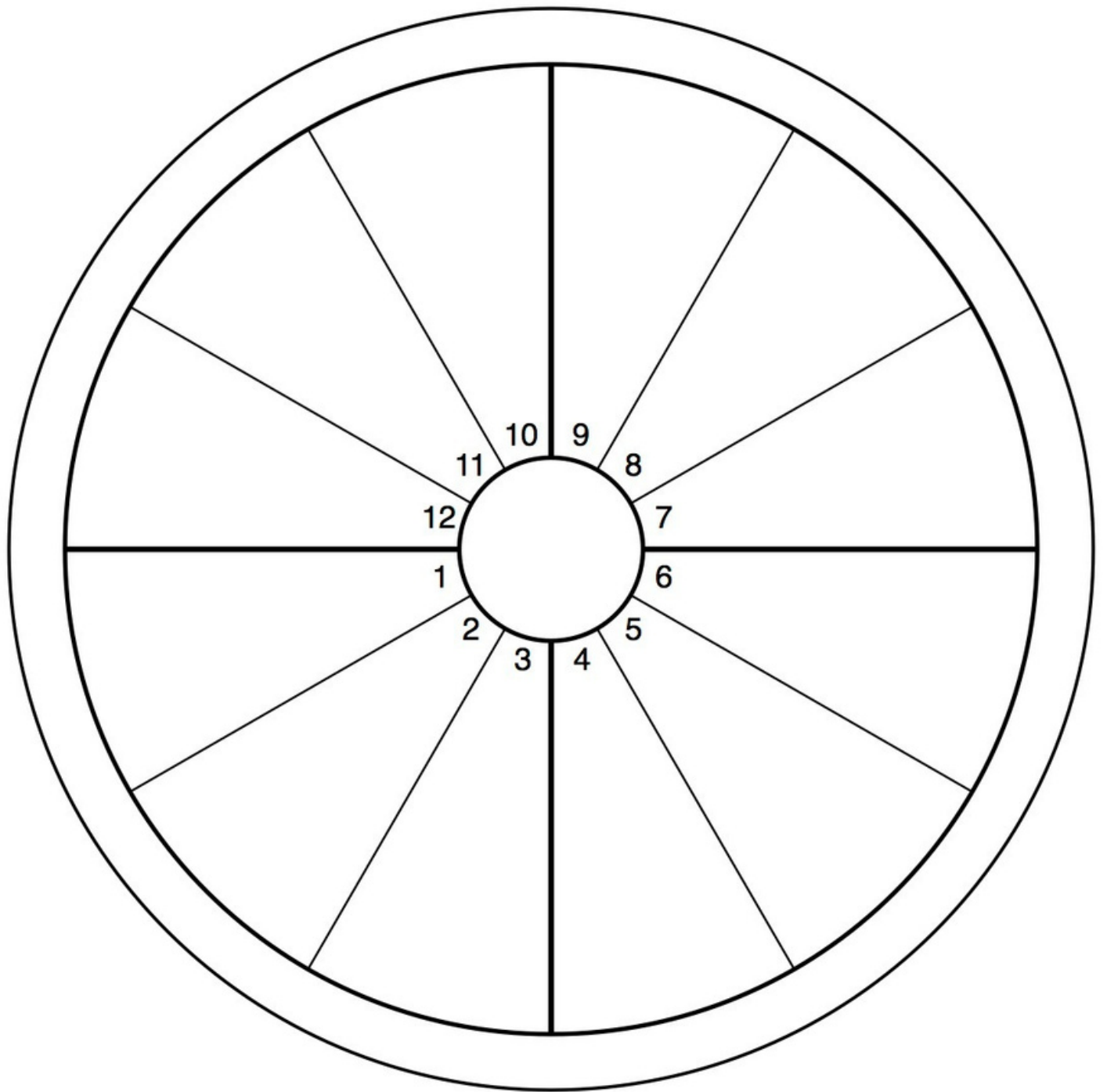


Astrology Awareness



Welcome to astrology awareness, designed to help you understand your astrology and how to use it in your daily life and in your magical practice.



Houses

You might have heard stuff like this; 'I have Neptune in the fourth', 'Taurus rules my eighth' and so on. Traditional astrological teaching starts with the signs, planets and then houses but we're starting with the house so you can instantly see where your chart is directing you, which area of your life it's likely to influence more. That's what a house is, an area of your life, it's no more complicated than that.

So, go ahead and print a blank wheel, or two or ten if you like, make it as big as you can, so you draw and write on it, maybe some feathers and a few sequins if you want.

Another commonly asked question is what does your **rising** sign mean, what's your **ascendant**? It's what's coming over the eastern horizon on the date, time and place of your birth. It's the start of your houses, it's number one, the sign that governs the start line of your chart.

So the line on the left hand side is your **ascendant**, we'll do signs soon enough, for now just extend it a little and write **Asc** on it.

This is the **cusp** of your first house, the next line is the **cusp** of your second house and so on, so you see how important it is to have this starting point.

First House **Self**

Self-image, how people see you. How you start things, your general outlook, how you physically look to others, the personality you present, your landing page!

Second House **Resources**

Money, resources, self-worth and attitude towards possessions. How generous you are and your values, moral code. What food you like to eat, how much, and how you provide for yourself.

Third House **Communication**

How you interact with neighbours, siblings and your early environment. How you formulate thoughts, speaking, writing, language and how you make conversation. Emails, letters, phone calls, how you get around with short distance travel. Cars.

Fourth House **Family, Home, Security**

Psychological foundations, roots, family and home. Maternal connections, the mother, carer, ancestors, house sales and purchases, baking bread, Hygge.

Fifth House **Self expression, Creativity, Fun, Romance Children.**

Creativity, self-expression, pleasure, enjoying life, hobbies and joining in with friends. Drama, having good times, new love, true love and hitting the dressing up box.

Sixth House **Work and Health**

Day to day working life rather than big career moves, methodical approaches, lists and doing things right. Health, nutrition, pets and being of service to others.

Seventh House **Partnerships and Marriage**

Companionship, how you interact with one individual, legal matters, contracts and counselling. Marriage, first marriage, mediating, how you respond one on one.

Eighth House **Transformation, Sexuality, Shared Income**

Transformation, like the phoenix through difficult times, death, rebirth and the growth that comes from that process. Taxes, divorce, inheritance, where you share your money.

Ninth House Beliefs, **Higher Learning, Travel**

What you believe in and why, adventurous spirit and what your philosophy in life is likely to be. Higher education, publishing, overseas and long distance travel.

Tenth House **Career, Status, Reputation**

What do you contribute to society, how are you perceived by your peers, your reputation, material success and position. Your boss, the government, your father, what you want to achieve.

Eleventh House **Aspirations, Hopes and Wishes, Groups, Social Media**

Acquaintances rather than friends, groups and that includes on-line groups, hopes and wishes and charitable work, humanity and finding a place to give back.

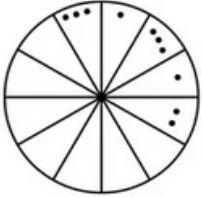
Twelfth House **Soul Growth, Letting go, Privacy, Spirituality**

What's hidden, what lies beneath, Karma, undoing the knots that bind, soul work, soul growth, lost items, hospitals and institutions, intuition and spiritual study.



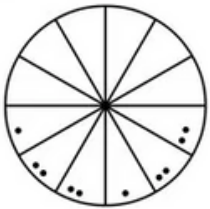
Cut some shapes

Bundle/cluster



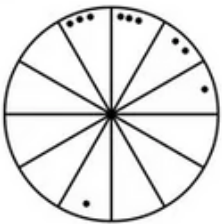
So, your planets are scrunched up together, up to five houses, it really shows that you're highly focused in those areas, it's your unique selling point! you may have a lot to offer in these areas, a lot to clear and usually it's both.

Bowl



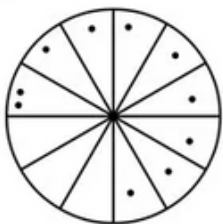
Half your chart has all the planets, not necessarily as shown here, just all the planets in six consecutive signs. You're concentrating on these areas, sometimes to the detriment of other things. Look at the empty houses, challenges lie there.

Bucket



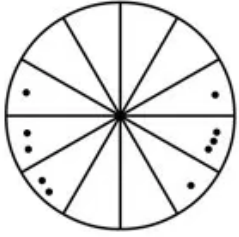
Like the bowl but you'll see a handle, a planet out on it's own and that's the one that tells where you're goal is, what you're aiming for. Sometimes the handle is made up of two planets that are alongside each other.

Locomotive



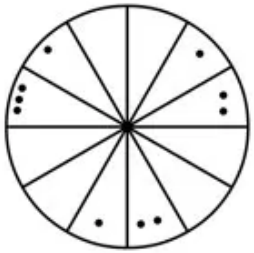
So, there's about two-four empty houses, always searching for what's missing. The first few planets that appear clockwise after the gap are the engine drivers. A lot of energy to succeed, tireless!

Seesaw



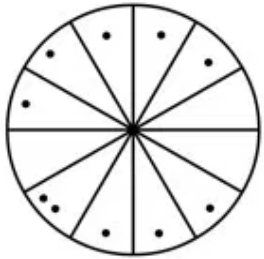
It's easy to see there are two very distinct sides to this chart, push-me, pull-me. These people can be excellent peace makers, seeing both sides of an argument. That has to eventually be about their own desires in life, does one passion win over another or is there middle ground?

Tripod



Usually there are two or three pairs of planets, called conjunctions, you can see the feet of the tripod represented. This is a non-conformist, they have a really individual take on things. Finding a way to bring all three sections together is a challenge. Or find a way to work with each individually?

Splash



All over the place, like they've been dropped from a great height! Someone who scatters their energy and could find focusing on one thing at a time a challenge. They work better with fluid work schedules!

Homework!

Remember, you choose the time, you choose the date and the place to offer the best learning opportunities for your soul growth.

This week look at where your own chart suggests you've decided to work on in this incarnation, I know you haven't got the planets and signs yet but just intuitively consider how you feel about home, work, relationships and then as we fill in the rest, next week, you'll see just how it all begins to work.

Really think about the busy, the not so busy areas, what the shape of your chart tells you and then come up with a soul led statement;

Begin with the words:

As I incarnated I choose to work on. . . and take it from there, let your chart guide you but let your words flow by simply being with it, it holds magic. Write as much or as little as you want.