that deeds and actions (karam) are above all. Just like God, astrology helps those, who help themselves, but using our knowledge of astrology, we can change the influences of astrological forces, so we can make more of good times and reduce the negative effects of bad times.

CHAPTER ONE

The Most Fascinating Facts About Astrology That We All Should Know

Life is most unpredictable and so are we, the human beings. Life gives us loads of miseries at time, again sometimes it comes as a bed of roses. Though life is full of happiness and sadness, still the fact is that, none of us know what is going to happen with us in the coming days or even the upcoming hours. Why is our life so much erratic? What are the factors responsible for those uncertainties?

Although science has advanced so much that it can predict the upcoming tsunami, the features of the galaxy which are billions of light-years away from us and many more facts which were unknown to us few years back also, yet it is still now unable to foresee our future.

And where science has raised its hand and surrendered, pseudoscience i.e. astrology has advanced. Some people consider astrology as a false belief. They think that how it is possible that we can foresee our upcoming days by calculating the position of the celestial bodies? How are the celestial bodies capable of changing one's life?

But is astrology really a pseudoscience, or some sort of science lies under all the calculations of astrology? I am among those people who believe that astrology has science in it. This mysterious science draws my mind from a long time back which had motivated me to find out the origin of astrology and many things more about it. Today I'll share some facts about astrology with you all.

Origin of astrology

The origin of astrology dates back to the ancient cradle of civilization- Babylonia in the nineteenth century BC. Through the studies of Plato, Aristotle and others, astrology is highly regarded as a science. Though initially people used it to predict the weather, agricultural development, natural disaster war and so on, recently it has entered into our day-to-day life. We use astrology these days mostly to foresee our future.

Different schools of astrology

Today there are three main schools of astrology. They are:

Indian astrology- it is popularly known as Vedic astrology or "Jyotish". The great sage "Parasara" developed the concept of Indian astrology. Though Indian astrology is known as Vedic astrology, but the interesting fact is that it is nowhere mentioned in Veda" but mentioned in "Vedanga", which is a limb of "Veda". Later, some eminent philosopher, like Satyacarya, Varaha Mihira did some incredible work on Indian school of astrology and wrote books on it. Till now the period of origin of Indian astrology is not clear. But according to some, it has originated within a period of 1200 BC to 2500 BC.

Vedic astrology has three main categories. They are:

Siddhanta- it is the study of arithmetic, algebra, trigonometry, astronomy and geometry. It helps to calculate the planetary positions of different celestial bodies.

Samhita- it is the study of the planetary site of the sun and other celestial bodies and their effect on natural disaster, war, hurricane, different geopolitical effects etc.

Hora- it is a predictive astrology of a person which is further divided into the following sub-branches-

Gola- it is the positional astronomy

Ganita- it is the numerical analytical tools for analyzing the results of Gola

Jataka- it is the natal astrology and it is a person's horoscope

Prasna- this is the answering of specific questions, depending upon the time the question is asked

Muhurta- this is the auspicious time selected to start something

Nimitta- they are the omens and presages

Swar Shaastra- it is typically based on names and sounds

Ankjyotisha- this deals with the relation between numbers and humans

Nadi- it is the comprehensive study of the past, present and future of a person

Streejaatak- it is the female astrology dealing with the female genitures

Tajik Shaastra- it deals with the annual solar returns

Nastjaatakam- it reforms the lost horoscopes

Chinese astrology- beside Indian astrology or Hindu astrology, one of the oldest schools of astrology is the Chinese school of astrology. According to some people, Chinese astrology has originated thousands of years back. It has entered China via the same silk route, which is the central Asian trade route through which Buddhism entered China from India. Chinese astrology depends upon the lunar cycle and takes twelve years to complete. It comprises five elements- Metal, Water, Wood, Fire and Earth. Yin and Yang are the balancing, vibrant forces that keep the universe in a balanced situation every time at every level. Though it is mainly popular in east-Asia, still it is one of the most popular beliefs of the common people of the entire world and they consult Chinese astrology in their daily lives.

Western astrology- it is popular mostly in Europe and US. Western astrology originated in Mesopotamia during 2nd millennium BC. It developed long time after Chinese astrology. The Arabs brought western astrology to Greece.

There are two main branches of Western astrology. They are-

Natal- this type of astrology deals with the nativity of a person

Judicial- eclipse, lunation, ingress, or some specific moments in time is the basis of this type of astrology

Different astrologers in different part of this World follow different types of astrology to predict the future of a person or a nation. Many astrologers, fortune-tellers forecast the future of an individual though they do not give any written evidence on its authenticity. The so-called "scientific" people look at these astrological predictions as "quackery".

But recently the scientists has established the science behind astrology. It is true that the tabloid-astrology which we sometimes see in the internet or tabloids as daily horoscope has no scientific basis which predicts that you are a scorpion and today you will get a lottery. But the calculations of an eminent astrologer cannot be denied who had predicted a long time back what is going to happen with you and the same thing is happening with you now. It is also a fact that if rotation of the moon has an effect on the oceans and seas and is responsible for the tides, then it will definitely have an effect on human life also.

The debate that astrology is a science or a pseudoscience will continue in the upcoming days also. But keeping in mind its historical origin, the correct predictions by some astrologers before the

occurrence of the incidence and the scientific research, can we really say that all these are just a quack? Should we really show the spirit to deny the science behind astrology?

CHAPTER TWO

Astrology Made Simple - Types of Astrology

Astrology is the study of the relationship between the relative positions of certain celestial bodies and life here on earth. Because the word astrology comes from the Greek words astron, meaning 'star' and logos, meaning 'word', we can literally translate astrology to mean the language of the stars; a language and practice that has developed over thousands of years by numerous cultures around the world since its earliest recorded beginnings in the third millennium BC.

Indian or Jyotish The foundation of Jyotisha is based on the Sanskrit bandhu of the Vedas which describes the binding between the inner and outer world. As with Western Astrology, Jyotisha relies on the connection between the microcosm and the macrocosm. The microcosm is life on earth, while the macrocosm is the universe.

The History of Astrology

Although the terms astrology and astronomy have long been synonymous with each other, astrology actually predates both astronomy and psychology. The earliest known astrological records can be traced to Babylon as far back as 1645 BC. However, the history of astrology doesn't follow one particular timeline, but rather three independent

branches we refer to as Western astrology, Indian or Jyotish astrology and Chinese or East Asian astrology.

Chinese

Like Western and Indian Astrology, Chinese astrology is believed to have originated in China in the third millennium. Similar to Hermetic law, "as above, so below", Confucius said, "Heaven sends down its good or evil symbols and wise men act accordingly." Astrology in China later became combined with the Chinese practice known as Feng shui.

Western

The study of Western astrology was believed to be first practiced among the ancient Babylonians in the third millennium B.C.. Babylonians believed that the Gods were responsible for all atmospheric phenomena, such as rain and sunshine. Egypt also has a very important place in astrological history. Star charts dating back to 4,200 B.C. prove Egypt has an ancient history with astrology. Even the pyramids are oriented towards the North Pole of the sky as they served as astrological calculators, as well as burial places for astrologically minded pharaohs. In fact, Rameses II is often credited with fixing the positions of the cardinal signs Aries, Cancer, Libra, and Capricorn. Some zodiac signs are even said to be Egyptian in origin, including Aries, and Leo.

Houses and Signs of the Zodiac that remain virtually unchanged today.

As Europeans became more literate, various periodicals and almanacs began publishing astrological information. Notable authors included Galileo and Copernicus, who were both practicing astrologers and founders of the modern scientific movement. However, the more popular astrology became, the more scrutinized it was. And when major astrological predictions failed to come true, astrology began to fall out of favor.

It wasn't until much later with the birth of Princess Margaret in 1930 that Astrology experienced a revival. To commemorate her birth, the British newspaper, London Sunday Express, ran the princess' astrological profile, thus giving birth to the modern newspaper horoscope column.

Horoscopic

Developed in Hellenistic Egypt, Horoscopic Astrology uses a visual representation of the heavens called a horoscope, derived from the Greek word, horoskopos, meaning "a look at the hours". This visual representation usually takes the form of a chart or diagram that represents the positions of the Sun, Moon, planets, the astrological aspects, and angles at the time of a particular event, such as a person's birth.

Horoscopic Astrology is divided into the four main branches of Natal, Mundane, Electional and Horary.

- **1. Natal Astrology** is the most commonly practiced form of Horoscopic Astrology and is based upon the idea that each individual's personality or path in life can be determined by constructing a natal chart for the exact date, time, and location of a person's birth.
- **2. Mundane Astrology** is one of the most ancient forms of astrology and takes its name from the Roman word Mundus, meaning "the World". Mundane Astrology is based upon the idea that a correlation exists between individuals and world events, world affairs (wars, assassinations, etc.) and even geological phenomena such as earthquakes.
- **3. Electional Astrology** is the practice of determining an individual's astrological profile to determine how and when he or she should partake in a particular undertaking or event such as opening a business.
- **4. Horary astrology** is the practice in which the astrologer attempts to answer an individual's specific question by constructing a horoscope centered on that specific question. For example, "Am I going to get a promotion at work?"

CHAPTER THREE

Astrology - Zodiac Sign Facts

Do you know your zodiac sign? Do you ever wonder why people have certain personality characteristics? These twelve signs could explain these questions and give you insight into your future and your relationships.

There are two ways to group the twelve signs. The first way is to divide them into four groups, based on the four elements. Aries, Leo and Sagittarius are in the Fire group. Fire signs are very intense and exciting, inspirational and imaginative. Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn are in the Earth group. Earth signs have characteristics such as common sense and stability. Gemini, Libra and Aquarius are in the Air group. Air signs are very sociable and intellectual. Lastly, Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces are in the Water group. Water signs are very emotional and have great intuition.

The second way to group the zodiac signs is to separate them into three modes. The three modes are based on creativity. Aries, Cancer, Libra and Capricorn are in the first mode called Cardinal. Cardinal signs are inclined to initiate change. They cause things to happen. Taurus, Leo, Scorpio and Aquarius are in the mode called Fixed.

Fixed signs are inclined to sustain, preserve, endure and solidify change.

They are very focused and determined. Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces are in the last mode called Mutable. Mutable signs are very adaptive and flexible. They take things and attempt to adapt or alter them.

If you combine the two classification systems, you will find that each sign has a different combination of the two groups. For example, Taurus is fixed earth and is the only sign that has that combination. This is what makes each sign unique and what creates different characteristics in people.

People that are Aries are born between March 20th and April 18th. This sign is represented by the ram and ruled by Mars. Some characteristics of Aries are independent, impulsive, competitive, arrogant, dynamic, adventurous, energetic and courageous. Aries always wants to be the best and wants to lead. Aries is very faithful to friends and family. Aries are good matches in relationships with Gemini, Leo, Libra and Scorpio.

If you are born between April 19th and May 20th then you are a Taurus. This sign is represented by the bull and is ruled by Venus. People under the Taurus sign are dependable, practical, reliable, patient, stubborn, warm hearted and loving.

They are very faithful to family and friends, but if insulted, they won't forget it.

Taurus makes good matches in relationships with Libra, Scorpio and Capricorn.

Gemini falls between the dates May 21st and June 20th. This sign is represented by the twins and is ruled by Mercury. Some characteristics include curiosity, adaptability, versatility, witty and expressiveness. Geminis are great communicators; they love to talk. They can be pessimistic sometimes due to the duality of their nature. Gemini makes good matches in relationships with Virgo, Libra and Sagittarius.

The dates of Cancer are June 21st to July 22nd. This sign is represented by the crab and is ruled by the moon. People under the Cancer sign are sensitive, sympathetic, emotional, romantic, shy and lazy. These people take everything personally because they are so sensitive. Cancer makes good matches in relationships with Pisces, Scorpio and Aquarius.

If you are born between July 23rd and August 22nd then you are a Leo. This sign is represented by the lion and is ruled by the sun. Some characteristics include creativity, optimism, loyalty, confidence,

generosity and boastful. Leos love to get everyone's attention; they often will buy very expensive items. They also love to entertain. Great matches for Leo are Scorpio, Capricorn and Leo.

Virgo falls between the dates August 23rd and September 22nd. It is represented by the virgin and is ruled by Mercury. Some characteristics are accuracy, competency, rational, intelligent and picky. Virgos need lots of adoration and attention. They are perfectionists and must have their home ordered and clean. Virgo makes good matches in relationships with Gemini, Pisces and Taurus.

People that are a Libra are born between September 23rd and October 22nd. This sign is represented by the scales and is ruled by Venus. These people are cooperative, persuasive, sociable, indecisive, loyal, caring, adaptive and devoted. Libras want everyone to receive fair justice. They are very trustworthy in relationships; however, this sometimes makes them possessive. Great matches for Libra include Aquarius, Aries and Taurus.

If you are born between October 23rd and November 21st, then you are a Scorpio. This sign is represented by the scorpion and is ruled by Pluto. Some characteristics include passionate, motivation, resourceful, clever, intuitive, noncompromising, temperamental, suspicious and

sarcastic. Money is very important for these people. Scorpios can say one thing but be thinking another, which makes them great actors. Great matches for Scorpio include Capricorn, Leo and Pisces.

Sagittarius falls between the dates of November 22nd and December 21st. The sign is represented by the archer and is ruled by Jupiter. These people are enthusiastic, generous, blunt, impatient, optimistic, honest and faithful. Sagittarians are not very emotional. They also will quickly adapt to different situations. Some good matches for them are Gemini, Aries, Taurus and Virgo.

The dates for Capricorn are December 22nd to January 19th. This sign is represented by the goat and is ruled by Saturn. Some characteristics of Capricorn are responsible, careful, practical, shy and reserved. They are very faithful to family and friends. They are very affectionate and kind but this is often suppressed due to their shyness. They are also very insecure about their abilities. Good matches for Capricorn are Cancer, Leo, Taurus and Virgo.

Aquarius falls between the dates January 20th and February 18th. This sign is represented by the water-bearer and is ruled by Uranus. Some

characteristics are independent, unpredictable, intellectual, charming and sincere. These people aren't very sociable and prefer to be by themselves. However, they can entertain easily. Good matches for Aquarius are Aries, Gemini and Libra.

People that are Pisces are born between February 19th and March 19th. The sign is represented by the fish and is ruled by Neptune. Some characteristics include compassionate, dreamy, artistic, independent, sensitive, loving, impractical and timid. They can easily adapt to different situations and can handle many different tasks at the same time. Good matches for relationships include Aquarius, Cancer and Scorpio.

These twelve zodiac signs can easily explain why people are the way they are and why they do certain things. Zodiac signs can also help you in relationships. This can explain why many relationships don't work out and why others do.

CHAPTER FOUR

Display Your Personality With A Zodiac Decal

Although we are all seen as individuals with different faces, personalities and likes and dislikes; it is believed that through the astrological year, we possess similar personality traits to those who were born within the same zodiac sign as us. The 12 signs of the zodiac are believed to present the different life changes of an individual which are mapped out according to the sign he or she is born under. Although some people believe that the hype surrounding zodiac signs and beliefs is nothing more than propaganda and fabrication, there are many who believe that they indeed carry the personality traits depicted by their individual zodiac sign and look to their daily, weekly or monthly horoscope to identify what they can hope to presented with within their lives.

Each of the 12 zodiac signs possess its own unique symbol which many astrologers believe were designed in order to mirror a specific type of personality. These 12 signs are divided into the four natural elements: earth, air, fire and water and three qualities: cardinal, fixed and mutable which

are believed to be used in order to decipher astrology compatibility.

Through the further study of the 12 zodiac signs, a vast number of products which revolve around each individual sign have come to light which can be purchased by individuals in order to be a bold decoration, be a symbol of their personality; or simply be something to be admired. An interesting piece of zodiac merchandise as it were, are zodiac decals which can be easy applied to a number of hard, flat surfaces to act as a decoration or a display of your personality whether it is on your window or even on your car. The installation of a zodiac decal on your car can be a great alternative to the traditional bumper sticker due to the wide variety of sizes, colors and styles available and can also be a more elegant and stylish way of customizing your car without having to make a great commitment. But before you invest in a zodiac decal, are you aware of what your individual sign suggests about your personality?

Aries: The Ram Aries is the first sign of the zodiac and identifies those who are born between March 20th and April 21st. Part of the fire category, Ariens are believed to be ruled by the planet Mars, creative and represent the 'baby' sign.

Taurus: The Bull Next is the earth sign, Taurus which identifies those born between April 22nd and May 21st. The sign is symbolized by the face and horn of the bull and is ruled by the planet Venus.

Gemini: The Twins The first air sign within the zodiac which is symbolized by the image of twins. This sign symbolizes those born between May 22nd and June 21st who are ruled by Mercury and are believed to be multi-faced but optimistic.

Cancer: The Crab Born between June 22nd and July 21st, Cancerians are believed to be of a sensitive nature and ruled by the moon. Symbolized by the upright crab, Cancer is the first of the water zodiacs in the year.

Leo: The Lion Known to possess hot tempers yet be incredibly sociable, Leos are ruled by the sun and like Aries, Leo is a fire sign. Symbolized by the majestic Lion, Leo identifies those who are born between July 22nd and August 21st.

Virgo: The Virgin Always striving for perfection, Virgos are symbolized by the virgin and ruled by Mercury. Identifying those born between August 22nd and September 21st, Virgo, like Taurus is an earth sign.

Libra: The Scales Ruled by the planet Venus, Libra is the seventh sign of the zodiac and the second air sign. Symbolized by the scales, Libra identifies those who are born between September 22nd and October 21st. Libras are believed to be balanced as their sign suggests, and harmonious.

Scorpio: The Scorpion Identifying those who are born between October 22nd and November 21st, the water sign Scorpio is ruled by the planet Pluto. Scorpios are believed to be misunderstood characters that can be secretive at times yet incredibly focused.

Sagittarius: The Archer The third fire sign in the zodiac, Sagittarius identifies those born between November 22nd and December 21st. Ruled by Jupiter, Sagittarians can in intense and incredibly focused yet are known to be inpatient characters.

Capricorn: The Sea Goat Signifying the last month in the annual calendar is Capricorn which identifies those born between December 22nd and January 21st. Ruled by the planet Saturn, Capricorns are believed to be highly intelligent, are able to face obstacles with the greatest of ease and take on the problems of others easily.

Aquarius: The Water Bearer Known as the penultimate sign of the zodiac, Aquarius is the last air sign in the zodiac, identifying those born between January 22nd and 21st February. Aquarians are known to be lazy but able to form friendships well and be very artistic.

Pisces: The Fish Ruled by the planets Neptune and Jupiter, Pisces is the last sign in the zodiac, and the last of the water signs. Identifying those born between February 22nd and March 21st, Pisceans are believed to be sensitive, determined and honest.

Whether you believe in astrology and the signs of the zodiac or not, it cannot be denied that the zodiac signs are stylishly artistic and can create a sense of intrigue. Whether you opt to purchase a zodiac decal for use in your home, in/on your car or elsewhere, you are guaranteed to not only have your zodiac decal admired, but also find a few questions raised as to whether or not your character is true to your assigned zodiac sign.

CHAPTER FIVE

Why Consider Astrology Now?

Astrology is the method of determining the character and future of a person through the alignment of the stars and planets. Astrology does not work and cannot predict future events or personalities. The Eastern astrology is event oriented, they will tell you what happened in the past and what will happen in the future with much grater accuracy. The most prevalent application of horoscopic astrology is to use it to analyze the birth charts of individuals in order to read character, psychological traits, and to some extent destiny.

Arab era astrology is the immediate ancestor of the Western astrology of today. Our astrology may be in fact the successor to that third stream of ancient astrologies. Developed by the Greeks and based on some of the fundamental ideas developed in Babylon, this type of astrology is also known as 'judicial' or 'genethlialic'. This is the form of astrology that most of us are familiar with today, whether or not we are believers or skeptics. The question of why people believe in astrology is more interesting than the details of the horoscope. Psychologists have shown that customers are satisfied with astrological predictions as long as the

procedures are individualized in some rather vague way.

Astrology is best understood by learning how it began. Astrology is unquestionably the oldest and at the same time currently the most popular of all pseudosciences. Astrology is also used to deepen understanding of our own This nature. psychological approach has grown significantly in the past 30 years as more and more astrologers develop their counseling skills. Astrology is Magical Thinking, which has given us creationism and most forms of alternative medicine. It's at odds with scientific reasoning and it puts the practitioner squarely in opposition to the tradition of The Enlightenment.

Astrology is pseudoscience because people typically believe in it for illegitimate reasons. He gives no examples here. Astrology is, put simply, the study of the correlation between the astronomical positions of the planets and events on earth. Astrologers believe that the positions of the Sun, Moon, and planets at the time of a person's birth have a direct influence on that person's character. Astrology is a wonderful mix of science, art and craft. The best part of it is that no matter how much one learns he can never embrace all its knowledge.

The belief in astrology is that the positions of certain celestial bodies either influence or correlate with a persons personality trait. In the past, those studying Astrology used observation of celestial objects and the charting of their movements. Prior knowledge of astrology is not needed. The four levels of study include all necessary astrological knowledge from the very beginning to having your own, successful practice. Astrology is so called because it ariseth from the stars; as Theology is so called because it flows from God. To live astrologically is, with a pleasing concupiscence, to eat of the Tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and to bring death to himself.

A comprehensive bibliography of astrology is beyond the scope of this FAQ, but some books have been included. The interested reader is advised to visit a well stocked bookstore. However, because the heavens were never intended for these purposes, astrology is a dangerous and wrongful practice. Stars were created for calendar keeping and for declaring God?s glory. The lessons here are for everyone who wants to learn how astrology is done and how to do astrology. They are especially for skeptics because science demands that knowledge of a subject must come before evaluation.

For if astronomy is the study of the movements of the heavenly bodies, then astrology is the study of the effects of those movements. The astronomers of the ancient world assumed a division of the universe whereby the superior, immutable bodies of the celestial worlds ruled over the terrestrial or sublunary sphere, where all was mortality and change. But astrology is no longer about just love and money. Astrology answers many other questions. Vocational Astrology is the art of assisting others in helping them find what they are called to do.

The practitioner of Shamanic Astrology is trained in the unaided eye knowledge and experience of the night sky, and the sacred rhythms, cycles and motions of the cosmos. Astrology is also an artform--one that lends itself to quick sketches and portraits of individuals, couples, corporations, nations and more. Astrology can also clearly have spiritual and religious undertones as evidenced by studies of ancient Egypt. Astrology is unscientific because of the fact of the precession or shifting of constellations. The early the astronomers were not aware of precession and therefore failed to take it into account in their system.

Though entertaining, Sun sign astrology is a rather superficial, and marginally useful application of a complex and ancient science that dates back thousands of years. Learn how astrology can be used to inform your decisions and augment your own wisdom. Astrology is the ancient practice and study of the stars and planets. Its history goes back to Babylonian times. Astrology is such a model.

Wholistic Astrology is a way of interpreting a horoscope so that all aspects are considered. We can see tendencies in external areas such are career, finance and social needs. This is why astrology is referred to as the "Science of Indications". Without an effort to overcome the momentum of any given force or thrust of action, the indications suggest what will probably be, and in any event, astrology reveals the timing of trends and certain influences. Today, some astrology is presented this way, but this is not true "traditional astrology". Did you know that Astrology was considered science in man's early history?

Astrology is not some silly old thing, a superstition or pseudo-science, but a real science of human experience. Its symbols leave room for the vagaries of human behavior, that which can never be reduced to simple and absolute formulae. Perhaps the hostility exists because astrology is still a living

practice, a real competitor for popular respect and patronage.

I hope that the traditional hostility may be dying among historians and social scientists and that a true understanding of this influential practice and belief. It does not mean that astrology is accurate in predicting human behavior or events to a degree significantly greater than mere chance. There are many satisfied customers who believe that their horoscope accurately describes them and that their astrologer has given them good advice.

Astrology is harmless, it is an entertainment. Whatever its former glories, it seems now a five-and-dime glimpse of the cosmos. Astrology is perhaps the most ancient subject and also in a way the most ignored. It is the most ancient because astrology has been in existence as far back as we have been able to investigate the history of mankind. Instead, they like to provide anecdotal evidence --stories people tell about how accurate they think astrology is. Anecdotal evidence is not acceptable in a real science because it's too easy to leave out all the negative experiences people have, and people not very good at recalling and accurately reporting experiences.

Astrology is based on birth charts for an individual. The position of the Sun, Moon and planets is plotted

on the zodiac at the moment of birth. Moreover, astrology is not a quick study. Traditionalists used to say it takes a student one transit of Saturn, about 30 years, to become proficient.

Vedic Astrology is part of a holistic, integrated knowledge system and its effects can be bolstered by interoperating with its "sister" sciences. The Vedic Astrology system is kind in that not only is a person told what might happen, but they are presented a list of potential remedies or corrective actions to offset the quantity and quality of karmas that are returning to them, as seen in the birth chart.

In 2017, 53% of Europeans surveyed thought astrology is "rather scientific" and only a minority (39%) said it is not at all scientific. In the 2018 survey, Europeans were asked whether or not they considered certain subjects to be scientific, using a 5-point scale (with higher values indicating that a subject is more scientific). This is why astrology is so unique, being used since the beginning of historical records, and can also be found in every advanced culture. MB Pet Astrology is a simple and 'user-friendly' software that help you to understand your pets better. It is a complete freeware and the best part is, the reading can be administered within five to eight minutes.

Bring the Beauty of Astrological Art Into Your Home

Everyone wants a beautiful home. A great way to make your home unique is to add astrological art to your home. Astrological art is a fun way to express your passion for astrology. Astrology has been around for centuries. There are many types of astrological art that you'll love.

Prints are one of the most inexpensive types of astrological art. There are many astrological artwork prints that you can easily mat and frame to place in your home. These colorful prints will show you and your family's love of astrology. Place an astrological print in your living room, family room or in the den. These are great places to add an astrological print.

Posters are another fun type of astrological art. Astrological posters are relatively inexpensive when you compare them to other art forms. You can casually tape them or tack them to the wall, or have them framed at a framing store to make them look more elegant. A regular sized poster is often 18 by 24 and will cover a large amount of space. This is the ideal astrological artwork for your astrology office or any space where you have lots of wall space you'd love to fill art.

Custom astrological artwork is also often very sought after. You can find custom astrological artwork in many mediums, from watercolor, oil paints, pastels and other types of art medium. Every artist is going to bring their own interpretation to the artwork. Some will have very classic art style - and others will have a modern art style that is more like Dali, full of symbols and rich imagery. No matter your choice, there is so much fun when you select custom astrological artwork to fill your walls. Best of all, this is one-of-a-kind artwork that you simply won't see anywhere else. The key to selecting the best artwork is to choose something you've just fallen in love with. That way, no matter its value, you are always pleased with it!

Wearable astrological art is also quite popular. Many people enjoy t-shirts and sweatshirts based on their astrological signs. This can be a fun way to express you passion for your astrological sign. It is also a great conversation starter; as if you are a Leo you'll meet other Leos. Or people will make comments to you about Leos they knew or what they think Leos are like. If you are an astrologer, wearable astrological art is an ideal these choice as conversations can lead to consultations!

CHAPTER SIX

How To Learn Astrology

The best way to learn astrology is to study current astrological placements of the planets and understand the correlation between the symbolic representations of the planetary patterns and the political, environmental and social occurrences in the world.

Astrology tip number one: Follow current events.

By following current astrological movements and changes you will get a feel for the different positions of the planets and understand the different ways these configurations manifest. For example currently there is a powerful configuration that represents revolutionary ideas and uprisings. When the planets aligned and shifted to these positions the protest in the Middle East began. When you study astrology by following current positions of the planets not only will you be able to predict or understand world events you will be able to interpret how those planetary patterns play out in personal astrology charts.

Astrology tip number two. Understand and follow transits to your astrology chart.

In addition to following current astrological movements of the planets it is very important to follow the astrological energies in relationship to your personal chart. When a planet at a current position in the sky is making a mathematical angle to the natal position of a planet in your astrology chart then your personal planet is under an astrology transit. For example if you were born with your Sun in Aries and Uranus in Aries is at the same degree as your Sun then you are under a Uranus transit to your Sun. Specifically Uranus conjunct your Sun. This would indicate a time in your life for your own personal "revolution" of change.

Astrology tip number three: Find a good astrology course or astrology workshop.

There are many ways to study astrology yet it can be very complex and confusing if you do not have a system that allows you to learn astrology easily and effortlessly. Although as in any new teachings acquiring knowledge takes some effort however the best way is to learn from a seasoned astrologer who makes complicated concepts understandable. Find an astrology course that is designed around current astrology principles and how the astrological influences affect your astrology chart.

Search for an astrologer who you like and an astrology teacher that has experience. Of course you can learn from someone that you don't like but why? It is better not to have a personality barrier between you and the subject you are learning.

Astrology tip number four:

Write your life story. Arguably the best way to learn astrology is to create an autobiography of events that happened in your life. Take your time to really recall important moments and all memories that you can. Such as the first time you fell in love, graduating college, your first job, all significant job changes, getting married, having kids, getting divorced, great or tragic love affairs, moving, traveling. Write down the dates of these events. Then you will do detective astrology work by finding out what were the transits, or planetary influences that were happening at those times.

Astrology tip number five: Go to astrology conferences.

There is nothing like going to astrology conferences to get a taste of the complexity and diversity that astrology offers. Look for regional and national conferences offered throughout the country, or if you have a strong Jupiter, investigate the astrology conferences throughout the world, why not? It is fun to study astrology with like-minded astrologers that you will meet at the astrology conferences.

In addition to astrology lectures many conferences offer pre and post conference astrology workshops.

Astrology is a fascinating discipline and can be overwhelming when you first begin to learn astrology. Do not let the complexity thwart you from learning this beautiful gift from the universe which can help you understand yourself and the world around you. Learn how to be a co-creator with the powerful forces of the planets. Learn astrology, be your own astrologer and master this secret and ancient discipline of esoteric knowledge and insight.

How Astrology Compatibility Works

Astrology was invented several centuries ago when there was no modernization in this world. It is assumed that human beings started studying Astrology immediately after developing and establishing the standards of measurements. It has been the point of interest for the human nature ever since. Though, it is still not proven by the science that there are such forces which can act on individual person according to their signs.

Astrology compatibility is the study of astrological signs which tells us about relationship which can be formed between two signs. This study uses a person's birth chart to find out the compatibility. The exact time and positions of all the planets are recorded which in turn creates this birth chart. Every birth chart is ruled by at least one planet but some have two. Every sign in Astrology is termed as energy.

When we find out compatibility between two people, we actually look for their energies (signs), planets ruling them and houses. One can compare two charts to find out if they are compatible with each other or not. There are three types of Astrology studies known all over the world.

- 1. Western astrology
- 2. Vedic astrology
- 3. Chinese astrology

Western astrology:

Western astrology follows the Babylonian methods of the astrology. They can predict the horoscope of the person at specific time with the help of person's birth timing. They believe that all the planets have their impact on the person's birth and eventually they gain their natures. Western astrology follows

the motions of Sun for predicting the horoscope. In this, place of the Sun at the time of person's birth is used. Sun sign of the person will be decided by the position of the sun in the zodiac.

Vedic Astrology:

Unlike Western astrology, in Hindu or Vedic astrology there is importance of Moon and not the Sun. They look for the positions of the Moon in the constellation. If they want to find out the compatibility between two people than they would just compare their moon signs just like we do in western astrology. In Vedic astrology, every constellation has to serve several properties to have better compatibility. These properties have their own points like this:

Varna: 1, Vashya: 2, Tara: 3, Yoni: 4, Graha Maitri: 5, Gana: 6, Bhakoota: 7 and Nadi: 8

They all make total of 36 thus every couple should make at least 18 points to be able to get marry out of 36 points.

Chinese astrology:

In Chinese astrology, they consider the motion of the Moon around the earth during its orbit of 28 days. Each day is treated as house or sector. All the 28 sectors are grouped in four groups according to the four phases of moon.

In Chinese astrology, they have two goals behind finding ones chart. It is either to predict about future or to find out lucky days. Lucky days will be used to start new business, marriage or for any other good reasons. Like western astrology, Chinese astrology has five elements which are as follows: Fire, water, metal, earth and wood. They are associated with Mars, Mercury, Venus, Saturn and Jupiter. There are some significant differences shown in this astrology as Venus which symbolizes the feminine nature in western astrology has the masculine characteristics here.

In Chinese astrology 12 signs are represented by animals. They are rat, ox, tiger, rabbit, dragon, snack, horse, sheep, monkey, cock, dog and pig.

Astrology System

Astrology is the combination of believes, system and traditions which can provide the future information about the human personality, earthly matter and human relationship. The person who practices this astrology is called astrologer. Most of the astrologers believe that the nature and natural things has influence on the human body and

behavior. They think that the nature has direct or indirect influence on human.

If you want to know it more commonly, you should consider it as symbolic language or it is an art form or it is the form of divination. It has so many definitions. Different astrologer has given different kinds of definitions, but all the astrologer believe in one thing that it can explain present, past and future.

Astrology is considered totally wrong by the scientific community. The scientific community called it superstitions, but the community of psychology explains it positively. Some people say that astrology has relationship with science.

Astrology has a great history. From the ancient time the people of the world have been practicing this thing. Before 3000 B.C, people practiced it, which is recorded. It plays an important role to shape of the culture of the world.

Astrology has relationship with astronomy, the Vedas and various kinds of historical incidents.

A Few centuries ago astrology and astronomy was considered the same thing. After the 18th century, when renaissance begun, astrology became separated from astronomy. Still now the astrologer depends on astronomy to analyze astrology. Some

astrologers still think that astrology is the part of astronomy.

The word astrology has emerged from the Latin term "astrologia" (astronomy). It has derived from the Greek word astron (star) and "logia" means study. So study of the star is called astrology. From the history of the astrology we can easily understand that it has relationship with astronomy.

Most of the astrological things are based on the movement of the stars and planet. The planets are signed by some symbols. The astrology also shows geometrical and angular relationship between various types of planets and events. From this matter they define all kinds of human nature and incidents.

According to the western tradition, predictive astrology explains two methods one is astrological transits and another one is astrological progressions. In the astrological transits method the movement of the planets are explained.

In the astrological progression method the horoscope is progressed according to the set method.

In the past astrologer only observed the heavenly bodies and their movement, but at present people of the world has progressed a lot in this sector. Though there is a great controversy about astrology, some people still believe it and try to follow the rules of the astrology. So it depends on a person how he will take this thing.

CHAPTER SEVEN

How We Can Change Our Lives Using Astrology?

The number of people today who consult all sorts of mediums and clairvoyants is overwhelming. It is enough to quickly glance through the pages of the spiritual newspapers and magazines and we will see hundreds of advertisements from people who claim that they can connect you to your angels, reveal your past lives, read your future or heal you from any diseases by using a variety of different techniques. The techniques used in the spiritual readings also vary greatly - Taro cards, palmistry, crystal ball gazing and so on. In recent time even sophisticated divinatory methods some more appeared on the market and some of them have so glamorous and sophisticated names that it becomes progressively more difficult to determine for certain what these people actually do and how they do it. Without fully denying the legitimacy of such readings, some questions still arise in the head of the potential customer: Where is the proof that the readings which I receive from one medium or another are accurate and true? Is the medium in question really willing to help me or he is just after my money?

To answer these questions we have to take a tour in the history of humanity in order to see where the problem originated. First of all we have to clarify for ourselves that mankind is constantly evolving and it will be very wrong to think that the ancient people had exactly the same physical, spiritual and mental organization as the modern man. People, who lived in the dawn of our era, approximately 7000 years B.C., did not need clairvoyants to communicate with the spiritual world, simply because in fact they were all clairvoyants. For the people living at those early times it was completely normal to perceive the aura of other people, animals and plants and therefore they did not need any proof of the existence of the spiritual world, neither they needed the services of clairvoyants to establish connections for them with the spiritual world, because they could observe it directly themselves. The major difference, between us and them, however, is that they did not posses the analytical and conceptual thinking abilities, while for us this is the natural and normal way of existence. The human race was only able to ascend to this mode of thinking in relatively recent times. For example, today thinking logically we can say that if we work systematically towards our spiritual growth, then we can be quite certain that after years from now we will become several transformed and much more enlightened beings.

Ancient people did not have to use such concepts, because they could perceive directly the auric field of another person. Since the auric field is in a way a prototype, where information about all future developments is coded, by observing it directly ancient people knew immediately what this person is today and into what he will develop in the future. Although the ancient people could witness at first hand the spiritual reality around them, they could barely process the information in the way as we do today. Their minds were not designed to give a meaningful and rationalized interpretation of the spiritual reality surrounding them. Instead, they were living in a semi-conscious state, similar to the state of consciousness that we have today during our most vivid and colourful dreams. In such way, especially in the very beginning of our era, people were not really taking conscious decisions, as we do today. Instead, they were rather instinctively following the impulses coming to them from the spiritual world. The consequences of their actions happened in front of their own eyes and therefore they did not need to reason about what is good and what is bad. Quite naturally, they were trying to perform actions, which contributed proliferation, flourishing and intensifying the spiritual life and avoid actions, which lead to demise, wilt and death. This was basically what drove them through their lives.

Even the basic concepts of mathematics were discovered relatively not so long ago; its founder Pythagoras lived about 500 B.C. It is hard for us today, familiar as we are with pure mathematical and with abstraction the mental act οf generalization, to appreciate the originality of Pythagorean revolutionary teaching. In fact, today we have become so mathematically sophisticated that we fail even to recognize 2 as an abstract quantity. There is a remarkable step from 2 ships + 2 ships = 4 ships, to the abstract result 2 + 2 = 4, which applies not only to ships but to pens, people, houses etc. In fact, to see that the abstract notion of 2 is itself a thing - in some sense every bit as real as a ship or a house - is a huge evolutionary step. In order to make this step, however, mankind needed approximately 6000 years. That was the time required to progress form mere observation of spiritual reality to learning the basic mathematical concepts and associated with it logical thinking.

In order to gain the abstract, analytical thinking, which we all take for granted today, humanity had to lose its clairvoyant abilities first. It was impossible for man to develop his analytical mind as it is today, if he was still so closely connected to the spiritual world. It was imperative that the man gradually descended deeper and deeper into the matter, lost connection with the spiritual world and

had to have the feeling that he was left to cope on his own.

Only under such circumstances could he achieve an independent, original and logical mind, coupled with the ability to think in concepts, as he does today. This moment is allegorically depicted in the Bible as the banishing of Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden, because they tasted the fruit of knowledge.

Today we live in times when already the opposite process has initiated. Having acquired by now the conceptual and analytical thinking, man conquered to a great degree the physical reality around him, in order to make his life easier. Think about what primitive tools the ancient people used, how difficult their lives on the material plane were. Nowadays, using the newly developed capacities of our minds, people develop technologies which make their lives much easier. We don't even think today what it is to live like without running water, electricity, transport or telephone. Yet, that is precisely how people in the ancient times used to live. They were rich spiritually, because they were able to perceive the spiritual reality surrounding them, and they were in fact living in this reality, but their physical bodies suffered and had to endure great difficulties in life.

Today, we experience very comfortable lifestyles physically, because we are surrounded by thousands of pieces of technology, all of which are making our physical life easier, but in the process we lost our ability to perceive the spiritual world. The call of the time today is to regain this ability again! We must learn how to see once again the spiritual world. This time, however, we must see it in full consciousness, using all the achievements of the modern man's mind - conceptual thinking, logical approach and mathematical abilities. This will raise both our world and the spiritual world to a completely new dimension and it will give our existence an entirely new meaning - collaborating together in order to build a better reality!

We live in times, when the energy of the world is ascending rapidly. We live in times, where more and more people regain their abilities to connect with the spiritual world. Some of them decide to do this for a living. And while we all need money to survive on the physical plane, there is a very fine line between the benevolent desire to help other people and the danger of being sucked into a moneymaking business. How to distinguish who is who in the mediums world? Most people trust their intuitions. They have the "gut feeling" that one person can help them, while another one will not, and most of the time they are right. It is marvelous

that people trust their intuitions and it is admirable if they develop them even further.

But if their intuitions are strong, why then do they need to pay money to somebody else to do the reading for them instead of doing it themselves? The straightforward answer to this question is that in most cases they are wasting their money. They are paying for somebody to obtain information from the spiritual world for them, instead of trusting and developing their own psychic powers. This is a vicious circle, because the more money they spend for readings, the less effort they put for developing their own psychic powers. The less time they spend for developing their own psychic powers, the more they become convinced that they need a clairvoyant or some kind of a "guru" to establish the connection with the spiritual world for them. The more convinced they become that they need another person in order to receive information from the spiritual world, the more money they spend for readings. Thus, the vicious circle is closed.

Today, the only prerequisites to achieve connection with the spiritual world is an open heart, love towards everything that surrounds us and sincere desire to gain such abilities not only for the development of the Self, but for the good of

Mankind. I personally do not know anybody, who possesses the above mentioned qualities and for whom the spiritual world did not open its doors!

For some, this opening will be quite tangible and they will feel physically the presence of the spirits next to them, for others the opening will proceed subconscious and nebulous. somewhat nevertheless the end results will be concrete and visible. The results will manifest mostly in the nature of the man of question, who will start changing his attitudes towards life and will display much more humility, love and understanding. The energy is here; all we need to do is learn how to tap to it. This is an unprecedented moment in the history of the humanity, when such an abundance of spiritual energy is available to man. It would be a terrible waste of resources (both spiritual and material) if we do not answer the call of our times.

This is where we can take advantage of astrology in order to start changing our lives. The primary difference between astrology and all other types of divination is that astrology is the only spiritual teaching, based on science. In any other form of divination we are greatly dependable on the skills, perceptions, experience and personal interpretations of the medium. For example, two different mediums examining the same cup of

coffee may see different figures and interpret them differently. Even if they see the same figures, their interpretation may vary greatly, based on their personal perception.

If the person, consulting these mediums has another cup of coffee 10 minutes later, the shapes in the second cup will differ from those in the first cup and thus the interpretation will be different again and so on and so on. In contrast, the birth chart of a person can be calculated by a computer with extraordinary precision and it always will remain the same during the life of the individual in question. Of course, two astrologers can use different words to interpret the same birth chart, but the birth chart itself will remain unchanged. This is similar to the way two people will tell you the story of the same movie. The wording may be different, but the main plot will remain the same.

Astrology is also useful in this respect that it reveals to people the real motives for their actions. Most of the time, people are not fully aware why they do the things they do, why they attract always certain people and events in their life and why they are making continuously the same wrong decisions. Although they think they know themselves, the truth is that most of them don't. Thus, they are driven through life on a subconscious level to head

in one direction or the other. Most of them do so, without even knowing that in fact they are simply like puppets in the hands of great and powerful planetary influences.

However, the only way the man can become truly free in his actions is to understand how exactly he is controlled during his lifetime, which are the forces participating in this controlling process and what are the principles under which they operate. Only after learning this information, man can decide if he wants to continue the course of action, taken previously or if he wants to change his direction, using his will-power. As Goethe, the great mystic, said:

"From every power that holds the World in chains, Man frees himself when self-control he gains."

Sometimes, there are people that come to me and request their birth chart done, but they put the condition: "Don't write there about the bad things of my character, write only about the good things!" I tell such people that they are not ready to have their horoscope done, and I am sending them back home, regardless of the amount of money that they are prepared to pay. If one does not have the courage to look into the depths of his psyche in an

objective and impartial manner he is defeating the purpose of having the horoscope done in the fist place. The main purpose of having the astrological report done is to find out how the man is built up, what are the ingredients there, how they interact with each other and what they produce as an end result.

Sometimes it may be painful to obtain and deal with such information, for the person may find, for example, that great pain in the present time is stemming from the early childhood. This could be some form of abuse, neglect or lack of love and appreciation. As children we are not well equipped withstand such powerful influences to sometimes they can deflect our personalities in a way which later as grown-ups we may find highly undesirable. Other people may find out that the problems that they experience in this lifetime are not even consequences of childhood experiences, but are results of inappropriate actions from previous lifetimes. It is not easy to face such information. Nevertheless, until the individual learns all about him or herself in details he or she will remain a puppet in the hands of powerful, planetary influences.

In this way applying astrology and gaining greater understanding about ourselves we can become

more spiritual and enlightened. Unfortunately, a lot of people still believe in the cliché that spirituality has to be demonstrated with some striking psychic abilities, such as the ones that we see in the "Charmed" serial screened on TV. People are believed to be really "spiritual" if they can control the weather, produce lightning with the tips of their fingers or move objects with the power of their thought. This is a major misconception.

Spirituality may come to us in a very unassuming way, when we least expect it. In fact, many people already have such abilities, but are still largely unaware of them. They may have important dreams, sudden unusual thoughts may lead to significant insights or they can have strong premonitions which later prove to be true. These are all signs of increasing connection with the spiritual world. These people have to learn how to trust their intuitions more and more and remember that the doors to the spiritual world always open sooner or later to everybody who has an open heart, love towards everything created in the Universe and his or her motives to gain such abilities are sincere and not egoistical.

In conclusion, I would like to say that we may chose to give money every week to different fortune tellers to tell us what the future holds for us. Alternatively, we can choose to have our horoscope done only once and study it with great care. If we chose the second path, the self-knowledge that we would gain would be enormous. The astrology report reveals who we are, where we are coming from and what our main strengths and weaknesses are. Better still, we can understand what is expected from us to achieve in this lifetime. Gaining greater knowledge about ourselves can also help us to change our course of direction in life, if we happen to have deviated greatly from the original plan.

By doing so, we can better integrate our will with the will of the Creator, elaborating willingly in this way to fulfill our own destiny and the destiny of mankind!

Astrology for Everything in Life

Astrology the guide for a bright future.

Astrology is the study of planets, the position of the planets at the time of our birth, and the way they relate to each other, it makes us understand why we get attracted to specific people, the situations that we are in and the lessons we have to learn

It makes us aware of the skills and abilities that we brought with us into this lifetime. This is what drives us, where our power comes from. This is also karmic in origin, in that we developed these skills in our earlier lives.

Great Advantage of Astrology is prevention. If we get an idea of what the future has in store for us, we can act accordingly either take preventive measures, if there are hindrances, and go ahead full blast to achieve our goals. Knowledge of any health problems, which we might get in the future, can make us guarded and take preventive measures to reduce the intensity of the problem.

A study of charts of men and women before marriage will provide the compatibility of the partners with respect to their lives, their health, and progeny how they match each other.

Astrology is one definite way of knowing your future. Having misconceptions and disbeliefs do not give any benefits. Astrology shows light towards future. Getting benefits from Astrology is a wise decision. It is just like visiting a Doctor to get medicine when you are sick

The direction we are moving in and the challenges en-route

How do you know if you are following the Life Path that is right for you? Is it making you happy, are you happy with your work life and relationships. Are you able to meet the challenges, or are you unsure about how to face them? Astrology guides you in first getting you to understand the challenges, and the means to overcome them.

Compatibility in relationships:

Knowing the other person better is always good in romantic as well as business relationships. Comparing the astrological charts will make us understand the other person better, and how the relationship will gel, or if some effort is required to make it a success.

Determining the best career options.

An astrological reading can tell us what skills and abilities we have brought with us into this lifetime, and what we need from your career. We will understand what we are good at, the sales, the teaching the administrator or the accountant, a movie actor or for that matter a political or business career, with the clarity we get from our astrological chart, the decision is made easily.

CONCLUSION

Charting the Basics of Astrology

Do you know the basics of astrology? Astrology is one of those ancient 'sciences' that a lot of people are still fascinated with, and yet they don't really know much more about it than what page of the local newspaper their horoscope will show up on. So what are the basics of astrology?

In this article we're going to have a look at some of the things you should know about astrology. First, we're going to look at what it is, and where it is believed to have come from. Next we'll take a look at what forms the astrological chart. Finally, we will look at astrology and the zodiac.

Basics of astrology: in the beginning...

Astrology is said to go back as far as the Babylonians in the second millennium BC, making it one of the oldest 'sciences' by far. The word "astrology" has the same Latin root (astrologia) as "astronomy", although both are now seen as being completely different in terms of their scientific validity. However, in the early days it would have been seen as being very much the other way around, with astrology having a strong link with religion.

What makes up an astrological chart?

An astrological chart is a way of following the planets, and includes the Sun and the Moon, but doesn't include the Earth as this is the point from which we view the other planets.

The chart is split into twelve 'houses' with each house representing an aspect of life. The houses are (in Latin and with their translation): Vita (Life), Lucrum (Wealth), Fratres (Brothers), Genitor (Parent), Nati (Children), Valetudo (Health), Uxor (Spouse), Mors (Death), Iter (Journeys), Regnum (Kingdom), Benefacta (Friendship), and Carcer (Prison).

The eagle-eyed of you out there may have noticed that ten planets, and twelve houses, leave two houses empty, but fear not, the two empty houses are considered to be areas of your life that have been mastered - in a different life.

The first thing studied on an astrology chart is the Sun sign, which is determined by the position that the Sun is in. The positions of the planets are studied based on the influence they have on the Sun sign. The Moon sign is last to be studied based on how it relates to the other planets on the astrological chart.

The most common astrological chart (in the early days) was the birth chart. The birth chart was used to show what the personality of the person was going to be like. A birth chart can be drawn up for someone later on in their life, but may appear not to resemble the person - this is said to be down to the fact that other events will alter a person's personality over time.

Where does the astrology and horoscope link come into all of this?

To start with the twelve signs of the zodiac have been linked with the twelve astrological houses: Aries (Vita), Taurus (Lucrum), Gemini (Fratres), Cancer (Genitor), Leo (Nati), Virgo (Valetudo), Libra (Uxor), Scorpio (Mors), Sagittarius (Iter), Capricorn (Regnum), Aquarius (Benefacta), and Pisces (Carcer).

This mixture of astrology and the horoscope (horoscopic astrology) is thought to have started in the Mediterranean in the late second or early first century BC. The horoscope is a visual illustration of the heavens and is used to interpret the meaning of the planets alignment at that moment in time.

What makes this different from other forms of astrology is the fact that it is more complex and includes other factors like the 'ascendant' which is the degree of the Eastern Horizon as it rises against the backdrop of the elliptic. However, that's taking this beyond the definition of 'basics of astrology'.

Simply put a horoscope is more of an up to the minute version of an astrological birth chart and allows for the current positions of the celestial bodies, whereas the astrological birth chart is routed in the positions at the time of birth.

There we have it, the basics of astrology. Obviously we could have got far more in depth about the whole subject and started covering interpretations etc, but you should know where you've come from to have a good understanding of where you're going.

We saw that astrology predates the horoscope; we discovered that astrology is primarily based on the birth of someone (or even something) and is used to show how they will develop in the future; however, a birth chart done on an older person may not match up with the person due to other influences on their personality. Then finally, we saw that a horoscope is essentially a way of adapting the birth chart, by incorporating other factors, to give an up to date version of their astrological chart.

Thank you again for downloading this book!

I hope this book was able to help you to have a better understanding of astrology.

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