

Relationships 101

Which Astrological signs are compatible?

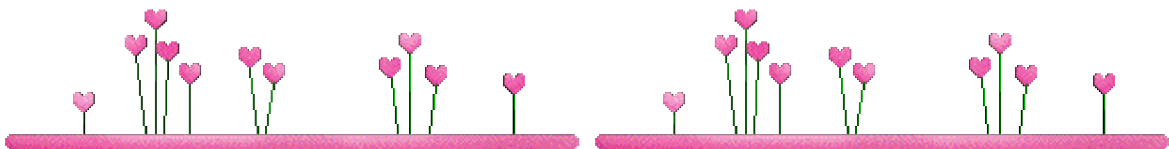
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Introduction

While it's great to have the philosophical perspective that we can get along with anyone, we know how it feels when things click and there's a natural flow between ourselves and another person. We've all had the experience of having to exert a lot of energy to maintain a connection with another person and even then, we're not sure that they really get us!

As we move through life creating and maintaining more and more relationships, we sometimes wonder if it's always going to be guesswork to attract wholesome, caring people with whom we can create happy and lasting relationships.

This book outlines which astrological signs and elements have a natural affinity with our signs and which do not. For many, when thinking about astrological signs being compatible, only the Sun sign is taken into consideration but it is also important to take into consideration the Moon sign also.

The Sun sign is the most important single factor in interpreting the horoscope for it indicates the manner in which a person expresses his basic energy potential and his creative drive to grow and develop as an individual. The Sun sign determines the dynamic expression of the will, the capacity to express one's individuality, shine out one's light and live according to one's purpose.

The Moon sign relates to our feeling nature and our experience of the feminine, what we seek to experience in our relationships and how we generally conduct our domestic affairs. The Moon has a strong connection to the feminine role, especially how we experience the relationship with our mother, how we 'mother' our children and how we relate to women in general. The moon sign indicates what we feel we need to have in place in order to have emotional nurturing, safety, support and security. Our Moon sign indicates how we are likely to express affection, and how comfortable we are in expressing our feelings and being intimate with others.

While it's true that we attract people into our lives because we often have something to learn from each other, it's also true that relationships are a powerful and dynamic vehicle for self-growth. As we become aware of psychological patterns and dynamics which play out between ourselves and others, we might also notice that others reflect back to us behaviors and/or make-up which we have within us, but which we may not be expressing.

With this in mind, we'll explore a common tendency to attract people into our lives who help us feel balanced because they have planets in 'elements' (fire, earth, air, water), which we either don't have or don't know how to access. These people act like catalysts for us, inherently 'carrying' within them and 'expressing' those qualities which we are either attempting to develop or, which we value and admire.

This 'table' outlines each of the 12 zodiac signs, the element associated with each sign and the signs which are complimentary with ours and which also are likely to require some work. This table can be used to determine information about the Sun signs and Moon signs.

Sun or Moon

Signs	Element	Complimentary	Requires some work
Aries	Fire	all fires signs Aries, Leo, Sagittarius Aquarius & Gemini	Virgo, Scorpio Cancer, Libra, Capricorn
Taurus	Earth	all earth signs Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn Pisces, Cancer	Sagittarius & Libra Leo, Scorpio, Aquarius
Gemini	Air	all air signs Gemini, Libra, Aquarius Aries, Leo	Scorpio, Capricorn Virgo, Sagittarius, Pisces
Cancer	Water	all water signs Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces Taurus, Virgo	Sagittarius, Aquarius Aries, Libra, Capricorn
Leo	Fire	all fire signs Aries, Leo, Sagittarius Gemini, Libra	Capricorn, Pisces Taurus, Scorpio, Aquarius
Virgo	Earth	all earth signs Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn Cancer, Scorpio	Aquarius, Aries Gemini, Sagittarius, Pisces
Libra	Air	all air signs Gemini, Libra, Aquarius Leo, Sagittarius	Pisces, Taurus Aries, Cancer, Capricorn
Scorpio	Water	all water signs Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces Virgo, Capricorn	Aries, Gemini Taurus, Leo, Aquarius

Sun or Moon

Signs	Element	Complimentary	Requires some work
Sagittarius	Fire	all fire signs Aries, Leo, Sagittarius Libra, Aquarius	Taurus, Cancer Gemini, Virgo, Pisces
Capricorn	Earth	all earth signs Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn Scorpio, Pisces	Gemini, Leo Aries, Cancer, Libra
Aquarius	Air	all air signs Gemini, Libra, Aquarius Sagittarius, Aries	Cancer, Virgo Taurus, Leo, Scorpio
Pisces	Water	all water signs Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces Capricorn, Taurus	Leo, Libra Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius

Triplicities and Elements:

Each of the twelve signs of the Zodiac are grouped into four 'triplicities', (three signs in each) according to their element. We generally have a good rapport with another when our sun signs or moon signs are in the same triplicity as theirs or if our sun sign and their moon sign are in the same triplicity.

The **Fire** triplicities include the signs of Aries, Leo and Sagittarius. The **Earth** triplicities include the signs of Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn. The **Air** triplicities include the signs of Gemini, Libra and Aquarius. The **Water** triplicities include the signs of Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces.

The elements describe the basic temperament of a person and how they are likely to relate to life as outlined below:

The **fire** signs share a common desire to live passionately from the Spirit, seeking freedom and independence. The action oriented, outgoing fire signs search for meaning and magic in life, which may lead them on a journey, a quest, which resembles the 'hero's journey personified in fairytales. They are intuitive, positive in attitude and seek to lead others.

The **earth** signs are considered down to earth, grounded, and practical. They approach life in a steady, predictable manner. They patiently build and develop skills and practices which allow them to function at their best on the material plane. Security, stability and continuity is important to them and they can become very good money managers.

The **air** signs are drawn to exploring the mental realm. Their creative minds enjoy the process of learning, communicating and teaching. They are fascinated by what makes everything and everyone 'tick'. These relationship oriented individuals value being able to share ideas, information, knowledge and wisdom with others through a variety of mediums.

The **water** signs are emotionally sensitive, reflective and often introverted. They tend to attract experiences which serve the purpose of helping them to understand, honor and integrate their emotional experience into their life. They're at their best when they can incorporate regular periods of alone time into their schedule which helps replenish them.

Quadruplicities

Each of the twelve signs of the Zodiac are also grouped into three Quadruplicities (four signs in each) which relates to the basic mode of activity.

The four **Cardinal** signs, Aries, Cancer, Libra and Capricorn have the capacity to act directly and decisively, as they generally have a realistic grasp of the immediate situation. They initiate action when required and enjoy being productive and constructive. Aries and Capricorn individuals enjoy leadership roles, while Cancers and Libra individuals like to work towards goals with others. What the Cardinal signs share is their potential to take **ACTION**.

The four **Fixed** signs, Taurus, Leo, Scorpio and Aquarius are persevering, determined and capable of applying sustained, steady effort toward their goal, for which they seek tangible results. They do not like change, can be seen as stubborn and lacking in flexibility, but can always be counted upon to stand by their commitment. What the Fixed signs share is their one-pointed focus toward a **FIXED PURPOSE**.

The four **Mutable** signs, Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces are flexible and adaptable, showing a preference for opportunities which allow for change and variety in their circumstances. They enjoy mental stimulation, are interested in a wide variety of possibilities, and often enjoy splitting their attention between two jobs or two locations. They can also be seen as restless, ungrounded and lacking in perseverance. What the Mutable signs have in common is their desire for **NEW EXPERIENCE**.

The following 'table' outlines the signs grouped together according to their element: fire, earth, air or water (triplicities) and according to their mode of action: cardinal, fixed, mutable (quadruplicities).

Sign	Element	Quadruplicity	Attributes
Aries	Fire	Cardinal/active	active/decisive/quick
Taurus	Earth	Fixed/practical	persevering/patient/loyal
Gemini	Air	Mutable/changeable	mental/versatile/talkative
Cancer	Water	Cardinal/emotional	family oriented/sensitive
Leo	Fire	Fixed/noble/loyal	generous hearted/leader
Virgo	Earth	Mutable/productive	detail oriented/mental
Libra	Air	Cardinal/romantic	rel'ship oriented/balance
Scorpio	Water	Fixed/secretive	possessive/emotional depth
Sagittarius	Fire	Mutable/philosophical	freedom/travel oriented
Capricorn	Earth	Cardinal/pragmatic	hard working/ambitious
Aquarius	Air	Fixed/original	humanitarian/independent
Pisces	Water	Mutable/dreamer	compassionate/devotional

Aspects

This section refers to astrological 'aspects' which describes the 'nature' of a relationship between signs. The type of aspect between signs is determined by the degree.

Semi Sextile: When you have sun in Aries, this would be in semi-sextile or 30 degrees to the following sign, Taurus, and so on throughout the zodiac. This aspect is not covered in this material because it is considered to be too minor. In order to determine compatibility, further information would be required, namely aspects in individuals charts as outlined below.

Conjunction: This aspect pertains to planets which are next to one another and within 8 - 10 degrees of each other.

As an example, there's a high likelihood that a 'conjunction' would exist between your chart and your partners chart if:

- 1) You both have your Sun or Moon in the same sign
- 2) One of you has your Sun in the same sign as the other person's Moon
- 3) One of you has your Moon in the same sign as the others Sun

Incidentally, if you each have the same Sun sign, there is definitely a basic rapport and a strong likelihood of understanding each other's basic motivations however, you may be too much alike!

If you have a Sun/Moon conjunction, there is potential for a great deal of ease and emotional rapport. This combination is considered to be one of the most harmonious aspects possible.

Sextile: This aspect pertains to signs which are 60 degrees apart and represents harmony and ease.

Square: This aspect pertains to signs which are 90 degrees apart and considered to require some work and compromise in order to work together.

Trine: This aspect pertains to signs which are 120 degrees apart and considered to be the most harmonious. Signs which are 120 degrees apart are also automatically in the same element (triplicity). As an example, the fire sign of Aries is positioned 120 degrees from the sign of Leo and Sagittarius, which are both Fire signs and considered compatible.

Inconjunct: This aspect pertains to signs which are 150 degrees apart and considered to represent different interests and priorities, thereby requiring some adjustment.

Opposition: This aspect pertains to signs which are in direct opposition to each other. The opposition carries some tension in that each person owns and expresses only one side of the dynamic of opposites. However, with awareness, it is possible to compliment each other!

In this section, we'll explore some of the basic characteristics of each sign and their element, along with the type of 'aspect' each sign makes to the other signs of the zodiac.

Aries is the first sign of the zodiac and the first fire sign. These individuals carry a pioneering, adventurous spirit. Ruled by the action planet, Mars, and a cardinal sign, Aries individuals love action, risk taking and moving through life at a fast pace. They are competitive, instinctual, strong willed and are comfortable with taking the lead. They prefer partners who are independent, low maintenance, outdoorsy and up for adventure.

Aries sextiles Aquarius and Gemini so they have a natural affinity with these signs but especially Gemini, in that the Gemini mind moves quickly and they are direct in their communication. From Gemini individuals, they can learn the importance of communicating to keep others abreast of their thoughts and from Aquarius, the importance of including others and making a commitment in relationships.

Aries squares Cancer and Capricorn so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. The fiery Aries individual likes having the freedom to act independently and at will, moving quickly through life. They may not find it easy to take into consideration the desires of a Cancer individual, who loves emotional closeness and affection and who like to touch base with their significant others throughout the day, plan things together and they prefer not to be rushed. Aries' impatience may rise to the forefront with self-controlled Capricorns, who use common sense to weigh things carefully and patiently, seeking a practical and objective outcome and who do not always see the value in spontaneity.

Aries trines Leo and Sagittarius. These three fire signs have great potential for getting along with each other, but Aries have more in common with Sagittarians, in that both signs like to move quickly, are independent and don't need to spend a lot of time discussing the 'hows' and 'wherefors'. Both of these signs are instinctual and intuitive.

Aries inconjuncts Virgo and Scorpio. Aries can find your average Virgo too mental and too much into the details of life. When Aries is ready to go, they're out of the door and you'd better be ready to keep up or catch up. Take a hiking map and plan the day – I don't think so! Aries finds your average Scorpio too emotional and too deep. Aries individuals don't have a clue as to how to work out what people are feeling and they don't have the time to look for the signposts to make sure they're on the right track. It's not their style.

Aries is in opposition to the air sign of Libra which can create a push/pull kind of experience in that Aries individuals requires independence and like to do things alone, while Librans require interaction and like to do things together. With good understanding and the knowledge that extra effort will be required in order to achieve balance, it can work out for these individuals to co-exist in a relationship.

Taurus is the second sign of the zodiac and the first earth sign. These individuals have amazing determination and steadiness of purpose. They enjoy moving through life at a somewhat leisurely pace, don't like to be rushed and don't like to move house. They are loyal and enjoy the stability and familiarity offered in long term relationships. They focus their strong desire nature on creating stability and security on the material realm. Ruled by the planet, Venus, they enjoy ownership of objects of beauty, things which are well designed and will endure.

Taurus sextiles Cancer and Pisces so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs, but more so with Cancer. Both of these individuals enjoy being at home, caring for the home, and sharing quality time over meals. They attribute importance to objects of beauty, style and sentimental value. Taurus can learn from Cancer that having and processing feelings is a natural part of life and from Pisceans that there is more going on in the Universe than what is happening in front of us and we may need to turn within to understand the mysteries of life.

Taurus squares Leo and Aquarius so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Ruled by the relationship oriented planet, Venus, Taurus individuals show a preference for reaching consensus through passive cooperation, however their strong desire nature will make sure that they eventually get their needs met. Taureans may find that more often than not they end up deferring to Leo individuals, who have strong personalities, take over the show, and are invested in being the center of attention so this combination may feel like a lot of work.

The 'let's keep it simple' earthy Taurus may find that what begins as a pretty simple conversation with an Aquarian ends up feeling like being in attendance at a college symposium. So it may be difficult to get on the same page concerning practicalities, which doesn't work too well for a Taurus.

Taurus trines Virgo and Capricorn so these three earth signs have great potential for getting along with each other. If a Taurus individual has planets in Air in their chart, they have more affinity with the mercurial Virgos, though they are not so keen on Virgo's tendency to worry. They find Capricorns to be focused and ambitious and admire how much they achieve however, the more artsy kind of Taurus individual may find Capricorns to be a tad too structured and lacking in romance.

Taurus inconjuncts Libra and Sagittarius. Taurus has some affinity with Librans because both of these sign are ruled by the same planet, Venus so they have in common the ability to enjoy relationships, romance and the arts. However, Librans enjoy the idea of romance and need to talk about it more often than a Taurus individual. Taureans find the restless nature of Sagittarians, along with their desire for new experiences, and constant on the go tendencies to require a lot of energy. They just want to slow the horse (Sagittarians) down and get them settled in their own skin.

Taurus is in opposition to the water sign of Scorpio so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship in that the even tempered Taurean likes social interaction, affection and romance, while Scorpios require emotional space, privacy and can be emotionally unavailable at times, intense and secretive. Natives of both of these signs can be jealous and possessive of their partners, and both prefer settling into a relationship for the long haul.

Gemini is the third sign of the zodiac and the first air sign. These individuals have the most 'mercurial' nature of the Air signs, possessing a fast, versatile, and creative mind. They like change, variety and stimulation in their day to day activities and enjoy multi tasking. They love to learn and their thirst for knowledge often makes them life long students. For the most part, they are non-conformists, seeking the freedom to explore and express their point of view. They seek partners with whom they can communicate with ease.

Gemini sextiles Aries and Leo so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs but more so with Aries. Gemini moves as quickly in the mind as Aries does on the physical plane and they can learn from Aries to be decisive and from Leo how to think in a big way and follow their heart.

Gemini squares Virgo and Pisces, so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Gemini has more in common with the mercurial and communication oriented Virgo, however Geminis may find Virgos to be too structured and critical in their psychological makeup.

Geminis may experience the emotionally sensitive, dreamy expression of Pisceans to challenge their ability to stay grounded and focused, for Geminis don't always gel with water sign individuals.

Gemini trines Libra and Aquarius so these three air signs have great potential for getting along with each other. Geminis share with Libran individuals a tendency to be socially outgoing and appreciative of the arts and also admire Librans ability to create harmony and cooperation in their relationships.

Those Geminis who share the proclivity for being well versed in a subject matter and expound on it with superior intellectual skills, and who are attracted to group activity and extended community, find themselves well aligned with Aquarians.

Gemini inconjuncts Scorpio and Capricorn. Geminis shy away from the emotional depth, intrigue and secretiveness displayed by some Scorpios and may find the sometimes controlled and formal persona displayed by many Capricorns to be too structured for them.

Gemini is in opposition to Sagittarius so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals in that Gemini's like to explore many ideas and give much respect to bare facts, while Sagittarians focus on attitudes and how they relate to the philosophical overall subject matter at hand. Natives of both of these signs show a lot of versatility and flexibility in their thinking and adapt well to change.

Cancer, is the fourth sign of the zodiac and the first water sign. These individuals favor family life, can be overly protective of their loved ones and are willing to sacrifice much for the sake of their families. This sign seeks to create security and stability in their living situation, are capable of deep love and often fear emotional loss and loneliness. They have strong associations with, and respect for the past, in the form of their family genealogy and history in general. They often place great sentimental value on heirlooms and antiques and such, items which were treasured by previous owners.

Cancer sextiles Taurus and Virgo so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs but more so with Taurus. Taurus and Cancer individuals enjoy being at home, beautifying the home and sharing quality time over meals. They share an interest in antiques and objects which have history and a story. Cancer can learn from Taurus how to be steady and consistent in their emotional nature. Cancer may find Virgo individuals to be too cerebral but they can learn from them how to be organized.

Cancer squares Aries and Libra so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Cancers may find the action oriented Aries individual does not share their preference for a quieter, homebody type of lifestyle, or demonstrate their affections as much.

Cancers and Librans are relationship oriented and can work well together on this front, however, Librans are very social and like to be involved in things outside of the home, so do not always have the same love of domesticity found in many Cancer individuals.

Cancer trines Scorpio and Pisces so these three water signs have great potential for getting along with each other. From Piscean individuals they can learn to go with the flow and open up to the bigger, universal picture and from Scorpios, the benefit of exploring one's psychological make-up, with a view toward self-understanding.

Cancer inconjuncts Sagittarius and Aquarius. Cancers can feel threatened by the independent nature of Sagittarians, who often shy away from commitment and dislike feeling obligated to demonstrate their affections on demand. Cancer individuals can feel even more at a loss with the emotional detachment often demonstrated by Aquarians. While most Cancers enjoy a tight-knit family experience, Aquarians are drawn to participating within extended community, enjoying the interaction and friendship offered in these environments.

Cancer is in opposition to Capricorn so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals in that Cancer seeks emotional connection and are subjective by nature, while Capricorns are self-contained and objective by nature. Nevertheless, both of these signs are strongly concerned with material security, and feel a strong sense of duty to family.

Leo is the fifth sign of the zodiac and the second of the fire signs. These individuals often love to be the center of attention, to be singled out and given an opportunity to shine. They are charismatic and stylish. They are generous and noble in character and are true romantics. They are sensitive to the image they project, always seeking to come off as confident and to carry themselves with dignity. They need to believe in their dreams and think in a big way so they can touch the magic of life. They demonstrate much loyalty to those they care about and to their ideals. Leos are at their best when they know their purpose in life for they honor and respect the hero's journey.

Leo sextiles Gemini and Libra so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs but more so with Libra. Geminis may appear a little too high strung and distracted for the Leo individual but Librans on the other hand, share their eye for beauty and refinement. Both of these signs can be incredibly charming and adoring and they both love the aura surrounding the romantic 'myth'. Leos love to dress the part, to make a grand entrance and Librans can have some fun with this too.

Leo squares Taurus and Scorpio so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Leos loves to think on a grand scale and tend to magnify their self-importance, while Taurus individuals often play things down and maintain a down-to-earth approach to life.

Big hearted Leos possess the personal magnetism which is evident in many Scorpions, but Leos are open and dramatic, while many Scorpions hold their cards close to their chest, can be competitive and hard to figure out emotionally.

Leo trines Aries and Sagittarius so these three fire signs have great potential for getting along with each other. Leos admire the faith and optimism of Sagittarians and the bold, adventurous side of Aries individuals.

Leo inconjuncts Pisces and Capricorn. Leo and Capricorn like access to power, so it's not surprising that power issues can be arise between these signs. Leos do not understand the Capricorn trait of being emotionally detached, objective and calculating, for even in business, Leo must extend the warmth of their hearts into what they're doing. Leos may feel they have to coax Pisceans into showing up for the task at hand, to be seen and to attend social functions, an environment in which many Leos thrive. Leos are not especially drawn to the inner, reflective nature, a touchstone for your average Piscean individual.

Leo is in opposition to Aquarius so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals in that Leos are personable, like to be the center of attention and seek personal recognition, while Aquarians are emotionally detached, sometimes aloof, and tend to support the principles of a group rather than acknowledge the role of the individual.

Virgo is the sixth sign of the zodiac and the second Earth sign. These individuals are detailed oriented, meticulous and efficient in their work. They value hard work, duty, and productivity and are practical and dependable. When in the perfectionist mode, and because of their high standards, they can be hard taskmasters toward themselves and others. In personal relationships, they can be emotionally detached and sometimes judgmental, but on another note, without being asked, they'll roll up their sleeves, pitch in and help you with whatever project you're involved in and will stay until it's completed. Virgos can be very particular about food, diet and cleanliness and are prone to worry.

Virgo sextiles Cancer and Scorpio so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs. The emotional nature of both of these water signs can be sometimes a little disconcerting for the mentally astute earth sign of Virgo, but nevertheless earth and water do exist in harmony. Virgos can find the sometimes needy nature of Cancers to require a lot of personal attention so may lean more toward Scorpions. These signs have in common a desire to get to the core, the essence of what they are exploring and/or researching and they're both thorough and exacting in this manner.

Virgo squares Gemini and Sagittarius so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Virgos and Geminis have in common their mental agility and love of communication; however Virgos often have a strong interest in work and health.

Virgos can find the average Sagittarian lifestyle to be a somewhat disorganized and find Sagittarians lack order in their day to day life, traits which are important to most Virgos.

Virgo trines Taurus and Capricorn so these three earth signs have great potential for getting along with each other. Virgos admire the work ethic of Capricorns and their capacity to achieve personal and professional goals and can appreciate the relaxed, earthy nature of Taurus individuals.

Virgo inconjuncts Aquarius and Aries. While Virgos and Aquarians both value the intellect and the process of gathering information, Virgos lean toward the microscopic view while Aquarians lean toward the macroscopic view. Virgos find that the restless Mars related energies of Aries individuals stimulates their already sensitive nervous system too much and may find many Aries to be lacking refinement.

Virgo is in opposition to Pisces so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals. Virgos place importance on developing self-discipline, self-improvement and value the analytical aspect of the mind, while Pisces individuals value self-reflection, acceptance of self and capacity to go with the flow.

Libra is the seventh sign of the zodiac and the second air sign. Libran individuals value harmony and cooperation in their relationships and enjoy being acknowledged by others. They are at their best when settled into a steady relationship with a significant other, which satisfies their romantic nature and offers the companionship they so appreciate. The socially active side of their nature often finds them in fields associated with the arts and public relations for they are very creative, however they also make good counselors and advisors. They are very diplomatic and gracious in their behavior and can be counted upon to be fair and objective in all their dealings.

Libra sextiles Leo and Sagittarius so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs. They have more in common with romantic Leos, both signs having an eye for beauty, luxury and the good life and both have a little vanity, so are carefully invested in the image they present to the world. Libras like the freedom loving, carefree manner expressed by many Sagittarians, with whom they can have fun, but in true Venusian style (Venus rules the sign of Libra), they want to have beautiful things and the security which goes along with this lifestyle, not always the first order of business on the agenda of many Sagittarians.

Libra squares Cancer and Capricorn so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Libras and Cancers are both relationship oriented and can work well together on this front, however, Cancers are more inclined toward domesticity than the socially outgoing Librans.

Librans share with Capricorn a desire to have their lives and shared duties well organized and planned. Librans however, love to be romanced and have access to things of beauty and quality, which doesn't always match the practical budget Capricorns have in mind.

Libra trines Gemini and Aquarius, so these three air signs have great potential for getting along with each other. Librans and Geminis share a tendency to be socially outgoing, appreciative of the arts and both have creative and versatile minds. Libras admire the dedication and purposeful vision which many Aquarians carry toward their work, and both signs place high integrity on achieving fairness, equality and justice between all parties.

Libra is inconjunct Pisces and Taurus. Venus rules both the signs of Taurus and Libra, so Libra does have an affinity with Taurus individuals. Both signs have an eye for beauty and the arts and a desire for the security and companionship offered in steady relationships but Librans have a stronger desire for intellectual stimulation.

Pisces individuals are emotionally sensitive, operate from the heart and imagination, and are attuned more with the formless, a notion which can be too nebulous for a Libra individual to wrap their minds around.

Libra is in opposition to Aries, so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals. Librans seek personal interaction, and love to do things together as they place much value on partnership, while Aries individuals love independence, like to do things alone and are not always well versed in personal negotiating skills. With good understanding and the knowledge that a little extra effort is likely to be required in order to achieve balance, it can work out for these individuals to co-exist in a relationship.

Scorpio, is the eighth sign of the zodiac and the second water sign. Scorpio individuals carry tremendous emotional intensity, often embracing an “all or nothing” attitude toward life. They do not shy away from sticky situations and will tread where no person willingly goes, head long into the human psyche. This sign attracts experiences which teach them about power and powerlessness. Their intense desire nature, conviction and determination leads to unique opportunities for powerful psychological and spiritual transformation, which is possible when they can overcome their own resistance and are willing to surrender to the process at hand. They can accomplish amazing feats through their fixed purpose.

Scorpio sextiles Virgo and Capricorn so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs. Scorpio individuals have more in common with Capricorns in that both signs are ambitious, desirous of respect from others, like to have power and be in control and both signs can be calculating and emotionally cool when they want to be. On another level, they are achievement oriented and will work together to build a solid foundation in a relationship.

Scorpios have an affinity with the sign of Virgo also but are not as mentally active and communicative as Virgos and can may many Virgos to be too high strung. There is great potential for getting along with other Water signs because of a natural harmony which exists between the same elements, namely a powerful capacity to sink into the depth of their emotional experience.

Scorpio squares Leo and Aquarius, so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Scorpios, like Leos can possess powerful, personal magnetism, but Scorpios are self-controlled and private, while Leos are openly demonstrative, dramatic and love to be the center of attention. Scorpios are never far from the experience of their intense emotions, so they may find it difficult to relate to the emotionally aloof, intellectual traits of many Aquarians.

Scorpio trines Cancer and Pisces, so these three water signs have great potential for getting along with each other. Scorpio and Pisceans desire regular periods of alone time and don't

always feel the need to verbalize and share everything going on with each other. Both signs are acutely aware of the power of their emotions.

Scorpio and Cancer individuals can experience much emotional intensity in their relationship. They may share a tendency to be moody and too absorbed in their depth of their feelings. The sexual arena may be the platform where these signs can release their powerful feelings.

Scorpio inconjuncts Aries and Gemini. Scorpions are emotionally deep, deliberate in their actions and not fond of change so they find the impulsive, action oriented traits of many Aries individuals to be too unpredictable for them and the mentally restless, changeable nature of Gemini individuals to require a lot of attention.

Scorpio is in opposition to Taurus, so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals in that emotionally intense Scorpions require privacy and may be emotionally unavailable at times, while the even tempered, romantic Taurean likes social interaction, affection and sharing. Natives of both of these signs can be jealous and possessive of their partners, and both prefer settling into a relationship for the long haul.

Sagittarius is the ninth sign of the zodiac and the third Fire sign. People with this sign value freedom, independence and the opportunity to dream. Their idealistic nature fuels many adventures into the unknown to discover the meaning of life which also satisfies their love of travel. They are outgoing, direct and optimistic and seek partners who can accept their reluctance toward commitment, domesticity and a five-year plan. In return, life with a Sagittarian is rarely dull. Although this sign is flexible in nature, they hold tightly to their belief systems and are not always tolerant of others viewpoints but for the most part, they have a generous and easy going manner.

Sagittarius sextiles Libra and Aquarius so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs. They have more in common with Aquarians as both signs are strongly idealistic, future oriented, gravitate toward the big picture and love freedom. Sagittarians enjoy the social ease present when connecting with Librans, but do not bode well with social formalities and social expectations or with having to be attentive in relationships, qualities often important to Libras.

Sagittarius squares Virgo and Pisces, so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priority and styles of operating. Because of their planetary rulers, Sagittarians have more in common with Pisces individuals in that both signs are idealistic, freedom oriented and are comfortable with their dreamy nature. Sagittarius may find the detail oriented and exacting nature of Virgos to be restrictive and cramp their natural style.

Sagittarius trines Aries and Leo, so these three fire signs have great potential for getting along with each other but may have more in common with Aries individuals, in that both signs like

to move quickly, are independent and don't need to spend a lot of time discussing the 'hows' and 'wherefores'. Both of these signs are instinctual and intuitive.

Sagittarius is inconjunct Taurus and Cancer. Sagittarius has a wandering spirit and often seeks adventure far from home, while Taurus and Cancer individuals for the most part place much importance on settling down. Sagittarians may find Taurus individuals too focused on ownership and the earth plane and may shy away from the emotional needs of Cancer individuals and their homebody instincts.

Sagittarius is in opposition to Gemini, so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals. Geminis tend to be interested in and impressed by the facts of a situation, while Sagittarians align more with the larger, philosophical picture.

Capricorn is the tenth sign of the zodiac and the third of the earth signs. Individuals of this sign are known for being practical, hardworking and value tradition, structure and security. They're cautious and ambitious, and prefer to have a plan in place which allows them to achieve success on the material plane. Ruled by Saturn, these individuals are capable of self discipline and sustained effort and thus, good candidates for self-mastery. They dislike waste and can be frugal and penny pinching. Their common sense, patience and spatial abilities make them excellent trouble shooters and they can figure out how anything works and/or is put together. Although they may not always be emotionally demonstrative with those they love, they have a keen sense of duty and responsibility towards those in their care.

Capricorn sextiles Scorpio and Pisces so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs. They have more in common with Scorpios as both signs are ambitious, like to have power and control and set high standards for themselves. Both signs can be calculating and emotionally cool when they want to be. On another level, they are achievement oriented and will work together to build a solid foundation in a relationship. Capricorns, ever the grounded earth sign, may find Piscean individuals to be a tad too watery, lacking in motivation, ambition and determination.

Capricorn squares Aries and Libra, so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Capricorns may find Aries individuals to be too impatient and impulsive for their tastes. With Libra individuals they share a desire to have their lives and shared duties well organized and planned. Librans however, love to be romanced and have access to things of beauty and quality, which doesn't always match the practical budget Capricorns have in mind.

Capricorn trines Taurus and Virgo so these three earth signs have great potential for getting along with each other. Capricorns value the work ethic and commitment which Virgos give to their work and appreciate the relaxed, earthy nature of Taurus individuals, along with their tenacity.

Capricorn inconjuncts Gemini and Leo. Leo shares the Capricorn desire for power and leadership, so it's not surprising that power issues can arise between these signs. Capricorns are objective and self-contained, so may find Leo's larger than life need for personal attention and dramatic presentation to be high maintenance. The well known Gemini traits of mental changeability and love for variety can leave Capricorns feeling that they need more structure and predictability.

Capricorn is in opposition to Cancer, so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals in that Capricorns are relatively self-contained and objective, while Cancer natives seek emotional connection and are subjective by nature. Nevertheless, both of these signs are strongly concerned with material security, and feel a strong sense of duty to family.

Aquarius is the eleventh sign of the zodiac and the third of the air signs. These individuals are independent and idealistic in their thinking. They value friendship and being involved in group activities where they can share their opinions and ideas with other like minded individuals. Their humanitarian principles lead them to fight for justice and equality in all causes for they dislike hypocrisy and small mindedness. When making career choices, they often seek an environment which supports their superior intellectual abilities. These 'fixed' sign natives are capable of great dedication, commitment and loyalty, and seek a strong sense of purpose in their work. While Aquarians are social, they are also emotionally detached and impersonal, relating to others mostly on the mental level.

Aquarius sextiles Sagittarius and Aries so they have a natural affinity with both of these signs. They have more in common with Sagittarians for both signs are idealistic, freedom oriented, independent and seekers of Truth. Aquarians may find the Aries penchant for action and physical activity to be too different from their own needs for social activity and intellectual pursuits.

Aquarius squares Taurus and Scorpio, so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Aquarians are comfortable with the intellect but have a tendency to remain emotionally aloof, which makes it difficult for them to understand Scorpions, who are never far from the experience of their intense emotions. Aquarians may find that the 'let's keep it simple', earthy Taurus to be too sensual, romantic and practical for their tastes.

Aquarius trines Gemini and Libra, so these three earth signs have great potential for getting along with each other. Aquarians share with Libran individuals a tendency to be socially outgoing and appreciative of the arts and enjoy the communication stimulation and interest in learning shown by Geminis

Aquarius is inconjunct Cancer and Virgo. Aquarians may feel restricted by the high priority Cancers place on having their emotional needs met and on their tendency to dwell on the past. While Aquarians and Virgos share the tendency to be emotionally detached, Virgos tend to be microscopic in their focus while Aquarian idealism suggests a need to connect with the larger picture.

Aquarius is in opposition to Leo, so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals in that Aquarians are emotionally detached, sometimes aloof, and tend to support the principles of a group rather than acknowledge the role of the individual and Leos love to shine, to be the center of attention and attract personal recognition.

Pisces is the twelfth sign of the zodiac and the third of the water signs. These individuals are sensitive, sympathetic and compassionate, hence they can absorb the suffering carried by others. Often lacking in worldly ambition, they never feel quite at home on the physical plane so they must find their own path to happiness. They can find a home within the arts, especially in music, film and photography. They are also drawn to study mysticism and philosophy for they have deep faith and devotion, qualities that also take them into the helping professions.

Pisces sextiles Taurus and Capricorn so they have a natural affinity with both of these earth signs. The artsy, sensitive and peace loving type of Piscean may find more ease when relating to Taurus individuals and those Pisceans who desire structure and support in their worldly life generally have a better rapport with Capricorns.

Pisces squares Gemini and Sagittarius, so friction can be evident between these signs due to different priorities and styles of operating. Because of their planetary rulers, Pisces have more in common with Sagittarius individuals in that both signs are idealistic, freedom oriented and are comfortable with their dreamy nature. Geminis can be a tad too mercurial for your average Pisces which makes them feel ungrounded, a trait which they don't need more of.

Pisces trines Cancer and Scorpio, so there is potential for getting along with each other however, because of Pisces psychic and emotional sensitivity and tendency to pick up others emotions like a sponge, becoming intimately involved with other predominantly water signs individuals could suffocate them emotionally.

Pisces is inconjunct Leo and Libra. Pisces individuals become really aware of their 'watery' nature when up against the 'fixed' nature of Leo individuals. Pisceans may find the Leo tendencies of being bossy and self-centered just require more energy and focus than they are willing to give. Pisces individuals share the Libran interests in romance and the arts, however Librans desire more interaction and place much more emphasis on relationships and socializing. Both of these signs find it hard to make their mind up.

Pisces is in opposition to Virgo, so this can create a push/pull kind of relationship between these individuals. Pisces individuals value self-reflection, embracing the bigger picture, and the capacity to go with the flow, while Virgos place importance on developing self-discipline, self-improvement and are focused on details and time.

The importance of the Triplicities (Elements)

The four elements associated with astrology are fire, earth, air and water. The 'elements' represent the basic temperament of a person and how they tend to 'view' their world.

Over many years of looking at astrological charts, I've observed that the majority of people's 'modus operandi' reflects they are in touch with and expressing two elements quite strongly, and have varying levels of familiarity with a third element. It's uncommon to find a person totally balanced in the use of all four elements. It's more common to find that one element is barely expressed at all.

Human nature being as it is, many of us seek balance and wholeness, so we tend to attract those people into our lives who are adept at expressing the qualities of the element we are lacking. These people act like catalysts for us, inherently 'carrying' within them and 'expressing' those qualities that we are either attempting to develop or, which we value and admire.

In intimate relationships, having attracted a partner who carries the qualities associated with the element we lack, we may consciously or unconsciously expect our partner to be totally responsible for taking care of those areas of life which fall under the general umbrella associated with the element we lack. When this is an unconscious decision on our part, in that we have not communicated it to our partner, it can get tricky, unless we consciously or unconsciously accept the same role and carry those qualities associated with the element our partner is lacking.

If we are committed to self-growth, we can attempt to come into awareness about this, and make the decision to learn how to take care of ourselves in those arenas where we have allowed or expected our partner to do this for us.

Of course, it's also true that life is constantly a balancing act. We may be consciously working together to balance each other out so that each of the parties are willing participants, and happy to 'hold' the energy for each other according to where our personal strengths lie.

Which element do you lack in your chart? This can give a clue as to what you want others to do for you and/or where you look to someone else to help you develop, assimilate and become proficient in these qualities and/or take the lead.

FIRE: If we lack the element of fire, we may not have much vitality or show interest in physical activity. We may lack motivation, passion and inspiration toward new life experience. We may not be inclined to travel, or seek adventure. We may not feel particularly called to study philosophy, seek spiritual understanding and cultivate faith and awareness of our spirit. We may not be aware of our intuition, be attuned to the sacred and the mystical part of life or understanding our life purpose.

EARTH: If we lack the element of earth, we may not be grounded in our physical bodies. We may lack common sense, practicality, ambition and dislike having to involve ourselves in mundane chores. We may find it challenging to provide for ourselves on the material level and show little interest in having and caring for material objects. It may feel like a real chore to cultivate the patience, and persistence necessary to achieve goals and/or to have success on the worldly level of life. We may lack appreciation for nature.

AIR: If we lack the element of air, we may lack logic, objectivity, innovation and the ability to organize our thoughts and express them in an articulate manner. We may become overwhelmed when presented with too much information. Studying for and passing examinations may be a real chore for us and we may feel that our communication skills generally fall short. We may feel inadequate in social settings and find ourselves either acting inappropriately or saying things which are not appropriate.

WATER: If we lack the element of water, we may give little attention to feelings or feel frightened by them, and therefore not cultivate understanding of what they are trying to tell us. We may find it difficult to show empathy, compassion and generally nurture ourselves and others and feel uncomfortable when others are expressing their feelings and need our support. We may not feel comfortable with displaying and receiving affection and intimacy. We may not really be in touch with our dreams and lack vision of the bigger picture.

The information contained in Relationships 101 – Which Astrological Signs are Compatible, is designed to give a general and simplified overview of sign compatibility.

When sincerely attempting to determine compatibility between two individuals, I would recommend obtaining an Astrological Compatibility Reading which is an In-depth study of 2 individual charts as a tool to determine relationship compatibility.