

The Merlin Report for

**Prince**

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Birth chart interpretation is based on the positions of the planets at the time of your birth. For the benefit of students of astrology, these positions, along with other technical information, are listed below:

Sun	16 Gem 26	Pluto	29 Leo 57
Moon	28 Aqu 46	N. Node	0 Sco 12
Mercury	3 Gem 34	Asc.	5 Vir 13
Venus	7 Tau 32	MC	29 Tau 31
Mars	0 Ari 19	2nd cusp	27 Vir 44
Jupiter	21 Lib 57	3rd cusp	25 Lib 50
Saturn	22 Sag 53	5th cusp	5 Cap 21
Uranus	8 Leo 45	6th cusp	7 Aqu 47
Neptune	2 Sco 21		

Tropical Placidus Daylight Savings Time observed  
GMT: 17:00:00 Time Zone: 6 hours West  
Lat. and Long. of birth: 44 N 58 48 93 W 15 49

Aspects and orbs:

Conjunction	: 7 Deg 00 Min	Trine	: 5 Deg 00 Min
Opposition	: 5 Deg 00 Min	Sextile	: 4 Deg 00 Min
Square	: 5 Deg 00 Min	Quincunx	: 3 Deg 00 Min
Conjunct Asc:	3 Deg 00 Min Above,		5 Deg 00 Min Below

**Chapter 1: General Characteristics**

Your fundamental needs, values, and orientation towards life are symbolized by the four astrological elements. Each person has their own unique balance of these four basic energies: fire (warmth, inspiration, enthusiasm), earth (practicality, realism, material interests), air (social and intellectual qualities), and water (emotional needs and feelings).

Your "elemental make-up" is described below. Remember that most people are "unbalanced" or lopsided, and if you are lacking or deficient in a certain element (or elements), it simply means that you need to consciously develop that aspect of yourself to learn to appreciate and/or to work harder in that dimension of life.

Sometimes we overvalue the element that we are least endowed with, sensing it as a lack within ourselves, but more often we neglect or ignore it. The qualities described below will be reiterated and explained in more detail in the following chapters.

One of your basic challenges is to learn to empathize, to enter into others' personal inner experience with sensitivity and compassion. Real intimacy doesn't come easily to you. You're apt to think, analyze, and respond coolly and rationally even in what other people might consider a highly emotional situation, and this coolness or distance can prevent you from developing deep closeness to others. You need to learn that logic and reason are only part of the whole picture, and to respect your own and other people's "irrational", subjective, emotional experience, which is just as important as the "facts" of the matter.

Deep emotionalism is uncomfortable for you and frequently you will avoid, and yet be simultaneously drawn to people who express intense feelings and emotional needs. With your gift for verbalization, you may be able to talk about feelings without actually diving in to your own or others' real experience.

Becoming too intellectual and airy, too removed from the personal side of life, is a tendency you need to beware of.

Fortunately, as you will read in the next chapter, you have a down-to-earth attitude towards life which prevents you from becoming lost in your airy ideas, concepts, or ideals. You have a healthy touch of practicality.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 1:  
Air is Strong, Water is Weak (F,E,A,W Scores = 8,12,28,1)  
Air is Strong and Ascendant is in Earth sign*

## **Chapter 2: How You Approach Life and How You Appear To Others**

The following is a description of your basic stance towards life, the way others see you, the way you come across, the face you show to the world. In Chapter 3 you will read about the "The Inner You: Your Real Motivation", which describes the kind of person you are at heart and where your true priorities lie. Read this chapter and the next one and compare them - there may be significant differences between them, in which case "the inner you" may not shine through and others are in for some surprises when they get to know you at a more than superficial level. This chapter describes the costume you wear, your role in life, while Chapter 3 talks about the real person inside the costume.

Modest, unobtrusive, and often rather quiet or shy, you are a person who is content to be in the background or to serve as an assistant, in the supporting role rather than in the lead. You are quite humble in your own assessment of yourself; you seek perfection, with a tendency to be overly self-critical. No matter how well you do something, you always see the flaws in it and how it could be improved. Often you will simply refuse to attempt something because you feel you cannot meet your own high standards.

You have an eye for detail and get upset when something is not done just so, usually something others consider rather inconsequential or trivial. You are hard to please and your relationships with others may suffer because of this. You also have refined sensitivities and are very discriminating and particular in your choice of foods, clothes, friends, artwork, etc. Order in your environment is very important to you.

You step into situations rather cautiously, and not without realistically assessing all of the risks and potential advantages involved. Unless something is a safe bet, you are unlikely to dive into it. You tend to underestimate your own capacities and to lack confidence and trust in life, which inhibits your spontaneity. Worrying is a bad habit of yours. On the other hand, you rarely fall flat on your face and what you do, you do very well.

Others see you as a self-sufficient and rather self-contained person. You have a strong sense of propriety. Politeness, good manners, and correct behavior are important to you. Your clear, cool, objective and nonemotional attitude is apparent to others first, and though you are really quite helpful and caring, you do not radiate much sympathy so that others may not see the helpful side as readily. You may seem more businesslike and factual, and also more conservative, than you really are at heart. You are the person others might go to for technical advice or an unbiased opinion, but not for emotional support.

You are keenly observant, intelligent, and have a great desire for learning and for self-improvement, but you are not especially ambitious and are often satisfied in a rather simple, unglamorous position in life.

You may come across a bit scattered, nervous, or restless, as if you can't sit still. You seem alert and quick, but sometimes a bit on edge. You tend to stay perpetually busy, and would find handiwork of some kind to be soothing.

You have an appealing physical appearance and this, along with your winning ways, is apt to make you a favorite in your immediate environment. You're the "easy" one, and you know how to please others. Don't take your personal charm for granted, however, because you may also seem vain or too needy for approval.

You tend to blend in with and take on the characteristics of the people in your surroundings, and may thus not make a powerful individual statement of your own. You may project an aura of glamour or "make-believe", and enjoy trying on different personalities at different times.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 2:*

*Virgo Rising*

*Mercury Square Asc.*

*Venus Trine Asc.*

*Neptune Sextile Asc.*

### **Chapter 3: The Inner You: Your Real Motivation**

Though you seem rather careful and conservative (as discussed in the previous chapter), you have a much more playful, humorous side as well. Also, the combination of your attentiveness to detail and careful, cautious, circumspect approach to life with your youthful curiosity and quick mind makes you mentally sharp, articulate, and clever.

You are, in many ways, an eternal child. Your mind is bright, alert, curious, flexible, playful, and always eager for new experiences - and your attention span is often quite brief. You grasp ideas quickly and once your initial curiosity has been satisfied, you want to go on to something else. You crave frequent change, variety, meeting new situations and people.

It may be hard for you to decide just where your talents and true vocation lie, for you have a multitude of interests and are loathe to limit yourself by concentrating on just one. You are easily

distracted by all of the other fascinating possibilities. Your curiosity and restlessness propel you into many different experiences in life, and you are willing to taste or try anything once. Doing the same thing over and over again, even if it is something you do well, is real drudgery for you.

You live in your head a great deal - reading, observing, thinking, spinning ideas around - and you need mental stimulation every bit as much as you need food and drink. In fact, if you had to choose between a good book or movie and a good lunch, you would very likely choose the former. You have a creative mind and often live by your wits.

You are also a very social creature, with a strong need to communicate and to interact with people. You enjoy using and playing with words and have a real flair for getting your ideas across in a clever, interesting, articulate manner. Writing or speaking are areas you have talent for.

You also have a rather light and mischievous sense of humor, and often do not take anything too seriously. Though you crave emotional involvement, it is hard for you to achieve it, for you are frequently unwilling to commit yourself to anything, to take responsibility, or to limit your personal freedom and mobility.

Your happiness lies in using your creativity and your language skills to communicate something meaningful, to teach, inspire, or bring people together. You have an unbiased mind and can usually offer a fresh, clear, uncluttered perspective. Your faults are your lack of constancy and persistence, and your tendency to overlook or ignore deep emotional issues and other people's feelings.

Your vitality is very strong and you are likely to be a workaholic. If you are not careful, you may work so hard that you become exhausted, leaving yourself open to physical breakdown. You also have a strong drive to win and to dominate others.

You are a bit impulsive and excitable and want things done quickly. You tend to be very impatient with anyone who is slower or less energetic than yourself. You will fight for what you want but should guard against mishaps or accidents.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 3:*

*Ascendant in Virgo and Sun in Gemini*

*Sun in Gemini*

*Sun Conjunct Mars/Pluto*

*Sun Conjunct Mars/Asc.*

#### **Chapter 4: Mental Interests and Abilities**

You have an extremely active, lively and versatile mind with a multitude of interests and an inexhaustible curiosity about life. You are quick to grasp new concepts and equally quick to lose interest in an idea or project once your curiosity has been satisfied. You like to taste a little bit of everything - concentration and disciplined study are not your strong points. Mentally restless, you may change jobs or locations frequently, or do work that involves movement, travel, and variety.

You have a flair for language, playing with words, speaking, writing, or teaching in an entertaining and informative way. You also enjoy meeting new people, conversing and learning a little bit about them, and you work well with the public.

Sales, advertising, communications, journalism, or public relations are good areas for you. Your ability to be articulate and to communicate well is one of your greatest strengths.

You are not interested in subjects that are wholly abstract or technical. There must be a personal, human element to evoke your interest. Your interest is people and their inner motivations, feelings, personal lives, and experiences. You are a natural listener with a talent for getting others to talk about their lives, dreams, desires - the things that are personally meaningful to them. You could also be an excellent writer, reporter, or biographer.

You have a particular interest in the past. You are concerned either with personal history (childhood and early family experiences, genealogy, etc.) or with the roots and origins of societies (archeology, mythology, history, etc.).

You are nostalgic and love to hear others' life stories and to discuss your own experiences and feelings. You like to read biographies and memoirs, and probably keep a diary or journal yourself. You also have the ability to be a successful public speaker.

Your desire to make a point sometimes overrides your receptivity to others' views. You can be a good listener but often it is hard for you not to speak out.

You have a sharp tongue and ready wit, and you enjoy intellectual competition, problem solving, and demanding intellectual work. In a debate, you know how to drive your point home. You also possess quick reflexes and dexterity and could be an excellent tennis or racquetball player. Any sport which involves a dynamic exchange between the players is a suitable arena for you.

Even though you can be a decisive and convincing speaker (as indicated earlier), you also have a highly imaginative and intuitive mind. With this combination, there are a number of possibilities: you could accurately articulate the images and fantasies you have, you could forcefully convince others of your own brand of idealism (or illusion!), or perhaps you swing from being very clear and direct to being rather evasive or poetic. The following describes the more fluid, nonrational aspect of your thinking.

Vague, confused thinking which can lead to miscommunication and misunderstandings can be a problem for you, and you have to work at being as clear, honest and unambiguous in your dealings with others as you possibly can. You tend, also, to "go off the deep end" regarding spiritual philosophies, imaginative ideas, or theoretical speculation which may or may not have any real relevance or validity. Try to critically test out your ideas, or seek out a person whose judgment and character you respect, to use as a sounding board.

Never satisfied with the face value of anything, you are always probing beneath the surface for deeper reasons and hidden motives - though you rarely reveal your own. You have a very suspicious, even paranoid, side. Your mind is penetrating and deep and you have an aptitude for research, investigative reporting, or private investigation. You are keenly interested in the deeper aspects of the human psyche, with a sort of "x-ray vision" regarding the inner motivations and intentions of others. You are drawn to anything secret, hidden, or mysterious, and may pursue esoteric or occult studies. You are also a forceful and convincing speaker or writer, with the ability to influence people's thinking by the sheer power of your conviction.

You want to be yourself and you have a need to assert your individuality. Acting independently, you want to do things immediately. There is a nervous energy about you that could lead to accidents, if you neglect to be careful.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 4:*

*Mercury in Gemini*

*Moon Square Mercury*

*Mercury aspects Moon and Mars*

*Mercury Sextile Mars*

*Mercury aspects Mars and Neptune*

*Mercury Quincunx Neptune*

*Mercury Square Pluto*

*Mercury Conjunct Mars/Uranus*

## **Chapter 5: Emotions: Moods, Feelings, Romance**

You are not easily moved by emotional displays and can be curiously detached from your own and others' emotions. It's almost as if you could turn your feelings on and off at will so you should be careful not to leave the switch "off" too often, for you could easily become too impersonal. Family ties and attachments are not as important to you as they are to most people and you often consider your friends closer to you than your blood relatives. Certainly, your sympathy and concern extends much beyond your immediate family. In your personal relationships, you insist upon a certain amount of independence and the freedom to pursue friendships with as many people, of both sexes, as you choose. You do not appreciate a jealous, possessive partner.

You feel comfortable in an atmosphere that is open and experimental, and you have little taste for convention and tradition.

The beauty and harmony of your surroundings has a very powerful effect on your emotions. You are very sensitive and cannot stand to be in an atmosphere where there is discord or dissonance. Gentle, kindhearted, and peace-loving, you will give or sacrifice much in order to avoid a fight and to "make everyone happy".

Your intimate relationships and close personal relationships are often intense, highly-charged, and difficult, as they trigger deep emotional responses in you that have more to do with unsatisfied hungers and unmet childhood needs than with the present situation. You may feel like a voracious, bottomless pit when it comes to nurturing and emotional reassurance, and your neediness often drives others away. When you do let yourself feel close to another human being, painful long-buried feelings bubble to the surface as well perhaps grief at the losses you suffered, or anger at the neglect or hurt you endured. You may also reenact these situations in your present day relationships, in an unconscious effort to resolve and heal those old issues. You will do a lot of clearing and cleansing, if you can listen to what your feelings are telling you. If not, you will simply have a tumultuous, passionate, and stormy emotional life.

You are inclined to identify duty and happiness with each other. Self-disciplined and realistic, you expect very little. Once you have found your mate, you will be faithful, self-sacrificing and strongly attached to him or her.

In love, you are steadfast and loyal, especially if you have a warm, demonstrative partner. You are very sensually oriented and need lots of touching and physical affection. You enjoy being pampered with a good meal, loving massage, or other sensual delights. You are a wonderful lover, very attentive to the comfort and enjoyment of the one you love. You are tremendously responsive to beauty and physical appearances, and the physical attractiveness of your partner is very important to you.

Your love feelings are easily aroused and your romantic relationships begin with a sudden electric attraction, but they often end abruptly, and you may be in and out of love frequently - especially in your younger years. You crave emotional excitement and need to feel spontaneous and free, so you may avoid making firm personal commitments. Unusual or nontraditional forms of love and relationships appeal to you, and you are attracted to unique, creative, or unstable people.

You are romantic and amorous and have a well-developed sexual nature. You express your feelings openly, but sometimes could feel hurt if people don't respond to you. You also have a strong drive to express yourself in artistic ways.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 5:*

*Moon in Aquarius*

*Moon Trine Neptune*

*Moon Opposition Pluto*

*Moon Conjunct Venus/Saturn*

*Venus in Taurus*

*Venus Square Uranus*

*Venus Conjunct Sun/Mars*

## **Chapter 6: Drive and Ambition: How You Achieve Your Goals**

You have a warrior's attitude - decisive, courageous, and bold. You tend to always want to DO something, even when waiting for an appropriate time or not doing something (simply letting things alone to resolve themselves) would actually be more efficient and effective. You absolutely cannot tolerate being passive or even patient about getting what you want. You feel that it is up to you to take the initiative and you go after your goal or desire very aggressively.

You are also self-reliant, do not depend on others to do things for you or help you along, and you are often irritated when other people offer advice or direction. Cooperation rarely comes easily to you. You are willful and can be quite oblivious to others' desires or feelings when you are pursuing something you want. You are highly competitive, enjoy a challenge or a good fight, and may be downright pugnacious at times. Abounding in energy and enthusiasm at the start of a new venture, you need a very positive response and encouragement to sustain your interest in it. If a project isn't successful rather quickly, you are apt to drop it and move on to something else, rather than rework or refine it. The desire to blaze a trail, to do things in a new way - YOUR way - is very strong in you. You can discover, invent, and initiate new things, but are impatient and may lack the stamina and perseverance needed to complete a long-term project.

You have a streak of the pacifist or defeatist in you. Learning to assert yourself in a strong, clear, forthright manner, and developing stamina in the face of obstacles are necessary to counter such tendencies. To accomplish all you are capable of, it would also be very beneficial for you to work on building up your physical energy. Get regular exercise, eat healthfully, get plenty of rest (something you may require more of than average), and especially avoid activities and people that dissipate and waste your time.

You are intensely willful and can create trouble for yourself by rather unconsciously forging ahead, without realizing you are trampling over people. Sometimes, if you cannot get what you want directly, you'll try to dominate, manipulate, or seek power in a covert, subtle sort of way.

Your energy may be a bit low and you don't seem to have enough stamina to resist external powers. You easily could be used as a medium, or someone else may set you up as a tool to further their interests without you knowing what is really going on.

You are inclined to be a tyrant and want other people to submit to your wishes. In your drive to gain power, you could be ruthless and brutal at times. On the other hand, you may have to struggle to resist being placed in someone else's hand and power.

You have the patience and the stamina to realize your visions and bring them down to earth, a fine balance between hard work and realism, and a positive, hopeful spirit. You grow through following systems and plans, and taking one step at a time. Overnight success or instant enlightenment is not what you aim for. Your patient, well-balanced approach gives you credibility with many different types of people, and you are apt to gain an excellent reputation for being able to do big things without overreaching or becoming pretentious.

Language, words, communication, networking, clarity of speech or writing, being a messenger or go-between -- these are key features in your career, as well as how you go about achieving your goals and ambitions. "Work smarter, not harder" is your motto.

You may have to overcome something in your background or personal past in order to achieve your long-range goals and ambitions. Sometimes you're apt to feel pulled in two different directions -- what others expect of you or what you need to do to progress, versus what your old conditioning or your emotional predisposition would have you do. Overcoming the pull of the past is the key.

In some ways you may feel that you have little choice about your role in society. You're compelled either by unusual outer circumstances or by an inner drive, to bring things which may be dark, difficult, or taboo, into public awareness. You delve into the hidden side of life, things which may have been purposefully concealed or repressed, and bring these things to light. You could come into direct conflict with the authorities or powers-that-be as a result. You're apt to have extraordinary ambitions, and could become overly zealous and fanatical also.

Your profession could involve physical strength and prowess, such as athletics, fire fighting, law enforcement, or the military. You would never be happy in a quiet, sit-down job. Vigorous competition and strenuous work are undoubtedly key components of both what you do and how you achieve your long-range goals.

Your professional goals and long-range ambitions may be vague and difficult for you to define for quite a long time. Partly this is due to the fact that they are not very conventional, concrete, or worldly. You're apt to have more of a spiritual vocation or calling. Healing, counseling, the ministry, music, art -- or some combination thereof -- may well be part of your role in life. On the other hand, you may simply be confused and seemingly not ambitious at all in the professional realm.

Your emotional life is likely to be strained and you have a tendency to be a loner. Your outlook could be a bit one-sided and you may find it hard to compromise. It is difficult for you to maintain a good give-and-take relationship.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 6:*

*Mars in Aries*

*Mars Quincunx Neptune*

*Mars Quincunx Pluto*

*Mars Opposition Neptune/Pluto*

*Mars Opposition Pluto/N. Node*

*Jupiter Sextile Saturn*  
*MC Conjunct Mercury*  
*Moon Square MC*  
*Pluto Square MC*  
*Mars Sextile MC*  
*Neptune Quincunx MC*  
*MC Opposition Moon/Pluto*

## **Chapter 7: Growth and Expansion: Areas That You Enjoy**

Your strengths lie in your ability to cooperate, to be diplomatic, and to know just what behavior is called for in whatever social situation you find yourself. You also possess a strong sense of fairness, the willingness to listen to opposing viewpoints and opinions, and the ability to be (or at least seem to be) impartial and moderate, rather than extreme and one-sided.

You have a jovial and friendly manner along with a sound emotional and mental disposition. Your enthusiasm for life is contagious and you probably enjoy many happy relationships as well as a happy marriage and family life.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 7:*  
*Jupiter in Libra*  
*Jupiter Opposition Sun/Moon*

## **Chapter 8: Areas That Challenge You Or Are Difficult For You**

You have a critical, cynical attitude towards many religions and philosophies. Without realizing it, you prevent yourself from appreciating new viewpoints and attitudes. You are more rigid and dogmatic than you realize. Your approach may also be too intellectual or moralistic. You take your own political beliefs and spiritual philosophy very seriously, worrying and fretting if you are not 100% clear about some ideology or theory.

You try to keep your sensuality under control and are likely to suppress the tension you feel in your love life. At times you could feel somewhat emotional inhibited, while at other times you may have a strong wish to break all moral barriers.

Now we will discuss patterns of behavior which you instinctively and habitually revert to when under stress - a mostly unconscious process and one which you are apt to overdo because it is so familiar and thus easy for you. The direction you need to follow in order to develop balance, greater awareness, and wholeness is also described.

You are capable of withstanding outside influences and remaining constant and steady on your path, but when under stress you become downright obstinate and implacable, resisting any change no matter how necessary or desirable the change is. Tenaciously trying to preserve the status quo and hold on to what you have, you are apt to ignore the subtle signals you receive about needing to do something differently which often leads to some sort of crisis.

You need to learn the limits of your ability to control life, and to accept and even embrace change and loss of the familiar, in order to allow new life and growth to happen. "Letting go" is a major life lesson for you. You also need to develop a balanced attitude toward your appetites and desires, as you tend to overindulge and/or deny yourself excessively.

The following are specific activities that will support you in your growth. These may or may not feel natural to you, and often there is some feeling of resistance or initial awkwardness about doing these things, but they are important on your path to wholeness.

Become more aware of the spiritual side of life, the underlying unity, by involving yourself in generous and charitable activities, and by opening up your psychic channels. Meditation practices that develop your intuitive abilities, and learning about the unseen side of life through your own dream experiences or altered states of awareness, can be important steps in your path.

Also, musical and artistic or imaginative endeavors will be important to you.

You have a strong desire to acquire a leading position in your community. Although you are very capable of assuming leadership, you also have a tendency to impose your will upon others. But in spite of that, you are likely to be successful.

Because of rigid and somewhat unpleasant family circumstances, you are inclined to seclude yourself from others. You may prefer to live in archaic surroundings and could be interested in antiques.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 8:*

*Saturn in Sagittarius*

*Saturn Opposition Venus/Uranus*

*N. Node in Scorpio*

*N. Node Conjunct Neptune*

*N. Node Opposition Mars/MC*

*N. Node Conjunct Saturn/Asc.*

## **Chapter 9: Originality and Imagination**

### **Areas Where You Are Creative, Unique, Unstable, or Compulsive**

You tend to have fantastic plans and may talk about them, but never get around to act on them. Your mind seems to wander constantly, and you may also have a habit of making promises to others and then not keeping them.

You are likely to experience unusually strong tension in your love relationships. You may frequently feel threatened or hostile towards your loved ones and have to guard against being unreasonably jealous.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 9:*

*Neptune Opposition Mercury/Mars*

*Pluto Opposition Venus/Saturn*

## **Chapter 10: Generational Influences: Your Age Group**

In this chapter we will discuss characteristics and traits of your generation. Of course, you may not share all of the characteristics of your generation, but you are greatly affected by the tone that is set by your generation.

The first topic is "The Subconscious and Emotional Drive of Your Age Group". In this section we will describe a deeply felt urge, even compulsion, of your age group. This deeply felt drive comes to the surface with great force and power, and consequently leaves in its wake considerable upheaval and change. The second topic is "The Ideals and Illusions of Your Age Group", that describes the dreams, fantasies, and spiritual aspirations of your age group. The third and last topic is "What is New and Different in Your Age Group", which describes areas in which your age group tends to be innovative, inventive, unusual, and also where it may be unstable and unreliable.

The characteristics described below may affect a group of people for anywhere from a few years to about 30 years. There are one or more different astrological factors described in each of the three sections below.

### **The Subconscious and Emotional Drive of Your Age Group**

You are part of a 20 year period that is often referred to as the "ME" generation, a generation that has a very proud and self-reliant attitude. You are a generation that is very concerned with self-development and personal integrity. Women's rights and minority rights are issues that your generation has fostered and they reflect your concern with individual respect, integrity, and honor. Your age group has a deeply felt sense that each person has an equal right and opportunity to fully develop his or her inner potential.

However, your group also finds it difficult to be part of a team and a strong egotism makes group efforts difficult; you tend to see the individual as more important than the group. You also defy authority and often feel that no one has the right to tell you what to do. The strong movement to refuse drafting into the military is one example of your age group's strong sense of individual rights and freedom.

Your age group has popularized the idea of self-development, and has contributed a great deal to the development of individual potential as well as human rights. However, there is also a tendency to be rather self-centered; others may wonder how you can spend so much time developing yourselves and have so little time to contribute to your families!

The interest in personal development also sometimes manifests as a fascination with particular individuals and a great deal of hero worship. Every generation, of course, has lots of idols, but your generation is particularly prone to needing a specific individual to represent and embody an idea or feeling, and to serve as a focal point of interest. Perhaps the most extreme example of this is the concept of the guru that was popularized by your age group.

### **The Ideals and Illusions of Your Age Group**

You are part of a 14 year group of people that have very intense psychic sensitivity and imagination. Your age group is very attracted to the strange, weird, and unusual. The sense of the macabre and bizarre is strong, and this is reflected in much of the music, art, and fashions of your age group. Novels and movies with mystery and chilling suspense are also popular with your age group. Emotional depression, drug use, and suicide are likely to be relatively high in your age group. There is also a deep mystical sense, and Eastern religions and meditation are very attractive to your age group.

The entire generation to which you belong has tremendous opportunities for spiritual rebirth and

awakening. This will not be forced upon you or precipitated by unavoidable events, rather it comes from an inner yearning and a natural propensity to seek the depths.

### **What is New and Different in Your Age Group**

You are part of a 7 year group of people who are unusually self-willed, proud, and egotistical. You are a group that defies authority and insists on having its own way. Parents and school teachers found that it was extremely difficult to discipline your age group. Governments that are repressive to individual expression and freedom meet a great deal of resistance from your age group, and you tend to rise up against any form of tyranny and oppressive rule.

*Astrological influences analyzed in Chapter 10:*

*Pluto in Leo*

*Neptune in Scorpio*

*Neptune Sextile Pluto*

*Uranus in Leo*