

Personality Report for Joe Sample

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Introduction

The birth chart—the chart that this report is based on—is the basis for all interpretations in modern astrology. It acts as a guide to a person's personality. It can be used to know which ways of acting will be easiest, or most natural, for a person—as well as which will be difficult. It cannot, however, tell us exactly how a particular placement will manifest, it will only suggest areas of a person's life that might be affected. That being said, this report is meant to be a best guess at how the positions of the planets will be exhibited by an individual.

This report is meant to be understandable. If there are any areas that you are unsure about, please feel free to contact the author via email at astrology@tdegruy.com.

Please note that one of the challenges of writing a report for someone who I do not know is the timing of my writing. Most of my descriptions are in the present tense to avoid the issue of having to say that the person the report is for 'will have' or 'has had' a certain personality trait. People change through time, that is a fact of life. Birth charts, however, tell us trends about a person's life in general—things that may change—or may not change—throughout his life.

General Personality

The Sun (☉) represents our self expressive power and our general energy level. The Sun is the source of all of the energy in the solar system, and its position in a chart will give an impression of a person's vitality.

The sign that a person's Sun is in when they are born is their "Sun Sign". This—along with the signs of the Moon and the Ascendant—is one of the most telling pieces of information about a person that can be gathered from a first glance at a chart. It is also the sign referred to by popular astrology, and the question: "What's your sign?"

The Sun is our energetic source. Depending upon where it is in the chart (that is, what house and what sign it is in) as well as how it aspects with other planets, that creative force will be focused in various ways.

With his Sun in Capricorn (♑), Joe is both practical and ambitious. He can be very hard working, but he dislikes doing things in the "wrong" way—and he will probably have trouble with incompetent authority. He can be patient, which is shown by his ability to make plans and to stick with them in order to get ahead in the world.

Outwardly, Joe can tend to project a certain amount of pessimism and dourness that only rarely gives way to cheer. This is probably a defense mechanism; he does not want to be over-confident, and reacts by pushing too far in the opposite direction for most people's tastes. He also may be prone to doing things in a way that he knows will work: preferring the familiar and conventional to taking risks.

In relationships, he may have trouble with people who are more upbeat and cheerful. Most Capricorns are happy to be part of long-term and lasting relationships, but their tendency toward righteous indignation and stubbornness can become obstacles for communication and understanding with those they care about.

In his career, Joe would be happy doing anything that involves careful planning and a sense of accomplishment when it is completed. He is happy to

work solely for money's sake—knowing that it is very necessary in life—but he would be happier to put his skills, knowledge, and self-confidence to work in a management position, or as a consultant in just about any field.

The power and abilities to communicate and think are incredibly important to Joe. He has a strong desire to break the code of the world, and to share his knowledge with those around him. He may also possess a desire to travel, and a need to experience more of the world. Joe can also be very enthusiastic and optimistic about his ability to get through life.

With Scorpio (♏) rising, Joe can come off as somewhat mysterious and secretive. This does not, however, mean that he actually is mysterious, or that he has secrets that would be worth keeping by others. He has a tendency to dig deep beneath the surface, potentially making those around him uncomfortable with his poking, prodding, and generally exploratory questions. He also expresses this need to explore with himself, feeling a need to know himself as fully as possible.

Joe has a flexible and adventurous attitude toward things and possessions. He is willing to leave things behind, if need be. It also should be noted that he is against being 'owned' or possessed by others in any respect—whether it is a relationship, obligation, debt or job.

The position of Neptune in Joe's chart suggests that he may tend to daydream in order to escape from reality, so that he feels protected and safe. He may develop this ability to such an extent that he can feel completely fulfilled just by retreating into daydreams. This tendency should be monitored carefully by him.

One of Joe's life-long emotional goals is to find a place of personal emotional stability in his life. He may have mastered being away from that, but he needs to learn to function with that stability.

Joe takes a systematic and standardized way of looking at his day to day existence. He attempts to fit his experiences into neat categories and boxes—trying to bring order to his daily life.

Joe has a great deal of curiosity, as well as a need to communicate. He also has an agile mind, with his words and ideas sometimes coming faster than he is able to express them. His ability to perceive and observe are also quite well developed, and he has a strong need to know about everything that is going on around him, but especially within his home and family.

Joe has an ability to use his intellectual ability to its full power. He has a tremendous need to use his mind, and to communicate his thoughts with others. If there was something lacking in his early education, he will feel an overwhelming desire to make up for the lack.

Joe has a natural ability to be sympathetic in his communication, and to develop a mutual understanding with his romantic partners. He enjoys socializing, but prefers it to be rather relaxed and comfortable, but mentally stimulating.

Emotions

Here on earth, what we see of the moon is reflected sunlight. Similarly, the moon in the chart represents the energy of the sun reflected upon and turned inward.

The Moon (☾) represents our emotional and intuitive responses. This is one area where birth time is very significant—the Moon moves very quickly. A powerfully placed Moon in a chart will show an incredible difference in personality between two people with charts that are otherwise the same.

The Moon's placement in Cancer (♋) suggests that Joe is a very caring person who is able to form deep emotional attachments quickly—and to have them affect him for quite a long time. Because the Moon rules Cancer, this placement is a very strong influence on Joe's chart. It appears in Joe's personality in both positive and negative ways: as his intuition and emotional source, as well as his defense mechanisms.

Joe can be an incredibly intuitive person, with the ability to read other's emotional states and to respond to them appropriately. It is possible that he can go overboard with this, however, and use it to manipulate the emotional situations around him.

In response to his own very strong emotions, Joe has a tendency worry, and to think the worst of people and situations. It is not uncommon that he will spend the night worrying over what might, to others, seem like inconsequential things—thinking that they add up to his doom.

He also has the ability to be very strong and nurturing, emotionally, to those around him. This is a great placement for a caregiver, like a psychotherapist or a nurse, or (of course) a parent.

Joe has a good deal of common sense, determination and an ability to keep things in perspective. He is able to restrain his emotions, sometimes to the point that it is unhealthy, but this also helps him to be more steady and reliable emotionally.

Joe can be rather prone to sudden shifts in his emotional state. These shifts will most likely be caused by external stimuli interfering with his emotional stability. These shifts, although most likely unpleasant, may be the basis for a great deal of his personal growth.

Mars (♂) plays several roles: it represents passion and passionate energy, as well as aggressive forces. It is also seen as the archetypal symbol of the masculine. Mars can be a difficult planet to read because it will either represent a positive, growth-oriented driving force or it can represent a more negative and destructive force such as anger—depending upon its position in a chart.

With Mars in Taurus (♉), Joe is, in general, a very even tempered, patient and calm person—with one huge exception: once he becomes upset or angry, he will remain so for a very long time and he will be very active in expressing it (to the point that he can be hurtful to those around him—even though he thinks he is just expressing a valid emotional response).

On a more normal, everyday level, he has plenty of passion, and a well-charged sex drive. He has a great deal of determination and tenacity, as well as an ability and willingness to work hard for the things (and people) he desires.

Joe's increased physical and emotional energy level is best expressed through an active lifestyle—through sport or a martial art. Joe may also be prone to getting stuck in the middle of making changes to his life for long periods, only to take rapid action and make sweeping changes in his life. These sweeping actions may make it difficult to keep friends, or lovers, as part of his life.

Joe may have a tendency to work too hard, possibly compulsively. This should be carefully watched by him, since it may lead to lower energy for pursuing his other interests.

Mental Energy, Travel and Education

Mercury (♿) is the fastest moving of the planets, but it always hovers close to the Sun. Mercury represents our ability to communicate and to think. The aspects of Mercury will tell what someone is able to easily communicate and think about, and what is difficult for them to discuss.

Mercury in Capricorn (♄) suggests a methodical mind that is somewhat hesitant to speak or communicate before he is sure of the answers. Joe probably has a very strong ability with mathematics and an ability to make steady progress while learning and studying any subject that is important to him.

Joe also has pronounced affinity for tradition and custom, as well as high quality workmanship. He is likely to underestimate his own and others' achievements, mainly because he tends to compare them to an ideal version rather than reality.

Jupiter (♃) symbolizes our ability to expand both mentally and physically. Jupiter also reflects an individual's ability to enjoy life.

Jupiter in Aquarius (♒) suggests that Joe has a vivid imagination, and a creative spirit, that can take on a life of its own. He can also be a very good mediator—being both impartial and tolerant. The major focus of his Jovian energy is towards improving the social lot for those around him—especially through investigating and thinking about new and different ways to fix what is 'broken' (according to him) in society. He is also likely to have a knack for scientific or technological subjects.

Joe may be discontented at times, feeling like he isn't achieving as much as he could or should. He may also have a tendency to blame outside circumstances for his disappointments. It is more likely, however, that inner discontent and a lack of self-confidence are the real culprits.

Joe may have a tendency to show off, especially when it comes to his accomplishments. This tendency may, in fact, be rewarded by career success and recognition.

Joe sees learning and education as his primary source of nurturing. He is likely to approach the nurturing of others in the same respect, educating and teaching them rather than providing safety or warmth. He may find that this can have a stifling effect on the actual learning and travel that he attempts, since he can also be prone to depressions regarding these areas of life.

Joe has a deep need to stretch his intellect through study—while having some difficulty concentrating long enough to complete his course of study. He needs a great deal of energy to not get side-tracked by flights of fancy and the 'potential' situations that he tends to think about (rather than the real and down to earth).

Love and Relationships

The planet Venus (♀) plays two roles in the chart. First and foremost, it symbolizes the power of love in a person's life, and the ability for that person to love and receive love. Second, it represents the archetypal feminine influence in a person's life, either as a symbol or as real women that the person surrounds himself with.

With Venus in Aquarius (♒), Joe has a tendency to idealize love and relationships. He is very likely to possess a certain amount of glamor that can be attractive to potential partners, but he may be somewhat hesitant to take the necessary steps, and make the self-sacrifices necessary to begin a relationship. On the other hand, he can also become obsessed with the need to be in a relationship. In addition to all of that, he is able to be a good and very understanding and kind friend.

Joe has a lively attitude towards sex and romantic relationships, but there is also a possibility of restlessness and tension where relationships are concerned. He may find it difficult to relax and enjoy relationships as they are, rather than as he would like them to be.

Joe may have some difficulty discerning truth in relationships. This can be especially difficult for everyone involved, when he chooses to believe his own fantasies about what his partner is like. This aspect can also suggest an ability to brush aside the world when dealing with a partner, which can be a wonderful thing—except when the world interrupts.

Joe is in a constant state of transformation when it comes to relating and love. He is always examining his relationships and those he is attracted to for a way to make things 'better.' Joe also has a very strong romantic drive—and he is always ready to fall in love.

Joe may have a tendency to overreact to his colleagues attitudes and opinions. He may have trouble keeping things in perspective when it comes to his own abilities. Arrogance about his career is also a distinct possibility.

Joe can be very tender and charming in private. Emotional security, and comfort, are very important in his romantic relationships. He also exhibits a certain amount of possessiveness and jealousy in relationships. This can lead to feelings of claustrophobia in partners.

The position of Mars in the chart suggests that Joe will put quite a bit of energy and strength of will into making relationships work. He may put so much energy into the relationship that his own happiness can suffer. It is possible that Joe has a tendency to be quarrelsome in relationships, and this should be watched carefully. Joe may also have a tendency to place a lot of emphasis on sex in relationships.

Family and Friends

Joe has a tendency to feel as if no-one in particular is caring for him. He may have difficulty being nurtured—although he craves nurturing. He may also have trouble being someone who is nurturing because he finds it difficult to build personal attachments to others.

Jupiter's position in the chart suggests that Joe has a good, fun-loving attitude toward children and family. He is considerate and philosophical when it comes to children, and he is able to bring quite a bit of fun into his relationships with them. If there are children in his family, he may have go overboard in buying toys and books for them and generally provide a fun place for them to be.

Joe may tend toward strange, macabre senses of humor. He may also have trouble having fun for its own sake: preferring to only have fun when it serves a higher purpose. Like many things in the chart, however, this can go another way: Joe may prefer to have fun in his own way, building up elaborate fantasies and acting as though they are real. In either case, fun is not really a social experience for Joe.

Joe tends to be private and withdrawn in large groups. He prefers one-on-one encounters, or even small, intimate groups. From time to time, he may push himself deep into a state of introversion—possibly even completely retreating from society for times.

Joe may be overly concerned with the attitudes of friends and acquaintances—to the point that he bases a good portion of his actions on the beliefs and proposed reactions of those he surrounds himself with.

Work and Career

Saturn (♄) symbolically represents the constraining influences in our lives. Saturn may represent a strict or lax parent, or the constraints that we place upon ourselves—whether they are at work or at home. Saturn can also represent our ability to discipline ourselves so that we can balance our lives—so that no one aspect of life does get out of hand.

Saturn's position in Gemini (♊) tells us that Joe has an increased intellectual ability, and the determination to learn from his experiences. He may be very economical with words, but what he does say can be of great importance. In general, Joe spends more time observing than speaking. In a less glamorous observation, Joe may have a tendency toward being rather sarcastic and brutal when he does speak. This can be something of a reaction to those around him who are not as precise in their communication and observations as he is, but it also can be something of an (unfortunate) game for him.

Joe has a sympathy for unconventional behavior and attitudes. Although he may be somewhat cautious, he is able to break free of that to put his own original ideas out into the world through word or deed.

Joe may find that he places unnecessary restrictions on himself when it comes to moving along his life-path. He feels duty-bound to remain stuck in his old patterns and he may have some difficulty moving forward because of that.

Joe can be cautious when it is called for. He has a very practical and down to earth side that may not always be apparent, but it does come up enough to be remarked on.

Joe has a tendency to approach areas of day-to-day work with some amount of verve and gusto...at first. His interest may dramatically decrease after a short time. He is easily bored, and prone to quick flurries of activity, especially when he is starting a new project. With respect to the body, Joe is likely to have a tendency to ignore problems, thinking that he can handle things on his own.

With his Midheaven in Leo (♌), Joe wishes to express himself in the world: putting his stamp on the outside world and making it his own. He does

this with passion and energy, but also with a certain amount of childish need for self-fulfillment. This can be seen as a need to be recognized by others for his own greatness, but that only begins to scratch the surface of the need that can drive someone with a Leonine Midheaven. The most important part is a need for public self-expression.

Sex, Transformation and Personal Growth

The planet Uranus (♅) symbolizes the earth-shaking, transformative events of our lives, and how we deal with them. Uranus takes seven years to move through each sign, so large groups of people are born with Uranus within a particular sign. In many cases—where Uranus has no significant aspects—Uranus tends to have more of an influence upon society, and large scale changes in social trends, than upon the individual.

Uranus in Libra (♎) indicates a need to rock the boat when it comes to relationships and conflict. In a general sense, those born within the seven year period that Joe was born in share a need to upset the status quo when it comes to traditional ideas regarding relating and relationships. They are willing to re-examine what makes a relationship, and to express their ideals to the world. Although Joe may sometimes respond coolly to his partner, this is not all that unforeseeable, since most of the traumatic experiences in his life have been centered around interpersonal relationships and their varied meanings to him.

Change and spiritual growth may be rapid and sudden for Joe, coming along very quickly and sweeping across his life.

Neptune (♆) takes about 14 years to move through each sign, so it, like Uranus and Pluto, can have a larger influence on society than on the individual. Neptune represents our ability to create and deal with illusions in our lives. It can also represent the illusions we spin for ourselves and the effects of those: depression, delusion, alcoholism, and addiction.

With Neptune in Sagittarius (♐), Joe's generation has a natural ability to distinguish right from wrong, and a desire to move forward into the future (or, more realistically, to move away from the past).

Joe may have a tendency to change career at several times during his life. It would be helpful for him to pursue a career where inspiration, imagination, or caring play an important role.

Pluto (♇), the furthest planet from the Sun, takes the longest to complete its orbit: 246 years. Again, this planet seems to bear more influence on society

than on the individual. Like Uranus, Pluto represents transformation in our lives, but the form that it takes is less sudden, more gradual. Among the types of transformations that Pluto influences are death and dying, debilitating diseases, and other long-term challenges. (As of August 24, 2006, Pluto is now classified as a dwarf planet by the International Astronomical Union (IAU).)

For the generation born with Pluto in Libra (♎), the main lesson and societal transformation that is important is the re-creating of relationships. This position for Pluto suggests that Joe is likely to be willing to investigate conflicts, even to the point of poking and prodding until they boil over. He may even be able to help bring about resolution in those conflicts.

The Lunar Nodes (♊ and ♋) form a line along which the new and full moons would be in eclipse. These two points always come in pairs, with the North Node (♊) being the point where the plane of the Moon's orbit crosses the ecliptic going North, and the South Node (♋)—which is almost never shown on a chart, since it is exactly opposite the North Node—being where the plane crosses the ecliptic going South. The Lunar Nodes represent a directional motion in our lives: we move from the actions and habits represented by the position of the South Node to those of the North Node, both during the course of our life and through multiple lifetimes.

With his North Node in Sagittarius (♐), and his South Node in Gemini (♊), Joe is moving from communication to meaning in his life path. It has always been easier for him to stick to facts and information, rather than integrating his experiences into a coherent life-style.

Joe can be very experimental and playful. This is especially apparent in sexual encounters, but it is also true in other areas. Joe may find it difficult to commit to a single sexual partner, preferring variety and options. Similar to his sexual preferences, Joe probably has trouble committing to a single course of transformation in his life, instead preferring to pursue multiple courses and hope for the best.

Joe can be overly serious, and prone to black moods. He also has an ability to clearly discern things, and to concentrate on a variety of subjects.

It is also quite likely that Joe feels guilty about his sexual urges and tends to repress them—to the point that he may work very hard to be normal in that respect. Joe may also be somewhat fascinated by the darker sides of reality, possibly pursuing a career in forensics, or an interest in reading crime novels.

Joe tends to spend more time thinking about and considering his lessons than doing something about them. This isn't to say that he is prone to repeating mistakes—just that he is likely to lose sleep thinking about what he could have done differently.

Joe has a deep-rooted, psychological need to be of service to the larger group. He is willing and able to be calm and detached while weighing the need to make the necessary self-sacrifices that become apparent as he attempts to change the world.

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