

Complete Relationship Report

for

John Lennon & Yoko Ono

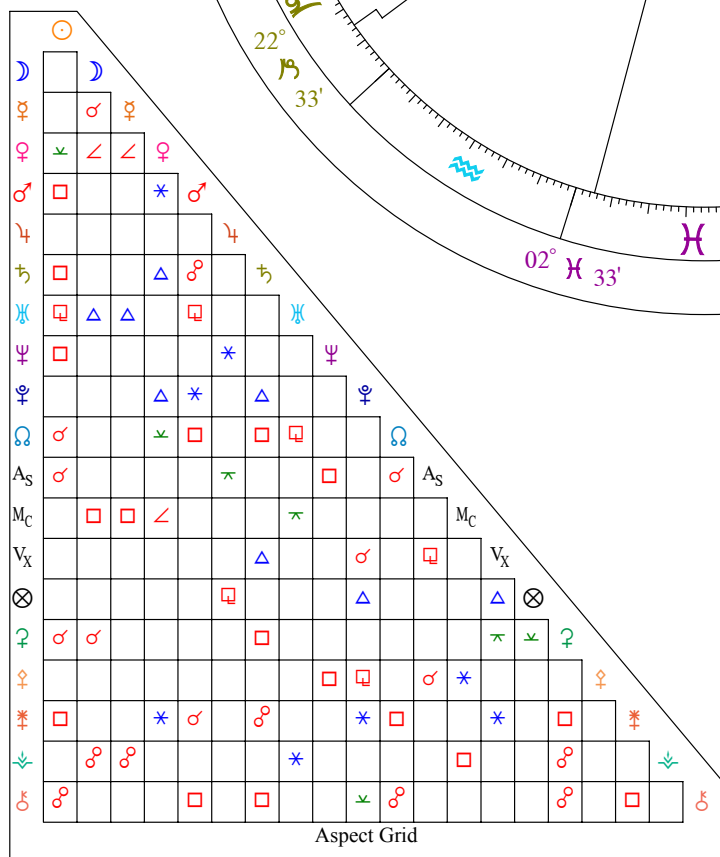
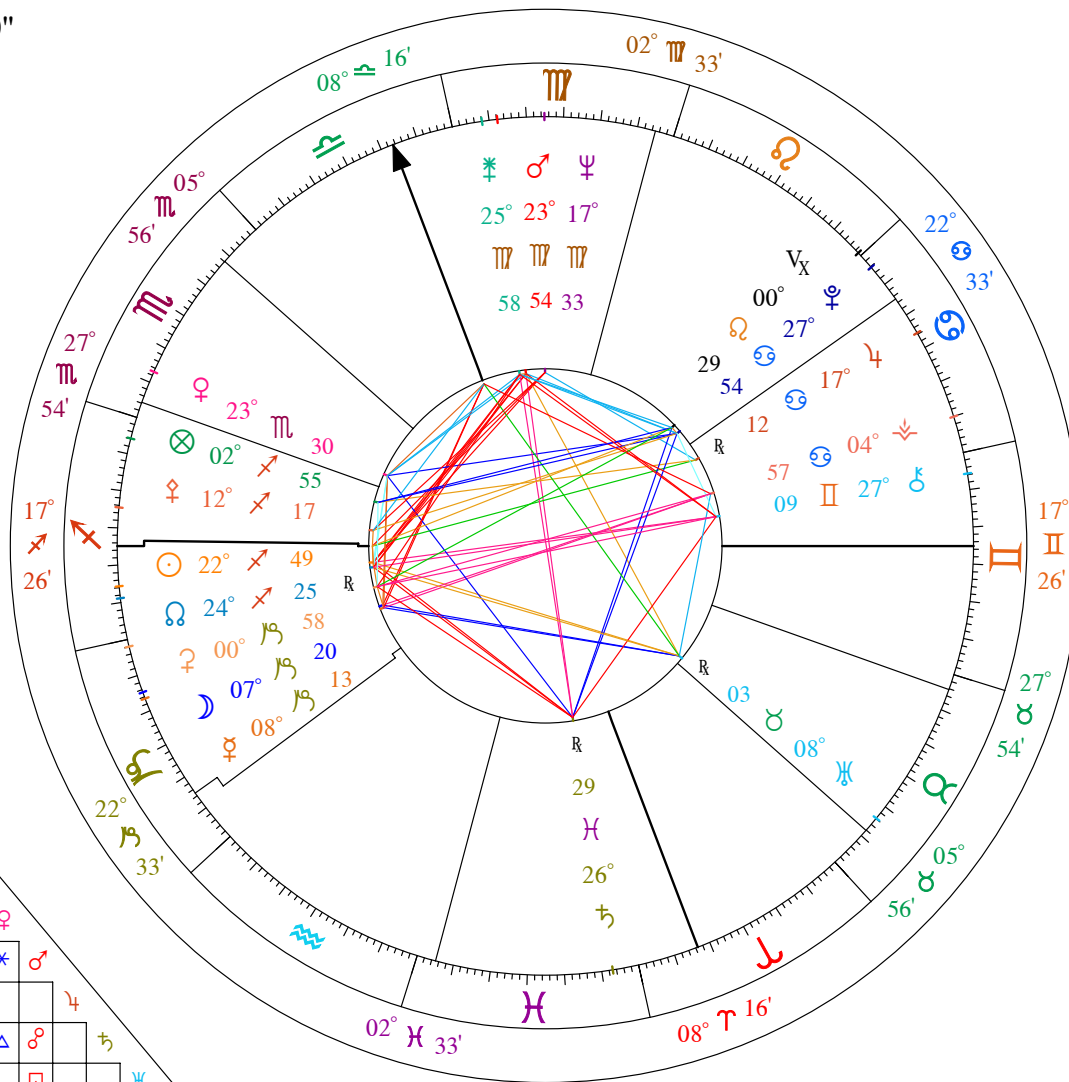
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Derived Composite Chart for
 John Lennon & Yoko Ono
 New York, NY
 53°N 25'00"
 2°W 55'00"

Tropical
 Geocentric
 Placidus

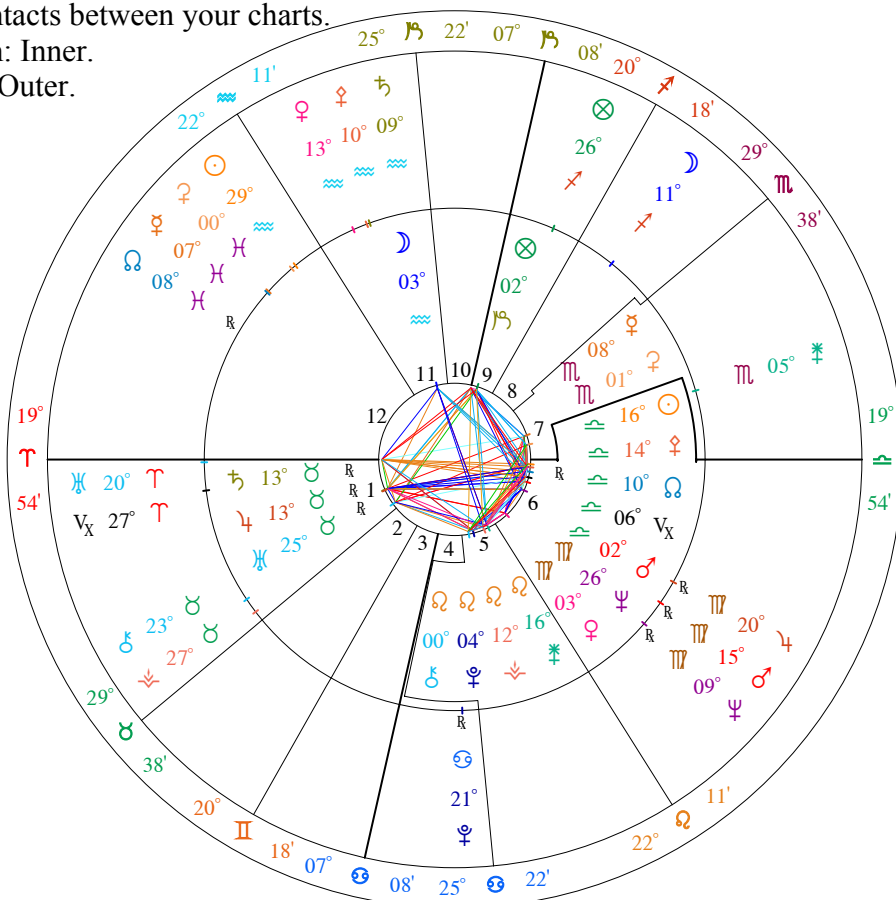


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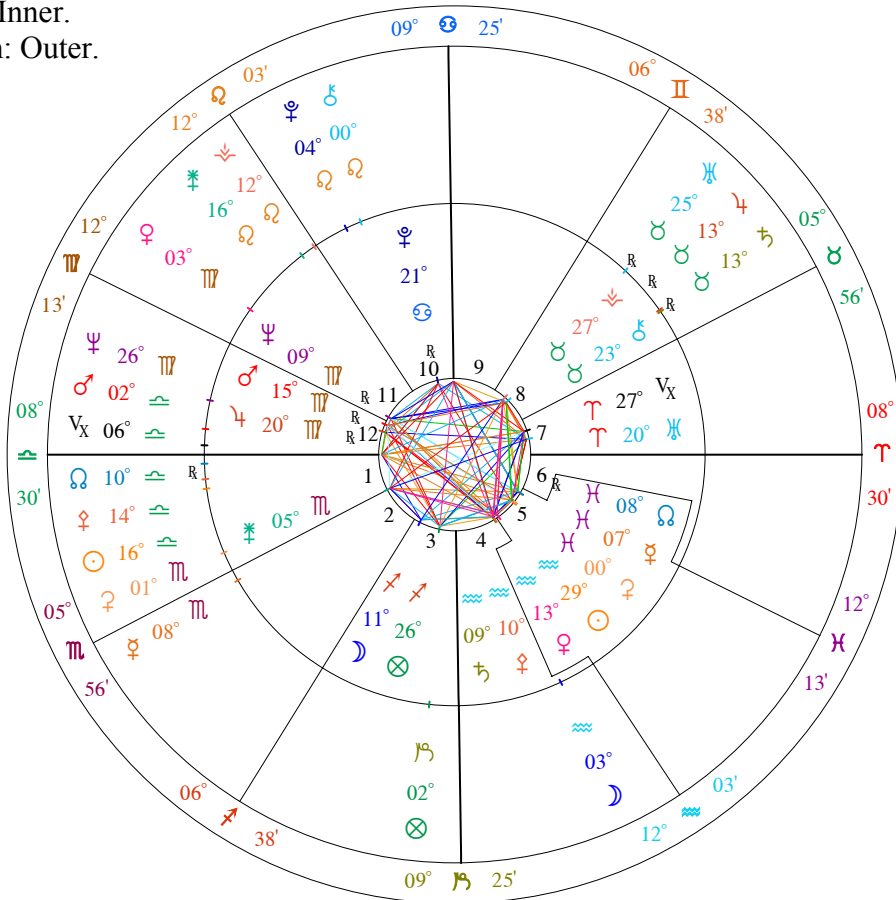
John Lennon: Inner.

Yoko Ono : Outer.



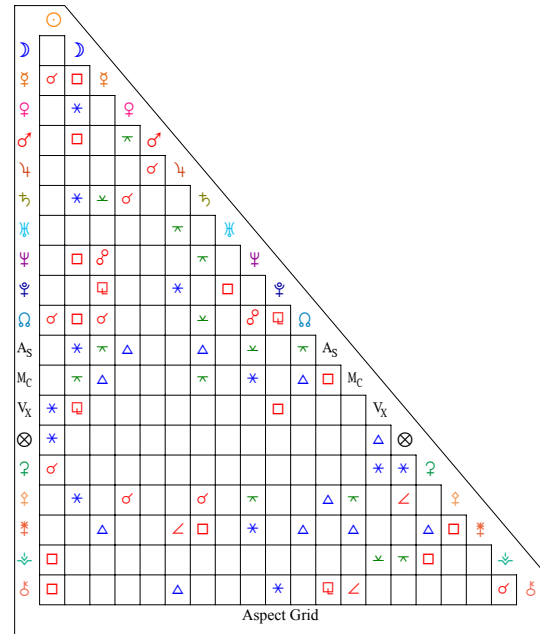
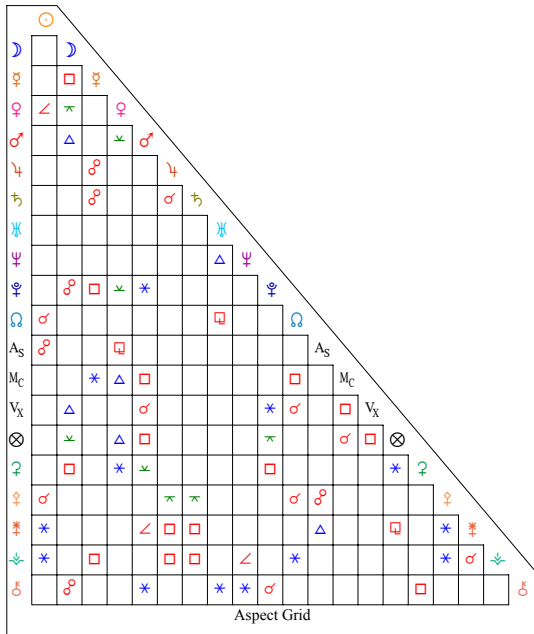
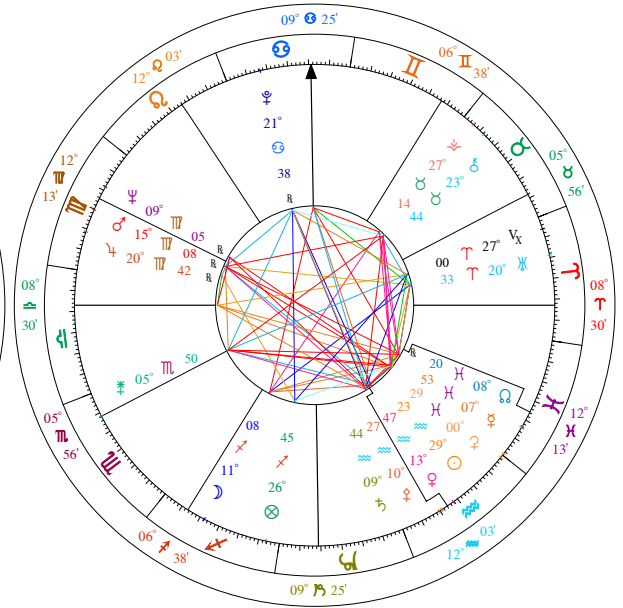
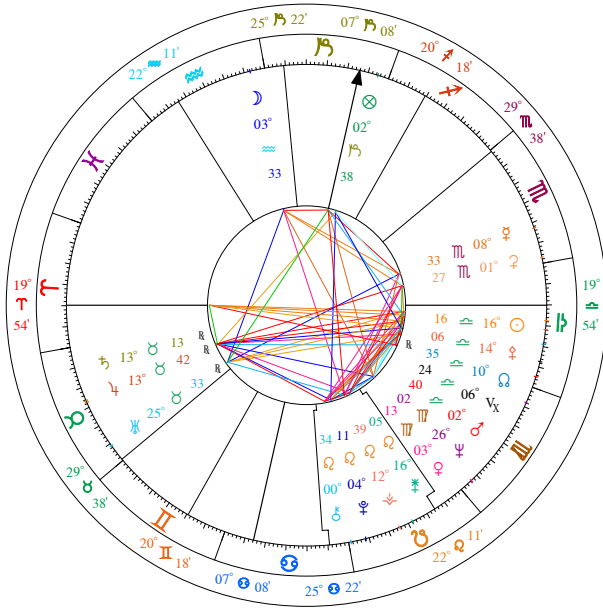
Yoko Ono : Inner.

John Lennon: Outer.



John Lennon
 Liverpool, England
 Oct 9 1940
 6:30:00 PM

Yoko Ono
 Tokyo, Japan
 Feb 18 1933
 8:30:00 PM



Composite Chart Positions

Planet		Sign	Longitude	Declination
☉ Sun	is in	♐ Sagittarius	22° 49' 25"	- 6° 24' 00"
☾ Moon	is in	♑ Capricorn	7° 20' 18"	-14° 36' 00"
☿ Mercury	is in	♑ Capricorn	8° 13' 29"	-16° 14' 00"
♀ Venus	is in	♏ Scorpio	23° 30' 01"	+10° 34' 00"
♂ Mars	is in	♍ Virgo	23° 53' 38"	- 0° 11' 00"
♃ Jupiter	is in	♋ Cancer	17° 11' 37"	+14° 37' 00"
♄ Saturn	is in	♓ Pisces	26° 28' 33"	+13° 18' 00"
♅ Uranus	is in	♉ Taurus	8° 03' 00"	+18° 53' 00"
♆ Neptune	is in	♍ Virgo	17° 33' 12"	+ 2° 41' 00"
♇ Pluto	is in	♋ Cancer	27° 54' 30"	+23° 07' 00"
♁ N. Node	is in	♐ Sagittarius	24° 24' 40"	- 4° 22' 00"
♌ Ascendant	is in	♐ Sagittarius	17° 25' 44"	-22° 51' 00"
♍ Midheaven	is in	♎ Libra	8° 16' 09"	- 3° 17' 00"
♊ Vertex	is in	♌ Leo	0° 28' 59"	+20° 03' 00"
☽ Fortuna	is in	♐ Sagittarius	2° 54' 51"	-20° 44' 00"
♁ Ceres	is in	♑ Capricorn	0° 58' 16"	- 6° 54' 00"
♁ Pallas	is in	♐ Sagittarius	12° 16' 36"	+ 3° 20' 00"
♁ Juno	is in	♍ Virgo	25° 57' 47"	+ 6° 42' 00"
♁ Vesta	is in	♋ Cancer	4° 56' 41"	+17° 54' 00"
♁ Chiron	is in	♊ Gemini	27° 08' 59"	+13° 25' 00"

Composite Aspects

☉ Sun	is	♁	Semisextile	♀ Venus	The orb is 0° 41'
☉ Sun	is	☐	Square	♂ Mars	The orb is 1° 04'
☉ Sun	is	☐	Square	♄ Saturn	The orb is 3° 39'
☉ Sun	is	☐	Sesquiquadrate	♅ Uranus	The orb is 0° 14'
☉ Sun	is	☐	Square	♆ Neptune	The orb is 5° 16'
☉ Sun	is	♌	Conjunct	♁ N. Node	The orb is 1° 35'
☉ Sun	is	♌	Conjunct	♈ Ascendant	The orb is 5° 24'
☉ Sun	is	♌	Conjunct	♀ Ceres	The orb is 8° 09'
☉ Sun	is	☐	Square	♁ Juno	The orb is 3° 08'
☉ Sun	is	♄	Opposite	♄ Chiron	The orb is 4° 20'
☾ Moon	is	♌	Conjunct	☿ Mercury	The orb is 0° 53'
☾ Moon	is	♌	Semisquare	♀ Venus	The orb is 1° 10'
☾ Moon	is	♌	Trine	♅ Uranus	The orb is 0° 43'
☾ Moon	is	☐	Square	♁ Midheaven	The orb is 0° 56'
☾ Moon	is	♌	Conjunct	♀ Ceres	The orb is 6° 22'
☾ Moon	is	♄	Opposite	♁ Vesta	The orb is 2° 24'
☿ Mercury	is	♌	Semisquare	♀ Venus	The orb is 0° 17'
☿ Mercury	is	♌	Trine	♅ Uranus	The orb is 0° 10'
☿ Mercury	is	☐	Square	♁ Midheaven	The orb is 0° 03'
☿ Mercury	is	♄	Opposite	♁ Vesta	The orb is 3° 17'
♀ Venus	is	♌	Sextile	♂ Mars	The orb is 0° 24'
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♀ Venus	is	♌	Trine	♁ Pluto	The orb is 4° 24'
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♀ Venus	is	♌	Semisquare	♁ Midheaven	The orb is 0° 14'
♀ Venus	is	♌	Sextile	♁ Juno	The orb is 2° 28'
♂ Mars	is	♄	Opposite	♄ Saturn	The orb is 2° 35'
♂ Mars	is	☐	Sesquiquadrate	♅ Uranus	The orb is 0° 51'
♂ Mars	is	♌	Sextile	♁ Pluto	The orb is 4° 01'
♂ Mars	is	☐	Square	♁ N. Node	The orb is 0° 31'
♂ Mars	is	♌	Conjunct	♁ Juno	The orb is 2° 04'
♂ Mars	is	☐	Square	♄ Chiron	The orb is 3° 15'
♃ Jupiter	is	♌	Sextile	♆ Neptune	The orb is 0° 22'
♃ Jupiter	is	♌	Quincunx	♈ Ascendant	The orb is 0° 14'
♃ Jupiter	is	☐	Sesquiquadrate	♁ Fortuna	The orb is 0° 43'
♄ Saturn	is	♌	Trine	♁ Pluto	The orb is 1° 26'
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♄ Saturn	is	♌	Trine	♁ Vertex	The orb is 4° 00'
♄ Saturn	is	☐	Square	♀ Ceres	The orb is 4° 30'
♄ Saturn	is	♄	Opposite	♁ Juno	The orb is 0° 31'

♄ Saturn	is	□ Square	♁ Chiron	The orb is 0° 40'
♅ Uranus	is	▢ Sesquiquadrate	♊ N. Node	The orb is 1° 22'
♅ Uranus	is	⋈ Quincunx	♁ Midheaven	The orb is 0° 13'
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♆ Neptune	is	□ Square	♈ Ascendant	The orb is 0° 07'
♆ Neptune	is	□ Square	♃ Pallas	The orb is 5° 17'
♇ Pluto	is	♋ Conjunct	♁ Vertex	The orb is 2° 34'
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♇ Pluto	is	⋈ Semisextile	♁ Chiron	The orb is 0° 46'
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♃ Ceres	is	♁ Opposite	♁ Chiron	The orb is 3° 49'
♃ Juno	is	□ Square	♁ Chiron	The orb is 1° 11'

Composite Planets in Elements and Modes

Fire	: ☉ ♀ A _S V _X ⊗ ♀	Total = 6	Weighted Score = 6
Earth	: ☾ ♀ ♂ ♃ ♄ ♅ ♆	Total = 7	Weighted Score = 9
Air	: M _C ♂	Total = 2	Weighted Score = 3
Water	: ♀ ♃ ♅ ♆ ♇	Total = 5	Weighted Score = 5
Cardinal	: ☾ ♀ ♃ ♆ M _C ♅ ♇	Total = 7	Weighted Score = 10
Fixed	: ♀ ♃ V _X	Total = 3	Weighted Score = 3
Mutable	: ☉ ♂ ♅ ♆ ♇ A _S ⊗ ♀ ♆ ♂	Total = 10	Weighted Score = 10

Weights Used Above

Sun	= 3	Moon	= 3	Mercury	= 2	Venus	= 2
Mars	= 2	Jupiter	= 1	Saturn	= 1	Uranus	= 1
Neptune	= 1	Pluto	= 1	N. Node	= 0	Ascendant	= 3
Midheaven	= 3	Vertex	= 0	Fortuna	= 0	Ceres	= 0
Pallas	= 0	Juno	= 0	Vesta	= 0	Chiron	= 0

Synastry Aspects

☉ Sun	is	▣	Sesquiquadrate	☉ Sun	The orb is 1° 53'
☉ Sun	is	△	Trine	♀ Venus	The orb is 2° 29'
☉ Sun	is	⋈	Semisextile	♂ Mars	The orb is 1° 09'
☉ Sun	is	♋	Opposite	♃ Uranus	The orb is 4° 17'
☉ Sun	is	▣	Square	♇ Pluto	The orb is 5° 22'
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☉ Sun	is	△	Trine	♀ Pallas	The orb is 5° 49'
☾ Moon	is	♌	Conjunct	♄ Saturn	The orb is 6° 11'
☾ Moon	is	△	Trine	♈ Ascendant	The orb is 4° 58'
☾ Moon	is	♌	Conjunct	♀ Pallas	The orb is 6° 54'
☾ Moon	is	▣	Square	♁ Juno	The orb is 2° 17'
☿ Mercury	is	△	Trine	☿ Mercury	The orb is 0° 40'
☿ Mercury	is	▣	Square	♀ Venus	The orb is 5° 14'
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☿ Mercury	is	⋈	Sextile	♆ Neptune	The orb is 0° 31'
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☿ Mercury	is	⋈	Semisextile	♈ Ascendant	The orb is 0° 03'
☿ Mercury	is	△	Trine	♍ Midheaven	The orb is 0° 51'
☿ Mercury	is	▣	Square	♀ Pallas	The orb is 1° 53'
☿ Mercury	is	♌	Conjunct	♁ Juno	The orb is 2° 43'
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♁ Midheaven	is	△ Trine	♆ Neptune	The orb is 1° 57'
♁ Midheaven	is	* Sextile	♊ N. Node	The orb is 1° 13'

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V _X	Vertex	is	*	Sextile	☾	Moon	The orb is	4° 44'
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V _X	Vertex	is	△	Trine	♄	Saturn	The orb is	3° 20'
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V _X	Vertex	is	☐	Square	M _C	Midheaven	The orb is	3° 01'
V _X	Vertex	is	△	Trine	♀	Pallas	The orb is	4° 03'
V _X	Vertex	is	⋈	Semisextile	♆	Juno	The orb is	0° 34'
⊗	Fortuna	is	*	Sextile	☉	Sun	The orb is	3° 15'
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⊗	Fortuna	is	*	Sextile	♀	Ceres	The orb is	2° 08'
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A Comparison of Your Charts

This astrological report takes a look at your birth charts to see how the two of you would be likely to interact in dating, a love affair, or, especially, in a long-term partnership like marriage. Its purpose is to make you more conscious of what's really going on between you. In the pages that follow, you'll get a better appreciation of what each of you wants and needs when you pair off with another person. Regarding your relationship with this particular partner, you'll see strengths that you can cultivate, and also be alerted to possible problems that could get in the way of your happiness.

If you read about problems, don't worry. Almost every astrological combination has both positive and negative possibilities. We include some common ways in which astrological combinations are misused, but you may never experience the negative sides. Much depends on other things in your chart and on the way you're using what has been given you.

The important thing is to be aware of your choices. As you read you'll see that when faced with virtually any so-called problem between the two of you, you can choose a desirable or an undesirable way to act. This report will try to show you where the problem is coming from, and suggest constructive things that you can do. It will also alert you to the strengths that you can build upon to create an increasingly strong and satisfying relationship.

In this report you'll find sections on:

- *Your Styles of Relating.* We'll first look at each of you as individuals. We'll start with your basic personality type, and then look close-up at your needs and attitudes regarding romance, partnership and sex. Your section is addressed to you as an individual, but if your partner also reads your section, he or she may better understand your overall approach to life and the way you go about relating to people.
- *How You See Each Other.* For each of you, we'll explore how the way you see your partner is shaped by the lens of your own horoscope.
- *The Dynamics between You.* For clues about the sorts of dramas that go on between you, we'll look at each aspect that links a point in your chart to a point in your partner's chart. These "interaspects" will show both the assets and the problems in your relationship.
- *The Chart of the Relationship Itself.* Finally, we'll analyze the relationship itself by combining the birth charts of each of you into a single "composite chart." When your relationship is well established, the composite chart shows how you as a couple approach the rest of the world, and how you're viewed as a result of being together.

John Lennon

John Lennon's Chart Positions

Planet		Sign	Longitude	Declination
☉ Sun	is in	♎ Libra	16° 16' 04"	- 6° 24' 00"
☾ Moon	is in	♒ Aquarius	3° 32' 49"	-14° 36' 00"
☿ Mercury	is in	♏ Scorpio	8° 33' 30"	-16° 14' 00"
♀ Venus	is in	♍ Virgo	3° 12' 55"	+10° 34' 00"
♂ Mars	is in	♎ Libra	2° 39' 45"	- 0° 11' 00"
♃ Jupiter	is in	♉ Taurus	13° 41' 31"	+14° 37' 00"
♄ Saturn	is in	♉ Taurus	13° 12' 54"	+13° 18' 00"
♅ Uranus	is in	♉ Taurus	25° 33' 07"	+18° 53' 00"
♆ Neptune	is in	♍ Virgo	26° 01' 50"	+ 2° 41' 00"
♇ Pluto	is in	♌ Leo	4° 11' 17"	+23° 07' 00"
♁ N. Node	is in	♎ Libra	10° 34' 54"	- 4° 11' 00"
♈ Ascendant	is in	♈ Aries	19° 54' 18"	+ 7° 47' 00"
♊ Midheaven	is in	♐ Capricorn	7° 07' 36"	-23° 15' 00"
♋ Vertex	is in	♎ Libra	6° 23' 51"	- 2° 32' 00"
☽ Fortuna	is in	♐ Capricorn	2° 37' 33"	-23° 25' 00"
♁ Ceres	is in	♏ Scorpio	1° 27' 07"	- 6° 54' 00"
♁ Pallas	is in	♎ Libra	14° 06' 14"	+ 3° 20' 00"
♁ Juno	is in	♌ Leo	16° 05' 28"	+ 6° 42' 00"
♁ Vesta	is in	♌ Leo	12° 39' 24"	+17° 54' 00"
♁ Chiron	is in	♌ Leo	0° 33' 55"	+13° 25' 00"

John's Style of Relating

John, to find someone who's right for you and then form a happy and lasting relationship, you first need to have a sense of who you really are and what you need and want. A look at your own birth chart will show where your strengths are and what you tend to lack. It can give you perspective on your own nature, helping you to make allowances for the blind spots that can harm your interactions with others. It can also give clues about what sort of love partner would make you feel most happy and complete.

John's Basic Character

You have few or no planets in Water signs or houses.

An overall lack of Water symbolism in your chart suggests that you seldom rely on your intuition to guide you through life. Also, because you don't easily express emotion, you may not seem very sensitive to others. Contrary to popular belief, however, you do have feelings. You just don't have universal compassion, nor are you comfortable in emotional situations. Therefore, emotional outbursts are not the way to reach you. In fact, if someone tries to get your attention with tears or anger, you'll quickly turn off. If you pick a compassionate partner, you may have to tolerate a little demonstrativeness, but you also may learn to express your own feelings better.

You have few planets in Mutable signs or houses.

You usually either want to do things your way (if you predominate in Cardinal signs) or prefer to take root where you are (if your planets are mostly in Fixed signs). Whichever is the case, you're not very adaptable. In fact, you sometimes don't even want to hear someone else's point of view. This tendency to stay mired or to move in your own direction without consultation could be upsetting to a partner. In order to create good relationships, you may have to make a special effort to be flexible and pay attention to what the other person says.

Your Sun is in Libra.

Your Sun in the sign that's most associated with partnership and marriage suggests that your whole life direction and sense of personal satisfaction are likely to be connected with others. You don't necessarily have to be married, but you'll probably operate more effectively in a partnership of some sort. When only your own goals are involved, you may not move very quickly, but someone else's needs will motivate you to take action. If it'll be beneficial for someone else, you'll eventually get the job done.

A thinker, you need to consider all the possibilities before you make a decision, and you like to grasp everyone's point of view. Because input from others can help you make up your mind, you often ask for your partner's opinion. But your partner should learn early in the relationship that too many alternatives can lead to total inertia. If he or she offers only two or three options, you can come to a decision more quickly. However, it may not be fast enough to change your reputation for procrastination.

Because you can understand everyone else's point of view, you can make a good mediator when you're not personally involved. You can also be very diplomatic. So, you not only mediate fairly but you can also do it without upsetting any of the parties involved. Associated with your diplomacy is a desire for peace and harmony. You'll go to great lengths to avoid upsetting others — at least overtly. You probably don't argue with your partner very often. This is partly due to your desire for peace and harmony and partly due to your needing time to decide what you want. However, once you know, you can subtly and quietly work on getting it.

Just as it's easier for you to be motivated by others, you also prefer that your partner do your bidding. Instead of openly asking for help, you might just make subtle suggestions and see what develops. If you're too subtle, however, your partner might not get your hints.

You may be more effective in getting what you want if you can pit one person against another. Then, they can handle the situation, and you can remain the innocent bystander. If you're often in the vicinity of others disagreeing, it could be a clue that you're an instigator. It's only fair that your partner know of this possibility, should it occur. Then your significant other can manipulate back or at least not feel guilty about being viewed as the volatile one while you appear calm, cool and collected.

Of course, it's not necessary for you to behave in this manner. When dealing with others, you have your excellent diplomatic mediation skills to draw upon.

Your Moon is in Aquarius.

Since you tend not to show your feelings very easily, others may see you as unemotional. Rather than displaying emotion, you may find it more natural to explain your feelings verbally. This can be a good way to begin to get closer to someone you care about, for you may find that talking about your feelings can eventually help you to demonstrate them. At first, you feel most comfortable being "just friends." Only after you've become acquainted on a friendly level for a while and had lots of conversations may you feel comfortable enough to get into deeper emotional waters. Even then, your intimate relations will tend to be more like a good friendship than a deep emotional entanglement.

You may also learn to become more demonstrative if you get involved in a humanitarian cause that your intellect tells you is just. It's probably easier for you to show your feelings when causes rather than people are involved, and you can show passion or compassion more readily when intimacy is not an issue. Also, when you're working for a cause along with others, some of these people will surely be emotional about the project, and a bit of their attitude may rub off on you. Once your feelings are activated by a cause, it may become more comfortable for you to express your emotions with the significant others in your life. Another thing that would be likely to move your emotions would be the loss of a friend or colleague, or some injustice done to such a person.

You have an objectivity that enables you to deal with emotional situations in an admirably detached manner. This can have its advantages when you're dealing with other people's emotions. Others may lose their cool, but you can stay in control, and it will be unlikely that someone else will get the upper hand. You may also find that your calmness soothes those who are upset.

Your detachment can also protect you when someone tries to push your emotional buttons. Then, an invisible curtain will come down between you and the other person, and once it's in place, you no longer will be involved, even though you may still be physically present. Indeed, any partner of yours will find that pressuring you emotionally is definitely not the way to reach you. Trying to arouse your emotions with tears, anger or guilt is likely to be met by icy indifference.

You really are reasonable, however, and with the right approach you can easily be reached. If, instead of trying to pressure you emotionally, people appeal to your objectivity and explain all the facts, you can detach yourself from even the most personal situation and arrive at a solution that's agreeable to all.

John's Axis of Relationship

The horizontal line that separates the upper half of your chart from the lower half represents the horizon. It suggests two arms reaching out, and it is in fact your "axis of relationship." On the left-hand or eastern side of your chart there is the Ascendant (or rising sign), which signifies you and the way that you present yourself to others. On the right-hand or western side there is the Descendant, which signifies the sort of partner you'll be drawn to and who will make you feel more complete. Any discussion of your rising sign (you) implies your setting sign (the partner who will complement you).

The following description assumes that you've given your actual time of birth quite precisely. If you haven't, and the degree that your chart shows on the Ascendant is near the beginning or end of the sign (0 or 29 degrees), it's possible that the adjacent sign would describe you better.

You have Aries rising.

Most likely, you have Aries rising. This means that you tend to approach the world in an active, energetic way and that you are prone to take the initiative. While this may make people think that you're a leader rather than a follower, you may not think of yourself in that way. Power and control, keywords often associated with leaders, aren't part of your agenda. You're self-motivated, and so if a job needs doing, you do it, without waiting for permission. Once you complete the task, however, you want to move on to something new. You'd probably find it tiresome to stay on and supervise.

Although you're self-motivated, you're not necessarily self-sustaining. You may not consciously be aware of it, but you'll be drawn to partners who can fulfill your need for encouragement. Two fireballs in the same relationship could be overwhelming not only to others, but also to the two of you. You want a partner who thinks of you first and who can quietly encourage you. You don't ask for support, but find that it is important. You'd rather not have to reciprocate, however, because you have your hands quite full enough keeping your own enthusiasm high.

Because it's natural for you to take charge, it may take some effort to learn to share. Nevertheless, sharing is something you must learn in your close one-to-one relationships. You don't want a partner who will dominate you, nor are you interested in one whom you must always lead around. Your chart says that you want someone who's your equal.

In any intimate relationship, you find harmony and balance essential. When things are getting out of balance, you'll feel a lack of harmony. The first symptom, vague dissatisfaction, may escalate into anger. This imbalance could be caused by one of you feeling that the other is trying to take charge or be the boss. In case stirrings of dissatisfaction should arise, it's good to have a planned course of action that you can institute quickly. In order to head off problems before they start, you could build in time for some planned sharing as well as for independent action. You might select to share either a physical activity or an artistic endeavor.

Don't expect perfection. It takes time to break old patterns. If, in spite of your efforts, hostility erupts between you, don't presume that the situation is hopeless. Discuss your difficulties, preferably while walking. Using part of your energy in a physical activity will tend to dissipate the anger and it will yield fitness benefits as well.

Dating and Romance

To take a look at your specific approach to romance, partnership and sex, we're now going to look at the houses that govern these areas in your chart. These houses describe both what you have to give to a relationship, and also what you probably want from your partner.

Relationships start with a period when you're checking each other out, and aren't yet really committed. This stage is covered by your Fifth House, which also has to do with amusements and self-expression. In a romance, the Fifth House shows how you wine and dine each other in the dating stage. Having fun together in a romantic setting helps you to get the relationship off the ground.

When you're married, this area of your chart turns into the place where you refresh and renew both yourself and your relationship. To keep the spark glowing, it's a good idea periodically to let go of your duties, play, be romantic and even a bit outrageous. If you neglect this essential human need, it can be filled by romances outside of marriage, risky activities like gambling, or escapes like drinking or drugs, which are other less satisfactory ways that this house can find expression. For longevity and happiness in any relationship, you need to keep the fun, romance and playful element alive.

On a deeper level, the Fifth House is where you come to establish yourself as an individual. Through being brave and taking risks, through finding what activities and people make you happy, through games and role-playing, and through expressing yourself (all Fifth House activities), you come to know who you really are. Only after you've done this are you really ready to commit yourself to a Seventh-House relationship such as marriage.

Each house brings in a variety of symbolic themes, as shown by the sign on the beginning or cusp of the house, other signs falling within the house, planets within the house, and the planet that traditionally "rules" the sign on the cusp. For your relationship to find its fullest expression, it's important that, in your interactions together, both of you try to express as many of the following themes as possible.

The sign Cancer is on your Fifth-House cusp.

Your idea of fun on a date probably has to do with eating or spending time cozily at home. The two of you may also enjoy spending time with family, exploring your roots, or talking about each others' past. Other ways of getting to know each other could include looking at real estate, or playing at something else that involves creating a nest.

Basically, in your romances and love affairs, you enjoy mothering and being mothered. For you, romantic bliss consists mainly of feeling connected and comfortable in each other's presence. It's important for you to feel at home with the object of your affection and to work on making that individual comfortable with you.

The sign Leo is within the Fifth House.

There's also, however, a part of you that wants some high romance and drama now and then. Sometimes you want to emerge from the nest, get up on stage, and be adored. The Cancerian mothering quality can take a lavish or theatrical turn as one of you plays the mother and the other the adored child.

For recreation together, you may come out of your shell from time to time and go dining and dancing, take in a sporting event, movie, or other spectacle, play with children, or act like children yourselves. In fact, you may come to learn that being playful is one of the most delightful ways you can get to know each other.

The Moon, the ruler of your Fifth House, is in the Eleventh

The planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on the Fifth-House cusp brings in additional considerations. Placed in the Eleventh House, it means that you'll enjoy the company of a romantic partner who is mentally stimulating, but not too emotionally demonstrative. You need to maintain your own identity in romance, and you can be objective when viewing your romantic partner. If your partner becomes too affectionate, you could experience this as smothering, and have the urge to detach yourself. If this occurs, clear the air by discussing the matter. Or go to a party or a meeting together, because interaction with groups can help to put your relationship into better perspective.

Having planets placed within your the Fifth House emphasizes the importance of pleasure and play in your life, and adds yet other requirements for you in the area of romance.

Your Pluto is in the Fifth.

You're attracted to strong romantic partners, but because of this, you might have concerns about a lover trying to wield power over you or to manipulate you in romance. If you believe that this is happening, you don't have to just sit there and feel helpless. If you hold your feelings in, you could become angry and this might lead to violent eruptions. Instead of keeping silent, talk about your concerns with the person involved. Through analyzing your concerns together, you may clear the air and improve your relationship. If that doesn't work, you might try a little manipulation of your own. This could possibly make you feel more in control, and you may enjoy it as well.

Becoming Partners

The Seventh House is traditionally the house of marriage. It covers any relationship in which you pick one partner, face each other directly, and work out a relationship of equals that will endure over time. The Seventh also signifies any relationship where you confront each other one-on-one or where you're yoked together and asked to pull as a team.

To do this successfully, you need to adjust your own energies so that they find a balance with your partner's, and neither person is dominated by the other. This means finding the right balance between self-assertion and compromise. To achieve happiness together, you need to deal with differences and resolve power struggles in a way that respects the rights and individuality of you both. Open communication is essential. There can be battles along the way, but the goal is an enduring relationship where the two of you know each other thoroughly, each get your fair share, and develop mutual trust and respect.

Libra is on your Seventh-House cusp.

You want a partner who's your equal, and with whom you can totally share your life. Most likely this person will be charming and attractive. You also need peace and harmony in your partnerships, and so you'll probably bend over backwards to please. But no matter how much you crave equality, and no matter how much you share and give, you cannot create a partner who is your clone. Nor are you capable of duplicating all of your partner's behavior and attitudes. Differences of opinion, therefore, are apt to arise. These can lead to disagreements that you'll find unpleasant. In order to re-establish serenity, you might employ the subtle art of manipulation, but you probably can *both* be diplomatic in a close one-to-one relationship. Therefore, you might find it ultimately more satisfying if you openly negotiate.

Scorpio is within the Seventh House.

Your intimate relationships also require a certain degree of depth and intensity. Chances are, the partner you choose will not be shallow. You find it intriguing to get involved with those who have an air of mystery about them, so that you can probe and ferret out the truth about them. If you can't pry information out of your partner, or if you yourself keep secrets in the relationship, this may arouse suspicion in the other and lead to jealousy and possessiveness. To instill the positive Scorpio traits of security and trust, discuss your problems with each other as you would with a therapist. Or better yet, when problems arise between you, clear the air by seeking the help of a professional or some other objective third party.

Venus, the ruler of your Seventh House, is in the Sixth

In your chart the planet that is traditionally associated with the sign on your Seventh-House cusp is placed in the Sixth House. This suggests that you could marry a job-mate, or you could work side by side in your marriage, as in a family business. This work might be in the service sector or the health field. Alternatively, your marriage may just focus on taking care of the practical business of life, like paying bills and doing errands. If this is so, make sure that your soul gets the sustenance it needs, or you may find that your marriage will eventually center instead on health problems. One way to feed your soul is to do these tasks in the spirit of service to the one you love. Another way is to make an effort to give other houses their due, for example, together cultivating the creativity and joyousness of the Fifth House or the spirituality and intellectual adventure of the Ninth. You may also find happiness in sharing the care of your pets.

Having planets in your Seventh House adds to your requirements and underlines the importance of committed relationships in your life.

Your Mercury is in the Seventh.

With Mercury in the Seventh House, communication is a prime requirement for you in any partnership. This does not necessarily mean deep-probing or philosophical communications, but rather social conversation. If you're involved in a satisfactory relationship and are describing your partner, you'll probably find yourself mentioning how well your partner communicates. On the other hand, if you're having difficulty talking to each other, you could feel that this indicates serious problems between you. The best way to deal with this is to reopen the lines of communications. You don't have to start with deep analysis or a grim facing of the situation. You can simply start talking about a neutral subject that interests you both. Just chatting can alleviate suspicions and anxiety and can open the door so that you can have more serious conversations.

Entwining Souls

Ideally, in the Fifth House you gained a sense of who you are and who you want, and in the Seventh you learned how to enter into a partnership without sacrificing your individuality. In the Eighth House you're called upon to surrender that self so as to merge with your partner fully.

This surrender commonly takes the form of sex, but it can be other forms of deep involvement as well. On a material level, it can mean pooling your possessions and finances. Essentially, this house is where you loosen your grasp on what you once thought necessary, and in doing so, merge into a deeper and larger self that goes beyond your own individuality.

The Seventh House allowed you to work out power struggles through open communication and adherence to the rules of fairness. Eighth-House power struggles are sneakier because they arise from unconscious depths. They often result in an attempt to force surrender rather than allow the other person to render it up freely. To resolve these struggles, you need to open yourself to your own deepest emotions and those of your partner. When emotion is respected and given its due in a non-violent way, Eighth-House struggles can eventually lead to relationships of enormous tenderness and depth.

Regarding sex, most people have more than one sign influencing their Eighth House, and many also have one or more planets in the Eighth. This multiplies possible avenues for sexual expression. Finding ways to combine all these energies can lead to the kind of sex that most satisfies you.

Scorpio is on your Eighth-House cusp.

Sex could be a very important part of your life, and your sexual experiences may be intense. You'll be drawn to sexual partners who can share in this intensity. Beware of using sex to manipulate the relationship, or of connecting with someone who will use sex to manipulate you. If you try to control each other, your energies could get used up in power struggles instead of passion. To keep this from happening, bring up any issue that seems to interfere with your relationship and analyze it together. This will deepen and enrich your partnership, and could help either or both of you to transform personally.

Sagittarius is within the Eighth House.

Though you desire intensity, you don't want to be tied down to a specific sexual routine. You like new experiences and want freedom to explore. A partner's good mind or physical prowess may attract you, but even more important is a sexual partner who can in some way broaden your knowledge or be adventurous enough to explore and learn with you. If your sexual life becomes too predictable, your attention may wander. Instilling new excitement into your present relationship can bring back the spark and help you to avoid the complications of outside affairs.

Mars, the ruler of your Eighth House, is in the Sixth

The placement of your Eighth-House ruler in your house of work and daily routines suggests that you might have a work relationship along with a sexual relationship, or that you might meet your sex partner on the job. It could also mean that you look upon sex as your duty, or as something that requires industry and effort. True, working hard on anything can improve it, at least up to a point. But too much work can kill the pleasure. To avoid placing this burden on your sex life, you might try forming working relationship with your sexual partner. You may be surprised to find that sharing a project together arouses you.

Because you have no planets in your Eighth House, your requirements for sex and deep emotional bonding are simpler than they might be. If one or more of your partner's planets falls into your Eighth, however, it can add some different themes as well as additional energy to your sex life.

How John Sees Yoko

No matter how objective you think you are, the way you see others is always to some extent determined by your own necessarily limited point of view. Becoming conscious of your own possible biases in viewing your partner can often be very helpful in avoiding thwarted expectations and in overcoming misunderstandings in your relationship.

One of the main things that will describe your own personal way of seeing Yoko is the way her planets fall into the houses in your own chart. The houses are calculated from the point on earth where you were born, and, as such, they reflect your own personal view of the heavens. Not only do they provide the framework through which you experience your own planets, they also provide the structure through which you'll view Yoko's planets as well.

Houses represent specific departments of life (romance, partnership, sex, home, career, finances, etc.), and they show where you most tend to apply your inner planetary energies. When one of Yoko's planets falls into a particular house in your chart, you will tend to associate her expression of that inner planetary energy with that particular department of life – no matter how she views that planetary energy in herself.

Looking at it another way, you could think of Yoko's planets as "lighting up" your houses, bringing additional energy to the areas of life that those houses deal with. By filling in the empty houses in your chart, she may make you feel more complete. By adding planets to your already-filled houses, she can further emphasize those areas of existence. By adding different planets to a house, she can introduce new possibilities into those areas of your life. Besides suggesting how you will experience Yoko and how you will feel about her, looking at her planets will suggest the functions that Yoko will tend to take on in your total scheme of things.

Houses, of course, divide the chart into twelve specific areas. Before getting into that much detail, we can check out your overall perception of Yoko simply by the way her planets are clustered in the main areas of your chart.

Yoko's planets are balanced fairly equally above and below your horizon.

You see your partner as sometimes being socially oriented, adjusting to the world and needing its approval, and at other times wanting to be alone, being introspective and caring more about self-approval or personal gratification than public opinion. If you view this as inconsistency, you could consider the situation impossible, and just complain about your partner's attitudes instead of trying to influence them. If you see it as flexibility, you'll then try various approaches to influencing her attitudes, and you will eventually succeed.

Yoko's planetary energy is balanced in your chart's eastern and western

halves. Yoko's planets are quite equally distributed between the right-hand and left-hand sides of your chart. This means that you probably see her as able to be both an initiator and responder. The advantage of this is that you'll feel neither the necessity always to take charge, nor the expectation that your partner will always do so. The disadvantage is not knowing when you should initiate and when you should respond.

To deal with this, you may always follow your partner's lead, or always try to take the lead yourself. A better course is to consciously decide who's in charge of what, and have each of you doing the decision-making in a different area. It's also helpful to consult frequently, so that each of you is advised of the decisions and plans that the other has made.

How Yoko Affects Specific Areas of Your Life

For more detailed information, let's now look specific planets in specific houses. The houses that will probably be most important in forming your view of Yoko are those that contain her Sun and Moon.

Yoko's Sun is in your Twelfth House.

You may see Yoko as someone who prefers seclusion to interacting vigorously with the outer world. Or Yoko's goals and direction may be so subtle that you don't understand them. Or you could see her as your spiritual guide and not be sure why. You might also perceive her as a behind-the-scenes kind of person, capable of directing but not in an obvious way—possibly manipulating. If you feel manipulated, or if there's anything unclear about your partner's goals and direction, you might want to probe into personal motivations together. As you clarify matters, it will strengthen the bond between you.

Yoko's Moon is in your Eighth House.

Yoko may be gentle and tender in your sexual activities, so that you feel especially loved and nurtured in this area of your life. The other extreme, however, could be that she is inconsistent when it comes to sex — sometimes wholeheartedly involved and at other times just not in the mood. If your sex life is an emotional roller coaster, you could find it exciting not knowing what to expect next. But if you yearn for continual emotional support and tender loving care, you might get it by showing it. Nurture your partner a little, and the moodiness and inconsistency may move into the background. If this tactic works, you can try it each time the moodiness reappears.

Yoko's Mercury is in your Twelfth House.

You could feel that you and Yoko have a strong telepathic connection, so that to know what she is thinking, you may not have to talk at all. Less fortunately, you could believe that your partner keeps secrets from you or manipulates you. These may not be easy matters to discuss. If you suggest that your partner has a hidden agenda, you might be accused of having a vivid imagination. It's true that your imagination could be working overtime, but you may in fact be judging the situation correctly, and your partner doesn't want to admit it or isn't her self conscious of it. One way to begin to correct the situation is to work on the potential that you share for telepathic connection. Try some meditating or visualizing on the subject, and conditions may improve.

Yoko's Venus is in your Eleventh House.

You may have first been drawn to Yoko when you picked her out of a group, and her attractiveness and social skills may still seem to shine best when the two of you are in your circle of friends or associates. When you're dealing with your peers, Yoko's sociability could be a great asset. It could also be that Yoko gets you to join groups or associate with people who are interested in art or the other pleasures in life. If things ever get too serious or grim, you'll usually be able to lighten things up and have a good time if you go together to a party, or go on an outing with an organization or friends.

Yoko's Mars is in your Sixth House.

When it comes to the daily routine, you could see Yoko as very energetic. You yourself may feel energized by this interaction, so that when you do chores together, you accomplish a great deal.

On the other hand, you might experience Yoko as dictatorial, telling you what you should do without personally participating. Then, instead of accomplishing anything, you could just have arguments. It may help to focus on some small task that you can do together. While you're working, you can discuss your differences. Expending energy as you talk can keep you from getting too angry, and you can then get your point across better. It might also help to set a new behavioral pattern that will help you to be more efficient in your daily routine.

Yoko's Jupiter is in your Sixth House.

Yoko can make you feel good about your daily work, and may have all kinds of ideas on how you can expand in that area and accomplish more and more. Although her the ideas may sound wonderful, however, they might require more energy than you have, or perhaps it isn't clear just how you can accomplish what needs to be done. It's possible that Yoko has neither the inclination to participate in the task nor the patience to work out the nitty-gritty details. If you can convince her that what needs to be done is either fun, a challenge to her mental agility, or an educational experience, you may get more cooperation.

Yoko's Saturn is in your Eleventh House.

Yoko may bring older or more serious friends into your social life, and she may make it more regular, secure and predictable. At parties and other gatherings you may feel secure because she gets you there, takes care of your needs in group situations, and makes sure that you get home safely. While she might not be exactly the life of the party, you may have confidence that she'll be there for you and that she won't flirt or otherwise leave you in the lurch.

All this can feel reassuring, but in some ways she might make your social life more restricted. You might feel inhibited in social situations because you think that you don't live up to her standards. Or she could feel uncomfortable with your acquaintances. Possibly she just needs more of your undivided attention, and feels insecure when, for example, your conversation with her is interrupted by a long phone call from a friend. The solution is to call your friend back later and, at least some of the time, to see your friends when your partner is doing something else.

Alternatively, your social life could be limited simply because you're so wrapped up in your relationship with each other. At some point, however, having friends outside of your relationship will provide some fresh input that enlarges your perspective and keeps things lively and interesting.

Yoko's Uranus is in your First House.

You could see Yoko as different, unusual, creative and/or exciting, and this may be what attracted you to her in the first place. It's likely that she brings excitement to your life, so that you may never know what to expect next. While this could be stimulating, the inconsistency and lack of dependability might eventually get to you. If you can get yourself to go with the flow, however, you may find that your partner's presence does indeed make you feel freer, and that may make any anxiety that you feel well worth tolerating. Anyway, as long as you're with Yoko, life will seldom be boring.

Yoko's Neptune is in your Sixth House.

You could experience Yoko as a dreamer, one who looks out the window or writes poetry instead of participating in the daily tasks that must be done. Or perhaps she disappears as soon as work is mentioned, so that all the labor falls on you, and you feel taken advantage of. To change this, try mentioning (perhaps a few times) that you need help, and that only she can relieve your burden. Then, when she eventually begins to share the workload, be sure to make it known that she is really helping you. It may be surprising how much cooperation you'll get when your partner feels that she can be of service.

Yoko's Pluto is in your Fourth House.

The main power struggles that you have in your relationship may center about real estate or matters of the home. One of you may try to dictate where you live, how your dwelling should be run or arranged, or the routines that go on within it. Or there may be struggles over parents or in-laws. Instead of manipulating or fighting, bring out your feelings honestly and deeply analyze the situation. You might then find that you can share the power, and you'll both be happier.

Yoko Ono

Yoko Ono 's Chart Positions

Planet		Sign	Longitude	Declination
☉ Sun	is in	♒ Aquarius	29° 22' 46"	-11° 42' 00"
☾ Moon	is in	♐ Sagittarius	11° 07' 47"	-27° 20' 00"
☿ Mercury	is in	♓ Pisces	7° 53' 28"	-9° 51' 00"
♀ Venus	is in	♒ Aquarius	13° 47' 07"	-17° 33' 00"
♂ Mars	is in	♍ Virgo	15° 07' 31"	+9° 47' 00"
♃ Jupiter	is in	♍ Virgo	20° 41' 44"	+5° 02' 00"
♄ Saturn	is in	♒ Aquarius	9° 44' 13"	-18° 23' 00"
♅ Uranus	is in	♈ Aries	20° 32' 52"	+7° 29' 00"
♆ Neptune	is in	♍ Virgo	9° 04' 34"	+8° 58' 00"
♇ Pluto	is in	♋ Cancer	21° 37' 43"	+22° 40' 00"
♁ N. Node	is in	♓ Pisces	8° 20' 10"	-8° 27' 00"
♌ _{AS} Ascendant	is in	♎ Libra	8° 30' 24"	-3° 22' 00"
♋ _{MC} Midheaven	is in	♋ Cancer	9° 24' 42"	+23° 07' 00"
♈ _{VX} Vertex	is in	♈ Aries	26° 59' 36"	+10° 24' 00"
♐⊗ Fortuna	is in	♐ Sagittarius	26° 45' 23"	-23° 24' 00"
♀ Ceres	is in	♓ Pisces	0° 29' 25"	-18° 19' 00"
♀ Pallas	is in	♒ Aquarius	10° 26' 58"	+3° 23' 00"
♁ Juno	is in	♏ Scorpio	5° 50' 06"	-6° 20' 00"
♃ Vesta	is in	♉ Taurus	27° 13' 58"	+16° 32' 00"
♄♁ Chiron	is in	♉ Taurus	23° 44' 03"	+15° 30' 00"

Yoko's Style of Relating

To figure out your own personal relationship needs, Yoko, we're first going to look at your basic personality type with both its strengths and its weak points. This can show you what you have to contribute, and what you need from someone else. The better you know your own nature, the more successful you're likely to be in your relationships. You can more easily make allowances for your own blind spots, and you can more consciously select a partner who will bring you happiness.

Yoko's Basic Character

Fire, Earth, Air and Water signs are quite evenly balanced.

Your chart is notable because the four basic types of signs are so well balanced. This gives you an unusual latitude of choice in the way you react to situations. Depending on the circumstances, you can concentrate on taking action (Fire), on assembling the facts before you move (Earth), on planning a strategy (Air), or on consulting your instincts and intuition (Water). This wide variety of options that you have may help you better understand and deal with your partner's style of reacting. Unless your partner also has a balance of elements, however, you may find your partner's range of responses a bit limited.

Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable modes are quite evenly balanced.

Having a fairly equal distribution of planets in Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable signs gives you a useful ability to suit your mode of action to the situation. When appropriate, you can behave in a Cardinal manner, leaping in to intervene directly. At other times, you can use the Fixed symbolism of your chart to be firm, stand your ground, and preserve what is valuable. And in yet others, you can draw upon your Mutable strengths to be agile and adaptable, quickly shifting as the circumstances require. Overall, this helps you to adapt to whatever challenges your relationship presents. You may, however, need to make an effort to be understanding if you find your partner getting stuck in one mode.

Your Sun is in Aquarius.

Your Sun in Aquarius reinforces the idea that you may pride yourself on being an individualist, and that you probably prefer forging your own path to following the lead of others. Yet you don't particularly want to be the leader of the pack. You don't mind standing alone, and if you're involved with groups at all, it's usually for a specific purpose or to further a particular cause. You'll probably see your involvement as a team effort, and will avoid groups with a clearly defined hierarchy.

Just as you may not always be a joiner of groups, you might even avoid large parties where commitment is involved. Yet you can socialize and do it well. You move without effort from one person or group to another, and like to share in stimulating conversation. In fact, you may instill life into discussions by playing the devil's advocate. No matter what you really believe, you can take the opposite viewpoint and do it well. This should appeal to you, because you have intellectual curiosity, and being the opponent on any issue is one way to gather information. Besides, as already stated, you enjoy being different and even a bit contrary, and this is one way to stand out from the crowd.

When interacting with individuals, you think of them as equals and treat them that way. You tend to be non-judgmental and accept people for who they are. This is true for mere acquaintances as well as individuals with whom you're closely aligned. If you tend to be critical, it will come from other factors in your chart, not from your Aquarius Sun.

You may know many people, but you don't need a huge number of close relationships. In fact, you'd feel stifled if you were responsible to, or had to report to, more than a few individuals.

Because you need some time alone, you may periodically detach yourself from your partner. If your partner understands this and gives you some space, this should not be a problem in your relationship. But you have to do your share, too. Let your partner know that you care. This may be easier to say than to show, so verbalize it. Then your partner won't feel threatened when you go off by yourself. You might also explain what you're going to do and why. Then your partner will feel more secure, and won't be so likely to worry about where you are.

You can cement your relationship by becoming involved in a cause together, one in which you both believe. Even an involvement that seems only intellectual can be a way to share a passion and deepen the bond between you.

Finally, if problems do arise between the two of you, the best way to deal with them is to discuss them in a non-accusatory way. Objectivity will not only make talking about them easier, it can also lead to the best solutions.

Your Moon is in Sagittarius.

Others tend to be drawn to your inner warmth and your zest for life. You have a natural ability to cheer people up and help them forget their troubles. You don't, however, have a lot of patience to listen to their deep emotional difficulties in detail. Therefore people who like to wallow in self-pity probably won't bother you for long. After telling you their problems once or twice, they may conclude that you're insensitive, and go on to find a more sympathetic ear.

This is fine with people you don't care about, but you need to be more cautious with partners. Sharing your deeper emotions is part of intimacy, and you don't want someone close to you to seek out someone else for emotional gratification, do you? Try not to make light of serious situations, even if intense conversations tend to make you uncomfortable. Jokes can often break the tension, but if they're ill-timed or ignore the emotional state of your partner, they'll only make things worse. In intimate situations you may have to make special efforts to tune into the emotional tone of the other person.

One way someone *can* reach you on an emotional level is by appealing to your strong sense of justice. When you encounter people who've been treated unfairly, this can elicit your sympathy to the point where you may even do battle on their behalf. And if there's a broader message that involves freedom and fairness for the world at large, you'll fight even harder. Since you don't want to be saddled with the long-term emotional problems of other individuals, you'll do best by uniting with a group in a humanitarian cause that is relevant for society. If you play Don Quixote for an individual, it may be difficult to break away, but if you're working in a group, you'll have the space to get away if the situation gets too sticky or involving, or you periodically need some freedom and space.

A cause can also be a way for you to cement emotional ties with your partner. Find an issue that you both feel strongly about. If it involves freedom, justice or the improvement of world conditions, all the better. Then both join a group that advocates your shared beliefs, and become actively involved together. The passion that this brings out in you may provide all the intimate connection that you need with your partner, and it may eventually lead to expressing more personal feelings as well. Other activities that you could share with your partner and which might spark your passion include church activities, academic studies (particularly of religion, philosophy, the law or foreign cultures), travel, or sports (either active or spectator).

Yoko's Axis of Relationship

And now we get to your “axis of relationship,” which is formed by the Ascendant (or rising sign) and the Descendant, which is always directly opposite. While the zodiacal sign that was rising when you were born describes the way that you present yourself to others, the opposite sign signifies the sort of partner you'll be drawn to and who will make you feel more complete. Any discussion of your rising sign (you) implies your setting sign (the partner who will complement you).

The following description assumes that you've given your actual time of birth quite precisely. If you haven't, and the degree that your chart shows on the Ascendant is near the beginning or end of the sign (0 or 29 degrees), it's possible that the adjacent sign would describe you better.

You have Libra rising.

Most likely, you have Libra rising. This means that one-to-one may be your favorite way of relating, and that having a partner is high on your list of priorities. You operate best when you have a partner who's your equal — someone with whom you can converse and share your ideas and experiences. Also, because you need peace and harmony, you may bend over backwards to please that significant other in your life.

Strangely, the partners you're drawn to will tend to be independent and even bossy. They may also seem argumentative, and in their rush to do their own thing they may forget the rights and feelings of others. This is because they're acting out a side of you that you tend to suppress. Before you become upset by them, remember that they can be an asset when the world requires more assertion and adventurousness than it's natural for you to muster.

Actually, your Libra-rising attributes make you ideally suited to dealing with such partners. Your urge for fairness and equality will tend to keep your partner from running over you rough-shod. While you can be generous to a partner, it won't be to the point of total self-sacrifice. Something inside you objectively notes when you've done enough and it's time to restore the balance between you. Also, your objectivity and your penchant for intellectual debate will make it possible for you to air your differences openly and hammer out a fair solution to them.

To deal with a partner's possibly hot temper, you have the advantage of your charm, diplomacy and inclination to resort to reason. This, and your desire for peace, would tend to stop you from displaying anger or making forceful demands. You'll probably be not only more comfortable but also more convincing if you use these innate social talents. In these cases it's possible that your partner could comply without even recognizing what you're doing or consciously knowing what you want.

If you don't get what you want quickly, it may be due less to your partner's resistance than to your own lack of decisiveness. Actually, although you may not view it that way, when you need to make up your mind, it can be advantageous to have a direct and forceful partner. However, because an equal relationship is so important to you, you could resent it when your partner takes charge.

If this is causing a rift between you, consider the facts objectively. From your partner's perspective you may seem totally inert, and he or she may be making decisions for you simply out of impatience with your seeming procrastination. Recognizing your contribution to the situation may help you to remedy it, or at least make you see things from your partner's point of view so that you feel less angry.

You may be able to regain equality in your relationship by striving to make decisions faster. Or you could appreciate your partner's taking charge because it takes the pressure off you. No matter which route you follow, note that, because of your relationship, you are probably accomplishing much more than you'd ever have accomplished by yourself.

Dating and Romance

To see what you specifically want and need in romance, partnership and sex, we're now going to look at these areas of your chart in detail.

The Fifth House is traditionally the house of courtship, love affairs and romance. Also associated with risk-taking, this is the area in your chart where you take the plunge and throw yourself open to chance. Will Mr./Ms. Right cross your path at the mixer dance or singles bar? Will you take the risk of asking someone out on a date? Will the blind date be a delight or a disaster? This is one of the reasons that the Fifth is the place where love relationships begin.

Once you've started to date, the Fifth House's recreational side emerges. Fifth-House activities like dinner out, plays and movies, museums and sports provide a pleasurable atmosphere to encourage a budding acquaintance to flower into something more. Called the house of self-expression, the Fifth also rules self-display, as you each put on your finest feathers to attract the other. Dating in the Fifth leads to marriage in the Seventh House and sex in the Eighth, and then the cycle begins again with children, which are also shown by the Fifth House and its association with self-expression and play.

There are a number of different signs and planets associated with your relationship houses, and each of these contributes its own symbolic themes to that area of your life. The more that you both try to express the various qualities that are symbolized in these key relationship areas of your charts, the happier and more complete your relationship is likely to feel.

Aquarius is on your Fifth-House cusp.

For you, romance is strongly connected with friendly social exchange. You may fall in love with someone who is in your circle of friends, or you may go out on double dates or consider group activities to be one of your favorite ways of having fun together. Conversation is likely to be your favorite form of flirting.

There may also be something oddball in your romances. One-of-a-kind romantic partners may have a special appeal, or in your courtship you may like to defy convention. At any rate, you need to express your own individuality, and you don't like to bend to the will of your partner. Indeed, you require a certain degree of detachment and objectivity, so that each of you remains a distinct individual.

Pisces is within the Fifth House.

If you're sufficiently able to establish your independence in the relationship, at some point in your courtship you'll feel an urge to merge. You may have started by evaluating your relationship objectively, but eventually you're flooded with romantic feelings which you want the other person to reciprocate. Fantasizing more about your romance, you may start to idealize your partner unrealistically, or you may make some self-sacrificing gesture that only embarrasses the other. If your partner is not behaving according to your ideal, it can be easy to delude yourself that all is well when it isn't. If all does go well, however, fantasy and imagination can bring an unparalleled richness and tenderness to your romance, and you may feel yourself merging on an exalted level of emotion.

Saturn, the ruler of your Fifth House, is in the Fourth

The planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on the Fifth-House cusp brings in additional considerations. Placed in the Fourth House, it means that in romance, you want a partner who can be protective and nurturing and with whom you're comfortable. You may also be drawn to homebodies, or may conduct the ritual of courtship in the home. This might include either of you feeding the other. Indeed, dining together could be an important part of your romance. Thoughts of what it would be like to share a home might enter your mind early in the relationship, so you're not interested in brief encounters. You want someone you can rely on.

If you feel unloved by your romantic partner, you could compensate by overeating. If you begin to gain unnecessary weight, you should face the issue. If you cannot feel more secure in your relationship, it may be time to move on to someone who appreciates you more.

Having planets placed within your the Fifth House emphasizes the importance of pleasure and play in your life, and adds yet other requirements for you in the area of romance.

Your Sun is in the Fifth.

With your Sun in the Fifth, romance is at the core of your being. In your love relationships you want to be seen and appreciated. Also, you'll be attracted to those who make you look good. You may take pride and bask in the glory of your romantic partner's accomplishments, but you'll not relinquish your identity, nor will you be subservient. One concern you may have is that you could be taken for granted. If this occurs, it could be because you're being self-centered. Perhaps you're concentrating so much on your own needs that your partner feels neglected. So show your magnanimous side, and shower your partner with attention. It may well be reciprocated.

Your Mercury is in the Fifth.

In courtship, you want a partner with whom you can easily communicate. This means someone who is adept at small talk rather than deep philosophical conversation. Sociability generally will also be high on your list of requirements. In fact, the way in which your partner interacts with others may be more important than how the two of you get along together. You may be drawn to those who are clever and witty when socializing, but if that becomes your only criterion for selecting a romantic partner, you might find that you have little to say when you're alone together. Then you could feel that there's something missing in your relationship. If this occurs, simply look for topics that you find mutually interesting, or just keep going to parties together.

Your Venus is in the Fifth.

Venus in the Fifth means that you may quite possibly be in love with love. Love is a recreation and an exhilarating risk, and through it you can express yourself more fully. When you get involved in a romance, you do it with creativity and grace.

When you begin a relationship, you take special pleasure in your partner's appearance and superficially attractive qualities. If you're just dating, this can be fine. At this stage all you need to do is enjoy each other and have a good time. If and when a more permanent relationship becomes a possibility, you want might want to look more deeply into your potential spouse's underlying character.

When you're already committed to each other, you may look to this placement again for its ability to bring a little pleasant, uncomplicated romance back into your life. Whenever you're having a good time, peace, harmony pleasure and each other's attractiveness are qualities that you may especially want to share.

Becoming Partners

Through the pleasures, risk-taking and self-expression signified by the Fifth House, you gain a sense of your own individuality and develop a robust identity of your own. You need this before you can have the true relationship of equals that is the essence of the Seventh House.

Traditionally the house of marriage, Seventh House signifies the way you make a serious commitment to another, and the way that that commitment is recognized in the social sphere beyond your relationship. Even when your relationship doesn't result in marriage, this is the house where you learn to blend your individualities without submerging them, and, for better or for worse, to deal as a team with the ups and downs of life. It's also the place of head-to-head confrontations, where you encounter both your similarities and your differences, and you each negotiate your fair share in disputes.

Aries is on your Seventh-House cusp.

You tend to seek out a partner who is assertive and shows initiative. But while you admire those who can take charge, you don't want to be bossed around. At times you may want to take the lead yourself. This could provoke heated disagreements, and you may then wish for some peace and quiet. However, you'd be bored if your life together were too peaceful. You'd also have little respect for a partner who didn't stand his or her ground and allowed you to be the sole decision-maker.

Actively discussing alternatives may make you each feel that you're sharing the leadership in the relationship. You might decide that one of you should be in charge on some types of issues, and on other issues the other should run the show. You might actively negotiate still other issues. If your discussions make either of you extremely angry, you could more easily make compromises if you walk and talk rather than sit and glare at each other.

Taurus is within the Seventh House.

You also need a partner with whom you can share sensual pleasures. Problems can arise when one of you is being totally self-absorbed and self-indulgent without considering the other. If you're feeling neglected, never *order* your partner to think about your needs. That would be like waving a red flag in front of a bull, and it'll produce the exact opposite of what you want. Instead, suggest two or three things that you'd like to do or to see happen, and allow your partner to choose among them. In this way, your partner will have made the decision, and you'll be satisfied as well. If you feel that you're the one who's been taking the other for granted, and your partner seems unhappy, plan some pleasurable activities that you can enjoy together. Practical considerations and possessions can figure large in your life together, and you may enjoy your joint ownership of beautiful things.

Mars, the ruler of your Seventh House, is in the Twelfth

In your chart the planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on your Seventh-House cusp is placed in the Twelfth House of confinement and secrets. This suggests that despite any conventional ideas you have about what marriage is supposed to be, you may find yourself fearing that a close, committed relationship might confine and restrict you. If this is so, accept that this is part of your makeup. If you really do want to keep a long-term relationship going, there are ways to give yourself the space you need. One of you can have a job that involves travel, or you can maintain separate residences, or you can agree to have an open relationship. This feeling of restriction may come from a fear of revealing yourself fully to your partner. Becoming comfortable with yourself and eventually daring to share your secrets can allow you to be more open and genuine with your partner and will deepen your intimacy.

Your marriage may have an element of secrecy in other ways: either the marriage is secret, or the two of you maintain your own secret world together. You may like to fantasize together, or by yourself you may fantasize what you'd like marriage to be. Some couples with this placement both deepen and uplift their relationship by teaming up to help others.

Having planets in your Seventh House adds to your requirements and underlines the importance of committed relationships in your life.

Your Uranus is in the Seventh.

Wherever Uranus is in your chart is where you tend to break with tradition. Uranus in your Seventh House could mean that you're attracted to unusual partners—those who are free spirits, free thinkers or eccentric. Or, if you came from a Bohemian-style background, you could be the unusual one, while you select a partner who is normal by societal standards. Alternatively, you may want to incorporate some originality, excitement and a degree of freedom into your partnership, so that you share exciting adventures and support each other's unusual ideas. It is important for each of you to allow the other a bit of space and time alone. If you don't have some freedom within your relationship, one of you might have the urge to free yourself from it.

Entwining Souls

Joined into a single entity in the Seventh House, you're ready to transform each other in the Eighth. To do this, you need to relax your grip on whatever you felt necessary to maintain yourselves as separate individuals. Then you need to take a leap of faith, and trust that the essentially benevolent forces of life will pull you through. If you emerge from this trial successfully, you will be transformed and renewed.

This, of course, is the essence of sex, which is one of the areas that the Eighth House stands for. The Eighth also depicts the other sorts of deep emotional bonds that arise in relationships, as you shed the shells of your individuality to merge into a larger whole. On a material level, the Eighth depicts the merging of property and finances, where you each need to give up what is yours and contribute it to the common pool.

With the high emotional intensity of the Eighth House and its lack of objectivity, power struggles are possible. Any impulse to do harm must always be contained. The key lies in developing compassion for your own emotional state, in letting go of tightly held positions, and then inviting powers out of your conscious control to lead you in the right direction.

Regarding your sexual self, all the signs and planets influencing your Eighth House describe possible avenues for sexual expression. Combining or alternating these themes will keep you from falling into stale and confining routines.

Taurus is on your Eighth-House cusp.

Sensual enjoyments are very important to you, and you're likely to savor every moment of such experiences. Moreover, you're loyal to your partner and expect loyalty in return. Since you tend to be habit-oriented in this area of your life, if there is a change in the routine, you could begin to question your partner's trustworthiness. Then jealousy and possessiveness could enter the picture and disrupt your sex life.

If this happens, together you should reestablish your routine. It also will help if your partner shows that he or she cares. Practical evidence of devotion may be preferable to physical or emotional demonstrativeness. Showering you with gifts could produce the desired results more quickly than a hug or a kiss.

Gemini is within the Eighth House.

Though you may start by being routine-oriented, at some point you'll probably want some variety in your sex life. You might find this with a versatile sex partner, or by having more than one. If you're bored with a partner who always performs in the same manner, you might look elsewhere for new and interesting sexual experiences. That search could bring unnecessary complications into your life. An alternative to wandering would be to talk to your partner about your feelings. This might either bring about change in your physical sexual activities or suggest other new and interesting channels for pleasure.

Venus, the ruler of your Eighth House, is in the Fifth

The placement of your Eighth-House ruler in the Fifth House suggests that your sex life requires fun and romance. Being actively courted will make you feel even more sexy. Playful gestures, creative activities, romantic trappings like flowers and candlelight, and maybe an element of risk and some dramatic flair make sex all the more enjoyable for you. If your partner doesn't naturally think of such things, try introducing some of these elements yourself. Not only will you be mightily turned on, your partner will also most likely enjoy sex a lot more. And maybe next time, your partner will be inspired to supply some of the candles and romance.

Having planets in the Eighth House contributes yet other themes to your lovemaking needs and style, and makes this area of your life even more important.

How Yoko Sees John

To see how you experience John, what he means to you personally, and the biases you may have when dealing with this important person in your life, we're now going to look at the way his planets fit into the houses of your birth chart.

You could think of John's planets as "lighting up" your houses, bringing more energy to the areas of life that those houses deal with. His planets can activate underactive areas of your life, making you feel more complete. Or they may increase the activity in areas that are already emphasized in your own chart. They may repeat problematic themes in your own horoscope so that you're finally forced to deal with them, or give you the added push to make the most of assets that you already have. All this influences the way you feel about him, and suggests the functions that he will take on in your life.

First, however, before looking at specific houses and planets, it can be revealing just to look at the overall way John's planets are grouped around your chart wheel.

John's planets are balanced fairly equally above and below your horizon.

You see your partner as sometimes being socially oriented, adjusting to the world and needing its approval, and at other times wanting to be alone, being introspective and caring more about self-approval or personal gratification than public opinion. If you view this as inconsistency, you could consider the situation impossible, and just complain about your partner's attitudes instead of trying to influence them. If you see it as flexibility, you'll then try various approaches to influencing his attitudes, and you will eventually succeed.

John's planetary energy is balanced in your chart's eastern and western

halves. John's planets are quite equally distributed between the right-hand and left-hand sides of your chart. This means that you probably see him as able to be both an initiator and responder. The advantage of this is that you'll feel neither the necessity always to take charge, nor the expectation that your partner will always do so. The disadvantage is not knowing when you should initiate and when you should respond.

To deal with this, you may always follow your partner's lead, or always try to take the lead yourself. A better course is to consciously decide who's in charge of what, and have each of you doing the decision-making in a different area. It's also helpful to consult frequently, so that each of you is advised of the decisions and plans that the other has made.

How John Affects Specific Areas of Your Life

And now for particular planets in particular houses. Pay special attention to the houses that contain John's Sun and Moon, because these are likely to represent focal areas in your relationship with him.

John's Sun is in your First House.

With John's Sun lighting up your First House you may find that his ego or underlying life direction has a direct impact on the way that you interact with the world. It could be what initially attracted you to him, and it will most likely continue to be appealing as long as your relationship continues. Also, having John's visible support may give you the energy to pursue your personal goals.

If you get into a conflict of interests, however, you could find that John's ego becomes a hindrance rather than an asset. If this happens, let him know how important his support is to you. Say things like "I couldn't do it without you." This should make him feel more needed and less threatened by your success. In addition, you might look for ways to help him feel good about himself. In this way, you can support rather than hinder each other.

John's Moon is in your Fourth House.

This placement could mean that you see John as taking a mothering role, or you find that he is prone to emotional outbursts at home. Though the outer world may see this person as calm or stable, when you're in your nest together, feelings come pouring out. It is good to have emotional freedom in your private life, but if you sometimes wonder why you have to bear the brunt of all this, the answer is that you don't. If this behavior happens often, it may be because your partner is feeling insecure and needs some tender, loving care. If you provide some nurturing, you might not only make your partner happier, you might also get some mothering in return.

John's Mercury is in your Second House.

John may enjoy talking about finances, especially yours. If the advice about spending or investing your money is good, you'll probably listen attentively. But if don't like the advice you're getting, or he only criticizes you for the way you deal with your money, you'll probably want to change the subject. You could instead turn the conversation toward a discussion of values. You may not agree on this subject either, but at least it will not cost you any money. Another possibility with this placement is to find a way to incorporate your partner's communication skills into the way you earn a living.

John's Venus is in your Eleventh House.

You may have first been drawn to John when you picked him out of a group, and his attractiveness and social skills may still seem to shine best when the two of you are in your circle of friends or associates. When you're dealing with your peers, John's sociability could be a great asset. It could also be that John gets you to join groups or associate with people who are interested in art or the other pleasures in life. If things ever get too serious or grim, you'll usually be able to lighten things up and have a good time if you go together to a party, or go on an outing with an organization or friends.

John's Mars is in your Twelfth House.

You probably don't see John as very aggressive or assertive. You might enjoy the peace of this placement, or you might view him as annoyingly lazy or unmotivated.

Another possibility is that, while John may not be overtly aggressive, you always seem to sense what he wants so that you follow an unspoken lead. You could be happy about this and view it as subtle guidance, or you might be upset because you feel that it is manipulation.

If you view your partner as too lethargic or think that you're being controlled, you don't have to live with it. Getting involved together in charitable pursuits, mysticism or spiritual growth can engage his energy. Then he can openly take the lead and may no longer have the need or the desire to manipulate you.

John's Jupiter is in your Eighth House.

John may bring new ideas and/or more pleasure to your sex life, or may simply seem to have an insatiable sexual appetite. If you're enjoying yourself, fine. If you're overwhelmed, you can try channeling these energies into other appropriate directions. You could have philosophical conversations about sex or other Eighth-House matters such as transformation, joint resources, or other people's resources. Who knows? Such discussions might improve your sex life, transform either or both of you, give you ideas as to how you can expand your shared resources, or lead you to pick a winning lottery number.

John's Saturn is in your Eighth House.

John may either seem a bit sexually inhibited himself, or make you feel that way. Another possibility is that you feel that your sex life could use more excitement and innovation. However, this placement can also mean serious commitment, so that you can probably count on your partner to be faithful. Although your sexual routine may sometimes seem boring, predictability and habit can lead to security, and a feeling of security often improves one's sex life. As you both feel more secure, your sex life can become a gratifying manifestation of the strong bond between you.

John's Uranus is in your Eighth House.

When it comes to sex, John may be full of surprises—sometimes exhibiting total abandon, and sometimes seeming aloof and indifferent. This may keep you from taking the initiative, because you never know what his response will be. One reason for John's inconsistency could be a desire for independence in this area, as feeling of not wanting to be controlled by you or anyone else. Therefore, you might want to wait for *him* to be in the mood and make the advances. Then, you won't have to be concerned about rejection, and when the passion and excitement do arrive, they'll be well worth the wait.

John's Neptune is in your Twelfth House.

John could subtly bring out your mystical qualities, and/or you may have a telepathic communication with each other. He could have the ability to tap into your subconscious, so that your thoughts need not be spoken. This, of course, could create a strong bond between you. But in any case where your subconscious mind is being probed, you should be aware that it's only a short step from reading your mind to planting ideas there. So be sensitive to the possibility of being manipulated, as well as of doing some manipulation yourself.

John's Pluto is in your Tenth House.

If you and John share a career, power struggles might be an issue you have to deal with. You might feel that he's always bossing you around and trying to take total charge. It may be that you don't mind this, because, while he's running the show, you're given the freedom to be totally in charge of what you contribute. If you resent his attitude, think about what you'd like to be in charge of, and set up a meeting. At that time, thoroughly analyze which areas you each want to control. Both of you may get what you want without a struggle.

Even if you don't share a career, your partner may still try and tell you what to do and when to do it. But in this case, you won't have to work so diligently. You can merely smile, say thank you, go to work, and do as you please.

The Dynamics between the Two of You

Now we're ready to look at some of the dramas that are likely to play out between the two of you. These are suggested by the way the planets in one person's chart relate to those in the other.

You can think of your planets as various little characters who are interacting with each other inside your psyche, and who also interact with the same little characters inside other people. For example, Mars, the little warrior inside you, could be having a hot and heavy affair with your partner's sultry, come-hither Venus. This could take the form either of cozying up in bed together, or fighting most of the time. Or these two little characters could be constantly on each other's mind, but somehow at cross purposes or never quite on each other's wavelength. The basic quality of each planet, plus the aspect, or kind of angle, that is formed between them, determines how well those parts of the psyche will get along with each other, and what the nature of their alliance or conflict will be.

Below, the aspects between your charts are arranged roughly in order of how important they're likely to be to you personally. Take special note whenever you see aspects involving the same pairs of planets next to each other in the list. If you see, for example, not only your Venus conjunct your partner's Mars, but also your partner's Mars square your Venus, you can be sure that Venus-Mars themes such as sex, or some other sort of very creative, productive activity, will be of overriding importance in your life together.

Because we're dealing with double the number of planets here, the number of possible aspects is hugely increased. We'll therefore consider only the interaspects that are quite exact.

Meshing Your Personalities and Goals

Aspects involving your Ascendant or Midheaven make your chart different from the charts of others born the same day, and so they have a particularly personal significance.

Located at 9 o'clock on your horoscope wheel, the Ascendant is usually also the cusp of your First House. This is the place where a planet would rise from the inner realm below the horizon to the outer world above. As such, it symbolizes the interface between the inner you and the outside world. This is your personality — the face you put on, your body and manner, your habitual way of dealing with others. In a relationship, the Ascendant signifies the way you interface with your partner, and the Descendant, always directly opposite, signifies your partner himself or herself.

The Midheaven is the highest point a planet can go in your chart. It signifies the most universally visible part of you -- your career goals, your most public self and your reputation. Aspects involving the Midheaven of one or both partners can then be among the most powerful indicators of how one partner relates to the other's reputation, career and overall life direction.

The Ascendant and Midheaven move an average of one degree in every four minutes of time, and so their correct positions depend on whether you know your birth time accurately. If you've given an accurate birth time, aspects between these points and your partner's horoscope can say very important things about your relationship. If you're unsure of your birth time, however, it's best to take any interpretations of aspects from your Ascendant and Midheaven with a grain of salt. (from a particular planet.)

John's Sun is conjunct Yoko's Ascendant.

This is a strong personal connection, and it may be one reason why you're drawn to each other. Your personalities may blend well, but, in spite of this (perhaps because of it), either of you could try to outshine your partner.

Alternatively, you might take each other for granted. If this occurs, the neglected partner could become upset and view the other as self-centered. If the neglected person then strives for personal recognition, you'll both be self-absorbed. This aspect will become a wedge between you rather than an asset, and it will be difficult to operate as a unit.

However, if you show your partner appreciation and look for ways in which you can be supportive, you'll each become stronger individually, and this will ensure that your partnership prospers also.

John's Moon is trine Yoko's Ascendant.

There's a strong attraction and personal tie between you. It's natural for John to nurture Yoko, and for Yoko's personality and manner to encourage John to express his feelings. In this way you each make the other feel cared-for and special.

If there's any danger, it would lie in being *too* helpful to each other. John might nurture too much, making Yoko feel smothered. Or Yoko might encourage John so strongly that John becomes overly emotional. It's unlikely, however, that such problems would happen often. The deep feelings that you have for each other should far outweigh any of these minor upsets.

John's Mercury is semisextile Yoko's Ascendant.

Social and conversational skills form part of your attraction to each other, and the two of you are prone to discussing yourselves and your immediate environment together. If you begin to pick at one other, remember that each of you has the right to operate without being criticized or overly directed by your partner. Yoko shouldn't tell John what to say or how to say it, and John shouldn't tell Yoko how to look or behave. If this gets to be a problem, take turns temporarily shelving your own needs while you help your partner. For example, sometimes John could concentrate on saying things to make Yoko look good, and then at other times Yoko can make sure that her manner of dealing with people enhances what John has to say. The more you do things like this to help each other, the closer you'll grow.

John's Mars is conjunct Yoko's Ascendant.

No matter how this aspect manifests specifically, you can be sure that your relationship won't be passive! You'll probably give each other energy, and there could be a strong sexual attraction between you. Also, however, one of you (probably John) might try to direct the other. It's possible that the one who's getting ordered around won't mind it, but if that person does get annoyed at being nagged, neither of you will be happy. If tensions do erupt between you, you can ease them by using the Mars energy that you generate together in vigorous (preferably physical) work or sports. With all that energy, you could accomplish something big, and it could also benefit your body.

John's Pluto is sextile Yoko's Ascendant.

With this combination, John can use his personal power to help Yoko better express her personality, and Yoko can use her personality to help empower him. Your interaction can make you a powerful duo, and because of the impression you make as a couple, people may expect you to take charge. If this isn't part of your individual personalities, it may at first seem a bit uncomfortable. But, when you see the impact that the two of you can have, you'll probably take on such tasks more willingly. Just remember that it's your joint personality that others are regarding as the authority, and make sure that you act as a unit.

John's North Node is conjunct Yoko's Ascendant.

When Yoko brings other people into the relationship, her personality could be an issue. Some of these people may view her as an asset, which could make the association richer. If they see her in a less favorable light, however, it could make you less popular as a couple. Then, if John started to experience her through the eyes of the others, it could cause problems between you. Because of these supposed friends, insults or arguments could result, revealing serious flaws in your relationship. Before you allow others to have a negative impact on your partnership, you may want to try interacting with different people.

Yoko's Jupiter is quincunx John's Ascendant.

You and your partner have the ability to grow and develop together. However, John may try too hard to influence Yoko's direction of development, and Yoko may try to impose her philosophical views on John. Instead of continually pushing your partner to develop or think in the way that *you* think is right, try taking turns adjusting to each other's ideas and goals. For example, sometimes John should completely drop any criticisms of the way Yoko pursues her goals, and instead try to be as supportive as possible. Then, at other times, Yoko should stop expounding her views and instead encourage her partner to explain his own philosophy. Handled in this way, this supposedly problematical aspect can actually bring you closer together and help you to grow as individuals.

Yoko's Uranus is conjunct John's Ascendant.

Being together adds an extra element of excitement to your lives. Often you'll do things that surprise your partner (and sometimes you as well!). Yoko tends to make John feel more adventurous and individual, and John tends to ignite her creative spark. While Yoko may seem like the instigator, it's actually the interaction between you that can make you both so zany and unpredictable. If it isn't overdone, this aspect can add a lot of zest and fun to your lives, and the surprises that it brings can keep your relationship fresh and alive. If sometimes it all seems too exhausting and unstable, however, it's OK to withdraw a bit to recover your sense of balance. Fortunately, this aspect imparts a high degree of independence when you need it.

Yoko's Pluto is square John's Ascendant.

With this aspect between your charts, you may find that you more often challenge each other than cooperate. Yoko may try to direct and control John, and this could damage John's self-esteem. Or John could use the force of his personality to undermine the Yoko's power, and thereby make her feel ineffectual. Also implicit in this combination, however, is the possibility of being a powerful and effective couple. So, if either of you feels that the other is putting you down, analyze your situation. When you determine what's wrong, you can change it. Find ways to cooperate, and you'll become stronger both as individuals and as a couple.

Yoko's Ascendant is square John's Midheaven.

John's public image, reputation or career is connected with Yoko's personality in such a way that you may sometimes interfere with each other's progress. For example, John could feel that Yoko's personality is detrimental to his career, or Yoko could believe that John's career forces limitations on her behavior. The result may be that John feels unsuccessful and Yoko feels insecure. It may help if John tries pursuing some of his career goals without involving his partner, and Yoko looks outside the relationship to develop self-esteem.

Yoko's Ascendant is square John's Part of Fortune.

There's a connection between Yoko's personality and John's desire for fulfillment, but your personal needs might be in conflict. John could feel that the expression of Yoko's personality interferes with his fulfillment. Or in focusing on his own fulfillment, John might forget about Yoko's needs. Perhaps if you find some small goal upon which you can agree and then take action together, the dynamic quality of this aspect can help you to gain momentum. Either of you may still sometimes feel that your partner is more self-serving than considerate of you, but the more you accomplish as a couple, the less frequently this feeling will occur.

John's Mercury is trine Yoko's Midheaven.

If the two of you share a career, communications could be an essential part of it, but even if you don't, communicating with the outer world is something you're likely to do well together. It's possible that John could be a public spokesperson for Yoko, or that Yoko (possibly through her profession) could provide an arena for John's communications. Another possibility is that the two of you are focused on the outer world and like to discuss career issues or current events with each other. When you're together your conversations may not be deep or philosophical, but you'll seldom be at a loss for words.

John's Jupiter is sextile Yoko's Midheaven.

You and your partner are bent on helping each other to develop in the outer world. John can offer ideas to help Yoko grow professionally, and Yoko can provide an arena in which John is able to broaden his personal horizons. Because you're constantly prodding each other to reach greater heights, you may sometimes feel a bit overwhelmed. But you'll probably never be lethargic as a couple, and you can always count on your partner for help. There's always something new to be learned, a new adventure to unfold, and an ever-present desire to broaden yourselves. Chances are, you'll never be bored together. The stimulation that you provide for each other will keep you developing both as individuals and as a couple.

John's Saturn is sextile Yoko's Midheaven.

Yoko's career or public image blends quite well with John's concept of life structure, and this should provide a strong foundation for your relationship in material terms. In addition, you want to help each other to attain tangible success. John may organize and take care of details so that Yoko can move ahead professionally, and Yoko can use her public image or career to provide the material security that John is seeking. Because you believe that you have to work hard to get what you want, you may not take the easiest route to attain your goals. Fortunately you have the ability to work hard together, so though you may not advance quickly, your persistence will allow you to move steadily forward so that you ultimately get your rewards.

John's Uranus is semisquare Yoko's Midheaven.

John's individuality or revolutionary tendencies might sometimes interfere with the public image that Yoko wants to project. Or Yoko's career or public image might make John feel inhibited or stifled. So you could sometimes feel embarrassed or restricted by one another. If this happens, take a break once in a while from your daily existence. Forget about the limitations, and do something new and different. Even an hour of release and relief might make you feel better and add a new spark of excitement to your relationship.

John's Nodes are square Yoko's Midheaven.

With this aspect there's a connection between Yoko's career or public image and the relationships that John brings to the partnership, but some difficulties might arise between you because of these relationships. One possibility could be that Yoko feels disliked or not respected by her partner's friends. Another might be that John thinks that his social interactions are restricted because Yoko's career or public image causes the people involved to feel inhibited. Perhaps if you each take the other's feelings into consideration and both put forth some extra effort, you might find that these problems vanish. If not, you can use this dynamic aspect to seek out people who can more satisfactorily fulfill your social and professional needs.

Yoko's Mercury is sextile John's Midheaven.

The two of you undoubtedly enjoy communicating with each other, especially about career and/or world issues. You also want to help each other when communications and career are in the foreground. Yoko may verbally try to promote John both personally and in his career, and John may offer Yoko a forum or means by which she can reach the world. When you're together your conversations may not be deep or philosophical, but you'll never be at a loss for words. In addition, knowing that you're voluntarily promoting each other shows your approval, which can only strengthen your relationship.

Yoko's Neptune is trine John's Midheaven.

Yoko's spirituality, charisma and artistry are connected with John's career or public image. So Yoko can lend her charisma to enhance John's career or the impression that he makes on the world, and can build his confidence by showing faith in his abilities. And John can throw his worldly support behind Yoko's artistic endeavors or spiritual belief system. You tend to be to be altruistic as a couple, focusing on helping others and doing what's right. While material rewards are probably not your main goals together, the help you give to others may cause all sorts of rewards to magically appear.

Yoko's North Node is sextile John's Midheaven.

As a couple you find it easy to form relationships in the outer world, and the two of you share the ability to fit in easily with these individuals. In fact, it could seem that people are standing in line to interact with you! While a lot of these alliances may be made primarily for professional reasons or may come about as a result of your careers or your public reputation, they may also bring you a lot of companionship and pleasure.

John's Midheaven and Yoko's Midheaven are opposite.

This combination focuses on your interaction as a couple with the outer world, either through your careers or other public roles. Friction may develop because your careers or career goals are different, or your public personas contradict each other. This might show up as competitiveness. Healthy competition can push you toward accomplishment, but if you need to win to prove personal superiority, you may try to humiliate the other to make yourself look better. By accentuating the negative in this way, you'll cause the public to experience the worst of both of you. It's better to each individually work on developing your own public image. Then when you face the world together you'll be less likely to feel inadequate or threatened, and it'll be easier to compromise when necessary and project a favorable joint image.

Yoko's Midheaven is opposite John's Part of Fortune.

Yoko's career or public image is connected with John's sense of fulfillment, but your requirements in regard to such matters can be polar opposites. If you try to merge your needs, probably neither of you will be satisfied with the results. You'll be happier if John seeks personal fulfillment while being careful not to disrupt Yoko's career or public image, and Yoko pursues her career goals keeping her partner's needs in mind but not making them central to what she's doing.. As you both begin to attain what you're striving for individually, you'll find that you balance each other, and the result for you as a couple can be success in the world as well as a shared sense of fulfillment.

Balancing Your Separate Egos

The Sun has to do with your inner life direction and also with your conscious conception of yourself. In close relationships, one of the chief issues the Sun will bring up is each person's ego, and how the other partner does or doesn't support it.

Since the Sun is such a central part of the horoscope, aspects involving the Sun of one or both partners are likely to be among the major keynotes of your relationship. Aspects between one person's Sun and the other's Moon are particularly important, as they have been proven to be one of the strongest possible attractors between two people, especially in a long-term relationship such as marriage.

John's Sun and Yoko's Sun are in sesquare.

You and your partner may have some minor irritation in matters of ego gratification. You can relieve the tension if you put effort into working together on such matters. You don't need to make this a major project -- work together sometimes, and in between times look for appreciation and gratification in other areas of your life. This will enable you come to your joint ventures with more confidence and energy. Even if there's still occasional friction, you'll be accomplishing so much more together than you would separately, and your relationship will strengthen.

John's Sun is trine Yoko's Venus.

You and your partner have a strong mutual attraction. Yoko will tend to love and admire John's basic being, life direction, and physical presence. And John will feel aligned with Yoko's esthetic preferences and sense of values. Just being together can be a great pleasure.

However, these energies flow so easily between you that sometimes you may find yourselves overdoing it. Together you may overindulge your senses by eating, drinking or spending large amounts on beautiful things, or you may overdo having a good time so that the practical side of your lives gets neglected. If you feel this happening, you can change it. While you're each by yourself, think of ways you can have a good time without overindulging or spending huge amounts of money. Also, think of ways you can have an enjoyable time while doing the useful and necessary things that life demands. Then, when you're together, follow through on some of these ideas. You'll restore balance in your life, and you'll realize that you can feel a delight that goes beyond mere sensual indulgence.

John's Sun is semisextile Yoko's Mars.

The two of you can generate a great deal of energy together, but in order to use that energy most effectively, you need to take turns adjusting to each other's needs. For example, when John wants self-satisfaction, Yoko should take the initiative to support John's goals. When Yoko wants to be assertive and take the lead, John should throw the force of his personality behind this effort.

Remember that if John is always the one on stage, Yoko could either become angry or feel ineffectual. And if Yoko always takes the lead, John could feel ignored and lose self-confidence. If you take turns being in the foreground, you'll be using the energy wisely and you'll both be happier as well.

John's Sun is opposite Yoko's Uranus.

This combination carries the possibility that instead of attaining the goals that he's working for, John might simply be considered eccentric or unstable. And Yoko, feeling overshadowed by John, might be unable to express her own individuality. What's needed is a balance between John's desire for self-satisfaction and Yoko's restless, creative spirit. John needs to concentrate on achieving his goals, and Yoko needs to be allowed to use the creativity and individuality that are so important to her. When you allow this to happen, you'll both be able to share some of your assets with your partner and still not forfeit who you are and what you're striving for.

John's Sun is square Yoko's Pluto.

If you can harness the sexy and powerful energy that flows between you, you and your partner will be able to accomplish great things together. However, with this aspect you could also come to blows, particularly when one partner's ego conflicts with the other's drive for power. When your power struggles reach crisis points, all your energies may go into winning the battle. This will only deplete both of you, in the end leaving even the winner feeling ineffectual and devoid of self-satisfaction. Instead of fighting about who's in charge, harness the awesome energy that you generate between you, and focus it on achieving a single goal. Make the first goal a small one, so that you can quickly see results. Each time that you successfully join forces in this way, your relationship will improve. And then you can enjoy the magnetic attraction that is the upside of this aspect.

Yoko's Sun is opposite John's Venus.

Obviously you and your partner are drawn to each other, and at least part of your attraction is based on the anticipation of ego gratification and the sharing of pleasure. However, your ideas on these matters may be diametrically opposed. If you try to force the other to accept your concepts, you'll probably fail, and the pressure could pull you apart, so that one or both of you could look elsewhere to satisfy these needs. Remember that you can enjoy being together without agreeing on everything. If you take care to respect each other's viewpoints, you can each get what you want from the relationship and not need to look anywhere else.

Yoko's Sun is square John's Uranus.

Tensions can arise when Yoko tries to obtain self-satisfaction or John tries to express his individuality or independence. John might accuse Yoko of being self-centered, and Yoko might accuse him of being eccentric. It may help to consider why your partner might be behaving that way. Yoko's self-absorption may contribute to John's bizarre behavior, because her preoccupation with her own satisfaction makes him feel ignored. And John's eccentricities may embarrass Yoko, causing her to retreat into her own search for gratification. Besides trying to understand your own part in the problem, you might both also look for an activity that you can share where both ego and individuality can play a role.

Yoko's Sun is sextile John's Part of Fortune.

Both the Sun and the Part of Fortune are connected with personal gratification — the Sun with the ego and the Part of Fortune with more general fulfillment. Thus you and your partner probably have similar goals in regard to such matters. Not only are you in agreement on the goals and direction of your partnership, you both also want to help the other to achieve personal fulfillment. However, because you're both so tuned into assisting each other, you might forget about the needs of other people who are an integral part of your relationship. If this occurs, they could view you as being a self-centered couple, and they may not be there for you when you need them. If you show a little consideration for these people as you strive toward what you want, that could give you even greater gratification, and because you've included others, you may get it sooner.

Dealing with Each Other's Emotions

The Moon has to do with your unconscious, receptive side, the part that reacts emotionally to life. A primary significator of the mother, it also indicates how everyone, regardless of gender, nurtures, feeds and protects both others and the self. The Moon also has a lot to do with being comfortable and feeling at home with your partner.

John's Moon is conjunct Yoko's Saturn.

Emotions between you and your partner may not be easily expressed. John may feel inhibited because he experiences Yoko as uncomfortable with displays of emotion, or Yoko may feel that, instead of just being accepted, she must work to secure John's approval. The result could be that your relationship has a distant, formal quality, and that both of you keep your feelings inside. If you're unhappy with the emotional state of your relationship, you might try to discuss the matter as objectively as you can. Try to determine the facts without accusations, and look for solutions that will make each of you feel more comfortable. By selecting each other, you may be re-living an emotional relationship with a parent whose loving usually had strings attached. By becoming conscious of this, you may no longer have to project your parent's image onto your partner. Another thing you can do is to work on making each other feel more secure in every way. Since the emotions are not easily expressed, you might make a start by concentrating on material security, or you might reaffirm your formal commitment to each other. You may also want to work on just accepting and enjoying both yourself and each other without any kind of judgment. When you each feel more secure, you'll find it easier to relax and show your feelings.

Yoko's Moon is sextile John's North Node.

When John brings his acquaintances into the relationship, Yoko finds it easy to relate to them, particularly on an emotional level. Yoko tends to nurture them, and, as a result of your being together, John, too, may come to assume a motherly role toward these individuals even if he didn't before. Because of the empathy that you, as a couple, project into these relationships, people may often come to the two of you for help with their problems. You might not always want to be looked upon as mother figures. If the burden becomes too great, seek out other people with whom to relate. While the nurturing pattern might possibly recur with the next group, one thing you don't have to worry about is fitting in with each other's friends.

Keeping Communications Open

The planet Mercury has key importance in your relationship because it signifies your own style of thinking and perceiving, and also the way you convey your thoughts and feelings to each other. When the two of you have good Mercury connections, you're able to communicate easily, and your chances of ironing out any differences between you are greatly increased.

John's Mercury and Yoko's Mercury are in trine.

You and your partner communicate easily. You may share many of the same views, and so you most likely enjoy conversing with each other. You probably won't discuss deep, intellectual matters, but you can talk without effort about issues that are important in your daily life. The worst possibility with this combination is that you talk to each other too much (if there's such a thing as talking too much to your partner!). Having such excellent rapport will strengthen your relationship and should far outweigh any complaints you could have about each other's loquacity.

John's Mercury is square Yoko's Venus.

With this combination you and your partner should have no difficulty communicating. However, with this particular aspect, Yoko could find John too talkative, and John could feel that Yoko is self-centered and only wishes to discuss herself. So instead of just enjoying the pleasure of talking together, you may frequently grate on each other. You may find your conversations more enjoyable if Yoko uses her charm to enhance John's discussions, and John adds interesting sidelights to Yoko's focus on self. If you complement each other in this way, you'll have a happier time together, and the outer world will probably see you as a very charming and sociable couple.

John's Mercury is square Yoko's Saturn.

Either or both of you might feel that your partner does not communicate well. John may feel that Yoko is always instructing him or criticizing the way he communicates. And Yoko could feel that John always lectures her about her rigidity and conservatism. So it may become easier to keep your thoughts to yourself and complain about a lack of communication. Try sitting down together to have an honest talk about your problems. If you endeavor to get to the bottom of matters, clarify issues and determine solutions, it will open the door to better communications between you.

John's Mercury is sextile Yoko's Neptune.

You and your partner may share a telepathic connection, so that you often know what the other is thinking before a word's been said. And since you're both dedicated to help strengthen this bond between you, it can be an asset in your relationship. You also probably stimulate each other's imagination and assist each other in creating bigger and better fantasies. These fantasies can provide a wonderful temporary escape from the real world. But because imagination flows so easily when you're together, you have to be cautious not to get carried away and start to believe your own fairy tales. Then you might be in for a rude awakening when reality sets in. However, if you set aside time to create and enjoy your fantasies, you will probably find that you can have the best of both worlds.

John's Mercury is trine Yoko's North Node.

You probably socialize well together, and communications play an important role in these relationships. You may not be deeply committed to these people, and your conversations may not be profound, but they certainly should be comfortable. You automatically help each other to fit in with each other's friends. Whether or not other factors add more meaning to the interaction, just being able to socialize easily together has to be an asset in your partnership.

Yoko's Mercury is opposite John's Venus.

This combination can indicate that communications between you and your partner are creative and pleasurable. However, with this particular aspect, John could find Yoko too talkative, and Yoko could feel that John is self-centered and only wishes to discuss himself. What you should do is to balance each other. John should allow Yoko to talk about any subject at all, and occasionally throw a little personal charm into the conversation if it is too monotonous. And Yoko should permit John to discuss himself and add a little general information if John is becoming too self-centered. In this way, you'll both satisfy your personal needs in terms of communications and come across as a charming and sociable couple to the outer world.

Encouraging Affection and Pleasure

Like a flower that attracts bees, Venus rules anything that attracts through beauty or pleasure, anything that engenders desire. She can also signify whatever you think is beautiful or valuable or attractive. In your relationship, Venus reveals the quality of affection that draws you together, the esteem you have for each other, and the beauty and pleasure that you can create around you.

John's Venus is conjunct Yoko's Neptune.

There's an ethereal quality to the love that you and your partner share, which may make you believe that your union is perfect. Because this belief is based on feelings and not on tangible facts, you need to have faith in it. If you try to give practical reasons for how you feel, you might become confused by your relationship or disenchanted with your partner. A more constructive way to use this aspect would be jointly to become involved in developing your spiritual life, or in doing something artistic or creative. Or you may find it more fun, and just as effective, to combine your imaginations and occasionally escape together into a fantasy. Then, when you return to the everyday world, you'll still be able to look at your partnership through rose-colored glasses.

John's Venus is conjunct Yoko's South Node.

You socialize very well together. John easily fits in with the people whom Yoko brings to the relationship, and Yoko is likely to enjoy the charming impression that John makes on them. The only possible pitfalls could be that you spend too much time together partying, or that John is too charming and pays more attention to others than he does to his partner. If the social whirl begins to interfere with other parts of your life, of course you shouldn't give up having a good time, but do balance things out by putting more attention on the other good things that you share.

Yoko's Venus is square John's Jupiter.

With this combination, there's a connection between the pleasure principle and development and growth. However, instead of cooperating with your partner and enjoying each other's company, Yoko might urge John just to play around instead of grow, and John could prod Yoko to develop but not enjoy doing it. Thus, you could adhere to your partner's wishes and not take pleasure in doing so, or focus so strongly on what you want that John is extravagant and Yoko overindulges in food and/or drink. If you work at it, however, you can find activities that are interesting but are inexpensive or free, and where food and drink are not served. Then you could discover that it is possible to grow and have a good time doing it, without overindulging yourselves physically or financially.

Yoko's Venus is square John's Saturn.

You and your partner have the potential of sharing security in love, but could find that you often try to define and structure your affection rather than sit back and enjoy it. So what you experience is sometimes restriction instead of security. If either of you feels inhibited in expressing affection or insecure about your love relationship, you should clarify the situation and look for a practical solution. It may take effort, but once you bring these issues into the open you can begin to work on them. When you face problems together, you'll each feel less threatened, and you can begin to replace the feelings of limitation with a sense of security.

Yoko's Venus is trine John's North Node.

Yoko should fit in very well with most of the people John brings into the relationship. Yoko probably enjoys their company very much. In fact, the two of you may have such a good time that you tend to party too much, or ignore serious matters that should be taken care of but are not fun to do. This would be a real problem only if you lacked Saturn contacts or other more serious and hard-working types of energies in your charts. A little fun gives you energy, and everyone should be allowed to fritter away a little time. So sit back and enjoy your social life!

Getting Things Done Together

Mars signifies the way you direct the life energy of the Sun. This you could use to assert yourself, go after what you want, or meet threats and defend yourself from harm or annoyance. In your relationship it can show where anger may erupt, but it also indicates your energy level and your ability to accomplish things as a couple. It also has a lot to do with your sexual assertion and desire.

John's Mars is square Yoko's Part of Fortune.

You could motivate each other to go after health, wealth and general fulfillment, but there may be some arguments along the way. You might each have a different definition of how to reach fulfillment, with one partner's approach being practical while the other's is impulsive, or one being cerebral while the other is emotional. Or John might carp about Yoko's plans, and Yoko might complain about the way John takes the initiative. Whenever anger begins to erupt, before the yelling starts try concentrating on taking a little action together. It might take effort, but the excess energy will get absorbed and you'll start to get moving toward your goals, That's is what this aspect is really all about.

Yoko's Mars is trine John's Jupiter.

Taking action to expand your horizons as a couple is something that you and your partner do well together. If your plans are connected with idealistic goals, you probably move energetically ahead. If you're pursuing practical goals, you'll methodically plan a step-by-step course that you can execute. If you're desirous of intellectual expansion, you'll think and talk about what you want and how to get it. Then you can both comfortably take action. If your direction is toward emotional development, the actions have to feel right before you take them. It may be that occasionally you could move too fast, organize too thoroughly, talk too much before taking action, or get overly emotional about your direction. Then you might not accomplish as much as you'd like. But since your mode of operating is so similar, you'll probably achieve much of what you want without a great deal of resistance or disagreement.

Yoko's Mars is trine John's Saturn.

Here, taking the initiative (Mars) is connected with structure, organization and material success (Saturn). This trine between your charts means that when you're together, one partner's taking action flows quite easily with the other's tendency to organize. Yoko is more effective when taking action because John works out the details so that energy isn't wasted. And John feels successful because Yoko takes the initiative to make his desired rewards materialize. While Yoko may sometimes feel that he slows her down a bit, and John may sometimes feel that she forces him to move too quickly, the results of your joint effort are bound to far outweigh any momentary discomfort.

Stretching Your Boundaries

With Jupiter you start to move out of your personal sphere to where you interact with the larger world around you. This could mean the way you relate to social institutions, religions, philosophies and ideas, or foreign cultures. In your relationship, Jupiter also has much to do with the way the two of you grow, develop and make plans for the future. Jupiter is the principle of expansion, and so it's also one of the planets (along with Uranus) that can signify the need that each of you may sometimes have for elbow room.

John's Jupiter is square Yoko's Saturn.

In your relationship the principles of expansion (Jupiter) and contraction (Saturn) are closely connected, but in such a way that John feels restricted because he thinks that Yoko often tries to stifle his ideas and plans. And Yoko might feel insecure when John wants to change things. Some of John's ideas and plans may be feasible, and some of Yoko's concerns are probably legitimate. So, instead of constantly limiting each other, try to find one plan of John's that Yoko thinks has a reasonable chance of succeeding, and then implement it. When you join forces to make ideas materialize, you'll feel better about your relationship. You may need to move slowly, with each success you have it will become easier to work together the next time.

John's Jupiter is trine Yoko's Neptune.

John's philosophy easily blends with Yoko's spiritual ideas, and therefore you could develop an elaborate belief system together. This belief system is not materialistic. It is based on spirituality, so when you're questioned about it you may have difficulty explaining it in practical terms. There may be those who think that your belief system is a sham, but this is really irrelevant because it's the faith and trust that you and your partner have in each other that makes it work. The opinions of others about this are really unimportant. Those who are moved by the spirit that you have together may join you, and those who aren't moved will not. As long as you and your partner have faith in each other, your belief system will thrive.

John's Jupiter is sesquare Yoko's Part of Fortune.

You stimulate each other to expand and reach out toward personal fulfillment, but in urging each other to greater and greater heights, you may not always consider the feasibility of your ideas. So you may push each other to the point of extravagance and excess, and end up overwhelmed and exhausted with little to show for it. If this happens frequently, try a little patience. Take your idea of how much you should spend or what action you should take, and cut it in half. Then before you spend more money or work harder, evaluate the results of the efforts you've already made, and, if necessary, correct your course. Your progress may seem slower, but you'll be more likely to succeed.

Yoko's Jupiter is trine John's Uranus.

In your relationship, one of you is stimulated to expand (Jupiter), and the other is stimulated to be as individual as possible (Uranus). It may be hard to understand how these qualities in two different people could merge into unity, and yet, with this aspect, they do. Instead of triggering each other's need for individual freedom, you stimulate each other to concentrate on mutual growth. Therefore, you can be a creative and adventurous couple. Others may see you as liberal or even radical, and as a couple you may take chances that others might not take. But you'll probably also accomplish more than other couples, and you can be sure that your relationship will rarely, if ever, be boring.

Yoko's Jupiter is conjunct John's Neptune.

The spiritual connection between you and your partner may be strong, and your belief system is most likely based on faith instead of tangible proof. You don't need to convince others of your beliefs, they just have to work for the two of you. If any difficulties arise in your relationship, it's possible that one or both of you could lose your faith. Then the harder you try to shore up your faith with practical facts, the faster it will dissolve. It's better to look for spiritual indicators. Ask for "signs." If they appear, it will restore your faith. If not, you share the raw material to develop a new belief system that works better for you.

Yoko's Jupiter is semisquare John's Pluto.

This interaction between your charts implies great (Jupiter) power (Pluto), but instead of trying to control the world together, you might just be tempted to pick at each other's power bases. You might succeed in making your partner feel ineffectual, but that will not make you feel empowered either individually or as a couple. This combination will work well only if you can join forces. So instead of dwelling on each other's weaknesses, look for some situation upon which you can agree and then assert a bit of power together, without worrying about who's in charge. You might then find that you can gain momentum, and that the two of you can become a force to be reckoned with.

Staying On-Track and Committed

Saturn, the principle of structure and solidity, is needed to give a relationship permanence. While it can symbolize hardship and restriction, it also shows how you handle responsibility, fulfill obligations, keep organized, and together tackle the practical aspects of life.

We've already considered Saturn in connection with the faster-moving, more personally significant planets in your charts. Saturn's aspects with the slower-moving planets Uranus, Neptune and Pluto usually have more to do with your generation and the wider social sphere. Exceptions to this are when these outer-planet-only aspects are either extremely exact, or the planets in these pairs are also being aspected by the Ascendant, Midheaven, Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus or Mars. Then these generational aspects may become more tied into your personal lives.

John's Saturn and Yoko's Saturn are in square.

In the life you share, responsibility and commitment are very important, but you may not agree on what responsibilities you should have, or on how to carry through once you make a commitment. So either or both of you could feel that your partner is more restrictive than supportive. It's not that you shirk your duties, it's more that your viewpoints are so different that it's hard to cooperate. As long as you keep skirting the issue, you'll probably get in each other's way. It's better to face the problems directly, state your feelings to each other, and not let resentment build. Even if you don't achieve total cooperation, you are then likely to work out boundaries and procedures that will make you feel less restricted.

John's Saturn is trine Yoko's Neptune.

This combination gives the two of you the potential to blend the practical (Saturn) and spiritual (Neptune) worlds in an especially harmonious manner. While John organizes the environment and deals with the material world, Yoko can provide the faith and imagination (and perhaps periodic escapes) to make John's job easier. And Yoko's spiritual life can be enhanced when John provides clarity or helps her to apply her spirituality to daily life. Also, when your life structure becomes too rigid, the two of you will know that it's time to dissolve whatever isn't functioning in your life. There might initially be some resistance to change, but Yoko will find it natural to facilitate the dissolving process, and then John will naturally lead in creating a new structure to replace the old.

John's Saturn is sextile Yoko's North Node.

Those whom Yoko brings to your partnership may see John as the teacher or authority figure, and as long as you are partners he assumes such roles without effort. And, because the two of you are connected with each other, Yoko could also easily begin to accept such roles also. You may enjoy having people look up to you, but if either of you begins to feel burdened with responsibility, you have an alternative. Since you're the authority figures, you can delegate some of your duties to others and get some temporary relief.

John's Saturn is sesquare Yoko's Part of Fortune.

In your relationship there's a dynamic but potentially tense relationship between your drive for fulfillment on the one hand, and the limitation, material concerns and practical realities represented by Saturn. One way this could play out is that Yoko might feel that, instead of helping her attain fulfillment, John is more interested in setting limitations on her. Or, going into judgmental mode, John could feel that Yoko thinks more of her personal goals than the welfare of you as a couple. If you sit down and discuss such problems together, you might find that John just wants to understand Yoko's goals, and Yoko really wants to include John in her search for fulfillment. Once you both realize that your partner isn't really trying to restrict or ignore you, you can start to cooperate. This will activate the dynamic side of this aspect, and after overcoming obstacles you'll start to see tangible results.

Yoko's Saturn is sesquare John's Neptune.

Within your partnership, Yoko tends to view life from a more practical position, while John is more idealistic and spiritual, and this may become a source of friction. If either of you tries to change the other's viewpoint, you could block each other or just cause confusion. Accept the fact that neither approach is right or wrong, and think about the contribution that each of you can make to the other. Then, instead of constantly pushing each other's buttons, try some cooperation. For example, Yoko could concentrate on helping John's dreams come to fruition, and John could put Yoko more in touch with her feelings and fantasies.

Yoko's Saturn is opposite John's Pluto.

Saturn represents structure and authority, and Pluto represents power and change, and with this aspect comes the possibility of frequent confrontations over who's in charge. You'll each defend your position with great stamina, so that instead of anyone really winning, you're likely to end up just exhausting each other's energies. This aspect will work better if you allow each other supremacy in your own realm. In that area of life, your partner keeps in the background and refrains from challenging you (though he or she could stand by to see that you don't go too far). With each partner having a position of authority in some area, there will be less reason to battle each other, and you may be able to free up your joint Saturn-Pluto power to structure much-needed changes in the world.

Yoko's Saturn is trine John's North Node.

Those whom John brings to your partnership may see Yoko as the teacher or authority figure, and as long as you are partners she assumes such roles without effort. And, because the two of you are connected with each other, John could also easily begin to accept such roles also. You may enjoy having people look up to you, but if either of you begins to feel burdened with responsibility, you have an alternative. Since you're the authority figures, you can delegate some of your duties to others and get some temporary relief.

Keeping the Spark of Spontaneity

When things get too dull and locked-up under Saturn, along comes Uranus to poke holes in Saturn's structure and let in a breath of fresh air. While Uranus can signify sudden, destabilizing events or a rugged individualism that can put stress on your togetherness, it can also bring new life, zest and creativity to your life as a couple.

The more personally important Uranus interactions between you will have been discussed in the sections on the faster-moving planets and points in your charts.

John's Uranus is sextile Yoko's Pluto.

You and your partner can suddenly (Uranus) transform (Pluto) situations that are unsatisfactory. And you each want to help your partner to achieve goals. John can help Yoko attain power by employing an individualistic approach and perhaps an element of surprise. Yoko can help John to express his individuality and maintain a certain degree of freedom by using personal power as a buffer in the world. There's a great deal of power in this combination, so you should be successful in your joint efforts, especially since you cooperate so well. However, you probably don't want to be permanent leaders, because full-time responsibility is not your goal. It's best to include an escape plan, so that you can get out of the situation as quickly as you got into it.

John's Uranus is quincunx Yoko's Part of Fortune.

With this aspect between your charts, your urge to find wholeness and contentment takes on a rather problematic relationship with the forces of originality, creativity and change that are signified by Uranus. Yoko might feel that John's pursuit of individuality gets in the way of achieving her goals, or John might prod her to keep moving to greater heights, so that she constantly strives toward, but never seems to attain, a sense of fulfillment. Instead of pushing or trying to change your partner, you should take turns supporting each other as you each pursue your personal goals. Sometimes Yoko should leave John free to express his individuality, and bolster him with encouragement. And then John should leave Yoko free to pursue personal fulfillment, and perhaps contribute some creative ideas to help her along the way. If you cooperate in this manner, you should start to feel less limited by your partner, and you'll both gain a sense of accomplishment.

Honoring the Spiritual Dimension

Neptune signifies a dimension that lies beyond ordinary reality. It has to do with dreams and fantasies, and your relationship with the ineffable world that is beyond words. While Neptune can weaken structure and dissolve your most practical plans, it can also bring an unexplainable sort of closeness and an ethereal bliss. Often it is channeled into artistry, particularly music and dance.

In preceding sections you may already have read about most or all of the Neptune contacts between your two charts.

John's Neptune is sextile Yoko's Pluto.

Neptune and Pluto have been roughly in sextile since the early 1940s, and so you both probably have this aspect in your own natal charts as well. Having this aspect between each other's charts just reinforces a combination with which you're already comfortable. It's likely that your concepts of spirituality and power are compatible, and that you want to help each other to develop these factors further in your lives. Although you could easily manipulate each other, it's more likely that John would enhance Yoko's power, and Yoko would add power to John's spiritual beliefs. Together you could create a powerful belief system.

John's Neptune is square Yoko's Part of Fortune.

This combination connects your urge for personal fulfillment with the planet Neptune, which emphasizes higher evolvment. However, while you and your partner may seek spiritual fulfillment together, it could be hard to find the right direction in which to move. When you're engaged in such searches, John may take on a nebulous quality that confuses Yoko, and this may make what's needed to attain gratification seem either ever-shifting or unclear. Or Yoko's idea of fulfillment might seem materialistic to John, so that his response might be resistance rather than cooperation. Talking about such hard-to-pin-down issues will probably produce little in the way of results. It may be better if you pray or try to tune into your partner at a subliminal level. Instead of externally trying to influence each other, you need to develop faith that each of you can find the right path.

Yoko's Neptune is semisextile John's North Node.

The relationships that you and your partner share as a couple could be either spiritual and artistic, or confusing and debilitating. Since the semisextile aspect indicates a need for adjustment, they could well be the latter. To improve your social life together, Yoko should sometimes socialize with John's friends, and at other times John should forgo their company so that Yoko can periodically escape. When you each take turns honoring the wishes of the other, your partnership will grow stronger.

Coping with Power and Change

Pluto is an inexorable force that works slowly in the background to create what you eventually realize are profound and all-encompassing changes. It's also the energy that sweeps away what's dying or outmoded so that new life can begin. In relationships, Pluto usually signifies power, also known as the ability to create change. This could be the balance of power between you, or the power that you as a couple exert on the outside world. Because Pluto deals with mysterious natural forces such as sex and death, there can be a certain smoky charisma and sexiness about it.

Because there are no slower planets for Pluto to make aspects to, you may find most or all of the Pluto interactions between you discussed at the ends of the sections on other points in the chart.

Relating to Others as a Couple

No couple functions in isolation, and the contacts that you have with the rest of the world can have a lot to do with the happiness that you experience together. The way that you as a couple relate to other people is in large part shown by the lunar Nodes -- the two moving points in the zodiac where the Moon's orbital path crosses the Sun's apparent path through the sky. Being themselves a sort of Sun-Moon connection, the Nodes signify connections in general, particularly with other people. The North and South Nodes are always 180 degrees apart, so when we talk about aspects to the North Node, we're implying aspects to the South Node as well. NOMC.

Finding Fulfillment Together

The position of the Part of Fortune is derived from the three most important things in your chart: your Sun, Moon and Ascendant. A correct Part of Fortune requires an accurate birth time. When its position is known fairly accurately in both of your charts, it can give clues about where you're most likely to find happiness and fulfillment in your relationship.

John's and Yoko's Parts of Fortune are conjunct.

Personal fulfillment is an important goal in your relationship, and since what the two of you want is usually the same, it should be easy for you to join forces. However, it's possible that your views could ordinarily be so alike that either of you might assume that the other would agree with every action you take. Then, when you move without consultation, you may be surprised to find that it upsets your partner. It's a good idea always to keep your partner informed about what you're doing, or discuss your plans with each other and then take action together. If you operate in this manner, you should each get what you want personally, and you should also grow closer as a couple. In addition, you may discover that you can get twice the gratification in half the time.

Using This Comparison of Your Charts

We've now taken a brief look at the birth charts of you both, and a closer look at how your individual charts relate to each other. Perhaps now you have a little more clarity about what you personally need in a relationship, how you see each other, and how your partner's needs relate to yours. And perhaps you better understand some of the main themes and dynamics that you've been given to deal with in your life together.

Hopefully, your relationship has many islands of bliss and comfort where you can relax and just be yourselves. But hopefully there are also enough challenges to keep your life together dynamic and ever- evolving.

Remember that it's not realistic to expect perfection in each other. It's true that it may be easier to be happy and to function well with some partners than it would be with others. However, we tend to attract partners that provoke the crises we need to grow. When there's an unresolved issue that we need to work on, the relevant partner magically appears. A partner's foibles can teach us much, for they are mirrors of what we have within ourselves and may not otherwise be able to see. When we solve a problem and learn what it has to teach us, we are then permitted to move on – in most cases to a more fulfilling relationship with the same person, although sometimes we may need to strike out on our own. Usually, it's better to work with what we're given. But either way, when we step up to any challenge with open eyes, we grow in wisdom and power.

The important thing is to own up to our own responsibility in a situation, and to refrain from hiding behind a protective wall of blame. When we open ourselves to the truth, we see that both we and our partner are human and lovably imperfect. Then our hearts become free, and we have space in which to expand. We're no longer confined within our own being. When you let down your boundaries and merge with another, the two of you become one larger being with more than double the wisdom and humanity.

To complete this relationship analysis, we're now going to move on to the new entity that is formed when the two of you stay together for any length of time. This is not either one of you, but a new "being" that you create together, and which is greater than the sum of its parts. This is the relationship itself.

A Chart for Your Relationship

When people stay together for any length of time, they change each other, and as a couple they start to show traits and actions that they did not show as individuals. To get at this “joint personality” of a couple, astrologers combine the charts of the individuals into one single entity known as the “composite chart.”

Your composite chart is made up of the midpoints between the natal charts of each of you. For example, the position of the composite Sun is mid- way between the Sun in your birth chart and the Sun in your partner’s chart. And so it goes for all the composite planetary positions. Your composite houses can be made up from the midpoints between the house cusps of each individual, but a better way is to calculate the houses for the place on earth where the two of you are living now. This means that the houses are not set for life. If the house positions of your composite planets don’t seem to be working, you may be able to change your relationship for the better by moving to a different city, state or country.

Your composite chart shows the way that you as a couple relate to the world. This may or may not be the way you would each act as individuals. It also supplements your chart-comparison reading by giving further insights about your interactions with each other.

The Overall Balance in Your Composite Chart

Before looking at each individual point in your composite chart, let’s just see whether there are any particularly dominant themes.

Fire, Earth, Air and Water signs are evenly balanced.

This balance of elements gives you choices as to the way you can act and react in situations. As the circumstances dictate, you can concentrate on taking action (Fire), on unearthing the facts before you move (Earth), on thinking about and planning a strategy (Air), or on operating by instinct and intuition (Water).

This balance also enables you to understand the way that other people operate. Unless others also have a balance of elements, however, you may feel that their manner of operation is somewhat limited.

Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable signs are evenly balanced.

This balance means that, as a couple, you and your partner can initiate (Cardinal) when it is appropriate, continue on in a particular direction (Fixed), or be adaptable (Mutable) if a situation warrants it. In other words, you have a choice of how to handle circumstances. This can be a great advantage when you learn to determine which approach is best for each set of conditions as they arise.

Your Basic Style of Relating

Assuming that both you and your partner have given relatively accurate birth times, the Ascendant of your composite chart is one of the most powerful indicators of the quality of your relationship. The sign on your composite Ascendant gives important clues about how you as a couple relate to the outside world, the type of people you're drawn to, and how others perceive your relationship. It can also show how you relate to each other. Any planet conjunct or in some other close aspect to the composite Ascendant is likely to symbolize one of the strongest themes in your life together, at least in the location where you are living now.

Your composite Ascendant is in Sagittarius.

Being together creates a space where you can share a thirst for knowledge and a sense of adventure. You probably stimulate each other to take courses, travel, or get involved in religious or spiritual activities together. The two of you are constantly trying to broaden yourselves, and you feel that there is so much to learn and to do. You're therefore unlikely to stay still for long. So that you can be free to roam widely both physically and intellectually, you probably don't want heavy responsibilities.

As long as you're seeking your goals together, all should go well. However, if, instead of sharing, you move in separate directions, either of you might begin to feel that the other is irresponsible. You probably don't want total togetherness, but you'll want to keep a connection by sharing at least one activity.

Not only do each of you want to avoid being chained to your partner, as a couple you don't want friends who are overly demanding of your time and attention. Fortunately, you're probably attracted to people who want to be as unencumbered as you do. They may not always be around when you would like them to be, but to you that's still better than having friends who are constantly hovering. You might find that it works best to have at least two best friends or two sets of best friends. Then, when the two of you are in the mood for companionship, one of these friends or set of friends will probably be available.

Sun is conjunct the Ascendant.

As a couple, you and your partner should have, or should develop, a strong sense of self, because your joint ego needs are important in your relationship. As long as you strive for ego gratification together, all should go well. However, if either of you believes that your partner is trying to outshine you or is getting more praise (even if it is not consciously sought), you could become upset. Then you might point up your partner's flaws and your own attributes in order to make yourself look better. The problem is that you are a unit, and if your partner looks bad, so do you. So chances are you will not get the approval and rewards that you want, either individually or as a couple.

Instead of detracting from the applause and recognition that your partner is receiving, join in. You could find that by supporting your partner, others will begin to include you, too, in the praise and appreciation.

Jupiter is quincunx the Ascendant.

Expanding as a couple is important to you and your partner. You also want to share pleasure as well as growth. But if either of you is not enjoying yourself in the relationship, or if you feel that your partner is not growing quickly enough, you might do something for the sheer fun of it or to push your partner into action. You would probably move without warning or considering the subsequent impact of your actions. This could overwhelm your partner, or cause your partner to over-extend him or herself. And either of you could do this to the other. But the result of your actions would effect you both and could lead you to extravagance and excesses as a couple. Instead alternate focusing on expansion with developing a joint personality. While you are concentrating on development you can use the force of your joint personality to gather information. Then you can use the information you gather to expand your shared personality. In this way, the two you can grow and have a good time without overdoing.

Neptune is square the Ascendant.

Although this combination could mean that there is a charismatic attraction between you and your partner, you may not fully understand why. And with this aspect, you could spend so much time trying to explain the attraction in practical terms that you might become confused and suspicious of your partner's motivation. Then you cannot fully enjoy this facet of your relationship. Instead of trying to explain your feelings, make them a non-issue and accept them. And develop the combination in other ways. Look for a spiritual belief system you can share or take on a creative endeavor in which you can become wholeheartedly involved as a couple. You may sometimes disagree with each other on such matters, but if you have faith in each other you can overcome many problems.

The North Node is conjunct the Ascendant.

As a couple, your natural way of dealing with others will probably be most openly expressed when you are mingling with groups. However it could be that you allow these groups to determine what parts of your joint personality you exhibit. Or perhaps you look to those with whom you interact to define who you are.

While you probably don't want to be disruptive or disliked, you and your partner cannot afford to please those with whom you interact if it means going against what is natural for you. Therefore, you need to balance who you are with the expectations of others. One way to make this relatively easy is to find groups that approve of you as you are. Then there will be a minimum of adjustments for you to make.

Public vs. Private Life

Your public image as a couple, and the reputation that the two of you have in the outside world, are symbolized by the composite Midheaven, which, fittingly enough, is situated at the very top of your chart wheel. Your Midheaven also signifies the highest point of your trajectory in life – the goals that you're striving for together.

At the other end of the Midheaven axis is the lowest point in your composite chart, the I.C. As you might expect, this symbolizes your base of operations -- the kind of home, family and private life that you will experience as a couple.

Moon is square the Midheaven.

Emotions and public image are connected in your relationship. And you could project a gentle and nurturing image in the outer world. However, with this aspect, you might often push each other's emotional buttons when you are together in public. So you seem moody or emotionally unstable rather than tender and caring. It may be that the same partner always gets upset, or you could take turns assuming that role. But since the two of you are participants in your relationship, you each have to assume some of the blame for the outbursts whether you are acting them out or you are the one who is embarrassed by them. So instead of blaming your partner and perpetuating the situation, try to cater a bit your partner, especially when you are in public. This may improve the situation and allow you to project a more favorable joint image. Or, if this does not appeal to you, find a public project through which the two of you can nurture others. Providing such a service may make each of you become more considerate of your partner.

Mercury is square the Midheaven.

In your relationship there's a connection between your ability to communicate and your dealings with the larger world, which you would mostly do through your careers. One possibility is that the two of you socialize with the professional colleagues of either or both partners. Another is that together you frequently discuss career matters or current events.

You may have few qualms about stating your views. Being outspoken can be healthy, but it means that you may not always agree. If you voice your differences of opinion in public, others may see you as argumentative. If these others are professional associates, this might create career problems; and even if you disagree before friends, it can be uncomfortable for them. It's probably better to have your debates in private. If you find other subjects on which you can agree and vigorously meet the world with those topics, the larger world will see you as dynamic rather than argumentative.

Venus is semisquare the Midheaven.

With this combination, charm and pleasure are connected with career or public image. However, having a good time could interfere with the joint image that you and your partner project. One of you might focus on serious career needs, while the other prefers to play. And the harder one of you works, the more frivolous and self-indulgent the other becomes.

Instead of fighting these two tendencies, accept the fact that jointly you need both, and find ways to accommodate them in your lives. Try playing together for a while, with the understanding that you will then work together for a while. The first few times may be difficult, especially if one of you is almost always focused on work and the other is almost always focused on play. However, when you begin to feel the gratification you can get from experiencing both, the task of accommodating each will become easier in your relationship.

Uranus is quincunx the Midheaven.

You and your partner want to share individuality and excitement in the outer world. However, you may have to make some adjustments to do so. Perhaps you concentrate only on your public image and behave conservatively. So the excitement is missing. Then one of you begins to express individuality to stir up some excitement. But the unusual behavior may bring embarrassment to you both, rather than adventure. On the other hand, if you only think about your own needs and freedom, the outer world will see you as unreliable. Then you will not be using this combination in a satisfying way. Instead, alternate emphasis on your dealings with the world and your needs for individuality and excitement. When you are focusing on your public image you can use creativity and individuality in order to make the impression you want to make. And when you are emphasizing your individuality, keep your public image in the back of your minds so that you do not act too strangely. With this approach you should be able to have it all.

Your Conscious Identity As a Couple

Just as the Sun by far makes up most of the mass of the solar system, the astrological Sun is the center of gravity in any chart. The composite Sun is no exception. The sign and house that it falls into are, like the signs of the Ascendant and Midheaven, likely to signal dominant themes in your relationship.

The ruler of daytime and our primary source of light and energy, the Sun symbolizes our own life energy. In terms of our psyches, it symbolizes the conscious side, and hence has much to do with our egos, our conscious sense of who we are and the nature of our central mission in life.

Your composite Sun is in Sagittarius.

You and your partner tend to bring out the adventurous spirit in each other, and no matter what your natal charts indicate, together you can attain ego gratification from travel and or by broadening yourselves in some way. So you could find the status quo boring, and you may always be on the go, searching for more knowledge. You may view your pursuits as an ongoing search for truth, beauty and justice, and if you keep this in mind as you are determining your direction, you may find decisions easier to make. The two of you can be perceived as refreshingly honest because you are outgoing and spontaneous in both your actions and your discussions. Or you may be seen as tactless. The particular viewpoint may be dependent on whether or not the person evaluating you is the focus of your communications and actions. You do need a degree of freedom so that you can pursue your goals and quench your thirst for knowledge. Therefore, you might not seek responsibilities and thus, you may sometimes seem irresponsible to others. This does not necessarily have to be true. You can combine your pursuits with commitments. Also add a pinch of fun to what you are doing and not only will you attain your goals, but you will have pleasure pursuing them.

The Sun is in the First House.

Ego gratification is important to you as a couple. Visibility and appreciation are what you seek, but this is in terms of your joint personality rather than your profession or public image. Because you are two separate people joining forces, you may have to deal with issues involving your personal egos. Questions might arise between you as to who is going to be the more visible. You can alleviate or avoid such issues by finding ways to be on stage together and achieve ego gratification for both. As you acquire rewards that are meaningful to you as a couple, you will note that the appreciation you receive makes your individual egos less vulnerable and your joint personality able to shine more brightly.

The Sun is semisextile Venus.

You and your partner are obviously attracted to each other and, as a couple, you can be viewed as charming by those with whom you interact. However, if the two of you are only thinking about your own ego gratification or your own pleasure, this could detract from the pleasant impression you make. Or, if individually neither of you considers your partner's needs while satisfying your own, you could each see your partner as selfish. Should self-centeredness create difficulties between you and your partner, or between the two of you and the outer world, you could alleviate the problem by take turns adjusting to each other. Share love and pleasure on the one hand, and offer praise and applause on the other. You could also sometimes try to acquiesce to the wishes of people with whom you interact. Thus, you look better and may make others happy in the process. And the two of you will still be able to get ego gratification and enjoy yourselves.

The Sun is square Mars.

You should not expect your relationship to be tranquil. You share a great deal of energy which may be focused on taking the initiative and the ego. But, with this aspect, you could find that you spend more time arguing about who should take the initiative and whose ego should be gratified, than you do on helping each other. If this is the case, you could expend a great deal of energy with the anger but accomplish very little. In addition, the way you treat each other will have an impact on how the world sees you. So not only will you feel angry and ineffectual but you could be viewed that way. However, if you put forth some effort you can harness the energy. You can each take the initiative and both work on having ego needs met for yourselves and each other. And together you have enough energy to both ultimately get what you want and look good while you are doing it.

The Sun is square Saturn.

Ego gratification and hard work or structure are connected in your relationship. And there may be times when you feel that either your partner, or outside forces keep you from attaining the gratification you are seeking. It may be easier to detect the flaws in any proposed action than to suggest a feasible course to take. So you feel that your partner is more critical than supporting. Or if the two of you are in agreement as to what you want, the universe frequently seems to thwart your plans. You can, however, achieve success. It will take effort, but that is what Saturn is all about. Accept the fact that you must work slowly. Form a plan with a series of steps. Do not skip over any steps, and evaluate what you have accomplished after you have completed each one. You may sometimes feel frustrated and restricted. But keep focused on your goals. You can eventually achieve what you want. And the rewards will stay with you for a long time.

The Sun is sesquare Uranus.

With this aspect, ego gratification and individuality are closely connected, but you may find that it is difficult to have both. One of you may be more conventional than the other.

Alternatively, the non-conforming partner may either embarrass, or feel restricted by, the conventional partner. This often results in a continuing embarrassment and frustration, with the conventional partner becoming more conventional and the non-conforming partner acting more strangely.

This aspect does, however, point to creativity and excitement. If the two of you focus on being creative together, or on doing something that is exciting but not drastic, you may become less upset with each other. In fact, you might start looking at your partner in a different light, and enjoy each other's company more.

The Sun is square Neptune.

Although ego gratification and spirituality are connected in your relationship, you and your partner could find that you more often disagree on how to attain either. Possibly one of you might think the other is too self-centered, concentrating only on getting rather than giving. Or perhaps, one of you feels that the other is guilty of being too self-sacrificing. This dilemma may be projected onto the world's perception of you as well. Outsiders might be suspicious of your motivation as a couple. Or they could see you as being too generous and possibly try to take advantage of you. Focus first on your interaction with each other. Every time your partner gives you something give something in return. Or if you give to your partner ask for something back. If you do this you will discover that you can be altruistic and still receive rewards. And as you feel comfortable with this arrangement between the two of you, it cannot help but influence the way the world views you and deals with you as a couple.

The Sun is conjunct the North Node.

You and your partner will be a visible duo as you interact with others. People may tend to bring the two of you into the light when you socialize as a couple. They either focus attention on you so you have no choice about being seen, or else provide you with the confidence to step forward. But, just because you are noticed does not necessarily mean that you will be well received. If you are too confident you could be perceived as arrogant. Or possibly all the attention could give you an inflated sense of self, and you appear condescending or self-centered. However, your ego gratification is dependent, at least in part, on what others think of you. And if you are not viewed favorably, you will not feel good about who you are. Therefore, you should put forth an effort and be warm and generous with people with whom you choose to interact. Then they will let you know that they approve of you and that will provide the gratification you want.

The Way You Demonstrate Feelings

Your composite Moon governs the emotional expression of you as a couple toward the outside world. It can also indicate the tone of your emotional interactions with each other and the way your nurturing and nesting impulses are expressed.

Your composite Moon is in Capricorn.

You and your partner tend to be somewhat subdued in expressing your feelings. This is especially true when you share them with the outer world. It may or may not be true when you're alone with each other. You *could* be rather formal and decorous together, but you could also compensate for your public demeanor by being exquisitely silly and gushy in private.

Even if you're not the most demonstrative couple, you still have feelings, and they can run very deep. The important thing is that you take your emotional attachments seriously, and share a strong sense of responsibility and commitment toward those whom you care about. You can thus count on each other to be there for you when needed, and that ought to provide you both with a comforting sense of emotional security.

If you're at a loss for ways to show your deep feelings to your partner, you could do it by thoughtfully taking care of practical details or by giving a gift. For the two of you, concrete evidence of your deep devotion might possibly be more meaningful than a hug, a kiss or words of endearment. Any gift could show that you care, but your partner may interpret a big or expensive gift as signifying a greater love. If you can't afford a BMW, get a very *large* box of chocolates or bouquet of flowers. Or even better, get something more practical and lasting, some high-quality object that your partner will use and cherish every day. After offering material evidence of your feelings and having your gifts accepted, you might find that it will become easier to express your emotions in less tangible ways.

The Moon is in the First House.

As a couple you play a nurturing role, so that taking others under your wing is a natural part of your joint personality. You don't have to be prodded to do this. You have an intuitive sense for when people need a pat on the head, and you find it natural to oblige.

Your being together can also result in moodiness or fluctuation of feelings, however, so that instead of nurturing you might sometimes respond with depression or emotional outbursts. This is usually a sign that you could use some nurturing yourselves. You may be so busy mothering those around you that you forget to provide each other with emotional support. As a couple you have feelings aplenty, and you should have enough left over to nurture each other. Don't get so caught up in helping others that you forget to give each other plenty of tender, loving care.

The Moon is conjunct Mercury.

In your relationship, emotions and communications are closely connected. You could have an emotional impact on the outer world when you and your partner are talking or writing as a united force. Or you might find that emotions come to play when the two of you are communicating with each other. Emotionality can be positive or negative. Positively it includes caring and nurturing. Negatively, it incorporates anger, sadness or feeling hurt. You cannot ignore the emotionality you bring out in each other, but you can direct it. In dealing with the outer world, there may be times when you are trying to arouse anger or indignation and other times when you want to elicit tenderness. Consider the kind of response you want and select your words carefully. With your partner, tenderness and nurturing should be more appealing than anger. If you are more often upset than supportive, try to select a small act to show your partner you care. He or she might do the same and you can change your relationship.

The Moon is semisquare Venus.

Although there is a strong connection between you and your partner when it comes to love and other feelings, you might find that it is easier to trigger anger than to elicit more tender emotions. If either or both of you frequently become angry, you certainly would not be inclined to show love and affection. So if all you get from your partner is anger or nothing, you begin to think only about your own needs. Then you will not consider what your partner wants. So you become self-centered and that is the way you will be viewed by both your partner and the outside world. Instead of just feeling ignored and being upset, force yourself to be a little nurturing toward your partner. If one of you starts the process, the other will probably reciprocate. Then you can share more love and affection and have enough left to give some to the outer world.

The Moon is trine Uranus.

There is an air of emotional excitement that flows between you and your partner. And the two of you should be able to express your feelings for each other freely. So it is unlikely that either of you would feel inhibited with your partner. However, this does not mean that you are demonstrative with each other, or anyone else for that matter. And it is possible that your feelings fluctuate a bit, but the changeability may be exhilarating. The excitement and the changeability you share is also evident to the outside world. So others may sometimes be baffled by your behavior. And they will definitely not experience you as traditionally nurturing. In fact, they may not see you as traditional, period. But your excitement and non-conformity can stimulate them to want more freedom and to express their feelings openly. And one thing is certain, nobody will accuse you of being too reserved or too inhibited.

How You Communicate

As a couple you develop a style of communication that differs from what you might use alone. Whether you're direct and blunt or subtle and quiet, each of these styles has drawbacks that you should be conscious of, as well as strengths that you can be proud of and use to your advantage.

Your composite Mercury is in Capricorn.

The two of you can easily manage, organize and develop projects together. However, you may get so caught up in talking about projects and how to organize them that you never get to the actual work of carrying them out. Then, you will feel frustration. Dividing the work into small pieces will make the task manageable. Using this strategy, you could build a business together, since your relationship helps you to be disciplined and orderly.

When you're with each other, you may find comfort in repeating patterns, but make sure that your habits don't lead to boredom. You can achieve relief by planning regular breaks from your normal routine, taking short trips, or organizing spontaneous interludes.

If disagreements occur, you each may feel so certain of your opinion that you shut the other out. This is unproductive. So, open your ears and really listen to your partner. This is the only way to resolve the sticky issues that will arise in any relationship.

Others may detect in you a seriousness or even a somber quality. Since you probably don't want to be known as melancholy, make sure that you have interesting facts to share with others. Current events are probably of interest to you as a couple. You tend to be selective in choosing friends, and you expect them to treat you with consideration and respect. In turn, you will do your part to maintain the friendship with the same considerations.

Mercury is in the First House.

Communication plays a very important part in the way the two of you will go about relating to others. When people describe you, they will probably include communication in the description. Comments could range from "they talk too much," and/or "say too little," to "brilliant conversationalists." These skills, by the way, are on the social, rather than the deep intellectual level. And being noticed for communicating does not necessarily mean that you will be praised.

Communication could also be one main reason why the two of you are drawn to each other. But here, too, the way you talk to each other could be an asset or a liability. You could enjoy your discussions and word-play, or argue about who's monopolizing the conversation. One thing you can count on is that you'll seldom be at a loss for words. And as long as you keep the lines of communication open between you, you can solve any problem that arises.

Mercury is semisquare Venus.

The potential is there for you and your partner to communicate well with each other, and to enjoy your discussions. You are probably never at a loss for words. However, with this aspect, your conversations may seem shallow. Or possibly either or both of you talk too much about yourselves. If you sense that your partner is being too self-centered, add a little wit to the discussion. Or if your partner seems to be monopolizing the conversation, tactfully suggest that someone else might like to talk. You and your partner can each do all of this in an affable manner so that no one gets upset. You still may not become mental giants with this combination, but you will probably not offend anyone nor arouse vehement disagreement in each other or anyone else with whom you interact. So even if you lack intellectual depth, you will still be viewed as charming and pleasant to be around.

Mercury is trine Uranus.

You and your partner could find that your communications with each other are exciting. And together you are more quick-thinking than either of you is individually. So when you are operating as a unit, the world will probably experience the two of you just as exciting, creative and quick-thinking as you find each other. There is also the possibility, however, that you are so quick and impatient that you do not always take the time to consider the feasibility of your plans and creative ideas. And if you fail in your attempts to make them materialize, you may be viewed as impractical visionaries. But you can be just as fast to remove yourselves from untenable situations as you can be in getting yourselves into them. So it may sometimes seem that you are impractical and that you waste some of your mental energy. But you have plenty of energy to spare, and you undoubtedly have so many creative ideas that you can count on some of them materializing.

Relationships and Pleasures

Among other things, your composite Venus shows your veneer, the ingratiating surface through which the two of you carry on your relationships with each other and the outside world. It also shows your relationship to all that is beautiful and pleasurable. As such, it can be a key ingredient of your joy in being together.

Your composite Venus is in Scorpio.

When you are together, there is passion in everything you do. Most likely you have a strong physical attraction for each other. Others feel this magnetic energy, although they may not be able to pinpoint what it is that's so attractive about you. When you are balanced, people experience your energy as healing, but when the two of you are struggling, others may avoid your company. Whether it's positive or negative, your combined energy produces a great deal of power. If you so choose, this power can be financial.

In choosing friends, you want people who have some depth. As a rule, you're more interested in quality than quantity, but in certain instances you can be obsessive about quantity as well. Because you can have very strong mood changes and a decidedly internal focus, your friends may be few but loyal.

In your private moments together, the two of you can be very passionate. However, if either of you detects an emotional problem, the physical harmony between you could be curtailed until the emotional struggle is resolved. Be careful about obsession and jealousy. Jealousy, in particular, can swiftly destroy the wonderful and deep bond that you share with each other. Suspicion can stifle your smooth sensual energy. If you work to curb the turbulent tendency in this placement, you will have a most enriching relationship. If you don't, it could self-destruct.

Venus is in the Eleventh House.

As a couple, you and your partner could enjoy attending gatherings that take place for social reasons. And you probably would avoid groups that are formed solely to promote a cause, or groups that seem to be militant or serious. You are more interested in going to functions that can offer you a good time rather than ones that are organized to broaden your intellect. You want to keep conversation light and if controversy arises, you will bend over backwards to keep the peace. Because you are so agreeable, you may not stand out in a crowd, but that would not be your goal anyway. You are undoubtedly pleasant to have around at parties because the two of you are charming and diplomatic. So you may not be considered group leaders, but you will probably be popular on the social scene. And that should suit your needs perfectly.

Venus is sextile Mars.

With this combination love and attractiveness are connected with sexuality and assertiveness. So you and your partner are undoubtedly drawn to each other. And, with this aspect, you want to help each other to be more attractive and to initiate more effectively. Since you focus on making each other look and perform better, you probably are seen as a charming and attractive couple. You might sometimes wonder if you should be more forceful, and wish that people viewed you more seriously. But being liked may make people cooperate with you more readily. So you may not be seen as aggressive leaders, but using diplomacy in taking the initiative will likely get what you want without effort and without the challenge you might get if you were overtly aggressive.

Venus is trine Saturn.

With this combination, love and security go hand-in-hand. You and your partner are serious when it comes to love and affection and are responsible toward each other. This is also true of anyone on whom the two of you bestow affection, as a couple. You may not be spontaneous or demonstrative in showing your love, but it is unlikely that there would be unpleasant surprises. And you are both reliable. So you always know where you stand with each other, and you should know that you can count on your partner when you need to do so. In addition, if problems arise between you, you have the ability to clarify them, so that resentment should not build up. And each time you face and overcome difficulty your ties should become even stronger.

Venus is trine Pluto.

Love and affection are connected with power and passion in your relationship. And with this aspect, the energies flow easily together. So you and your partner can share a depth of feeling that you may not experience individually or with many other people. The strong feelings that you have for each other are also part of the image that you project as a couple. So you can wield power especially when love is concerned. However, you each need to feel personally empowered and if either of you believes that the other is trying to be controlling, power struggles could occur. If you temper your behavior with a show of affection, you might avoid power issues arising. Then you can each enjoy the great passion you are capable of sharing. This is also the correct approach in dealing with the outer world. Instead of flexing your muscles as a couple, show a little tenderness. If you do this, you will undoubtedly get cooperation and, without a battle, attain the power you would like to have.

Venus is semisextile the North Node.

Although you and your partner can enjoy socializing together with other people, you might not always approve of your partner's choice of friends. You might feel that the people your partner enjoys being with are shallow and/or extravagant, or that they tend to make you self-indulgent.

If you completely reject your partner's choice of friends, it may make your partner unhappy, and then eventually you may become unhappy also. A better solution is to alternate socializing with each group. You should like the idea of interacting with different people, and if you spend a little time with each group, you and your partner will both be able to be with people you enjoy.

Energy, Assertion and Effectiveness

Your collective level of energy and the way you go about taking action are shown by your composite Mars. Here also is the key to how abrasive or timid you might be. Fortunately, your Mars position also shows how you can manage anger most effectively and find either outlets for excess energy or remedies for a lack of it.

Your composite Mars is in Virgo.

Together you generate an energy that's, at best, discriminating and, at worst, picky. The two of you notice details, and you can have special skill in analyzing situations and creating step-by-step plans. You are practical, helpful and industrious, and will rarely be accused of being lazy.

What most motivates you is the chance to make a clear difference in a situation, to make it better than it was before. And so you'll always try to do your best.

It's important, however, not to get carried away by always trying to leave things more perfect than you found them. When you feel compelled to improve something until it's absolutely perfect, and you continue to work even though you're tired, you'll just run down your energy and feel stressed and unhappy. You'll also be less productive if putting an unnecessary degree of polish on one thing interferes with producing an adequate amount. Of course perfection is something to aim for, but it's not a reality that anyone can fully attain. If you can learn to live with some imperfections in yourself, in your partner, and in others, you'll be consistently happier. Also, your efforts will be more likely to pay off in terms of material rewards.

Your obsession with efficiency can easily drive people away. Or the reverse may be true -- you forget or neglect a very important detail that can make a whole system malfunction. Glitches in your daily routine may be the most frequent cause of arguments between you. Either of you can forget or neglect a detail that then adversely affects the rest of your schedule and your mood toward each other. If you're the one who's at fault, you'd do well to take responsibility, remedy the situation as best you can, and then simply move on.

To maintain or restore your energy, you have an especially strong need to be aware of your physical and spiritual balance. In other words, make sure that your life together includes a balance of exercise and quiet times, a good diet, and adequate sleep.

Mars is in the Ninth House.

You and your partner could feel energized when you travel together to faraway places. Or if travel does not interest the two of you, you could be actively involved in religion, politics or higher education. Whichever path you choose you will undoubtedly be enthusiastic about your subject and you will look for, and possibly create excitement in that area of your life. The two of you may not always agree, and if disagreement occurs you could have heated discussions with each other. But that may be part of the excitement. And if you do agree, you can present a united front and take active roles in whatever area you select. As a couple, you will not be hesitant to express your views and you are likely to direct the battle with those who disagree with you. You may be viewed as rabble rousers or courageous leaders, but you will not be seen as timid and you will never go unnoticed.

Mars is opposite Saturn.

Action and organization are connected with this combination, so it would be difficult, for the two of you as a couple, to take the initiative spontaneously. You need to be thorough in clarifying a situation in order to feel comfortable taking action. But one or both of you may not willingly accept this requirement. You might feel that your partner frequently restricts your taking the initiative. And you may simply complain about it, or you could resist it. Either way the restriction would persist. But it is not necessary always to feel limited. You just have to balance organization and taking the initiative. Form a short game plan and then activate it. Clarify the results of your action, and further develop your plan. If you keep doing this, you may still feel that you are moving very slowly, but you also will find that you accomplishing goals. When you become too impatient with your partner or your situation, just remind yourselves that "Slow and steady wins the race!"

Mars is sesquare Uranus.

You and your partner undoubtedly stimulate each other to act more spontaneously than either of you do individually. So, although you probably do not want to be in charge, it is highly unlikely that you would just sit back while others take the lead. You prefer to remain independent.

Unfortunately, you may not stop to think about your actions before you take them. Therefore, although you will never be accused of being too slow, you could make mistakes. Then the end results of your efforts will fall short of your expectations. Fortunately you have enough energy between the two of you to change direction quickly. So if you keep your actions short-term, you can get your plans back on track quickly. Then you can look upon your movements as a way of examining alternatives rather than thinking them as making mistakes. And you may have more patience in evaluating actions than in analyzing thoughts.

Mars is sextile Pluto.

You and your partner tend to bring out the ability in each other to be decisive, to take action and to assert power. You may not consciously try to take charge as a couple, but power and initiative are so closely aligned that when situations arise that need to be resolved, the two of you automatically take on the task at hand even without being asked. Thus, you may be viewed by others as strong or controlling and overly forceful. But you will never be seen as ineffectual. And if either or both of you tend to be subdued individually, it might take some adjusting to get used to your joint role. You cannot, however, ignore the ability to initiate and the tendency to control that you trigger in each other. But it is possible to be strong without being overpowering. If, when you are placed in a position of power, you analyze the situation thoroughly and objectively together and then take action, you will probably be considered effective leaders.

Mars is square the Lunar Nodes.

You and your partner want to be involved with people who are active. But you could find yourselves drawn to those who irritate because they do not move the way you want them to, or they try to tell you what you should do. So you try to direct them. This could make these individuals angry or frustrated. So they begin to argue with you or order you around even more. They could challenge your orders and counter them with orders of their own. You certainly do not want relationships that are too peaceful, but you may spend more time arguing than being physically active. Heated discussions could keep you interested in these relationships, but there are more productive ways to use the energy. You might find that being involved in physical activity is more gratifying than just battling each other. You and your partner should look for a group that is already physically active and simply join in. If you expend your energy this way, you may not have the need to argue nor to boss others around—at least not so often.

Broadening Your Horizons

For any relationship to stay alive, the partners need to grow together, and become more than they were. The composite Jupiter shows the way you can do this. It shows how you can reach out and connect with the world, how you can both enrich and be enriched by what you encounter. Your composite Jupiter is the key to optimism, prosperity, and good times together learning, traveling, acquiring, entertaining and bestowing gifts. It can also alert you to areas of dangerous excess, such as overspending, exaggerating or overeating.

Technical note: Jupiter moves slowly enough that the sign that it's in is more an indicator of your generation than of you personally. Since most couples are born not too many years apart, their own natal Jupiter signs will be close together if not the same. We therefore concentrate on the house position and aspects of composite Jupiter, as well as of the even slower-moving planets Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto that follow.

Your composite Jupiter is in the Seventh House.

The people to whom you and your partner become close, are probably jovial, intelligent and/or fun-loving. Or it is possible that the two of you are there to cheer up your friends or to help them expand and develop. But there needs to be a sense of mutual grow and pleasure with these individuals, so you and your partner would not stay in relationships with people who are stupid, too serious or give nothing in return. You and your buddies might travel together, or take classes that will broaden all of you. But whether you are acquiring information or having a good time, you might not stop to think of the cost, and you could find that you are so focused on what you are doing that you over-extend yourselves financially without even realizing it. If you really enjoy these people you do not have to give them up. Just look for less expensive activities to do with them and you can still have a good time without concern about how you will pay for it.

Jupiter is sextile Neptune.

You and your partner want to help each other grow through spirituality. The two of you probably agree on your spiritual beliefs. But, even if you are not in perfect agreement, you are each so focused on assisting your partner that you easily cooperate. And, as you support each other, you will form a spiritual belief system that is broader than either of you holds individually. This is because you have each contributed your own ideas and expressed your needs and you have each paid attention to the other. Because your spirituality is so easily shared and is also an integral part of your life, others may see the two of you as being spiritually-oriented. Not everyone will agree with your ideas and philosophy, but what you have together is more important than what others think of you. As long as you have a shared spiritual belief system, and faith in each other, your relationship should flourish.

The Part of Fortune is sesquare Mars.

You and your partner want to share fulfillment and expansion. However, you may each have your own ideas as to how you should grow and what will make you happy. So when either of you begins to take action in the direction of fulfillment or development, the other may feel threatened and starts to move in a different direction. Or even if you try to contribute to the effort, since you and your partner have very different ideas, you could feel overwhelmed instead of gratified. So, instead, place personal desires in the background and concentrate on joint fulfillment and development. Focus on matters on which you can agree, before either of you moves. It will then be easier to cooperate and produce results. Then as you feel happy and gratified in your relationship, you will discover that you are more content as individuals, as well.

Handling Setbacks and Responsibilities

Being yoked together in any committed relationship implies that you are in it through the difficulties as well as the good times. Your composite Saturn can indicate how you can use these difficulties to strengthen your relationship and make it more strong and solid. Saturn shows the sense of limitation that can come from being yoked together, but it also shows how you can deal with this for a happier, more lasting time together.

Your composite Saturn is in the Third House.

You and your partner could be serious and/or feel limited when you are communicating as a couple. This applies to communications between the two of you and with the outside world. You may feel restricted in your social conversations and not be adept at light repartee, telling jokes or discussing trivia. But you could have valuable information to impart to others. Though you might not be viewed as comedians, you could be seen as good teachers.

On a personal level, either of you could believe that your partner does not understand what you are saying. One of the strengths of this placement, however, is clarity. If you both make an effort to be clear, honest and concise, you may find that you really can understand each other more than you thought possible.

Saturn is trine Pluto.

You and your partner should be able to share and express power because you are together. You can also easily clarify, organize and analyze your goals and direction. You may not totally agree on how to assert your power, but you should agree that you want to be effective. You also ought to be able to clarify and analyze the practicality of your ideas together. And you should be objective enough to incorporate the best of each of your ideas to create an effective way to express your joint power. By operating as a unit, you will be seen by others as a powerful force. So, undoubtedly, most people will look to the two of you to take the lead. But if anyone challenges you, you are strong enough to maintain your position. So any resistance should be short-lived. And one thing of which you can be certain, you will probably neither feel nor be seen as an ineffectual or indecisive couple.

Saturn is square the Lunar Nodes.

You and your partner take relationships the two of you form together very seriously. And you want to be involved with people who are responsible. However, with these aspects, you could find that you often take on the responsibilities in the group. So you could feel limited or overburdened much of the time. If this is the case, you can try to avoid relationships as a couple. But people will probably find you because they know you can take charge. Or you can stay with you situation as is because you understand it and you believe that it is you karma to suffer. Or you can put forth some effort and organize the group. Determine goals to accomplish. Delegate responsibilities. If the group is serious, if there is a purpose for it and if responsibilities are shared, you should all be to reap rewards and feel successful and secure within the group.

Spontaneity and Surprises

In many ways Uranus provides relief from the solemn confinement of Saturn. Just when life seems too dull and regular, just when cabin fever is at its height, Uranus comes along to crack a joke, poke a hole in the wall that Saturn has erected, and let in some fresh air. Your composite Uranus shows how the two of you will handle individuality and eccentricity, and where irresponsibility or unpredictability might become an issue.

Your composite Uranus is in the Fifth House.

If you and your partner have children together, you could view them as creative, unusual or possibly rebellious. If they are defiant, you might wish they were more conforming, and if they are too conforming the two of you might try to make them more independent. In other words, you could concentrate on changing your children, no matter how they behave.

However, if you do not have children, or even if you do, you could use this placement in a completely different way. You might focus on your joint creativity or look for exciting ways to have fun or romance. Together you could develop a hobby that interests you both. It might involve modern technology, or the creative part of your minds. You could work at this hobby sporadically because the novelty wears off if you spend too much time at it. Besides, not becoming overly involved in your chosen avocation, you can still have time to pursue excitement in romance or in the games you play.

Uranus is sesquare the North Node.

With this combination, you and your partner are undoubtedly looking for groups and/or causes that are exciting and challenging. You want to make changes and know that your involvement has made a difference. Therefore, you are probably often drawn to groups that are strange or causes that are unusual. Although you want excitement and adventure, with these aspects, you might frequently find yourselves in uncomfortable positions or with people who are embarrassing. Then you may wish you had more control so that you could avoid such circumstances. But you tend to initiate too quickly, and, therefore, you may not recognize you all the implications of your actions until it is too late. However, your spontaneity can be advantageous. Because, when you are uncomfortable you can leave causes and people just as quickly as you joined them. This may make you appear inconsistent, but it will keep life interesting for you as a couple.

Otherworldly Aspirations

Neptune offsets the limited, earthbound quality of Saturn in a different way, by ascending to a completely different plane of reality. Coming from a place that shimmers just beyond our reach, it carries with it a charismatic veil of glamour, which can either enhance or muddle your relations with the world and each other. The good thing is that Neptune can keep things softened and alive, so you don't get entrenched in Saturnine positions, and it can elevate the nitty-gritty to a lofty and beautiful plane, creating gentleness and a spiritual quality. The bad thing is that it can make communications unclear, paralyze action, obliterate separate identity and make you anxious about whether you can even function in this world. If you listen to what Neptune is trying to tell you, though, it can make your relationship sublime and can promote your joining at a soul level, enabling you to communicate wordlessly.

Your composite Neptune is in the Ninth House.

You and your partner could be idealistic about religion, politics and/or higher education. But whatever you believe may not be based on objective reality. In fact, if you try to scrutinize your feelings or ideas in practical terms you might either become confused or disillusioned. If you feel it is necessary to probe deeply into your belief system, do it based on your instincts rather than tangible facts. But a better approach is to have faith in the tenets you hold to be true. You should not be suspicious of your idealism. Accept it. Your belief system could help you to accomplish what you wish to do. And as your faith begins to produce tangible results, that you will be sure that you were right all along.

The Power to Develop

In every relationship there is the potential for a power struggle, and for deeply felt emotions that can either bring about great schisms or move the two of you into profound changes and growth. These awesome unconscious forces are ruled by Pluto. The house where your composite Pluto resides can alert you to the areas where you are most likely to play out your struggles for dominance. Pluto's house can also show where the two of you are likely to exert your collective power on the outside world. More information about these struggles and how to deal with them will come from the aspects that your composite Pluto makes. You'll find most of Pluto's aspects above in connection with earlier-mentioned planets.

While Pluto can be experienced as disrupting, there's also something very sexy about it. Once you understand what's going on, Pluto can bring about the most profound changes and renewal.

Your composite Pluto is in the Eighth House.

The two of you could share great passion in your sexual activities, or power could be an issue between you in this area of your life. If your passion flows easily you can stop reading this paragraph. If it does not, be assured that the situation isn't hopeless, and read on. You want your partner to be strong and powerful sexually but you do not want to be treated as a sex object. And, if all too often, you find yourself wondering if your partner is trying to control you sexually, that certainly will interfere with the passion. You both need to feel personally empowered, and if you do not, you should analyze your situation together. Then you can determine ways in which you can show each other the respect that will make you feel empowered. Once you know that your partner is not trying to control you, the passion can flow and your sex life will be transformed.

The Part of Fortune is trine Pluto.

Fulfillment is undoubtedly something you and your partner are seeking together and, with this combination, you can unrelentingly pursue your goals. This is because you share a great deal of power that can flow easily when you are focused on joint fulfillment. But before you move toward your goal, you and your partner should sit down and analyze your alternatives thoroughly. If you have not done this before, you should start doing it now. It can be done without effort, and through consultation you will avoid antagonizing each other. As you are analyzing you can form a plan of operation. Your plan should specifically spell out who is in charge and each of you should have a turn taking the lead. As you begin to move together you will probably not be sidetracked, nor let obstacles stand in your way. Therefore, you may sometimes seem too forceful. However, you can usually accomplish what you set out to do.

Your Path to Fulfillment

Calculated from the three most important points in your birth chart, the Part of Fortune traditionally signifies good health and wealth. Your composite Part of Fortune not only shows where the two of you together can experience these desirable parts of life, it also shows how you can find fulfillment as a couple.

Using Your Composite Chart

Just as relationships develop and have their ups and downs, composite charts also develop over time. This happens as the composite chart constantly receives transits from the currently moving planets. It also happens as the natal charts of the two people involved move forward by progression, constantly creating a new progressed composite chart.

The natal composite chart described in this report will, however, always describe the basic tone of your relationship. You can change the houses and the positions of the Ascendant and Midheaven by moving to a different place, but the signs of the planets and the aspects between them will remain the same. So take them seriously, and know that in astrology every problem carries within it its own unique wisdom or solution.

Hopefully, this analysis has given you some new insights about both the strengths and the possible problem areas of your relationship. If you agree that any of these typical kinds of problems apply in your case, please don't be daunted by them! The key to happiness is first to recognize and be thankful for whatever you already enjoy about your partner. The more attention you place on these areas, the more these enjoyable parts will grow. And if there are problems, think of them not as impossible obstacles, but as sources of useful information. When you understand what your problems are trying to tell you, you'll see what they're asking you to do. Then you may see problems as the gifts that they are – opportunities to grow in wisdom and to achieve a whole new level of closeness.

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