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VEDIC ASTROLOGY

Brief Notes on the Vedic Birth Chart For Robert Williams

Notes:

This report is essentially a very brief summary of your Vedic birth astrology. Please listen to the recording for deeper levels of meaning. Please refer to the earlier chart sending for your Vedic charts.

This report is complex with a lot of valuable detail, but you will probably need to listen to the recorded interview first in order to be able to understand it all and put it all into context.

As with all my clients, you are most welcome to email/write to me after you have read the reports in order to have all your queries answered.

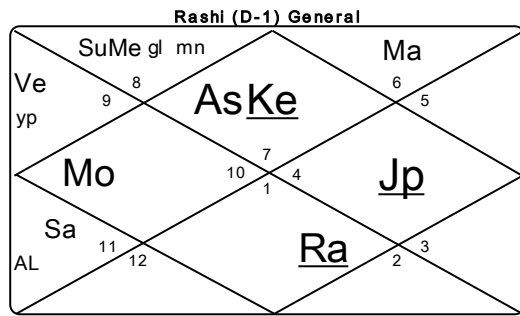
Please note that many of the indications following are indicative gestalts of possible meaning. No one manifests all of the possible facets.

Please listen to my recorded reading as I talk you through these reports. We can then have the interview via phone or Skype and you have every opportunity for emailed questions/discussion afterwards.

N.B. The most crucial and important note is about your Sun in the deeply fated Gandanta Position. See page 8. This is the challenge of a lifetime and we will cover this in the recorded interview; it also carries the implication that your children may feel they are not adequately appreciated and valued. It is called Abhukta Mula in Vedic Astrology. Also the Nakshatras or Lunar Signs of your Sun, Moon and Ascendant are very vehement and this needs to be understood in all its implications.

Your Vedic Birth Chart:

North Indian Chart Style:



South Indian Chart Style:

Rashi (D-1) General

	Ra _{20°48'}		
6 Pis	7 Ari	8 Tau	9 Gem
Sa _{29°49'} 5 Aqu			Jp _{10°10'} 10 Can
Mo _{7°0'} 4 Cap			11 Leo
Ve _{8°13'} 3 Sag	Su _{29°22'} 2 Sco	Me _{11°31'} 1 Lib	As _{21°47'} Ke _{20°48'} Ma _{12°28'} 12 Virg

Planet Positions:

Using the 12-sign Vedic (Sidereal) Zodiac:

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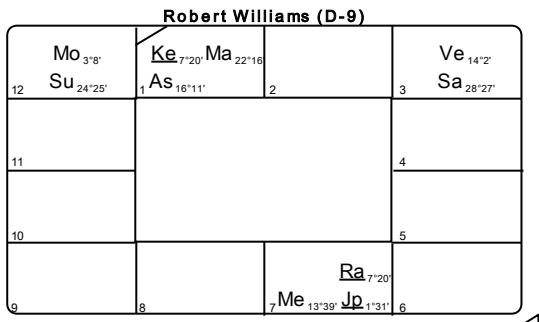
Pla	Dg	Mn	Sgn	Rx	Dig	Nav	Dig
Asc	21°	47'	Libr		Neutr	Ari	Neutr
Sun	29°	22'	Sco		G.Frn	Pis	Neutr
Moo	7°	0'	Cap		Friend	Pis	Enemy
Mar	12°	28'	Virg		Neutr	Ari	Own
Mer	11°	31'	Sco		Friend	Libr	Neutr
Jup	10°	10'	Can	R	Exalt	Libr	G.En'y
Ven	8°	13'	Sag		Enemy	Gem	Neutr
Sat	29°	49'	Aqu		Own	Gem	Neutr
Rah	20°	48'	Ari	M	Neutr	Libr	Friend
Ket	20°	48'	Libr	M	Friend	Ari	Neutr
Ura	0°	55'	Virg		Nep	29° 37'	Libr
Plu	27°	14'	Leo		Mandi	3° 13'	Sco

Using the 27-sign Vedic Lunar Zodiac (The Nakshatras):

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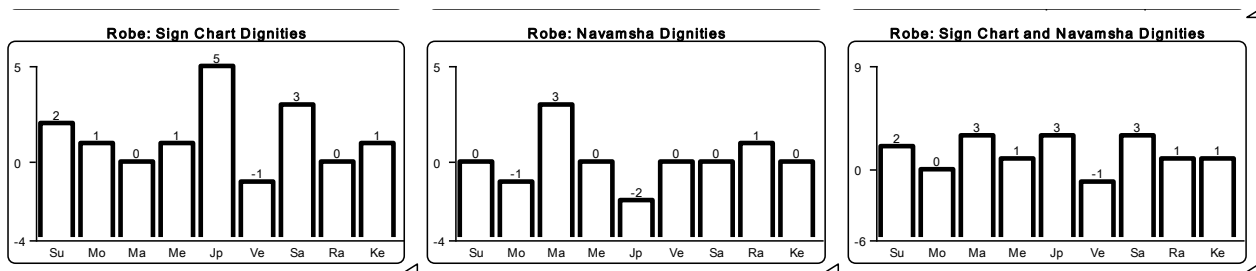
Pla	Nakshatra	No	Lords
Asc	Vishaka	16:1	Jp Sa Sa Sa
Sun	Jyestha	18:4	Me Sa Ma Ve
Moo	UttarAshada	21:4*	Su Ke Ke Mo
Mar	Hasta	13:1	Mo Ra Sa Sa
Mer	Anuradha	17:3	Sa Mo Sa Me
Jup	Pushyami	8:3	Sa Ve Me Sa
Ven	Mula	19:3	Ke Jp Me Ra
Sat	PurvaBhadra	25:3	Jp Mo Jp Me
Rah	Bharani	2:3*	Ve Jp Me Jp
Ket	Vishaka	16:1	Jp Jp Ke Ra
*Pushkar, also: Kal, Mdi, HoL, Plu, Hs3, Hs7, H11			

Your Navamsha Chart (9th Harmonic): Soul and Marriage Issues:



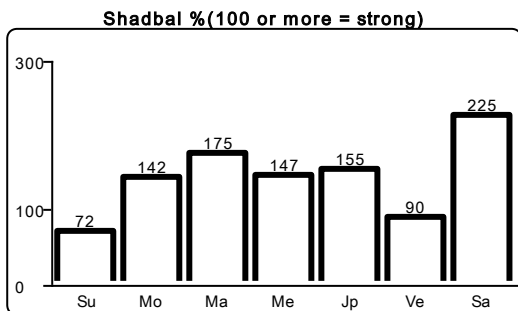
(A very fated nodal axis in your Navamsha chart, above)

Dignity (strength) of your Planets:



Strength of your planets:

(Using Digbala or Directional Strength measurement):



Your Planets as Karakas or indicators for aspects of your destiny:

Gra	Kar
Asc	
Sun	Am
Moo	DK
Mar	BK
Mer	MK
Jup	PiK
Ven	GK
Sat	AK
Rah	PuK
Ket	

- **AK** = the **Atmakaraka** the indicator of the soul and the self (also called atma) and also our health. Our most important planet

- **AmK** = **Amatyakaraka** the indicator of our advisors and counsellors, as well as an indicator of profession
- **BK** = **Bhratikaraka** the indicator of siblings and one's teacher/guru and those close to us
- **MK** = **Matrikaraka** the indicator of the mother and maternal relatives, and also those who support and nourish us
- **PiK** = **Pitrikaraka** the indicator of the father (and paternal relatives) and also bosses and employers and authority figures
- **PuK** = **Putrakaraka** the indicator of children and also our students and followers
- **GK** = **Gnatikaraka** the indicator of our rivals and enemies, as well as kinsmen and relatives
- **DK** = **Darakaraka** the indicator of the marriage partner or lover. This is also seen for wealth and business
- **Ketu** the South Node of the Moon does not represent 'worldly life': he is the karaka of enlightenment, the path of the soul towards moksha, which is the exact opposite of worldly life

Note : These Jaimini Karakas primarily represent 'people' in our lives who play a very important role in one's sustenance and achievements.

1. YOUR VEDIC NATAL ASTROLOGY

It takes more than one life time to study Vedic Astrology, and a full Vedic Astrology natal and predictive reading is recommended.

This document is just the tiniest taster of what Vedic Astrology has to offer you in terms of understanding the conditions you will encounter in this life in terms of the journey of your soul.

The Sidereal Zodiac Please note that Vedic Astrology uses a different 12-sign zodiac from western astrology so your planets will often be described as being in different signs. This is because the sidereal zodiac of Vedic astrology is fixed: it is anchored to a fixed star as a statement of the Eternal, whereas the tropical zodiac of western astrology is moving: it moves a degree every 72 years and its start point is that point in the heavens that the Sun occupies on the first day of Spring, and because it is solar it is 'ego astrology' The scope of Vedic Astrology is immensely vaster than egoic western astrology. At the present the two zodiacs are 24 degrees apart.

The Lunar Zodiac: Additionally please note that Vedic astrology also employs an even more ancient zodiac: the immeasurably powerful lunar zodiac of 27 signs, that depicts our realities in a magical and dream time way that is pre-solar, pre-logical and pre-linear, and is hugely accurate, powerful and meaningful. These lunar signs are called 'Nakshatras'. The positions of the lunar signs were more easily visible to ancient astrologers because they are quite simply the position of the Moon in the heavens on each of the 27 days the Moon takes to orbit the Earth. Because the lunar signs are so ancient, they are powerful and magical and pre-rational, and each of them has a power animal that can be used for many purposes of understanding, including the identification of the best marriage partner for you.

The Sidereal Symbols: Please also note that Vedic Astrology also uses a system of Sidereal Symbols: Vedic Sages have channelled the meaning of each of the 360 degrees of the Sidereal Zodiac. The roots of this system lie in ancient Babylonian Star Lore, but the system has been modernised in the last century by Malik Jane. Using the symbol for each zodiacal degree, these sidereal symbols can throw vast illumination onto the nature of any of your planets by using the symbol for the degree the planet falls in. On occasion, the illumination thrown onto the nature of the planet is of vast value and can be found from no other source.

Very Important Note: The Lunar Sign or Nakshatra that your Moon falls in in your Vedic natal chart is the basis for the ancient and powerfully accurate Vedic Astrology of love and relationships. See the 6 or 7 page special report on your Love Nakshatra attached. Each Nakshatra has a power animal. The power animal of the same species but the opposite gender to your own is your ideal sexual partner, however, taking the wider issues of relationship, overall compatibility is often best with another Lunar Sign.

The Vedic Astrology of Love and Relationships gives an exceptionally clear and decisive analysis of a relationship. This is given in a way that is not available from western astrology. It travels the infinite thread between intimacy and vastness. Vedic Love Astrology states simply and powerfully the key issues about relationship, for example it measures the all-important quality of respect, what level of sexual attraction, whether there is friendliness, whether there is the necessary shared sense of purpose, and so forth. It is an invaluable backbone to relationships understanding. You can't actually understand relationships without it.

How to understand apparent contradictions:

In Vedic Astrology, when there are contradictory statements, it is not the case that this is dismissed as a contradiction, but that the two will merge like some sort of carefully crafted committee minute. Rather it is the case that BOTH statements will manifest as true in the life. This is because Vedic Astrology is part of the tantric spiritual system of Hinduism, and the nature of tantra is to treat the two contradictory statements like two ends of the same pole and to reconcile apparent opposites in the sense of finding the truth *beyond* the two ends of the pole, because all phenomena, including apparent opposites are inherently connective to the divine root of all being, and thus not in a real sense opposite.

YOUR MOON

The Moon is the principal planet in the Vedic birth chart. As such, the Moon sign in which your Moon falls is the basis of the ancient and surely declarative Vedic astrology of love and marriage. Please see the separate love report for the Vedic lunar sign in which your moon falls in your Vedic birth chart. Here is a more general brief meaning:



Your Moon is in Lunar Sign (Nakshatra):

Moon in Nakshatra 21. Uttara Ashadha

Mongoose - viciousness, speed. It means ‘unchallenged victory’.

Lord: Sun

Symbol : Ganesha’s right tusk, Cot, Deva-alaya Deity : Vishwa Deva [Jagat-nath, Vishwa-nath] Position: 26°40' Dhanus - 10° Makara

Enduring, invincible, patient, righteous and responsible

Great integrity, sincere, committed, ambitious

Great stamina and constancy

Rigid, unbending, upholding

21	Uttarashadha	26.40' Sagittarius - 10° Capricorn	Sun	SRS	M		M	Human	Male Mongoose	1. the planks of a bed 2. The Vishwedevas: the universal gods
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26°40' Sagittarius - 10° Capricorn

Symbol: the tooth of an elephant.

Deities: the ten Vishwadevas, gods of qualities such as honesty, ambition, desire, power.

Keywords: a fresh start, honest, great insight, ambitious.

Translation: the latter invincible one.

21. Uttarashada

Translation: The Latter Unsubdued Symbol: A bed or an elephant's tusk Presiding Deity: Viswadevas (all gods)

combined) Location: Sagittarius 26°40' to Capricorn 10° Dasa-Ruling Planet: Sun (6 years)

Favorable: Bright, fun-loving, popular, devoted to friends, grateful, kind, modest; has some knowledge that sets them apart; interested 23. Dhanistha

Translation: Wealthy

Symbol: A tabor (a type of drum)

Presiding Deity: Vasus (bright ones)

Location: Capricorn 23°20' to Aquarius 6°40'

Dasa-Ruling Planet: Mars (7 years)

N.B. This is the one of the 27 Lunar Signs or Nakshatras that has no natural mate, and thus is a very difficult life-script for marriage. See separate love astrology report for Uttarashadha.

Favorable: Earns a good living; believes in charitable giving; brave; does well in foreign countries; good conversationalist; enjoys music and dance; good organizational abilities; ambitious, motivated to accomplish things and develop their careers; likes old and mysterious things; could be skilled in astrology

Unfavorable: Self-seeking, aggressive; worried; capable of hurting others; makes up stories; deceptive in that they will either say what is not so, withhold information, or understate matters; don't like to be told what to do; argumentative; too talkative; select mates who often are very different in personality and outlook

The ways of expression of Uttara Ashadha resemble that of the previous constellation largely. This is not very surprising, because there is always a strong connection between a Purva and an Uttara constellation. Uttara Ashadha leads to a confrontation with various human qualities, which are represented by the ten Vishvadevas. This involves the desire to leave the past behind and make a new start. A tooth is a sharp thing and analogous to this Uttara Ashadha has a keen intellect, which enables him to see through the wrong ways of the ego. The elephant is an animal with a great, positive strength. A person in whose horoscope Uttara Ashadha plays an important role is challenged to use that strength.

The Nakshatra Uttara Ashada is number 21. It falls between 26:40 Sagittarius - 10 Capricorn. Uttara Ashada is ruled by Sun. Its symbol is machan - elephant tusk and the Deity is Vishvadevas - Universal Gods / children of Visva karma. The name "Uttara Ashada" means later victory. It is related to Sattva - motivated to do good things or seek truth. Uttara Ashada people are Kshatriyas - the warrior class, mainly concerned with the pursuit of moksha - seeking liberation.

Each Nakshatra has a special power or Shakti, the power of Uttara Ashada allows for granting an unchallengeable victory. Its heavenly basis emanates for strength to win, which results in the goal that one can win, through which there becomes an unchallenged winner.

Uttara Ashada Nakshatra shows how actions are always victorious over ideas. Sagittarius preceding can be lazy and idealistic about something that is not good.

UttaraAshadha Nakshatra is a part of Capricorn that comes after Sagittarius. Sagittarius becomes Capricorn in UttaraAshadha. The inspiration of Sagittarius becomes the practical effort of Capricorn in UttaraAshadha, which means "later victory". The later victory we have and the victory we produce comes from honouring the Vishwa Devas, the universal gods of time, truth, action desire and others. We need to honour the universal gods, the Vishwa Devas, in order to guarantee a victory. Victory is always guaranteed, we are always prevailing one thing over another, that prevalence of one thing over another is determined by the Vishwa Devas. What prevails is shown by how well we handle these universal forces.

Uttara Ashadha which means "later victory". The early victory came from watering those seeds of devotion in Purva Ashadha. Now, the later victory comes from the commitment to those seeds and their growth through the universal gods, the Vishwa Devas (time, truth, action and desire). Those things guarantee the victory and bring the final victory over what was holding us back before. There is always a victory. If we are watering the seeds of some kind of revenge and then we commit to extracting that revenge, then we will get revenge but then there will also be a backlash. So make sure that you are committing to something that is high and worthy.

Uttara Ashadha is the universal gods that guarantee victory. It is where Sagittarius becomes Capricorn where hopes and inspirations become tangible realities.

The spiritual path is the same path as Purva Ashadha's: the purification of the ego. Intense therapeutic methods like bioenergetics, encounter therapy etc could be beneficial. However, the expression of emotions should not be a purpose

in itself, but it should lead to meditation. He who wants to behold god will first have to wipe his feet. Whoever wants to meet the cosmic dimension will have to purify his ego first. Uttara Ashadha has to come to terms with powerful emotions as well, thus clearing the way for silence and meditation.



NOTE : the comparison of the Moons of a couple is the basis of the sure and clearly declarative Vedic astrology of love and relationships : you can ask me for your Vedic love profile and a clear and accurate declaration of the realities of your loving relationship.

The Phase of the Moon at the moment you were Born

Vedic Astrology has an incredibly powerful astrology regarding the phase the Moon was at the moment you were born. This Moon Phase is called Tithi. If your Tithi is weak, it will undermine your birth chart decisively. If your Tithi is strong it will assist your birth chart decisively. You were born on the 4th Day of the Waxing Moon. What does this mean?

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Day Lord, Mth	Mercury	Margashirsha	
Tithi	4 (13%)	Bright Half	
Karana	7 Vanija		
Yoga	12 (72%)	Dhruva	
Nakshatra	21 UttarAshada		
Pada	4 (10%)	Hora	Ven
Sound	jii(th)		
Devata	Vishvadevas	Muh:	Has
Overall	Auspicious		
Gandanta: None			
DagdhRashis	Tau	Aqu	
Yogi Point:	9° 43' Sag		
Yogi: Ket	AvaYogi: Rah	Duplicate:	Jup

4. Caturthi



Ganesha/Vighnesvara

Tithi four, Caturthi is the 4th day of the waxing Moon (Sukla paksha) or of the waning Moon (Krishna paksha). Caturthi is Lorded by Ganesha who is worshipped to overcome dangers and obstacles. His vahana is Yama appearing as a mouse favouring destruction of enemies especially sadripu (see footnote d). He obtained encompassing knowledge by walking round Shiva and Parvati.

Chaturthi, the fourth step away from the Sun (Shukla) and the fourth step towards the Sun (Krishna) belongs to Ganapati. Ganapati is the son of Shiva and Gauri. Ganapati is also known as Ganesha, Vinayaka, Vighneshwara, etc. Ganapati was born of the four great elements, earth, water, fire and air. He represents the fifth element Aakash that protects the people. According to one of the myths of his creation, Shiva created him with his laughter. He was a beautiful boy, shining and luminous in the sky, just like Shiva. When Gauri saw him, she forgot about Shiva. Shiva was so angry with his wife for ignoring him that he cursed this glorious child to have a face like an elephant, protruding belly and a belt of snakes. His anger also created many Ganas in the image of Ganapati, who fell to earth. Each Gana was accomplished and bright. Gana means multitude, the public, the followers. Ganas began disturbing the balance on earth so the god requested someone to control them. Brahma asked Shiva to make the elephant headed boy Ganapati, the leader of the Ganas. Ganapati is very bright and clears all obstacles in the path to those who pray to him.

Chaturthi people are natural leaders. They can lead of the multitude, protectors of others. They will also be the ones who are clearing obstacles for others. If they want their own cleared, they need to seek the blessings of Ganesha, then whatever obstructs them can be removed. They can make life very easy for themselves as they develop a knack of overcoming hurdles. Courageous, adept with words, risk taker, orator, legal brains, writers, argumentative, intelligent, feels unsupported, adventurous, fierce, gossip, Machiavellian. The Shukla Chaturthi are able to break through any obstacles whereas the Krishna need to ask for divine blessing and may feel more obstructed in life.

YOUR SUN

The Sun tells you about your Father and also about your egoic self, your business self. A good symbol for understanding the role of the Sun in your Vedic Chart is the charioteer. The charioteer holds in his hands the reins of the horses that pull forward the chariot of self. The horses are the other planets in your chart. If the charioteer is weak, the horses will pull in different directions and maybe even overturn the chariot!



Your Sun is in Lunar Sign (Nakshatra):

Sun in Nakshatra No. **18. Jyeshtha**

Lord: Mercury
 Symbol: Umbrella, Ear-rings Deity: Indra Aditya
 Position: 16°40' - 30° Vrishchika
 Conscious of seniority, superiority complex, very protective, responsible
 Leader of family, wise, profound, psychic, occult powers
 Courageous, daring and inventive
 Experience poverty and hardship due to family
 Reclusive and secretive

18	Jyeshtha	16.40' - 30° Scorpio	Mercury	TSS	A	M	Rakshasha	Stag Male Deer	1. an umbrella and an ear ring 2. Indra
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Most Important Note: Gandanta

Your Sun is in the last degree of the Vedic Sign of Scorpio, this also being the last degree of the Vedic Nakshatra (Lunar Sign) of Jyestha). This is one of the GANDANTA Degrees, where Water Signs dissolve and give way to fire Signs (Scorpio-Sagittarius, Pisces-Aries and Cancer-Leo). It is most deeply fated and need to be understood and handled with utmost care

This is a most unfavourable and challenging position for the Sun to be in. It indicates that your soul chose a destiny this time that 'Father was not to be there for you'.

It is possible to purify and strengthen Sun in this position, so it is not so unfavourable as having Moon in this position, because Moon.

We will discuss this in the recorded interview.

16°40' - 30° Scorpio
 Symbol: a circular amulet (charm).
 Deity: Indra, king of the gods.
 Keywords: wealth, courage, the eldest or founder.
 Translation: the eldest.

18. Jyeshtha

Translation: The Eldest (last of the best)

Symbol: A hanging earring

Presiding Deity: Indra (Chief of Gods)

Location: Scorpio 16°40' to Scorpio 30°

Dasa-Ruling Planet: Mercury (17 years)

Favorable: Most successful of their family; keeps friends and builds a good support network; generous, self-reliant, eventually wealthy; takes charge of the family; passionate response to love; acts respectable; receives fame and honors; takes control; gets things done when they want to

Unfavorable: Angry; has family frictions; too intense to keep friends; hides their feelings and intentions; religious or peaceful on the surface while impatient or immoral underneath; acts religious to get regard; scheming; makes others dependent on them to gain control in the relationship; dramatizes illnesses and troubles to gain sympathy; subject to many illnesses

Jyeshtha may bring a lot of wealth. The amulet represents the protection the person in whose horoscope Jyeshtha plays an important role receives from Indra, king of the gods. Indra is a god who fights demons and represents justice. He fights for the fulfilment of noble goals and has the character of a solar god - extrovert, willing to act and leadership.

In ancient Vedic religion, Indra was one of the most important gods. Later that position was taken over by Shiva and Vishnu in particular. A notable characteristic of this constellation is that a person in whose horoscope Jyeshtha is vividly present, often plays the role of "the eldest" (the eldest brother or sister for example). This may also be taken metaphorically; a Jyeshtha person may hold an authoritative position in the board of elders for example.

The Nakshatra Jyestha is number 18. It falls between 16:40 - 30 Scorpio. Jyestha is ruled by Mercury. Its symbol is kundal (ear Ring) umbrella - talisman and the Deity is Indra - god of thunder and courage. The name "Jyestha" means the eldest. It is related to Sattva - motivated to do good things or seek truth.

Each Nakshatra has a special power or Shakti, the power of Jyestha allows for rising or conquering and gaining courage in battle. Its heavenly basis emanates for attack, which results in defense, through which one becomes a hero.

Jyeshtha – Lord Indra – King of The Gods

Emotional Heroism: Jyeshtha Nakshatra, ruled by Lord Indra. He is known as the King of the gods and is one of the main heroes in the Rig Veda. There is a famous story of how he allowed himself to be swallowed by the Dragon who stole the water from Earth. Later, after being swallowed, he sliced open the Dragon's belly and returned all the water, Therefore saving creation.

This underscores a great lesson:

“Life has no meaning unless you have something you are willing to die for.”

However, later Indra is often portrayed as one who is drunk with power, often risking and losing the kingdom through foolish, egoistic bets and battles.

The truth is both possibilities are there with this Nakshatra. We must choose our battles wisely, and when we do, we can be a great, even heroic presence. Allowing oneself to be swallowed by darkness, with full trust and realization that our redemption is just around the corner, is the highest promise of this Nakshatra. The risk is over-emotional instability and restless stress. Imagined fears, obsessions and worries and fear of loss of what we love can terrify. The need is to connect to something more eternal.

Jyestha is in the sign of Scorpio – Stabilizing the Emotions

Scorpio is a sign where we are trying to strengthen our emotional weaknesses, and transform them into deep emotional (and even psychic) strengths. In order to do that we must plunge into the murky waters of our psyche. Now is the time we will all be challenged to do that.

Scorpio is an “insect” sign. The insect signs rely a lot on intuition and “feeling their way” through situations. Unfortunately, because many of us are disconnected from our deeper intuition, and mistake our “emotions” to be intuition, there can be a lot of painful mistakes, exaggerations and obsessions (Which have to do with emotions, not intuition) with this sign. We must all be careful about these emotional excesses for the next month.

We may be processing a lot of emotional fear, even terror. The life force flows through the heart, and Scorpio is the sign where we become terrified of losing those things that connect us to the life force.

A good sign for counsellors and healers – holding that space for others, but maybe still personally

overwhelmed.

Jyeshtha is ruled by the king of the gods, Lord Indra, and it is that part of Scorpio that is about emotional heroism and conquest. It can also be about battling emotional battles of will and the stress that comes as a result. Be emotionally heroic and take on the difficulty yourself rather than get into battles with others over what you perceive to be the way you have been harmed or wronged or things like that.

The Nakshatra of Jyeshtha is ruled by Lord Indra. Indra was the king of the gods who allowed himself to be swallowed by the demon or the dragon, who stole all the water, and then he cut his way out of the dragon's belly. This is a metaphor for allowing yourself to take on hardship knowing that you can redeem later rather than having to fight and win every battle. You can look to the higher good and even sacrifice yourself in order to prevail later.

The spiritual path belonging to this constellation is that of the warrior and the acceptance of authoritative positions.

YOUR ASCENDANT

Your Ascendant (also called Rising Sign or First House) is in Lunar Sign (Nakshatra):

Ascendant in Nakshatra No. **16. Vishakha**

Tiger - aggression, ruthlessness.

Lord: Jupiter

Symbol: Potter's Wheel, White Lotus

Deity: Indraagni [Chief of the fires – Avahaniya Agni] Position: 20° Tula - 3°20' Vrishchika

Purposeful, goal oriented, ambitious, competitive, opinionated, forceful, persistent and patient

Quick witted and intelligent

Pleasant and popular

Can also be abrasive

Success in later life; jealous and envious of others.

Pure and chaste [tested for this]

16	Vishakha	20° Libra - 3.20' Scorpio	Jupiter	TSR	D		F	Rakshasha	Male Tiger	1. potter's wheel & archway 2. Agni (fire god) & Indra 3. Saturn exalted; Moon debilitated
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20° Libra - 3°20' Scorpio

Symbol: a triumphal arch.

Deities: Indra, king of the gods and Agni the god of fire.

Keywords: the conquest of enemies, goal-oriented, courage, ambitious.

Translation: the fork-shaped.

Vishakha is one of the more vehement constellations. It is more or less the opposite of Swati, because Vishakha does have clearly defined goals and is prepared to fight for them. Indra, one of its deities, is known for his heroic acts, especially killing demons. This constellation is eager to fight. After the battle is won, there is the triumphal arch, the symbol of the constellation of Vishakha.

16. Visakha (also called Radha)

Translation: Forked, or Spreading Branches; also Radha

Symbol: A decorated gateway (used in marriage ceremonies)

Presiding Deity: Indragni (Indra and Agni combined)

Location: Libra 20° to Scorpio 3°20'

Dasa-Ruling Planet: Jupiter (16 years)

Favorable: Clever; has respect for intelligent and spiritual people; enterprising; self-satisfied; determined; gets things done; can appear soft but is very powerful underneath; sexually alluring; a good mate in marriage; benefits through marriage, traveling, and through change; mathematical talent

Unfavorable: Overly talkative; nice until they get what they want; negative, speaks negatively about others, fault-finding; not open to advice; offensive and not easy to like; greedy, deceitful, aggressive, domineering, quick to take offense, militant, suspicious, possessive, envious; feels obstructed and taken advantage of by others

For someone in whose horoscope Vishakha plays an important role, much depends on the goals he sets for himself. If these objectives are self-centred, he may become unbearable for other people and may head towards the wrong direction. Vishakha is always totally devoted in order to reach his goals. He has great courage and ambition. Agni, the god of fire, supplies him with the energy and the courage to enter the most vehement transformation processes. The characteristics of

Vishakha resemble those of Kritika. This is not surprising because Agni, one of the deities who is related to the constellation of Vishakha, is the deity who belongs to Kritika.

The Nakshatra Vishaka is number 16. It falls between 20 Libra - 3:20 Scorpio. Vishaka is ruled by Jupiter. Its symbol is leaf decked triumphal gate, or alternatively the potter's wheel and the Deity is Indragni-gods of lightning and fire and uplifting power and strength, mainly concerned with the pursuit of dharma - right action and duty.

Each Nakshatra has a special power or Shakti, the power of Vishaka allows for achieving many and various fruits. Its heavenly basis emanates for ploughing or cultivation, which results in the harvest, through which there is the fruit of the harvest.

Elementally, and through Ayurveda (the medical System of India), Vishaka is related to Kapha - (water) stability. Its nature is to be soft and dreadful in an active way. It is closely associated with creation - Brahma and will generally be found in dhatu - tissues. Vishaka is facing East.

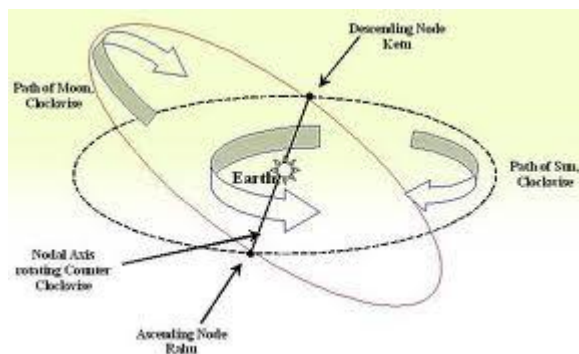
Vishaka Nakshatra is ruled by Jupiter and by the gods Indra and Agni, the gods of fire and lightning. It is that part of Libra that is motivated toward righteousness and higher social causes and social righteousness. The Moon is in Vishaka and that is ruled by Indra and Agni, these two gods have a lot to say about righteousness and purpose. It is a good day to be on purpose and on point with our principles but we need to be careful about being too self-righteous. It is a very ambitious and motivated Nakshatra though.

The path suitable to Vishakha is the way of the warrior, like that of Kritika. The Vishakha has to find out for himself whether his goals actually serve all of humanity or solely his own good. The outcome of this will determine how this constellation will manifest itself: as a curse or as a blessing.

Your Incarnational Life Meaning in Vedic Astrology

A major contribution of Vedic Astrology is its statement of your incarnational life meaning: why you are here.

This is stated in terms of the position of the Nodes of the Moon in your Vedic natal chart. The Nodes of the Moon are the intersection points in space of the orbit of the Moon around the Earth with the apparent orbit of the Sun around the Earth. There are thus two Nodes: the North Node and the South Node.



The North Node is called Rahu; the South Node is called Ketu. The Nodes are actually demons, because they are the eclipse points and they even have the power to devour the luminaries: the Sun and the Moon, but – because Vedic astrology is Tantric – everything is inherently connective to the Divine: even adverse circumstances, even what could be called ‘bad’, but only if we perceive these difficult states in the right way.

Anciently, the Nodes were depicted as a dragon. The Dragon's Head is the North Node called Rahu; the Dragon's Tail is the South Node called Ketu. What is the spiritual gift of these demons?

Rahu, The North Node



Rahu is where we in terms of life circumstances will put our obsessive, instinctual driven energy of ambition. Rahu is the call of our Future. Our obsessional drive can be dark and destabilizing but the experience of it can impel us to see God, and that we are not cut off from God but actually one with God (and one with everyone else).

Ketu, The South Node



Ketu is where in terms of life circumstances we will find that everything will dissolve. Ketu is our past lives and our past life karmas and skills. This experience can terrify, but Ketu dissolves that which needs to die in terms of our need to be reborn and go forward to meet our spiritual destiny in this incarnation. Ketu is sometimes depicted as the ‘occupying army’, i.e. those life areas we have already ‘conquered’ in earlier lives, whereas Rahu is depicted as he advancing army, i.e. those territories we need to advance into in this life.

In Vedic Astrology, the Nodes of the Moon are interpreted in terms of the following four factors:

1. **The Houses** that the Nodes fall in in your natal chart. This is the most important factor for assessing your incarnational life purpose. The Nodes are always opposite each other in the heavens, in the chart. Obviously the Houses are time of birth sensitive, so if you don't know your correct time of birth, counting Houses from the Ascendant created by a wrong time of birth will give wrong results, though one way round this is to treat the position of the Moon as your First House (this can be nearly as good depending on certain astronomical circumstances).
2. **The Signs** that the Nodes Fall in in your natal chart. Please note that Vedic Astrology does use the 12-sign zodiac familiar from western astrology, but the two zodiacs are actually 23 degrees apart. Your planets may therefore be shown as being in a different sign in Vedic Astrology from western astrology. The zodiac used by western astrology is known as the Tropical Zodiac; the zodiac used by Vedic Astrology is called the Sidereal Zodiac.
3. **Any Planets which conjunct** your North or South Node
4. **The Lunar Signs** which your Nodes fall in in your natal chart. In addition to the familiar 12 signs of the Lunar Zodiac, Vedic astrology also uses a far more ancient Lunar Zodiac of 27 signs, which is an immensely powerful pointer to the true nature of your magical and dream time self.

Your incarnational life purpose is thus assessed in terms of the position of the Nodes of the Moon in your Vedic natal chart, which are as follows:

Nodes in Houses:

Rahu in 7th/Ketu in 1st house

The 1st /7th axis is again of self and relationships, but this axis will be different to having Rahu in the 1st and Ketu in the 7th. This time Rahu's position in the 7th house indicates that although you are in some ways a loner, relationships will dominate your life and you need to experience them in every hue. This can lead to a promiscuous personality but also a dissatisfied one regardless of how many

relationships you experience. It is important here to recognise the inner dilemma: fulfilment will not be gained by creating yet another relationship, but by trying to work out the present one and acknowledging that there are always two sides to every story.

Ketu in the 1st house indicates a karmic past life connection. You may be carrying over guilt from previous lives that is now blocking you on a psychological level and causing you to blame yourself for others' actions, and you have to learn to let that go. These are past life issues, and bringing them into this life will not give any answers. Take care not to see yourself from a completely negative point of view. Often, in compensation, identity and fulfilment is expressed wholly through partnerships. You may have come into contact at an early age with people whose negative behaviour towards you had a lasting impact. Ketu in the 1st gives an ability to hold on to things, and you still feel and remember past events which you should let go. You really need to have an emotional clear out every so often otherwise you may find yourself suffering physically or psychologically.

Jackie Kennedy, John Kennedy's widow, has this axis. She had major lessons to learn from her relationships - first with John F. Kennedy, and then through her marriage to the Greek millionaire Aristotle Onassis. The 'Superman' actor Christopher Reeve, who has Ketu exactly conjunct his Ascendant, has powerful karmic issues to deal with in this life. Through his debilitating accident, his wife has become a strong support. Clint Eastwood has had multiple marriages/ relationships and Ketu in the 1st has given him an unusual personality and screen persona. Ketu acts like Mars and Clint Eastwood's films have always been noted for both their violence and action.

Nodes in Signs:

Rahu in Aries/Ketu in Libra

Aries conveys newness and a sense of adventure, of moving into unexplored territory. Rahu in Aries wants to experience this new cycle of birth intensely. The focus here is on individuality and power and as both Rahu and Mars are fearless, there is no recognition of boundaries or restrictions. You are likely to be competitive, adventurous, individualistic, brave, ambitious, always looking for new thrills and excitement. Mars and Rahu do not have a particularly good relationship because the power of Mars is physical while Rahu is psychological, so Rahu in an Aries personality can burn out quickly if its energy is not disciplined. It is naturally a free spirit, enjoying a life without commitments or responsibility. If you have this position you have so much power in your hands that it is necessary to control this force and use it wisely to bring out the best in yourself. Remember you are often your own worst enemy - fear of personal failure can make you selfish, stubborn and egotistical as you focus more and more on your personal agenda. Become more responsible for your own actions and other situations will fall into place.

People with Ketu in Libra search for their spirituality through relationships. They will reject many partners while searching for the perfect mate, often focusing too much on spirituality and forgetting the Libran principal of balancing the opposites: the spiritual and the material, themselves and others, the outer world in the inner. The relationships that last are likely to be unconventional and intangible as Ketu in Libra makes your judgements abstract and hard for others to understand.

Rahu in Aries will try to dominate and emphasise the personal agenda, then Ketu in Libra will pull the other way to find spirituality through partnerships - and then reject them. On one hand you will be extremely strong, on the other you give up your strength and allow your partner to dictate. You may believe you are paying a karmic debt to this other person (who may be your partner, father or child, depending on the appropriate house axis). But both are unhappy situations, as you will be working from only one part of the axis or the other.

Past life issues: Ketu in Libra will indicate past life issues connected with relationships. This focus on partnership was once so strong that it is either blocked now through rejection of others or partners are met who bring the same past life karma you are working out.

Lessons of the Aries/Libra axis: reconciling the opposites is the important issue. There has to be a connection between others and yourself. Rahu in Aries becomes obsessed with stamping its authority on the world; there are no boundaries and restrictions too great for it to surmount. Ketu in Libra feels Rahu's search for new worlds as a personal rejection. Rahu in Aries needs to take its focus away from the individual, while Ketu in Libra has to be prepared to give the relationship a chance to develop. You have to break the opposite patterns of rejection and personal fulfilment and connect the two together. Mars is neutral to Venus so their relationship with each other will depend on how they are placed in your chart. Physical actions are not paramount; you also have to seek psychological answers.

Aspects to the Nodes:

none