Seven Steps in Judging a Horoscope

Step 1: Power (see also Astrodynes; use with caution)

References: CS2, Chapter 3, Mundane Houses, p79; CS8, Chapter 1, Strengths and Aspects of the Planets, page 2 (Table of Essential Dignities).

Planets in Angles	4 or more	2-3	1 or none
Power	Powerful	Moderate	Weak

Step 2: Adaptability – degree of versatility and success in accommodating change

a.) Quadruplicity

References: CS2, Chapter 2, The Zodiac, pages 51-53; CS8, Chapter 2, First Seven Steps in Judging Any Horoscope, pages 48-49.

Moveable	Aries, Cancer, Libra, Capricorn	Pioneers	Active, mold environment
Mutable	Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius, Pisces	Developers	Adaptable, work with available resources
Fixed Taurus, Leo, Scorpio, Aquarius		Perfecters	Determination, rigidity, attention to detail

b.) Number of Planets East and West

References: CS8, Chapter 2, First Seven Steps in Judging, pages 45-46.

Predominantly East	Molds environment and circumstances
Predominantly West	Molded by environment and circumstances

Step 3: Temperament – characteristic or habitual attitude, mood and behavioral responses

a.) Triplicity

References: CS2, Chapter 2, The Zodiac, pages 49-51; CS8, Chapter 2, First Seven Steps in Judging Any Horoscope, page 49.

Fire	Aries, Leo, Sagittarius	Inspiration	Enthusiastic, optimistic, self-reliant, zealous, courageous, command of others
Earth	Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn	Practicality	Down-to-earth, toiling, realistic, sensible, industrious, practical
Air	Gemini, Libra, Aquarius	Aspiration	Mentally alert, volatile, changeable, socially inclined, conversational, interested in art, literature, education and latest science
Water	Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces	Emotion	Domestic, emotional, sympathetic, receptive, yielding, mediumistic

b.) Degree of Emanation

References: CS2, Chapter 2, The Zodiac, pages 53-55

1 st Degree	Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer	Externalize inner nature with LIBERTY	Act chiefly from own feelings , ideas, and inward yearnings.
2 nd Degree	Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio	Externalize inner nature with MODIFICATION	Actions are tempered by what other people think, feel and advise.
3 rd Degree	Sagittarius, Capricorn, Aquarius, Pisces	Externalize inner nature with RESERVE	Actions stem more from what is generally considered appropriate.

Step 4: Life Emphasis - Important Departments of Life

a.) Societies

References: CS2, Chapter 3, Mundane Houses, page 79; CS8, Chapter 2, First Seven Steps in Judging Any Horoscope, page 50

Personal	Houses: 12, 1, 2, 3	Personal matters, personal interest, personal restrictions, physical body, possessions, siblings
Companionship	Houses: 4, 5, 6, 7	Home, end of life, love affairs, children, workmates, partners and marriage
Public	Houses: 8, 9, 10, 11	Legacies, death, public expression of opinion, reputation, friends

b.) Trinities

References: CS2, Chapter 3, Mundane Houses, page 78; CS8, Chapter 2, First Seven Steps in Judging Any Horoscope, page 51.

Life	Chief interest is in living: personal health, children, love life, religion and philosophy
Wealth	Chief interest is of a business nature: personal property, work, workmates, servants, job, credit, and reputation
Associates	Chief interest is the relation to others: siblings, cousins, neighbors, spouse, partners, open enemies and friends
Psychism	Chief interest is in private, secret or hidden things: private life, end of life, death, legacy, disappointments, and secret enemies.

c.) Important Houses - houses containing several planets

Step 5: Note houses that have planets in them and the nature of planetary energy transmitted through them.

a.) Houses/Departments of Life

House	Departments of Life
First	Personality, personal matters, physical body
Second	Money and possessions
Third	Thoughts, writing, siblings, neighbors
Fourth	Home, private life, secret things, end of life, real estate, father
Fifth	Love, entertainment, children, gambling
Sixth	Work, workmates, illness, subordinates, servants
Seventh	Marriage, partnership and open enemies
Eighth	Partner's money, death and inheritance, inner plane friends
Ninth	Religion, philosophy, higher learning, long journeys
Tenth	Honor, credit and reputation, job, mother, superiors
Eleventh	Friends, hopes and wishes
Twelfth	Restrictions, disappointments, secret enemies

b.) Influence on Department of Life (house) by Planet

References: CS8, Chapter 2, First Seven Steps in Judging Any Horoscope, pages 54-57.

Planet	Dept. of Life subject to:	Expresses
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Sun	VIGOR	Matters strongly vitalized and important for influencing motives. Matters represent individuality and center of vital force. Individuality submerged in department of life.
Moon	FLUCTUATION	Impressionable, receptive and changeable with regard to matters in this house. Matters are in gestation and subject to constant small variations.
Mercury	THOUGHT	Maters are the subject of significant mental effort. Mind expresses these things readily. Typical conversational topic.
Venus	GRATUITIES	Affections easily engaged by matters relating to this house. Native feels spontaneous, and charming. Things prosper because of grace and kindness of others. Tendency to follow line of least resistance.
Mars	STRIFE	Forcefulness and energy are expressed. Advantage is gained through combat and initiative. Loss is associated with much struggle. Tends to strenuous activity.
Jupiter	ABUNDANCE	Tends to plenty or over-indulgence. If afflicted and difficulty arises, in some manner a way to keep one's head above water is found.
Saturn	POVERTY	Tends to deficiency and laborious effort – added work and responsibility. Advantages are well earned. Things are withheld or obtained at sacrifice of something else worthwhile.
Uranus	ECCENTRICITY	Radical tendencies tend to manifest. Sudden changes and developments of extreme nature develop. Whatever good is signified in one direction is accompanied by lesser disadvantage in another area and vice versa.
Neptune	ILLUSION	Subject to subtle and visionary factors. Elusive and mystical. Imagination weaves mental pictures around reality.
Pluto	COERCION	Subject to inner-plane influence, facility for cooperation and contacting groups of people. If discordant subject to coercion.

c.) For determining Chief Ruler of a House see CS8, Chapter 2, First Seven Steps in Judging Any Horoscope, page 54-55.

Step 6: Note the Planetary influence through houses without planets.

- a.) Note the ruler of the cusp
- **b.**) House containing the ruler of another house has AUTHORITY over its affairs.