
The Planets in Astrology – the Moon

- “Astrology is the science of finding and utilizing the natural potentialities as indicated in the planetary chart of birth” “...there still remain the problem of determining what predispositions it maps, what these predispositions are likely to express in events, and what precautionary actions should be taken to make the events that actually happen more fortunate than they would have been had astrological knowledge been unavailable.”

- Beginner’s Horoscope Maker and Reader – Elbert Benjamine

- **☽ The Moon**

- The Moon, the Earth’s only natural satellite, is referred to as a planet in astrology
- The Moon makes a complete orbit around the earth every 27.3 days. The synodic period of the Moon (from New Moon to New Moon) is 29 days, 12 hours and 44 minutes. It is this cycle that gives rise to our term “month” signifying a 30 day period. The Moon spends around 2.33 days in each of the signs of the zodiac
- Anaxagoras, writing in the 5th century BC was the first to promote the theory that the Moon reflected the light of the Sun
- Due to the synchronous rotation of the Moon as it revolves around the Earth, we always see the same face of the Moon

- **Astrological Symbolism**

- The astrological chart is a map of our consciousness, or a “blueprint of our soul
- Through the language of symbolism astrology aids us in delving into the depths of consciousness
- Much of the symbolism of Western astrology draws from the wealth of imagery contained in Classical Mythology
- In order to describe the psyche of a client the astrologer must develop a broad vocabulary associated with each of the symbols in a chart
 - **☽ The Moon – Mythology**
 - Aah-te-Huti is the ancient Egyptian moon deity. The ancient Egyptian hieroglyph for month was a crescent moon over the symbol for a star
 - Isis is also considered to be a lunar deity
 - She was frequently depicted as breastfeeding her son Horus
 - The Romans adopted Isis as part of their pantheon of gods
 - It was not uncommon to picture her lactating
 - To the Greeks and Romans the Moon was known as Selene or Luna, sister of Helios the Sun

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- In astrology the Moon is considered feminine and has been personified in different cultures by lunar goddesses
- Artemis (Diana), was twin to the Sun god Apollo. Worshipped throughout the Hellenic world, Artemis eventually replaced Selene as the Moon goddess
- The theme of the lactating Virgin carried through European and Medieval art
- In ancient America the Incas worshiped the Moon as *Mama Kilya* or “Mother Moon”
- Mama Kilya was used to time ceremonies in the Incan religious centers
- To the Aztecs the Moon was known as Coyolxauhqui and was depicted dismembered and decapitated, having been slain by her brother Huitzilopochtli
- Chandra, the Hindu deity of the Moon is masculine, yet in Hindu astrology the influence of the Moon is considered feminine
 - **Domestic Thought Series**
- “These thought-cells which so powerfully influence the mentality have been organized by experiences in lower life forms with family and the rearing of offspring. They govern the negative, low frequency energies of the electromagnetic body. Their degree of activity, and their harmony, are important in determining the strength of the physical constitution and therefore the health. As they are the most receptive of all to impressions from environment, it becomes easier to receive such impressions through the avenues indicated by the sign and aspects of the Moon.”
- Beginner’s Horoscope Maker and Reader
- – Elbert Benjamine
- The Moon’s Day ☽
- The English word Monday literally means “day of the Moon” and has cognates in other Germanic languages such as *Maandag* in modern Dutch, and *Montag* in German
- *Lunae dies* is the Latin for Moon day which became *lundi* in French, *lunes* in Spanish, and *lunedì* in Italian. In Portuguese, Monday is called *segunda-feira* or “second day”
- ☽ The Moon - Domestic Urges
- The Moon affects our emotions, mentality, relationships with the female sex in general, and mother figures
- Fluctuation
- Positive traits: Adaptability
- Negative traits: Moodiness
- Neutral

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- The Moon affects our magnetic constitution, our domesticity, our emotional temperament, moods, relationships with women, the common people, and mother figures
- Thought-cell: Domestic
- House influence: Fluctuation
- Metal: Silver
- Gemstone: Moonstone
- Color: Green
- Musical tone: F
- Part of Body: Stomach and Breasts
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- “The Moon is symbolized by the crescent of soul. This signifies the dominance of the plastic, emotional, and enfolding qualities. She is the mother who clothes the ideals of her more positive lord. She is the mould of all that was, that is, or that ever will be, expressing the formative powers of the astral world. Those dominated by the Moon are mediumistic and greatly influenced by their surroundings. They are changeable, submissive, and inoffensive. Luna is the goddess Isis.
 - *Ancient Masonry*– C. C. Zain
- ☽ **Alchemical Silver Domestic Urges**
- Some plants endow their seeds with means of finding new favorable environments
- Birds build nests
- Animals build lairs and dens
- Animals protect their young
- Animals and humans nourish their offspring
- “Domestic thought-elements express through the feminine, soothing etheric energy which is commonly called the constitutional magnetism. They indicate the most receptive region of the astral body, the place where impressions both from the external world and from the inner plane readily reach the unconscious mind, and thus influence the mentality.
- Thinking about domestic conditions is responsible for the fortune or misfortune that comes through women and that comes through the influence of the common people. Discordant thoughts about domestic life are chiefly responsible for dropsy and often for stomach trouble and mental complaints. They also are present and contribute to eye and ear afflictions.”
 - Mental Alchemy C. C. Zain
- “The Moon person has much curiosity, and is subject to ever-changing moods. He loves notoriety, and is at his best when he is either before the public or coming constantly in touch with masses of people. His best quality is ADAPTABILITY.

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- His worst quality is INCONSTANCY. He should early learn that if he is to achieve fame, or to be favorably known by the public, that he must cultivate the power to persist in some one endeavor to the point of exceptional ability. The thoughts ruled by this planet are called the DOMESTIC thoughts.”
- *Delineating the Horoscope* – C. C. Zain
- - **Positive Lunar Traits**
 - Accessible, accommodating, adaptable, approachable, caring, compassionate, considerate, curious, domestic, emotional, fecund, feminine, fertile, flexible, gentle, inquisitive, insightful, instinctive, intuitive, magnetic, maternal, mild, nurturing, open-minded, paternal, perceptive, protective, receptive, sensitive, sheltering, sociable, subliminal, tender
 - **Negative Lunar Traits**
 - Defenseless, dependant, capricious, changeable, easily-influenced, fickle, fluctuating, gossipy, helpless, hypersensitive, hysterical, impressionable, inconsistent, indecisive, moody, passive, powerless, submissive, susceptible, temperamental, thin-skinned, touchy, unstable, vacillating, vulnerable, wavering, weak, whiny
 - **Lunar Occupations**
- Animal breeder, attendant, baby-sitter, baker, butler, caretaker, carpet-cleaner, caterer, chef, concierge, cook, custodian, dietician, gardener, governess, grocer, grounds-keeper, house-sitter, housewife, launderer, maid, midwife, mother, musician, nurse, nutritionist, pet-sitter, seamstress, tailor, valet, waiter
- “Because their chief expression relates to family life they are called **DOMESTIC** thought-cells. Aspects to the Moon affect the mental attitude, everyday affairs, and relations with the female sex and the common people. To the extent the thought-cells mapped by the Moon are active is the life influenced by thoughts of domestic life, women, the offspring, the weak and helpless, or by music. When the Moon is prominent in the birth chart it denotes much curiosity and changing moods, and the individual likes to be before the public or to mix with the masses.”
- *Beginner’s Horoscope Maker and Reader* – Elbert Benjamine
 - ☽ **The Moon**
- “Mental processes are of two kinds. In the type ruled by Mercury, cerebral processes resort to careful reasoning, classified observation, and the formulation of words and sentences. And to get ideas across to others such words and sentences are essential.

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- Yet the mental attitude as a whole, and the mental capacity, are not chiefly due to such cerebral processes. Instead, they arise mostly from the unconscious mind and from the impressions received from environment which have not thus been carefully pigeon holed. The feelings about certain things, the unreasoned mental processes, the hunches, intuitions and capacities for absorbing certain kinds of information which, rather than the expression of opinions thus formed through words and sentences, chiefly constitute the mentality, are expressions of the thought-cells mapped by the Moon.”

- Beginner’s Horoscope Maker and Reader – Elbert Benjamine

- **Moon Signs**

- The Moon moves through the zodiac approximately every 28 days .
- The Moon spends around 2.33 days in each of the signs of the zodiac.
- The “Moon-Sign” or sign of the zodiac in which the Moon falls in the birth-chart is considered to represent our mentality and emotional nature
- **Moon in Aries**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Am attitude, the mind should pioneer and seek constructive leadership rather than too forceful assertion of opinions.”
- **Moon in Taurus**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Have attitude, the mind should seek spiritual knowledge

rather than become absorbed in acquiring material possessions.”

- **Moon in Gemini**

- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Think attitude, the mind should seek complete mastery of some one subject rather than a smattering of information about many things.”

- **Moon in Cancer**

- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Feel attitude, the mind should seek to explain its thoughts to others rather than be content with absorbing knowledge.

- **Moon in Leo**

- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Will attitude, the mind should seek to gain esteem through kindness rather than through display and domination.”

- **Moon in Virgo**

- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Analyze attitude, the mind should seek worthy service rather than acid criticism.”

- **Moon in Libra**

- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Balance attitude, the mind should seek beauty and artistic creation rather than ease and luxury.”

- **Moon in Scorpio**

- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Desire attitude, the mind should seek tasks which are helpful to society rather than the destruction of enemies.”

- **Moon in Sagittarius**

- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I See attitude, the mind should seek a sound philosophy rather than too great interest in sports.”

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- **Moon in Capricorn**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Use attitude, the mind should seek honors through serving society rather than through attaining self centered ambitions.”
- **Moon in Aquarius**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Know attitude, the mind should seek practical information rather than be content with untried theories.”
- **Moon in Pisces**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing from the I Believe attitude, the mind should seek faith that all will be well rather than dissipating its energy in worry.”
 - **The Moon in the Houses**
- **Moon in First House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through the personality, fluctuation in health and personal affairs is shown. Domestic interests should be substituted for gossip.”
- **Moon in Second House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through possessions, fluctuating finances are shown. Aggressive effort to gain and use money to aid the helpless should be cultivated”
- **Moon in Third House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through education, travel and changing opinion are shown. Mental activity should be encouraged to greater thoroughness.”
- **Moon in Fourth House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through the home, many changes in the home and in place of residence are shown. Aggressive effort to give domestic comfort to the helpless should be cultivated.”
- **Moon in Fifth House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through pleasures, changing love interests are shown. Aggressive determination to adapt rather than change the affections should be cultivated.”
- **Moon in Sixth House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through work, fluctuating health and many changes in employment are shown. Adaptability to work and working conditions to the end, of attaining stability of employment should be cultivated.”
- **Moon in Seventh House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through partnership, contacting many people is shown. Ability to serve the public well should be cultivated.”
- **Moon in Eighth House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through inheritance, death affecting the life numerous times is shown. Aggressive effort to preserve life and people's money should be made.”
- **Moon in Ninth House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through philosophy, much travel or expression of ideas is shown. Consistency of ideas expressed publicly should be sought.”
- **Moon in Tenth House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through honor, wide publicity for the individual is shown. Aggressive actions for the benefit of the weak and helpless should be cultivated.”
- **Moon in Eleventh House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through friends, friends

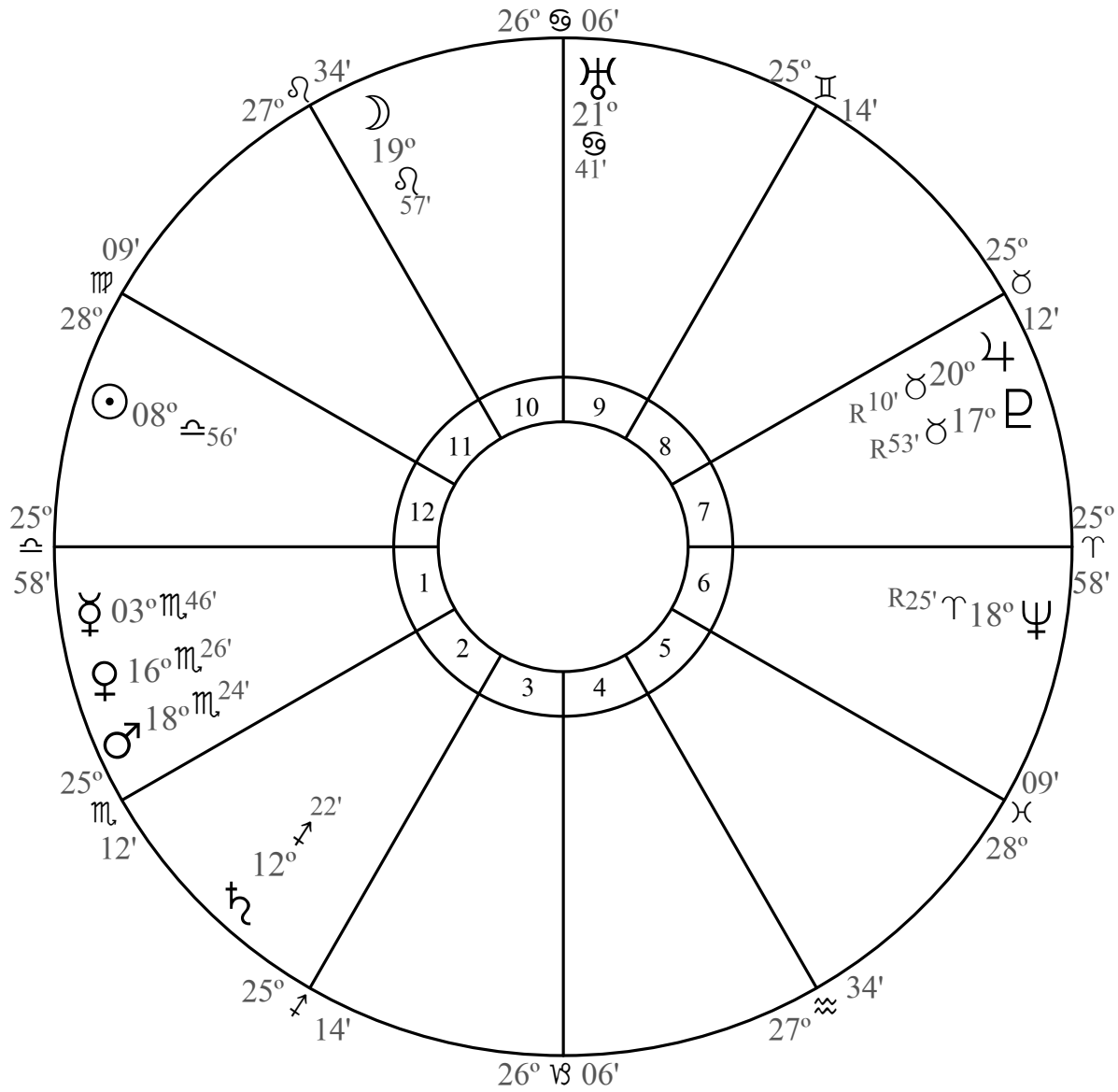
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among the common people are shown. Aggressive effort should be made to realize the hopes, rather than merely dreaming of their realization.”

- **Moon in Twelfth House**
- “With the Domestic thought-cells expressing through disappointment, many minor disappointments, and the secret enmity of women are shown. Aggressive measures to remove the restrictions and alleviate the distress of the common people should be cultivated.”
 - Beginner’s Horoscope Maker and Reader Elbert Benjamine
- **The Semi-Sextile (∇)** is formed when two planets are approximately 30 degrees or one sign apart in

zodiacal longitude. This is a weak, yet harmonious aspect which manifests as a mildly benefic cooperation between the matters represented by the two planets. It does not bring favors without effort, nor does it signify unusual abilities. It indicates opportunities that are not obvious, but which can be created through initiative, and slowly developed and expanded. The positive influences signified by the semi-sextile require careful cultivation to bring into full expression. The keyword that best expresses the most pronounced influence of a Semi-Sextile is **GROWTH**.

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PLANETS				HOUSES				SIGNS			
	Power	%	Harmony		Power	%	Harmony		Power	%	Harmony
☉	16.37	2.5	-5.87	1	270.67	26.8	-61.31	♄	76.62	7.6	-9.26
☽	95.65	14.4	-11.72	2	70.80	7.0	-22.64	♅	168.40	16.7	-9.42
♃	44.47	6.7	-0.64	3	37.26	3.7	3.82	♆	22.24	2.2	-0.32
♀	67.10	10.1	-6.75	4	18.14	1.8	-6.22	♇	153.99	15.3	-13.95
♂	77.73	11.7	-27.08	5	21.02	2.1	0.93	♈	103.84	10.3	-14.65
♃	74.52	11.2	7.65	6	65.83	6.5	7.26	♉	22.24	2.2	-0.32
♄	36.28	5.5	-12.45	7	173.72	17.2	-19.59	♊	97.74	9.7	-32.72
♅	47.82	7.2	16.18	8	33.55	3.3	-3.37	♋	223.82	22.2	-44.66
♆	37.76	5.7	4.28	9	70.05	6.9	15.86	♌	73.54	7.3	-8.62
♇	60.33	9.1	-13.70	10	201.83	20.0	-41.85	♍	18.14	1.8	-6.22
♈	58.35	8.8	-24.27	11	8.18	0.8	-2.93	♎	21.02	2.1	0.93
♁	47.82	7.2	-23.48	12	38.60	3.8	-6.19	♏	28.07	2.8	2.98
♂	664.20	100.0	-97.83								

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	☉	☽	☿	♀	♂	♃	♅	♁	♄	♆	♇	MC	ASC
☉		∠ 2.02 -2.02				☐ 1.25 -0.62	* 2.56 1.28		♁ 1.51 -1.51				
☽				☐ 8.49 -6.37	☐ 10.46 -13.07	☐ 11.77 -5.89	△ 4.42 2.21	∇ 2.25 2.25	△ 10.47 10.47	☐ ^(MR) 9.94 -9.94			* 1.97 1.97
☿		 13.09 0.00										☐ 4.33 -4.33	♁ 7.20 0.00
♀					♁ 10.03 0.00	♁ 8.26 -2.06		△ 4.74 5.93	π 1.01 0.25	♁ ^(MR) 10.55 -7.91	△ 0.33 0.42		
♂				 10.08 0.00		♁ 10.23 -7.67		△ 6.71 5.03	π 2.98 -0.75	♁ 11.48 -14.35	△ 2.30 1.73		
♃		 7.29 3.64	 5.38 2.69					* 5.48 8.23	∇ 1.24 1.87	♁ 9.71 4.85	* 1.07 1.61		
♅									△ 1.95 0.97		☐ 3.74 -5.60		∠ 3.61 -5.41
♁									☐ 2.73 -2.73	* 3.19 3.19	♁ 7.59 0.00		☐ 5.72 -5.72
♄										∇ 2.46 2.46	☐ 2.32 -2.32		♁ 4.45 -4.45
♆													
MC							 11.80 -5.90						☐ 9.87 -9.87
ASC													

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Homework

The Moon in my chart falls in the sign of _____

Some of the best expressions of this sign are _____

Some of the worst expressions of this sign are _____

In my chart the Moon falls in the _____ house

The activities ruled by this house are _____

Some of the ways that I perceive my domesticity, nurturing, and intuition associated with this house are: _____

The relative power of my Moon by astrodynes is: _____

The Percentage of power is _____

The relative harmony or discord of my Moon is _____

The way I perceive this affecting me is _____

The positive qualities of the Moon that I express are _____

The negative qualities of the Moon that I express are _____

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ASPECT	DEGREE	FORMED BY	EXPRESSION	KEYWORD	APPLICATION	NATURE
<u>CONJUNCTION</u> ♌	0°	Two planets in the same sign	Potent Intense Powerful	Prominence	Temperance or Control	Strongly neutral
<u>SEMI-SEXTILE</u> ♍	30°	Two planets 1 sign apart	Adaptable Gentle Pleasant	Growth	Direction	Mildly harmonious
<u>SEMI-SQUARE</u> ♎	45°	Two planets 1 1/2 signs apart	Uncertain Worrisome Annoying	Friction	Positive outlook	Mildly discordant
<u>SEXTILE</u> ♏	60°	Two planets 2 signs apart	Beneficial Creative Inspiration	Opportunity	Development	Moderately harmonious
<u>SQUARE</u> ♐	90°	Two planets 3 signs apart	Dynamic Difficult Destructive	Obstacle	Constructive adaptation	Strongly discordant
<u>TRINE</u> ♑	120°	Two planets 4 signs apart	Ease Ability Favorable	Luck	Effort appreciation	Strongly harmonious
<u>SESQUI-SQUARE</u> ♒	135°	Two planets 4 1/2 signs apart	Restless Irritable Discontent	Agitation	Graceful understanding	Mildly discordant
<u>INCONJUNCT</u> ♓	150°	Two planets 5 signs apart	Independent Convertible Increasing	Expansion	Cultivate strength	Mild neutrality
<u>OPPOSITION</u> ♈	180°	Two planets 6 signs apart	Polarizing Attraction Repulsion	Separation	Choices to restore equilibrium	Strongly discordant
<u>PARALLEL</u> 	0° (declination)	Two planets in the same degree N. or S. declination	Slow Pervasive Independent	Intensity	Development of qualities	Strongly Neutral

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Table of Essential Dignities

PLANET	HOME RULE	DETRIMENT	EXALTATION	DEGREE EXALTATION	FALL	DEGREE FALL	HARMONY	INHARMONY
☉	♈	♋	♌	19	♍	19	♎	♏
☽	♌	♍	♈	3	♎	3	♏	♐
☿	♏-♐	♎-♏	♋	15	♈	15	♎	♏
♀	♏-♐	♎-♏	♏	27	♐	27	♋	♈
♂	♎-♏	♏-♐	♍	28	♌	28	♈	♋
♃	♎-♏	♏-♐	♌	15	♍	15	♏	♎
♅	♍-♎	♌-♍	♐	21	♑	21	♐	♏
♁	♋	♈	♏	7	♎	7	♐	♌
♃	♏	♐	♎	18	♏	18	♌	♍
♁	♎	♏	♈	17	♋	17	♌	♐