Kobe Bryant Wednesday, August 23, 1978 12:00:00 PM Athlete; Basketball Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Time Zone: 04:00 (EDT) Longitude: 075° W 09' 51"

Latitude: 39° N 57' 08"

Vanessa Laine Bryant
Wednesday, May 05, 1982 12:00:00 PM
Model; wife of Kobe Bryant
Huntington Beach, California
Time Zone: 07:00 (PDT)
Longitude: 117° W 59' 54"

Latitude: 33° N 39' 37"

Introduction

Each of us has a personal birth chart that records where the planets were at the time when we were born. As long as we are lone individuals, we are stuck with that chart. The placements and aspects of our natal birth chart will define our potential as individuals for the rest of our lives. Furthermore, the possible aspects and possible alignments of the planets in our birth chart are limited by where the planets actually were around the time when we were born. It is not possible to have Jupiter conjunct Saturn in our birth charts when Jupiter and Saturn were on opposite sides of the solar system.

All of those limitations disappear when it comes to the composite chart between two people. Through the magic of two people's charts coming together and combining, almost any combination, almost any destiny, is possible. By unifying with another person, the two of you can have a greater capacity to channel the planetary energies in a desired direction than was possible for either one of you alone. The two of you do have to submerge your individual egos to the extent necessary to form a partnership, but as long as the two of you remain linked as partners in that team, the planetary energies of its composite chart are at the disposal of both of you.

We may think that we are in charge when it comes to selecting another person to be our mate, but I am not so sure that is always the case. Some composite charts have so many synchronicities, so many close alignments of multiple planets, that they appear to be alchemical experiments orchestrated by Fate from the Other Side. In particular, I

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have seen these close linkages in the composite charts of certain couples whose lives have received intense media exposure, as if the lives of these couples were meant to be teaching tools.

The composite chart of Prince Charles and Princess Diana is a perfect example of a composite chart that featured multiple exact planet linkages. Two planets are at 5 degrees, two planets are at 16 degrees, two planets are at 17 degrees, almost conjunct the Midheaven at 18 degrees, four planets are at 26 degrees and the remaining planet is at 27 degrees. These linkages channeled the couple's behavior during their short marriage to an extreme degree. The composite charts of the former President of Argentina, Juan Perón, with his two successive wives, Evita and Isabel, show such striking similarities that the astrologer must conclude that Juan Perón was truly a Man of Destiny.

I have also seen in composite charts between members of the same family some very interesting chart patterns that repeat or alternate, indicating that these souls were brought together in order to work on similar life lessons.

You may or may not have amazingly synchronized linkages with your partner, but you can be sure that you picked each other because subconsciously you detected that the interaction between the two of you had an interesting quality to it. You felt like what was created when the two of you came together was something larger than yourself, was something that provided room for you to grow, and finally was a direction in which you wanted to grow.

The interpretations that follow of the planetary placements and aspects in the composite chart for you and your partner will describe the nature of the relationship environment in which you and your partner have your being. It should not come as a big surprise to you, since you have actually been living the life that it describes, but it should help you to be more conscious about your relationship and it may validate some of your unconscious perceptions. Some placements and aspects are mostly harmonious - you know that you have support in those areas. Other placements and aspects challenge you to work and try harder to get the desired response - these are actually the growth opportunities that attracted you to this relationship. If your relationship ever became 'perfect' you would quickly get bored and would want more challenge. That is just part of human nature. We want to feel needed and we want to keep growing.

Composite Planets in Aspect

Sun square Mars (Strength: 5.81)

There is a lot of energy flowing through this aspect into your relationship. You come alive, but the energy can be difficult to handle. Your egos are working overtime, creating conflict, arguments, and fights. Each of you wants your own way. You see your relationship from different perspectives and, as challenges arise, you see solutions that are at odds with each other. These may start out as small disagreements, but they will too often grow into major conflicts.

There is a lesson for you in your relationship that can help you to grow, if you choose to work through the challenges that come up for you. The key here, whenever arguments arise, is to look at yourself in your relationship and realize that the real goal with this aspect is to find the ability to compromise with each other. Try to understand your partner's point of view and assimilate that ability into yourself. This is a goal of evolution and of life. You seek to grow and become greater through working as a team, and by being more inclusive and compassionate towards each other. Mastery of your own ego is a major part of the lesson that you will undertake together. You can do this by working energetically towards common goals, by being active together, and by not letting disruptive energies build up in your relationship. It can be good to pull away from each other as arguments arise and the energy level increases. In this case, do not repress the energy. Rather find harmless ways to release it physically. Take a baseball bat to a large rock or telephone pole and whack away until you have released your anger. Look at what happened and try to understand your partner's position, even if you do not agree with it. Over the course of your relationship you both will likely find that you have grown a lot in your ability to compromise and find a middle ground in order to share a satisfying interaction.

Sun conjunct Venus (Strength: 5.77)

You have a very harmonious connection filled with the promise of a deep and satisfying love. In a less intimate relationship, including a business partnership, this indicates an emotionally close and loving friendship. You enjoy being with each other and doing things together. Consequently, you will project this feeling of affection to others around you, creating the possibility for an easy flow of success and prosperity in your life. People will respond to your happy and pleasant nature by wanting to be around you. This can bring to you a certain amount of potential opportunities for attaining your desires.

Love and sex are two different things; this aspect indicates love, yet it is such a strong love that a lot of sexual passion may also fill your connection. You might find yourself in a deeply loving relationship that is completely incompatible by any other criteria. The power of your love alone may have brought you together in this case. This aspect then confers on you the opportunity to experience a love that borders on the spiritual. You deeply love each other in spite of any difficulty or hardship that arises, or that has existed from the beginning of your union. Maintaining a loving relationship does require effort and communication, and Venus can be a lazy planet. In a small number of relationships with this aspect there can come a time when your love turns to resentment if you tend to blame each other for the difficulties that you face. This then becomes the time to explore the potential for your love to carry you through. This love then can create an environment of forgiveness, compassion, and compromise as you work to overcome your differences and embrace the healing properties of the deep affection that you have for each other.

Venus square Mars (Strength: 3.59)

Emotional and sexual satisfaction are within your grasp, but you will need to pay attention to such energies as they are expressed between you and do some work in order to create the relationship that you want. There is an almost irresistible attraction between you that makes sex a very prominent component of your relationship and promises to take you ever deeper into the pleasurable nature of love. Unfortunately, sex often promises more than it can deliver. Although your sexual interaction can be highly pleasurable and very satisfying, there will be a feeling that more is possible, and this is where you could end up being disappointed. You will constantly push yourselves to improve your sexual bonding, but you can only go so far. The rest of the journey belongs to the heart and the quiet expressions of love that are exclusively emotional.

It is hard for you to find a balance between your individual creative egos and your desires for maintaining the vitality of your relationship. One of you might use sex as a tool to dominate the other. One of you might take on the role of the Mars sexual warrior and the other partner the role of the quiet and loving Venus, so that there is some type of complementary energy exchange between you. Usually this does not last long as it can become unfulfilling after a while. There can often be a lot of ego involved in your relationship that gives rise to constant competitiveness between you. This can also bring up strong emotions that you might find difficult to express and resolve.

If yours is a professional relationship, financial success often replaces sexual success as a goal. Resist the urge to go after impossible goals when success lies much nearer at hand. In order for you to work effectively with each other, you will have to keep your egos in check and consciously look for ways to express yourself within the structure of

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your partnership. Pay attention to the satisfaction that you do find in each other, and allow the promise that you feel with your partner to come to you naturally and easily.

Neptune sextile Pluto (Strength: 2.82)

This aspect exposes your dreams and ideals to the harsh light of day, which could disillusion you and force you to grow up quickly. It introduces you to the big picture, especially when it comes to the arts, such as literature, film, and music. You know how to reach a mass audience. You are a good judge of quality and associate yourself with the best people. Your approach tends to combine tenderness with mental ferocity. You like your freedom and would not like to be confined by a traditional system or even by traditional morals. You could be part of a network of friends who share modern concepts.

Mercury sextile Jupiter (Strength: 1.97)

You are great friends and share very good mental and intellectual compatibility. You love talking to each other and sharing experiences and ideas. Your thinking and your outlook on life are remarkably similar, as if you are two parts of a single mind. Even when you seem to be on opposite sides of the fence, you will accept each other's input as complementary to your own, coming to a new and greater understanding that combines both. You stimulate each other to broaden your intellectual interaction into areas of philosophy, religion and metaphysics. These areas expand your awareness both of your relationship and the world around you. You have an optimistic view of what is possible in your life and the world in general. Your positive outlook makes it easier to make plans and carry them through to completion.

You are creative and inventive when together, and you can achieve much success in careers that require inventiveness, expansion, and new ways of looking at things. You need to be in fields that allow you constantly to be on the move intellectually rather than in boring, mindless jobs.

If yours is an intimate relationship, this aspect does not bring with it emotional closeness, but it can be a good beginning. Communication is vital to emotional intimacy. Your composite chart will need more challenging aspects than this one, but it provides a good intellectual connection that can support mental growth and expansion. You could explore new aspects of your relationship and try to take it to higher levels of meaningful connection. There will be a great amount of tolerance between you, allowing each of you to grow in your own ways. As an important part of your growth, remember to apply your expanding mental awareness to understanding your emotional bond as well. Feelings and emotions have their own logic and meaning - acknowledging them will add greatly to your partnership.

Saturn square Neptune (Strength: 1.89)

When you are together, wild dreams and extravagances could fill your minds. Your grasp on reality becomes fuzzy. People are not sure if they should follow your lead or not. You have talent and style - that is undeniable. Some of your enthusiasms could seem strange - not grounded in reality. In our examples, the wives seem better grounded than the husbands, but may lack the confidence to speak up, to be more assertive.

Fear and uncertainty can be debilitating companions for you in your relationship if you do not know how to handle them. Your relationship has opened you up to a path of spiritual discovery that can be difficult to grasp. Your solid and reliable world is being dissolved out from under you, usually in ways that are hard to understand. You may become uncertain or unclear about your understanding of the world around you. There can be conflicts in your relationship between what is real and what is ideal. Everything that you think that you should feel or do will be challenged as you try to incorporate a more spiritual vision into your life. You want to dream and idealize your life and your relationship, but circumstances usually block you at every turn. Your ability to dream runs into walls and you could feel like a failure. Then you lose confidence in your own abilities. This can lead to pessimism and depression for the two of you.

The more negative aspects of this energy complex within your relationship will confront you. You can learn to overcome this energy in order to get to the more positive elements here. You must realize that your emotional state creates and brings to you what you expect to happen. If you are pessimistic, then you will create disappointment and failure for yourselves. Your ability to dream and attain what you want is dependent upon your continual sense of expectation and your ability to focus on those ideals. Positive affirmations can be an invaluable discipline to help you learn to stay cheerful and to see the positive in all things. This may not come to you easily, but over time, it can change a depressed view of life into a more positive vision. Patience will be required, but it will be rewarded.

Much of your pessimism is based on what appears to be real rather than on what is actually real. The solid world is becoming less real than the underlying spiritual reality. Meditation and other spiritual practices can be of tremendous value to you as you learn more about balancing the two seemingly disparate realities in your life into a more complete whole. In the meantime, set realistic goals that you can easily attain.