MONEY REPORT OF KURT RUSSELL

INTRODUCTION



It has often been said that money does not bring happiness. It can ease some hardships, but on its own money does not make a person happy. Neither does money make a person feel rich. One person can feel wealthy with very little money, while another feels poor with a great deal. Money worries do not seem to subside when more is accumulated; in fact they often increase

In modern times more and more an indisputable link can been seen between integrity and finance. Money is not just a powerful symbol in culture but an important reality in everyday lives, as the Money, Finance and Business sections of daily newspapers attest. This report has highlighted some of the indicators in your Horoscope that point to your instinctual relationship with money. Sometimes the description might not match your experience or understanding, and sometimes contradictions can be read, but nonetheless the lessons are true. Reflecting upon the astrology will help you to become more aware of how money works in your life and how it is intimately bound up with your personal values. Money is not just a commodity, but is also a symbol of value and worth.

It is rare to meet someone who is indifferent to money. Money is a serious affair; it does matter. The word money finds its way into our modern language from the Latin word ‘moneta’ meaning mint. In the 3rd Century BCE the Romans established a mint at Juno Moneta's temple, which lasted for the next four centuries. The image of the goddess appeared on one side of the coin holding the scales in one hand and the cornucopia in the other, symbols of weighing up and balancing the abundance that the goddess provided. Ironically money has its taproot in a deeper wellspring.

Money plays an important role in your culture and society. It is also a psychological symbol and like all psychic complexes your relationship with it will be complex and complicated. As a psychic symbol, money is part of your fate; therefore becoming aware of your relationship with it helps you become more conscious of its patterns in your life. Gaining an understanding of money and its place in your life can greatly assist in helping you to accept your circumstances and live in an easier flow of life, and an easier relationship with money.

This report has been aimed at helping you understand what role money plays in your life, what you truly value and in helping you focus on your soul’s purpose.

YOUR MONEY TEMPERAMENT



"There are people who have money and there are people who are rich." Coco Chanel, French Fashion Designer

This section reflects on your Sun, Moon and Rising Sign (or Ascendant). The trinity of the Sun, Moon and Ascendant depict character and temperament. In this section each is considered separately, based on your Horoscope's perspective on money. In the last section of this report all three are blended into an ancient formula known as the Part of Fortune.

In your Birth Chart the Sun depicts a driving force and is key to your identity and distinctiveness. This section does not interpret your Sun Sign in general terms, but is referring specifically to how it shapes your attitude to money and possessions. In a way the Sun is indicative of what you value, what emphasis you place on money and possessions and your ability to attract riches. Being "rich" means different things to different people; therefore this section outlines what you value, how you might feel rich. Money does not always equal a feeling of being rich. Perhaps you value freedom more than you value money? Maybe you feel rich when you are surrounded by friends and plain simple fare? On the other hand, perhaps security and money are most important.

Your Sun Sign can indicate an ability to attain great wealth; for instance your Sun in the Sign of Capricorn, Taurus or Aries could indicate great wealth. Each of these Zodiac Signs has different traits that attract wealth in different ways. If your Sun resides in one of the Angular Houses (mentioned below in this report) then you also have the ability to be wealthy. The idea is that the Sun shines its light either dimly or brightly on the wealth sectors of your Birth Chart. The placement of your Sun also shows you how you shine in the world. If you are shining brightly then you are likely to attract health, wealth and happiness. You glow and are rewarded. Your warmth, goodwill and confidence attract attention and you are able to attract riches.

The Moon can also be a strong driver when it comes to financial matters, especially psychologically and emotionally. Emotions and money are strongly linked. "Retail therapy" is commonly acknowledged as an antidote to a "down" day, yet managing emotions with material band-aids is rarely going to address the underlying forces. While an understanding of your own emotional nature is vital for self-acceptance it is not part of this report's purpose. In this section the Money report outlines how your Moon and your emotions can influence your spending habits. When it comes to money your Moon can either help or hinder your ability to successfully handle money matters. Also what does money mean for you? What emotional need does it satisfy? Do you see money as a means of freedom, or does it provide security? Does money represent love? Do you feel more loved when someone shares their resources? These are the types of questions to ask and which your Moon will help you understand.

When reading this report take the best traits from both your Sun and Moon Signs and combine them to help you understand your value system and your emotional needs when it comes to money. This helps you learn how you can best approach your own attitude to money, your spending habits and how to invest. If your Sun and Moon are in the same Zodiac Sign then you reinforce the message and you need to look to your Ascendant to see how to best move forward.

Your Ascendant is outlined as a beacon that points to your purpose in life. While money is an important component it is rarely the source of true happiness. Your Ascendant depicts how you can find purpose and meaning in your life. This helps you inject your material world with spiritual values. Health, wealth and happiness are all derived from living a worthy life. A meaningful life is one which incorporates spiritual values, not just monetary ones. True joy is often felt when you are living in sync with your soul's purpose. This report focuses on money and its place in your Birth Chart and life, but true meaning also comes from living true to yourself. Your Ascendant is a primary signpost which guides you to a life of true worth.

The Sun is in Pisces

Pisces is not generally known as a money Sign, but you do have the ability to dream. This means that when combined with other strong money indicators you can be wealthy. However, you are also a born philanthropist and may be tempted to give away the riches that you are able to attract. Your soft heart needs to be balanced with a sensible budget. On the whole you are unlikely to be materialistic, valuing relationships and creativity more than money itself. It is likely that you are attracted to the artistic, feminine, caring and spiritual side of life. As a result you need other influences in your birth chart to help you in financial and practical matters, if this is what you want. Even with strong money indicators you are more likely to focus on esoteric matters in life. Money and possessions are unlikely to have a strong hold in your life. Your work is likely to involve caring for others such as working in a charitable institution, an aged care home or as a counsellor. You are not likely to enjoy a structured work environment. You need to pay the bills, but actually you value creativity, imagination, sensitivity and free-flowing environments. As such you could make money from your artistic talents. You are sensitive and can be inspired by beauty and the arts. You may also choose to earn your living via your spiritual gifts. Astrology, tarot and psychic readings could help you earn your living. You are not so much focused on security or building a financial portfolio. You would much rather inspire others, and be inspired by others. In fact money matters may weigh heavily on your mind as dealing with the material world is not your forte. You do best when you go with the flow, stop the worrisome thoughts and find inspiration in daily acts of kindness both to yourself and others. If other indicators are present then you can dream big and achieve your dreams. Your co-operative approach to your work, your business and/or your business is appreciated. Therefore you can be the benevolent boss who gains much loyalty and good work from your employees. You can be imaginative and creative in your business ventures. Your task is to focus on matters that are close to your heart, and then money flows.

The Sun is in the 9th House

Life is adventure. This is your attitude. You shine when you are on a quest for knowledge, new experiences, and anything that inspires your imagination. This is not a strong indicator for wealth. So unless you have other wealth indicators you are more likely to spend your earnings on travel, religion, sports, or study rather than accumulate money. Riches mean something different to you. You are rich in thought, word and deed. Traditional astrologer Deborah Houlding states that this placement can mean that you gain from religious sects or matters pertaining to the church, long distance travel and foreign countries, books, letters, advanced learning and the spouse's kin. However it also possible that disputes arise surrounding these matters. You need to be careful to avoid long and entangled legal cases tied into inheritances or monetary matters. Your strength is your ability to rise above petty disputes and enjoy the riches of life's experiences.

The Moon is in Cancer

Money is not as important to you as emotional security. You value feeling safe, particularly the safety of your own home, family and close friends. You are a big softie! You value your loved ones so highly that you have difficulty saying "no", particularly when it comes to the younger members of your family. If you have children then you may spoil them with love and material goods. You need to ensure that you are able to say "no" when it is important to do so, and that you teach them financial independence. Usually you put their needs before your own and this clouds your judgement when it comes to money matters. Unless you learn the art of self-preservation then you are likely to struggle financially. This, of course, depends on other influences in your birth chart. However, Cancerians value emotional experiences, loving bonds, family relationships and tend to leave the money making to others. Therefore

you are more likely to be an employee rather than a boss. Self-employment is likely to feel too insecure for Cancerian crabs unless it is a home or family business. You are more likely to enjoy working in a small business rather than in a large corporation as you value the connections and the intimacy. You are a born home-maker and nurturer. This is what you cherish and what makes you so important to the people in your life. Your ideal work is when your heart is involved – a job that involves your loved ones, a family business, one that gives you freedom to pursue your very personal objectives or one that provides a basis for you to nurture others. The good news is that once you have made up your mind that money is a necessity and a powerful force for good, then you can squirrel away money for a rainy day. Slowly but surely you make up for lost time. You may have to keep your little hoard a secret, but that's ok if it protects you and helps you look after your own financial interests for a while. You may also enjoy investing your time and money in your own home, and perhaps even the property market. After all who knows your loved ones may need shelter one day and you could provide it! The Moon and the Zodiac Sign of Cancer are also linked with the commodity of Silver, so you may invest in Silver or enjoy accumulating Silver trinkets or jewellery.

The Ascendant is in Cancer

Money is not to be confused with love. Caring for others is your major purpose in life. This could be caring for your own family and friends, extended family, pets, children or the elderly, or caring for humanity, or all of these. You're impressionable, tenacious, hospitable, sympathetic and moody. You've strong feelings, ranging from the most pure feelings of compassion to the most intense feelings of antipathy. On the positive side your life is motivated by the highest form of feelings motivating you to care for other people, and bringing both you and the other parties a sense of warmth and emotional satisfaction. However, on a negative note you're highly impressionable and your feelings may be misguided. You're sensitive and easily hurt, and can build a protective wall if you feel vulnerable. All of these traits indicate that you need to make sure that you do not equate love with money. Emotional security does not equal financial security. Your goal is life is to nurture emotions, relationships and your own spiritual goals, not money-making ventures. Take time to notice how little importance money has in your life when you are truly feeling safe and happy. Then take a moment to think about how no amount of money really eases the troubled times. True worth comes from the intimacy and the experiences that you share with your loved ones. If you would like to focus on a positive affirmation connected to money then with your Cancer Ascendant you could use this one from "Creating Money – Keys to Abundance"

by Sanaya Roman and Duane Packer "I bring love and a positive attitude to everything I do".

YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH MONEY



"Money is usually attracted, not pursued."
Jim Rohn, American Entrepreneur

Venus

Intrinsic to Venus is beauty. During her perfectly symmetrical cycle she is brightly visible in morning and evening skies at different times. Her disappearance out of the western skies and resurrection in the east led the ancients to see her as a dual goddess of both heaven and earth. Venus is pleasure and beauty, both in body and in spirit.

In astrological tradition Venus symbolises what is attractive, pleasurable, beneficial and advantageous. Her heavenly and earthy aspects shine through her connection with the Zodiac Signs Libra and Taurus. In her earthy Taurean domain she embodies the values and resources of the material world representing what you find attractive as well as your ability to be attractive. Venus is the law of attraction placing value on what is worthwhile; therefore energetically attracting what is of substance. Being aligned with resources, treasures, fortunes and ornaments, Venus became associated with money as a commodity of exchange. On an economic level Venus symbolises money, as the unit of trade. Venus is relationship-orientated; hence money implies exchange and trade. Money invites us to forge a relationship with what we find attractive, pleasurable and worthy, not only materially, but psychologically and spiritually as well. Venus's two sides make a whole; in her spirited and aesthetic side, she needs a soulful relationship with the material world. In this way she represents an inner sense of worth and value that yearns to be appreciated, honoured and respected. In psychological jargon this is your self-esteem, your inner worth, innate values and authentic merit. Venus symbolises the process of becoming worthy and deserving to feel abundant, pleasured and prosperous.

Being the goddess of sexuality and love, Venus also focuses on relating. Venus themes in relationship centre on shared values, feeling loved and appreciated, pleasure, affection and sensuality. Therefore, Venus's archetypal pattern often gets entangled in issues of both love and money, as popular song lyrics often illustrate. Are diamonds really a girl's best friend? Is it true that money can't buy me love? Can money compensate or substitute for love? Venus' rulership over money is multidimensional: on the material level it is cash and currency, stocks and bonds, funds, investments, assets, capital, diamonds and gold. On other levels it is your personal values and inner aesthetics. On a deeper soulful stratum it is in your self-acceptance and self-love where money's taproot finds its sustenance.

Following is a reflection on the Zodiac Sign of your Venus in your Birth Chart including what you might be attracted to and what you attract to you. What are your money patterns, issues and strengths? Venus too symbolises your authentic attitudes to deeply-held personal values, internal worth, self-esteem and your capacity to love. Ironically it is this capacity to love and give freely that is the key to the lock on your money vault. Let's consider your Venus sign as a metaphor for your personal law of attraction and your innate relationship and attitudes towards money and values.

Venus is in Aries

Values that are dear to you are independence, freedom and self sufficiency, and if money can buy you these then you are already rich. Why waste your precious time making money when you prefer money working for you, buying you more time for adventure and life exploration. Therefore, begin to appreciate your entrepreneurial side. Google creator Larry Page did; he has Venus in Aries and he made billions before he was 30. While your destiny might not be as lucrative as Page's, valuing your innovative and gutsy approach to money will get you farther along the financial freeway than being overly cautious or afraid to take risks.

You want to be involved in the adventure of life, yet still hold onto the flame of idealism, hope and romanticism. You have a buoyant spirit when it comes to what you like; therefore you are generally brave enough to go after what attracts you, whether that's love or money. Being positive definitely helps you tackle life challenges and it is this bravado and boldness that helps you become a magnet for money and relationships. You are good on the uptake, initiating projects and getting things off the ground. But what happens once they are started and your enthusiasm and drive wanes? How do you cope when the projects are launched and things are running smoothly? Just something to reflect upon as it is valuable for you to recognise that you probably do, much better with beginnings than you do with middles or endings, and that your value lies in your visionary spirit and abundant energy to get things rolling.

By now you will recognise the adrenalin that gets unleashed when you have an exciting and creative project to begin. You might also be in touch with the side that wants to take a risk in starting a new venture, as that is what you love and therefore that's where the money is to be made. Therefore you are the type of individual who needs to maximise the outcome when things are on the up and up because the cycle will turn. It is wise to have money in reserve in your rainy day account. You might not appreciate saving or holding back some resources but you need to. While your earnings may surge at times, at other times they may not.

When you begin to value your inner drive, give meaning to your creative ventures, find worth in your independent streak and use your passion to succeed, then you profit from your projects. Not all profits are monetary; some come through travel, others through business perks but nonetheless you profit from your enthusiastic spirit. Sometimes you miss the mark by being too insistent or certain, but mostly you hit the target when you muster your courage and conviction to succeed. Money is not the goal; more it is what money can provide. A secret is to be brave and recognise that the currency of money is in your energetic attitude and passion in what you do. When you love what you do and are passionate about what you create then money finds you. This is your law of attraction: have courage and conviction, presence and passion in what you do and money finds you.

YOUR PERSONAL INCOME



"The art of living easily as to money is to pitch your scale of living one degree below your means." Sir Henry Taylor, English Dramatist and Poet

Astrological tradition has always associated the 2nd House with money and the accumulation of assets. When astrologers are asked questions like 'will I be rich?' and 'how will I make money?' the 2nd House of the Horoscope is the first place to consult. Therefore it is an important consideration in this report.

The 2nd House suggests material riches and also innate resources that can be developed and valued. These are the resources of our personality such as our unique strengths, skills and talents which can be exchanged for income or other rewards. Wealth is multifaceted and not only about money; for some it may be health, peace, family, security. Having found the wellspring of our talent, wealth follows.

This section also describes what we invest with value or what we appreciate and like. This may or may not be money. Psychologically this is the sphere where self esteem and personal values are shaped by your early experiences. Self worth, the impact of family values, the substance and significance you place upon your efforts, income received or value returned are all important to varying degrees. What is pleasant? In our post-modern world what is pleasurable often requires money; but another form of pleasure is experienced through apprenticeship and mastery of our skills and talents, not necessarily through economic management.

Included in this report is a portrait of the Zodiac Sign on your 2nd House cusp and what astrologers call its Ruler. The description of your ruling planet in its House adds another key to unlocking your attitude to money and also whether or not you place importance on money or elsewhere. This ruler is unique in each horoscope.

As far as money is concerned what is most important is whether or not you have a planet in the 2nd House. These 2nd House planets reveal your earning style and suggest how you earn your living or your patterns and relationship to money and possessions. You can liken the planets in the 2nd House to the importance that you place on money, the role that it plays in your life and perhaps the complexes you have about money.

2nd House Cusp is in Leo

Leo, on the gateway to your 2nd House of resources, suggests that your personal creativity, charisma and self-expression play a leading role in feeling satisfied and earning a living. Part of the task of this combination is to value your personal resources and yourself. This may be inharmonious to your personality, which might be self conscious, shy, reserved or prefers to be behind the scenes. However destiny suggests that making a living and feeling satisfied vocationally might draw your personality to the front of the stage. Whether that might be in the role of educator, spokesperson, trainer, healer or entrepreneur there is something about you that makes a difference. What makes your contribution unique is not as simple as following a formula, a map or a job description. It is your own brand and creative passion that makes the difference and how do you put a price on that?

Qualities necessary to maximise your resources are confidence and self-expression. Vocationally you are in a position to capitalise on entrepreneurial projects, technological advancements, educational reforms or corporate changes if you are able to find your own creative expression and confidence. You need to stand out and be seen. If you are self employed or an independent practitioner, then pride in what you do, warmth and generosity are the assets that will secure and enrich your place in the world. You need to feel conformable selling your product, publicising your talents and displaying your creativity. As an artist you need to promote yourself. Innately your generosity of spirit, your geniality and charisma are great assets you bring to your tasks.

Psychologically it is imperative to come to know the self and what it desires. If not you might be prone to inflating your sense of self and becoming out of touch with what you do; equally you might underestimate your sense of creativity and feel undervalued. Sometimes money is the barometer that mirrors back your sense of self worth; when you are feeling creative and confident money flows, but when you are mean and self effacing, money seems hard to come by.

Earning a living can be fun therefore it is valuable to tap into your playfulness and spontaneity and recognise that your work is a playground where you express yourself. Work and fun need to be aligned for you to feel good about yourself. Once you find the rhythm of being engaged in the creative self, you find joy and pleasure in what you do. Therefore a healthy attitude to money is that it is a game and you find the way to enjoy playing it. This enjoyment is innate in you when you find the courage and heart to support your talent. With Leo on the 2nd House cusp, when you hit the jackpot, you will probably get the biggest prize! It is worth the gamble.

Since Leo is on your 2nd House cusp, the opposite Zodiac Sign Aquarius rules your 8th House. This House polarity in the horoscope symbolises the difference between mine and ours, or your attitudes and reactions to sharing resources with others. The 2nd House is your bank account, but the 8th is the joint account. With Leo on the 2nd it is important that you have enough money and resources to invest in the things that are important to you. Through intimate and business relationships you learn how to be more open and liberated about money. Resources are not only materialistic. With this combination value lies in your unique creativity and self expression and how intimate others can help you to disseminate and network this talent.

Ruler of the 2nd House is The Sun
The Sun is in the 9th House

The Sun is the eternal metaphor for the king, the sovereign and the ruler and in your case this influences your money sphere. Here the Sun urges to be financially masterful in this area of your life. As the first representative of the king, your father's relationship with money might be something you could reflect upon when assessing your attitudes to money. How might you have unconsciously absorbed some of his ways of thinking, for richer or poorer? The Sun identifies this sphere as being important to financial achievements and seeks to be in control. Therefore the 9th House of your Horoscope is intimately bound up with how you recognise the importance of money in your life and how you are controlled or influenced by its nature. How might the Sun shine its beacon of light on monetary concerns and financial matters for you?

With the Sun in the 9th House you are instinctually enquiring and questioning, interested in becoming more broad minded and learned about life, whether that is through education, travel, life experience or devotion to an ideal. The key to unlocking your financial confidence is here; therefore it could suggest that being consciously aware of learning about money matters is important or making sure that when it comes to finances you have a broad and philosophical point of view. Knowledge is the key and part of that understanding will be in envisioning what you want and how much resources are necessary for that. Once you know what questions to ask about money and finances you will know how to find the answers. Metaphorically invest in foreign currency. Anything beyond your comfort zone may be worth contemplating. Certainly what is worth considering is that you might be a financier without borders.

Pluto is in the 2nd House

In ancient Greek plutus meant wealth and it is this association with riches that was transferred onto Pluto. But these riches were not what was in the bank but buried underneath. As lord of the underworld he ruled over the vast domain of resources buried below the earth. Psychologically the deity reminds us of the wealth in our own underworld, the untapped resources and riches awaiting release. Literally it might mean the riches excavated from mining, sunken treasure, archaeological ruins or what might have been awarded to you in other's wills. Being in your 2nd House Pluto suggests that you have innate wealth and power to be mined. First and foremost, it is necessary to know what feeds any desires for wealth and capital, as money will confront you with deep issues in yourself. Money might be therapeutic in a way in that it forces you to assess what is of value and meaning to you on the deepest levels. Pluto shapes your sense of worth and value and suggests your best assets are your honesty and integrity.

One of your best resources is your ability to work therapeutically with crisis and change. Part of this pattern is that you will do well in emergencies where you are called upon to go with the 'gut' feelings. And this is your best approach to wealth creation. You will do well when you use your own deeper instincts about what is of value. Anything connected to alterations and renovations, therapeutic interventions, cycles, endings and getting to the underlying truth is a boon to you.

No doubt you have a gut instinct for the right share to buy or a feeling about the best house to purchase. But when can you trust this and when is it a time to be wary? Income could come through mysterious ways like an inheritance. Vocationally professions involving research, medical or psychotherapeutic work, crisis management and consulting or with any underground link could also be lucrative. What is important to know is that you have depth perception, integrity and honesty. When you are able to feel that this are in alignment then it is time to invest. Perhaps the greatest asset you have is the ability to trust yourself in times of decision making about resources and to know that you have made the right choices. Over time you can eliminate what is not necessary; however, you will also bring the hidden treasure to the surface.

When you invest in the things that are of worth to you, not others, then you will understand how you are able to see value where others are unable. What might be discarded of worthless to someone else may have the seeds of fortune for you. Wealth is a subjective experience and while others may objectify money and possessions, to you prosperity engages you at a deeper level. What may be invisible to them is often a great asset to you. Remember Pluto had his invisible helmet that he wore when he came to the surface so he would not be seen. His myth tells us that he only surfaced to obtain what he desired or to seek healing for what has been damaged. Like Pluto you need to bring your intentions to the surface when you are passionately interested in something you value.

You may fear losing your money or be haunted by images of not having. But these are the ways you confront your own sense of worth. At these times you are forced to look deeply into yourself to find what it is you truly possess. It is important to know that these feelings are not prophetic but psychological, forcing you to confront your own sense of worth and find the resources that promote a valued sense of self. While you have the knack of transforming what others have discarded or undervalued to make it an object of worth you often struggle to find the gold in your own shadow.

One recurring pattern with your 2nd House Pluto is that money and accumulation of assets confronts one's sense of worth and power. The question then might be: Does money reflect my worthiness and sense of success in the world? Another pattern is that the accumulation or loss of money is enmeshed with crisis and all or nothing situations. In other words you may unconsciously find yourself close to losing your assets which drives you into rebuilding your resources. In the process you find out how resourceful and powerful you are. However, you do not need to lose everything to know that you have the power to restore and rebuild your capital or that in essence you are truly wealthy. You have a powerful sense of wealth creation which will work for you when you recognise that you would like to be more critically involved in your work and that what you do is valuable.

SHARING YOUR INCOME



"Money, it turned out, was exactly like sex, you thought of nothing else if you didn't have it and thought of other things if you did". James Baldwin, American novelist and social critic

While the 8th House is the House of sharing, astrologers call this the House of STD: sex, taxes and death. Another version of the key initials STD and this house is "sexually transmitted debt". The 8th House seems to be where love and trust get entangled with money. When the seal of trust is broken the joint finances are too! So it is important to look at this area of the Horoscope to consider how you best deal with money when others are involved. This could mean your family of origin, your intimate partner or business partner, even your bank and financial advisor. The 8th House is opposite the 2nd House and therefore forms the natural polarity between what is mine and what is ours. The 2nd House could be thought of as your personal worth, your cash flow on a daily, weekly, monthly or yearly basis. The 8th House then could be considered your overall worth, the dam or the reservoir of your full value. Its mystique is in the depth of its values.

The ancient astrologers' view of the 8th House was mainly about death and questions concerning loss especially gains from loss, such as inheritances or debts. Death and debts are still linked together in our words such as mortgage and amortise. While the modern usage of amortise is a gradual payment of debt, in earlier usage it was withholding property after death. While mort refers to death, amor refers to love. This is the mysterious 8th House amalgam between death, debt and love. A more contemporary outlook scrutinises the 8th House for the link between intimacy and prosperity as well the capacity for sharing resources. In an emotional sense the 8th House is about comfort with intimacy and this becomes a barometer of your ability to share money with those you love.

As the House of inheritance, it is the territory where you claim your familial legacy either psychologically, emotionally or financially. Unearthing your ancestral inheritance may not be as straightforward as you would wish, but the astrological nature of your 8th House will help you to reflect on your familial past and the attitudes towards money and love that you have inherited. The 8th House has also been traditionally associated with the landscape of the underworld. This of course is metaphoric of the unseen inheritances and legacies from the past; hence we might imaginatively think of the 8th House as where we could communicate with the dead. This sphere is where we encounter some skeletons in the family closet that might help reclaim our legacy. It is wise to remember that in antiquity the underworld was the source of buried treasure. Regent of the underworld was Pluto, the god of riches; hence the 8th House is also an area in the horoscope of hidden wealth.

Hidden in this house might also be family issues and legacies about money, wills and desires. Lurking in the familial past may be motifs such as emotional manipulation through money, debt, disputes regarding inheritances, the loss of family money or a deep-seated attitude towards financial control. What was the attitude towards debt or borrowing money that you inherited? What were the familial attitudes towards sharing resources? The 8th House is the place where the two sides of the family merge into one. Psychologically the 8th House reveals the capacity for or the lack of familial intimacy and closeness; therefore, planets here will not only describe the family inheritance, but secret

alliances and taboos in the family. Interred in the 8th House are the familial gains and losses which are passed down through the generations. These gains and losses might be financial as in monetary bequests and inheritances or a familial story of debt. In many cases the gains and losses are emotionally based. The Zodiac Sign on the cusp of the 8th House is the gateway to this intimate area and as such is important in considering how you access this part of yourself. Ultimately the question is how much do you trust yourself to make the right decision in love and money?

As a barometer of closeness, the 8th House refers to the degree of parental intimacy that was experienced growing up. You observe your parents' trust of one another with money and resources. How were they able to share what they had with one another on and what were the primal patterns that you first felt in terms of sharing emotionally and lovingly? Arguments about money are often never really about money but the sense of feeling unloved, unacknowledged or unmet. The template of how you might share your personal resources with others you love is set down early in the atmosphere of the family and affects your feelings of financial trust in adult life. The attachment, emotional security and parental issues of your early life, yet not resolved, will be prone to being re-experienced in an adult way through intimate relationships. You also 'marry' into or relate to your partner's psychological, emotional and financial composition. The will and testament of those who have passed exert their influence on the emotional well-being of those in the present and issues concerning legacies, will, inheritance, shared resources and family trusts are all part of this terrain. Wills of the 8th House also refer to the will of those who have past and still exert emotional and financial control.

The 8th House is a house of mystery and mastery in being true to your deepest self while participating in the world. It depicts how the currents that flow within the financial world, the economic cycles and seasons influence the money market and you. In the 8th House you can see your ability to tune into subtle energies, and to act with integrity and utilise them for your own and others better good. From the perspective of money the 8th House will help you reflect on your buried treasures, your capacity to share and enjoy the pleasures of life with others, your legacies and inheritances as well as the patterns that either keep you indebted to others or able to be resourceful in relationship. Much of the 8th House is a mystery, a secret even unto yourself but this report helps you try to understand what this compelling place means for you.

8th House Cusp is in Aquarius

As the key that unlocks your 8th House, Aquarius often opens the door onto an unexpected realm or turn of events in your intimate relationships. Having an urge for stability and commitment in relationship you may have found that the breaking of trust or an emotional betrayal has initiated you into a greater understanding of yourself. First you have come to accept that while you need emotional security and desire long term commitments, nothing is guaranteed or permanent. Second you have come to recognise the power of your own individuality and choices. Knowing these things allows you greater freedom and selection in your intimate relationships and how you can find security both emotionally and financially.

It is never an easy task to find the equilibrium between independence and togetherness, nor the symmetry between sharing resources and valuing one's one assets. It seems you may have inherited this archetypal impasse; therefore how was this handed in the past? When there were emotional or financial difficulties was the solution just to separate, or was there a willingness to try and negotiate the difficulty. There may be schisms in the past that have never healed over the wound that keeps you feeling a lack of trust in intimate relationships. If it is a matter of trust, then it is important to know that it is the trust and honesty in yourself and your intentions that will help you see clearly.

It may be interesting to reflect on what you have been separated from in terms of your inheritance and how you best can move forward. The task you have inherited seems to be how you can best claim your independence and individuality within a shared intimate space without having to separate or push anyone away to get it. Perhaps it may be easier to sort out the financial entanglements before the emotional ones. What do you feel is the best solution to your financial freedom without endangering your emotional security? It might be best to be as separate or perhaps distinct into your financial arrangements with others as possible. It is important to acknowledge that you are different in your emotional and financial needs, but this is not the same as being disengaged or disconnected.

The trick seems to be how you are able to manage your independent needs with a committed relationship. You work well in a committed union whether that is personal or professional, yet there is the need to feel separate enough to make crucial decisions and judgements in your own way without fearing that you have disappointed or pushed someone away.

One of the ways to avoid the conundrum is not to become emotionally or financially entangled with others or be too busy to deal with the contentious issues. However it is in dealing with the complexity of the issues that you will find your freedom and separateness. In avoiding the difficult feelings in relationship you miss the chance for resolution and liberation. Therefore rather than avoiding intimacy due to the fears of betrayal or hurt, it is worthwhile investing in your own sense of authentic independence and individuality, not from a defensive posture, but as a pro-active position to feeling secure in yourself. Before any financial or emotional union you need to feel separate enough in your own attitudes and opinions to enter into a commitment. You do not need to enter intimate unions professionally or personally like everyone else; therefore you need to be aware of your unique needs in any contractual or financial arrangement.

The mystery about your finances is that when you are able to feel independent of other's needs and free from the pressure of following someone else's program you are astute at handling your own money.

Ruler of the 8th House is Saturn
Saturn is in the 3rd House

When Saturn is associated with your 8th House it usually means that you can achieve your financial goals through hard work and application. In other words wealth does not come easily to you but you can eventually grow a healthy portfolio. Unless you have other indicators of great wealth you have to use your wits, common sense and careful planning whenever you are associated with investments, bank loans, business, joint partnership projects and any money that comes from outside sources. Once again, unless you have other positive influences in your Birth Chart, you are unlikely to inherit large sums of money, or property. Your wealth is gained largely through your own efforts. The good news is that the planet Saturn can be associated with wealth because it indicates a sound sense of timing, an understanding of cycles, and an ability to achieve concrete results. Therefore wealth and riches of lasting value can be yours in the end. Although it does not guarantee success, your reputation and the respect of others can stand you in good stead for reaping the rewards of your labour. Likewise if you sully your reputation or fritter away your income you are likely to suffer the consequences. If you take a responsible approach to investing the money that you earn then you can reap the rewards. When Saturn also resides in the 3rd house of your Birth Chart then your communication skills become one of your biggest assets. Your voice and your ability to speak (or sing, write or design) can be money spinners because you are able to earn the respect of others. This also augurs well for any type of marketing business. When it comes to money matters your ability to plan is likely to be important. You can seek the advice of elders in your family, advisors in society and those in authority. You may have good bargaining skills. Learning by experience, putting together a financial plan and following it step by step is your forte when it comes to accruing assets and enjoying good fortune.

You have no planets in your 8th House. While the financial and intimate matters of this house are still of concern and interest, they may feel manageable and under control, since they are not influenced by the presence of a planet. Since the planets symbolise the multiplicity of human impulses, your attitude towards monetary exchange and investment may not be as complex. Like everyone else you have loans, income and share in the economy; however investing and money matters are probably not your main concerns. This report shows you how money works in your life; with this lack of any planet in your 8th house energy is directed towards other areas of your life. While you may relate to the information provided about money other areas are likely to be highlighted. However you do have a sign on your 8th house cusp which acts as a gateway to this sphere of your life. It also has a ruler and this is explored for you as follows.

YOUR FORTUNE



"I have always believed, and I still believe, that whatever good or bad fortune may come our way we can always give it meaning and transform it into something of value." Hermann Hesse, Novelist, Poet and Painter

The Part of Fortune

Fortune has come to mean money and wealth; yet in the ancient world it referred to chance or luck. Both are interconnected. In your Horoscope you will have a "Part of Fortune" an astrological point which suggests some clues about your quality and share of fortune be that chance or capital. One of astrology's first authorities Ptolemy suggested that the Part of Fortune was primary to the circumstances that regulate the 'fortune of wealth'.

The Part of Fortune is constructed from the three highly significant positions of the Sun, Moon and Ascendant that were discussed in the first section. In this section all three are merging to create an astrological image connected to our personal fortune. This report uses the formula dependent on whether you are born at night or if you were born during the day when the Sun was above the horizon. The Part of Fortune is an amalgam of body, soul and spirit. The Ascendant represents the physical environment and your levels of vitality, it is a primary gauge for well-being both in terms of health and wealth. Your Sun represents vital force, the spirit of health and heart, while your Moon symbolises the emotional and soulful aspects of being secure in the world. Since the alchemy of all three create the Part of Fortune, it came to be seen as an image of well being, connection, security and being well-placed in the world. This was considered to be prosperity; an ability to be supported by the world and access its abundant resources.

The Part of Fortune is also known as the Lot of Fortune. In ancient Greece, the concept for fate suggested a lot, a portion or what we were allotted in the lottery of life. The Greek word for fate was 'moira' and the Moirai were the three weavers of fate; those who measured, allocated and cut the threads of one's life. With this lot, the ancient astrologers recognised that the tapestry created by weaving the three threads of the Sun, Moon and Ascendant together would be fortunate. To the Romans, Fortuna was chance and she spun the Wheel of Fortune. This wheel reminds us not only of the wheel of the zodiac, but the natural cycles and rhythms of life. Fortune is not static but cyclical by nature; hence the Part of Fortune becomes a powerful symbol in your chart that points to your lot on the wheel of fortune. In a contemporary way the placement of the Part of Fortune is where you honour and petition the goddess of chance and acknowledge your share of fortune.

As an ancient symbol in a contemporary context its placement in the Horoscope measures prosperity or where you align with the seed potential of your fortune. Its sign position will help you amplify innate qualities that are destined at times to be prosperous, while its house position will locate the setting to focus on to increase your chances in the lottery of life.

The Part of Fortune is in Libra

With the Part of Fortune in Libra, peace and partnership are entwined along your path to prosperity. Your fortune is to be in the company of those you like, to be in relationship with those you love and find a way to be at peace with those who are difficult. Mother Teresa once said: “If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other”,

which is characteristic of the challenge to work in relationships, especially with those who we might find difficult. Your lot in life is to strive for reconciliation and balance without enlisting in the Peace Corps or becoming a saint! This quest for peace is deeply embedded in the human psyche, personified early as the Greek goddess Eir?n?. In a well-known statue of the goddess, she holds the child Wealth in her arms, an apt personal metaphor for the affluence that peacetime brings. It is in times of serenity when you have the opportunity to prosper. Your Wheel of Fortune spins in your favour in periods of calm and harmony.

The Sign Libra often points to the fate of being in the middle, appeasing the aggressor and comforting the victim. You are fortunate when you summons the grace to be able to see past the faults in others and supportive to those who have been discouraging. The three separate strands that interweave to create your Part of Fortune produce a refined and sophisticated tapestry able to be seen from all sides. Your lot in life is to see the situation from all aspects, weigh it up and then make a choice. Your prosperity depends on making these choices. But you are lucky: Providence has introduced you to some very cooperative and beneficial partners and associates who can steer you through the decision-making process. Success is always a two-way street and you are fortunate when you can share your success and prosperity with others. You are fortunate in that you are not alone and can summons financial support and resources from your life partners. Venus rules your lot; therefore its blessing brings the appropriate people to you at the right time.

The Part of Fortune is in the 4th House

When the Part of Fortune is placed in the 4th House of your Birth Chart then you are fortunate indeed. The ancient Astrologers believed that this was a most fortuitous sector of a Birth Chart. Since the 4th House represents the atmosphere of the family of origin some of your keys to fortune rest under the foundations of the family home. Fortune may well come through the parents; however this might not necessarily be in the form of cash or material assets, but in terms of what you may have inherited emotionally or psychologically. What is your attitude towards prosperity and how has this been shaped by your parent’s experiences of money? Was the emphasis on physical possessions or centred on the felt experience of home and family, the sense of belonging and the gift of place? Your inner sense of security is the platform on which you can build up your fortune. It is probably when you have the feeling that you are settled in the right place that you are able to begin building your wealth. The weight of your familial past and your own depth of security become the counterweights that secure your Wheel of Fortune.

With the Part of Fortune placed in the sphere of the family home as well as your own home, these might become wellsprings of capital for you. However you may also have a knack at real estate and gain from investment in land and property. Or this could suggest that you gain through a family business or family investments. Symbolically this indicates that your prosperity is entwined with feeling grounded and settled, able to feel that your roots are firmly planted in home soil. With a solid foundation your family tree can flourish and your particular branch can reach out towards success.

CONCLUSION



"Someone is sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago" Warren Buffett, American Business Magnate

Once upon a time, monks entering religious service were required to take a vow of poverty. Even though the Church was far from impoverished, this vow was designed to turn the initiate's gaze away from the acquisition of possessions to participation in a communal and spiritual life. Christian teaching suggested it was easier for a camel to squeeze through the eye of a needle than a moneyed man to get into heaven. From this religious viewpoint it was believed that money corrupts and detracts from salvation. Infatuation with riches was considered diametrically opposed to the religious impulse. In the Christian era, the marketplace and the church were seen to be at odds with one another. These beliefs seem to be a long time ago. Or are they?

As mentioned the root of money takes us back to the Roman goddess Juno Moneta, who has helped us reflect on our relationship with money. As the protector of funds Moneta came to be associated with Juno through the following legend. When the Roman army was faltering, out of resources and demoralized, they prayed to Juno for guidance. The goddess advised them that if their cause was just and they fought for what they believed in, then money would be forthcoming. With a reinvigorated spirit the soldiers continued their battle and money and resources arrived from Rome. From this point forward money was minted in the temple of Juno Moneta as a reminder that when there was genuine need and realistic values, then money would follow. From the earliest times money has been associated with the divine, a symbol of the goddess' fortune.

Moneta was also the Latin name for Mnemosyne, the goddess of Memory and the mother of the Muses. Moneta was also said to remind us, at times warn us, of our relationship with money. Therefore Moneta re-minds us that money is not just a literal matter but connected to the emotional and soulful realm of human experience, the sphere where astrology can be so revealing. Embedded in your Horoscope is an instinctual approach to your values and money. Understanding your own astrological relationship to money can help you be more aware of personal values and your unique approach to money matters. In turn this then helps you learn how to make the most of the money you earn and maximise your prosperity.

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This report is meant more of an introduction to the wonders of astrology rather than a complete course in its intricacies. Further studies, or a consultation with a professional astrologer, are also encouraged to explore this most ancient scientific and philosophic tool.

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