

Natal North Node in Aries / South in Libra

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Aries enables the native to undertake daring deeds with every chance of success; and he should not hesitate to go forward. Fortune favours him. This position indicates rashness that is profitable. It is also lucky for love; but after much torment on this account. In a critical situation, the Dragon's Head in Aries helps the native to extricate himself from trouble. It is similar to the Square in an unfortunate hand; it is the antidote to misfortune.

The Dragon's Tail in Libra prophesies lawsuits connected with material questions. It also means disputes in the home and danger of separation. It is not a good position for the spiritual evolution of the native, as it makes him practical (often too practical), which may lead to trouble with the law, or with those with whom he comes into contact. This position, especially in the fifth house, shows anxiety on account of a child. Nevertheless, if the Dragon's Tail is in the third decanate of Libra and is well aspected, it is sometimes an indication of material abundance and increase of possessions. But money does not always bring happiness, and the native will realise this.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Aries gives self-assertion and a progressive nature. Should develop independence and stand on their own convictions. Personality should be brought to full development. Before you can give yourself away, you have to have a self to give.

South Node in Libra shows there has been too much emphasis on leaning on others and letting them run the life. Now this person must make his own decisions whether they are right or wrong. Growth comes through one's own expression and experience.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the soul is learning the lessons of self-consciousness on the most elemental levels. Experiences in prior incarnations did not permit the Self to form as a singular identity. Now the individual is paying the price for the indecisiveness of his former lives as well as learning how to rise out of his confusion by developing 'one-mindedness'.

Highly susceptible to flattery, he goes far out of his way to do the things he believes will please others; but because he has not yet himself gone through ego identification, he becomes confused as to what course of action to take. Always trying to balance those around him, he finds himself to be the eternal referee between two or more opposing ideas, people, or conditions. Standing in the middle, he assumes the role of the buffed trying desperately to bring harmony to both sides at the same time. From moment to moment and day to day, he seesaws from one side to the other, hoping that he will never be required to take a definite stand!

In prior lives he judged his happiness by the successes or failures of those close to him. Now he continues to identify his life through others. His confidence can easily be shattered, for he hardly yet knows who he is. By confusing the collective needs of others with his own unrealized desires, he makes himself susceptible to long states of depression. Still, no matter how drained he feels, he continues this past-life pattern of seeking out people with whom he can identify.

At times he develops resentment at his inability to pull the opposite parts within

himself together. Yet he is so used to entertaining solutions to contrary ideas that he keeps creating more.

He is attracted to music and the arts, feeling comfortable in an environment that is gracefully delicate. When circumstances around him become coarse or brittle he loses control.

He doesn't like to live alone but desires to be left alone. For his own peace and tranquillity, he must learn to overcome his enormous sensitivity to all the disharmonious needs of those around him. He does this best by dropping the attitude that he must fight for his very survival and refocusing his attention on what positive thoughts help him to develop his own identity.

In past incarnations there was great sacrifice to others which was not fully appreciated. Now the soul reincarnates with traces of resentment at not reaping the rewards of its efforts. This brings out the contrariness of the Libra South Node and actually prevents the individual from finding his real Self! The North Node can come out only when the South Node is brought to the highest possible karmic level. Thus, this individual will achieve his greatest potential after he learns to serve willingly, without desiring any rewards beyond his own self-growth.

He was impressionable in other lifetimes. Now he spends at least the first half of this life coping with the leftover residue of his own gullibility. As the years pass, he becomes an avid reader, which helps him to crystallize his thoughts. Still, there are so many past-life habits of indecisiveness that he finds it extremely difficult to make concrete decisions.

Always liking to see both sides of everything, he divides himself in half at every crossroad. When these divisions become so painful that he can no longer bear his own indecision, he starts to reach for his Aries North Node.

Ultimately he learns not to be afraid of taking a stand for what his higher Self senses is Truth. He reaches this by teaching himself to be an individual, rather than an extension of somebody else. Still, he must build on his prior incarnations which taught him how to love rather than hate. Thus, as he starts to find himself, he must still be mindful of how his newly-discovered assertiveness influences those close to him.

For short periods of time, he will have to isolate himself in order to gather his strength.

His biggest lessons center around learning how to make his head rule his heart, for he still melts too easily at the slightest attention.

Of all the zodiac, this individual has the least amount of past-life experience in examining himself. Now he must find out who he really is!

In the current life he is destined to make the transition from the reaper to the sower, whereupon every thought becomes a creative seed for his new beginning.

The house which contains the South Node shows the area in life where too much past identification with others inhibited self-development. The house which contains the North Node designates the area where the Self is now experiencing its birth. Once a new sense of Self-identity is achieved, this individual will feel like Columbus discovering America; and the most amazing part of his discovery is reaching the awareness that it was there all along, but he never knew it.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was very easy-going and in considerable luxurious surroundings. Good things in life were the main pursuits for this soul. Learning on a mental level was very important for him. In this lifetime, he has to work with actions and aggression. Things are not always balanced for him now. As a result of this, he has to utilize all the means he can within his energies to carry through his wishes. Impatience and lack of tolerance can cause frustrations for him in this life. His job is tough as he has to keep his feet on the ground and at the same time watch for what goes on well above him. Failure to keep both ends tied up may cause loss of many successful opportunities in this lifetime.

(Donna van Toen)

You need to learn to do things for yourself. Your Libra South Node may respond: 'Yeah, but it's much easier to let others do things for me. Every time I try to do my own thing, either somebody takes advantage of me or I wind up getting somebody mad at me'.

Your major problem is that you are not rational when it comes to relationships.

Possible reasons: You have such a hang-up about being fair to everybody that you bend over backwards for others at the expense of your own individuality. You've stifled your leadership abilities because using them led to friction or discord. You're unable to get started on things without help, due to lack of ambition or self-motivation. Life experiences have over-emphasized the value of leaning on others and encouraged passivity as a means of gaining acceptance.

Possible solutions: Force yourself to undertake leadership roles. Dare to be enthusiastic about your beliefs and interests. Cultivate spontaneity. Do things on your own once in a while. Find a guru to follow. Find a big strong man (or good woman) to lean on.

With Libra south node, decision-making is often a problem. This is because with Libra south node, there's a tendency to overdevelop logic to the point that it smothers the Aries feeling and acting functions. However, feelings can't be totally ignored. They have a way of coming out and moving you in certain directions whether you choose to be aware of them or not. If they're denied positive expression through individuality and assertiveness, they'll be forced to take a negative route through insincerity, meddling or dependence. With Libra south node, rationalization can lead to irrationality, since feelings get lost in the shuffle. Usually, this dependency on passive intellectualizing is the result of some traumatic experience where feelings have let the individual down. Often he or she has been ridiculed or rejected for reasons that were never clearly understood, and from that point on has decided that feelings can't be trusted. So figuring out strategies replaces feelings. The Libran south noder takes great pains to be sure that all decisions about marriage, job and life style in general are formulated logically and planned thoroughly. The trouble is that logic without feeling leads to marriage without love, prestige without satisfaction, and existence without living. Eventually depression sets in and logic ceases to function. At that point, Libra south node is forced to get in touch with his or her feelings and take appropriate action, thus attaining a nodal balance between Aries and Libra.

In my experience, the person with an over-developed Libra south node dislikes being

alone; asks for help and advice, but then seems resentful of it; spends a great deal of time and money on grooming, cosmetics, clothing etc.; speaks in a monotone or a very tiny voice; is indecisive; is extremely co-operative to the point of being a door mat; has an inferiority complex; is a gracious host or hostess whose door is invariably open to everyone at all times; works hard at romance; and feels sorry for single people, regardless of their circumstances.

North Node in Aries wants to be outgoing. He or she wants to be a self-started, well able to lead and assertive enough to get what he or she wants. In contrast, this person is generally well-liked but inclined to see himself or herself as passive or too shy. There's usually an interest in or talent for art, fashion, editing, publicizing, or some other Libra-ruled talent; but because the person seldom challenges that talent by doing anything innovative, he or she is passed by when the acclaim gets handed out, and may begin to feel resentful. He or she can be sympathetic to the point of becoming a doormat, and may become so enmeshed in others' struggles for success and happiness that his or her own needs remain unfulfilled.

Antidotes for Aries imbalance: Psychological counselling (particularly assertiveness training) is often helpful in learning to utilize the Aries North Node. The client might be advised to write or tape a statement of his or her philosophy of life, including a list of goals for the next year. You may then help the client determine how to best express this philosophy while fulfilling the goals. Scientific study, particularly in the field of physics or physical development, may be recommended if the client shows aptitude along these lines. Any sort of discipline program - from Scouting to the National Guards - could prove beneficial. Travel - preferably alone - is recommended. Leadership roles - particularly in the work sphere - should be accepted.

For any type of Aries imbalance, the catch-phrase should be 'Try something new'. This 'something new' should naturally coincide with some untapped talent, as shown in the chart.

For many reasons, clients may not be ready to embark on a totally new life style. In these cases, a new hobby could prove beneficial. Among the hobbies I'd recommend for Aries nodal imbalance are: any sort of nature activities, from hunting to photographing wildlife, football or soccer, hockey, boxing or karate, enamel work.

(Haydn Paul)

You may need to be more independent and not be reliant on relationships or others' perceptions of you. You should avoid shaping your identity by assuming others' attitudes, beliefs, and values. Lacking self-confidence can result in confusion and indecision, especially when important decisions are required. At times, it may appear that you allow others to decide for you.

Relationships can provide security and stability; and you try to please those on whom you depend. Yet, through lacking self-knowledge, you may fail to acknowledge and respect your own needs, desires, and aims.

Be wary of more dominant influences; you may be gullible and impressionable. If so, you need to outgrow this and assume responsibility for evaluating situations and options. Relying on others will interfere with your choices and major decisions. At times of crisis, a divided self only offers additional confusion and pain; and you need to be decisive to resolve issues.

Try to follow inner promptings - perhaps previously ignored or dismissed 'messages'. Move in the direction toward which intuition guides you. Through developing faith in this process, you can release potential and be true to your nature. In so doing, you can discover how to honor your whole self.

When overly sensitive to others' needs or tending to confuse them with your unrealized and unfulfilled desires, you may experience weakened vital energies, which can create occasional depression. Acknowledge and assert your requirements, and take responsibility to satisfy them, as these are important for integration and personal growth. While a concept of service to others may remain a motivating force, your first priority must be to yourself, so that you integrate your whole being, instead of diminishing yourself through relationship dependency. Once this is achieved, you could serve from a different yet more effective perspective. When you attain inner harmony, energies radiating from you will also embody this quality to benefit others, even though some may find these energies uncomfortable due to their own disharmonious state.

Your new assertiveness also needs to respect relationships, connecting self and others for mutual benefit. You need to be true to yourself and to discover how to cooperate with others. By acknowledging your nature, you can explore relationships to greater depth, enriching them through shared understanding. Often, the Libran energy is activated when you try to unify people, ideas, and situations, operating like a central balance between opposite conditions. The new balance required from you is 'self and others', where you develop balanced attitudes, individuality, and independence, while creating interdependent relationships. The key to this is to transform dependent behavior patterns.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

Aries is the cardinal Fire sign. It is 'the' sign par excellence, in which self-manifestation takes place. Here, the 'I' must stand out against the world, and especially against the 'You'. We must be able to say 'Yes' to ourselves, and to express this attitude in our lifestyle. Nevertheless, the way in which the desire for self-assertion is expressed by the Aries native will depend on our state of awareness. Or, to put it another way, the hazier the picture we have of ourselves, the more we resort to force; but the more differentiated our consciousness is, the more subtly we proceed. Yet even when being fairly subtle we still use 'push' - we have plenty of that. The 'I' tends to manifest itself in what may be pictured as a series of pulsations. The same is true when the Moon's Node is in Aries: we try to bring our personality to bear on the world in order to make things happen. This placement of the Node is usually a fairly strong incentive to be creative. Someone with the Node in Aries is incapable of settling down to routine work, even when output would increase. Increased output is not a consideration with Aries; what matters is creating something unlike anything anyone else can create. To produce something creative that is completely personal is the ultimate in self-expression for this sign.

With hard aspects to the Node, there is a danger of over-producing like some sort of 'Stakhanovite'. The native engages in hectic activity, and revels in quantity instead of being creative. However, the individual with the Node in Aries can produce an enormous amount of truly creative work.

Natal North Node in Taurus / South in Scorpio

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Taurus brings great pleasure in regard to the affections; the native loves more with his heart and mind than his senses, and this may cause him to worry needlessly, as the position denotes a certain amount of jealousy which, though not exhibited outwardly, nevertheless causes suffering. It is also a sign of hesitation in most matters, which is a mistake on the part of the native, inasmuch as this position should encourage him to act, and to look forward confidently to the future, and above all not to engage in wrong thinking, to which his natural disposition inclines him. Things on the whole cannot go otherwise than well, but the native must be prepared to help himself and to abandon pessimism. In the third decanate of Taurus it signifies a journey connected with business, or else a plan which will turn out fortunately.

The Dragon's Tail in Scorpio is very evil. It often denotes lack of moral and physical courage, which induces the native to seek more or less questionable methods of succeeding, apart from steady exertion; but they will only be trifling methods, and the results will not fulfil his desires. This position is also harmful for the health. There are evident signs of lymphatism. Danger of pecuniary loss through theft is also shown.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Taurus gives resourcefulness and the ability to be very practical in the approach to material world. Attracts possessions and those who want to be possessed. Must help others to be independent by refusing them the luxury of being dependent. Crutches, if used too long, even psychological crutches, can keep the individual from developing strength.

South Node in Scorpio implies that the downward path has been trodden in the past and this must be redeemed through overcoming resentment and not using force to compel. Lust and greed must become love, and the giving spirit must overcome the grabbing tendency.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the soul is confronted with some of the most difficult karmic lessons in the zodiac. Past lives have been strewn with endings as the Plutonian force of Scorpio worked through its process of transformation.

Now the individual is so frightened by the memory of having the rug completely pulled out from under his feet that he develops a defensive attitude toward all who offer him regenerative advice. In past incarnations he literally went through the fires of hell to burn away his false values. Now, instead of flailing back on the remains of Scorpio still within him, he must build through Taurus a new set of substantial values by which to live.

Nearly all with these Nodes have at one time touched the force of witchcraft, and so in the current life there is to be a rude awakening about any remaining residue of the lower Self.

In past incarnations, this individual also had to deal with a powerful sex drive which kept throwing him off balance. As a result, he is used to seeking gratification through all sorts of relationships which ultimately become destructive to the personal ego.

Then, confused and embittered by all he sees toppling around him, he is almost glad to aid in the destruction of whatever little remains.

Most of the conditions in this life are still controlled from his subconscious level, buried deeply below the scrutinizing eyes of society. He may appear jovial and friendly, while he is in fact planning some mysterious adventure of intrigue inside.

The chart must be studied carefully to see just how far the soul has come out of Scorpio before an accurate interpretation can be given. For those already closer to Taurus, the violent churning of Scorpio is purposefully avoided at all costs. For those just barely out of Scorpio, the internal revolutions are still going on. Planets conjunct either Node will pull the individual toward that Node and literally force him to live through it in the current life.

For all with these Nodes, the past residue of revolution is of such powerful intensity that there is bound to be some after-effect spilling over into their present-life relationships with family members and close loved ones.

Each day seems to be filled with new emergencies, until one crisis built upon another creates such a turmoil of conflict that the individual is reduced to his most very basic struggle for survival. He doesn't yet know the art of moderation or how to take things at face value, for he still believes that others always have an ulterior motive. Inside he feels that he must constantly escape from punishment; and in his escapes he leaves behind him a tornado-like shambles of all he once held dear. At times he sees others turning on him; but rarely does he stop long enough to understand that he is the cause. Whether he is still acting out his past incarnations in Scorpio or advancing through Taurus, his fixed stubbornness is very much a part of his ingrained way of doing things.

He will make much growth when he is able to see the actions of others as reflections of his own subconscious!

From past incarnations, he has become accustomed to attuning himself to a peculiar brand of intensity, which when not allowed to express itself turns to anger. He has been deeply scarred with the pain of being hurt, and now like a wounded animal can be deadly to any who represent the slightest threat. On the lower levels of consciousness, individuals with these Nodes can pursue their prey with a personal vendetta. Then when the pieces fall, they appear to be the innocent victims, while they are in fact the carefully planned victors.

Due to the intense emotion constantly seeking expression, a variety of creative outlets are needed.

Sexual desire must be transmuted into Divine Love. All embittering conditions from past incarnations must be dropped from the consciousness until the new seed of peace is discovered. The Scorpio South Node must burn the bridges of the past and resolve to benefit from the lessons of Lot's wife: 'Never to look back!'

Through the Taurus North Node, he must learn not to dissipate or waste in valueless areas all the power that flows through him. His greatest achievements in this life occur when through the development of a great love for the earth he lives on, he starts to appreciate glimpses of the source of his unfailing supply and support. For lifetimes he has misused his energy, his drives and his desires, feeling himself alone against all the oppressions and afflictions that affect mankind. Now through the sensitive impressions of his Taurus North Node he is to be brought to the awareness that the abundance in the universe is so great that he will always have what he needs

when he needs it. He must learn to distinguish the difference between the words 'want' and 'need', for although he may not always be able to realize what he wants, he is at every moment surrounded by all he needs!

As he reaches for his Taurus North Node, he is reaching at last for stability. He can stop chasing all he has ever felt cheated of by seeing all that is now offered to him. Ultimately, he is destined in this life to reach a state of contentment as the seething volcanoes of Scorpio melt into the blue spirit waters of harmony in Taurus - where the beloved Gautama Buddha left his blessing. Truly this is the transition from lifetimes of war into a garden of peace.

The house position of the South Node indicates the area of life where any remaining residue of the Scorpionic battles must be conquered, while the house position of the North Node shows the area in life where the new awareness of trust and security can ultimately replace the underlying struggles.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was spent in many hidden or underground activities. Being a rebel against the normal life structure punished him to go through various stages before this present condition occurs. Distorted sexual abuse or misuse of power was noticed in the previous life-style. All this might or might not have been his own problem, but the company he kept in those years. In this lifetime, he just wants to take things very easily and enjoy life without creating many complications. His struggle to at least maintain his Karmic status and not go down any more is amazing to watch. He will try all his best to live nicely and comfortably; and anybody that would oppose his ideals will be dealt with quite vigorously but slightly underhandedly.

(Donna van Toen)

You have real hang-ups about earnings and resources. Your Scorpio South Node may reply: 'Yeah, but that's because I've been ripped off so often. You just can't trust people'.

Your problem is that you haven't built up your own resources.

Possible reasons: You don't really know what you want. You resent other people's personal or material success. You have sexual misconceptions, or misconceptions about material wealth. Maybe you were brought up to equate affection and caring with getting material things. On rare occasions, people with South Node in Scorpio have a 'you've got to be more crooked to make any money in this world' philosophy. More often, there's a tendency to make changes just for the sake of changing.

Possible solutions: Learn to enjoy both giving and receiving, whether the exchange involves affection, compliments, money or whatever. Develop a strong sense of personal values based on your own needs. Forget about morals, and do what you have to do.

Taurus North Node generally has to be taught to value money and material goods. There's often some sort of hang-up about the actual process of working - a dislike of any type of menial or manual labor, a refusal to prove your worth, an insistence on starting at the top, etc.. Sometimes there's actually a contempt for money; other times, money is OK as long as you don't have to have the hassle of working for it.

occasionally there's a 'gimme' fixation, while at other times there's a 'take-it' fixation. Sometimes there's an over-emphasis on sexual resources. And I've seen a few cases where total resources were invested in other-worldly pursuits - contacting the dead, attaining trance states, researching various paths leading towards spiritual evolution, etc.. Taurus North Node has a hard time seeing the connection between development of his or her personal and material resources and being able to relate to others and to the material world in general. Depending on the overall chart, he or she takes a stance of total giving or total taking. Many Taurus North Noders concentrate on one resource exclusively to the detriment of others, so that time, money, or sex etc. becomes the only means of barter available to them. When this resource is depleted, they no longer have anything to fall back on, and must either work to develop other resources or become totally dependent on others. Taurus North Node also seems to be quite common in people who have suffered material, educational, or emotional deprivations in childhood.

The person with an overdeveloped Scorpio South Node consciously or unconsciously exudes a strong sexuality; dislikes the outdoors; is in some way an extremist; sympathizes with the underdog and envies the successful without much thought of who deserves what; has little interest in other people's resources unless he or she can benefit from them; dissipates a great deal of energy trying to alter circumstances beyond his or her control; resents needing others; has an unstable financial situation; feels entitled to criticize others; and will give a great deal, but usually attach strings to his / her gifts.

North Node in Taurus wants money, or at least a reputation as a connoisseur. He or she wants the good things in life. He or she wants to be thought of as firm, patient, and lacking nothing. In contrast, the person is generally someone who's undergone drastic changes of values or circumstance, intense discomfort of some sort, or traumatic experiences. His or her routine is periodically stirred up and shifted as a result of emotional upheavals or disturbances that are seemingly beyond his or her control. He or she tends to be jealous of others who seem to have attained more in life, and may develop a rather pessimistic attitude in terms of realizing his or her dreams. He or she may compensate for lack of material security by trying to possess people, or may compensate for emotional losses by developing a reclusive streak. These tendencies only serve to trigger more problems.

Antidotes for Taurus imbalance: Gardening seems to be a particularly good antidote for the impracticality that often accompanies an underdeveloped North Node in Taurus. Cooking courses also prove helpful. The client should be encouraged to sing and listen to music. If manual dexterity is shown in the chart, the client should be encouraged to use it in making things. If there's no manual dexterity shown, the client could be encouraged to build up a collection of something - biographies, novels, gadgets, etc. - in an area of interest. Flower arranging could prove to be a useful antidote.

The client should be encouraged to avoid rushing and activities that create momentary excitement without contributing to future security.

North Node in Taurus often has untapped artistic potential. Music, sewing, and painting are excellent outlets for these.

Natal North Node in Gemini / South in Sagittarius

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head is in its exaltation in this sign, and is therefore very powerful. It indicates victory after much anxiety and trouble. It is a token of success, and luck which often comes only when everything seems lost. The friends who surround the native are reliable, and will help him to succeed. The native has a noble mind, which will always enable him to fight against the current; but Faith and Perseverance are also required. Courage is not wanting; and this position makes the native good and straightforward. He will know how to gain the sympathy of people who will help him: he may therefore look straight ahead, for the Dragon's Head in Gemini is always a sign of progress.

The Dragon's Tail in Sagittarius robs the native of some of the quietude upon which he might otherwise count. Frequently over-confidence in himself will be detrimental, and cause him to undertake things before due considerations, so that when it is too late he might regret what he has done. Countless difficulties will arise, but he will conquer them through exertion and courage, and by clear-sightedness and caution, not always thinking that everything he does is right. Perfection does not exist in this world.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Gemini increases versatility, adaptability and mental agility. Benefits through relatives and friends because of an optimistic viewpoint toward life. This kind of attitude should be cultivated in this life.

South Node in Sagittarius gives poor judgement and adds to the restless and rash tendencies that keep the individual from accomplishment. Has to learn to concentrate and focus forces and not go dashing off looking for other fields to conquer. Conquering, like charity, begins where the person is placed.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the individual receives an intitation to join society. His soul has come into this life with a past incarnation of wildness. As a result, he is unaccustomed to appreciating the point of view of others. The karmic continuation of a strong self-righteous attitude makes it difficult for him to be a fair judge of his own actions. As such his life is excessive. He is still attracted to the natural existence without formalities, and will go far out of his way to avoid having any restrictions imposed on him.

He is used to being a free spirit, and desperately tries to retain his sense of liberty at all costs. Whether he is married or not, the soul memory of his bachelor-like attitude makes it impossible for others to get too close to him.

Believing that actions speak louder than words, he makes his present life a kaleidoscope of rushed activity. He always tries to do too many things at a time, spreading himself so thickly that he keeps losing sight of any central life theme.

In past incarnations, he functioned on great reservoirs of nervous energy. Yet, for all his activities, he has not yet learned how to focus his attention in any one area. In this life he is still seeking expediency and finding himself forever the victim of short cuts that have to be repeated.

Unaccustomed to all the demands of society, he tries to shirk responsibility. He feels that if he can just clear away all the business at hand as quickly as possible, he will then experience the freedom that society is trying to take away from him. And so, most of his time is spent trying to free himself. What he doesn't realize is that each action creates an equal and opposite reaction. As a result, he is actually making himself more imprisoned than ever before.

Always his nature is somewhat primitive. If he is selfish, it is done innocently. If he steps on others' toes, it is because he is unaware they are there. Always he seems to miss the obvious, blissfully ignorant of the immediate circumstances around him. When it comes to social graces, he is so inexperienced that he appears to be the proverbial 'bull in the china shop'.

In the current life, he is learning how to mix with the society from which he is benefitting. Yet, still fearful of the reactions of people, he lives his life on the rim of the wheel, occasionally darting into the center of the hub only to run back out again.

His past life experiences with people were lacking in the areas of co-operation, sociability and tact. Now he is striving to reach sophistication. He doesn't yet know how to see a clear reflection of himself, for he doesn't understand that there are two sides to the same coin. Through his Gemini North Node, he will now undergo experiences which will force him to see both sides of every issue.

In this life, he is destined to learn what the world looks like through the eyes of others. Before he can understand why people seem not to listen to him, he must first put himself in their place. Ultimately he will come to realize that all the negative qualities he has been attaching to others are things he does not understand in himself.

Sometimes he is a shouter in a library. No matter how sophisticated he pretends to be, he has so much past life residue of crudeness in him that it is bound to seep through at the most inopportune moments. This embarrasses him so much that he becomes determined to polish himself by paying attention to his mannerisms, habits and public behavior, and particularly his mode of speaking.

Through his Gemini North Node, he will spend most of this life's energy learning how to be adept at the art of communication. He now feels the need to educate himself, so that he can establish an identity in society.

At one time in the current life, he will be faced with the conflict of whether to live in the city (Gemini) or the country (Sagittarius). While is basic nature for so many lifetimes would feel more comfortable in a country setting, he can learn much by adapting himself to the new experience of coping with city life.

Through his Gemini North Node, he must learn diplomatically to respect the rights of others if he is to help preserve a society which in prior lives he thought unimportant, but in this life is necessary for his very survival.

While his body cries out for sports, nature and the primitive live, his mind will eventually lead him toward a study of words and language and a reflection of his self-expression, so that he starts to become a more humanistic part of the culture in which he lives.

He is like the wild stallion desperately trying to fight being tamed, and yet wondering what the experience must be like. In the midst of this seeming paradox, he is a messenger of the lower and higher minds to all who come in contact with him. His

past incarnations brought him to a natural understanding of the universe. Now his mission is not only for himself, but also to spread his understanding to the myriads of people that run through his life. Herein lies the mystical reason for his eternal restlessness. He has much to say and much ground to cover!

The house position of the South Node shows the area in life where past incarnation residue still pulls him toward a desire to be a free spirit. The house position of the Gemini North Node indicates the doorway through which he must walk in order to experience the advantages of the civilized humanistic culture he is destined to join.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was spent in various philosophical and mystical pursuits. A lot of freedom and independence was noticed in that life. Thus, this person has to learn to deal with people in this life. Isolation becomes a rare quality in life as he has to exchange his ideology with others and on a face-to-face basis. If he tries to isolate and withdraw from society, the circumstances force him to be with others. Considerable intellectual dissipation of knowledge is seen in this life; and communicative means are extremely significant for him. He seldom has a chance or opportunity to cultivate his emotional and material base. Thus, those elements are very significant in this life structure.

(Donna van Toen)

You need to share your awareness with others. Your Sagittarius South Node replies 'Yeah, but I don't want to stick around explaining things. I can't learn anything that way'.

Your problems are likely to include an obsession with learning but no interest in using your knowledge in any practical way. Difficulty establishing lasting relationships leads to over-valuation of books, classes and other intellectual activities that provide indirect communication.

Possible reasons for these problems include: that a need for long-term concentration on study or some sort of cultural, ethnic or religious difference has interfered with the formation of relationships; that a speech impediment has caused you to turn to books instead of people; that a literary career limits people contact; dependency on reading as an escape from a boring routine; that poor judgement about people has caused you to place your trust only in 'proven' sources of information; that a lack of concentration has led to communication problems and misunderstandings; or that you have a need to conquer an ingrained feeling of stupidity or inferiority.

Possible solutions: Develop your latent communication skills. Channel your intellect instead of being a slave to it. Share your knowledge with others so that they can learn. Become a professional trivia expert, a con artist, or a perpetual student.

Gemini North Node can be a good talker, but he or she is often a poor communicator. He or she is good at tossing out facts, lecturing, impressing others with long streams of beautiful words or technical jargon, and so on. But he or she quite often talks at others rather than with them. The Gemini North Node tends to quote books verbatim, drop names, quibble over semantics. He or she talks skillfully about facts and theories, but generally is at a loss when it comes to applying them or sharing his or her feelings about them. In fact, this person generally avoids sharing any facet of his or her personality beyond the intellectual side. This is a shame since North Node in

Gemini invariably holds great potential for perception. Development of this potential brings a deepening of the intellect so that ideas can be used for the practical betterment of his day-to-day relationships and living conditions.

Signs of an over-developed Sagittarius south node are: a tendency to flirt, flatter and charm but reveal nothing; an expectations that others will hinder his or her freedom; a tendency to ridicule others; being generally on his or her way somewhere - 'only having a minute'; a first instinct to take off when pressured; a tendency to promise more than he or she can deliver; a distrust of security and routine; being accused by others of being unreliable. but feeling that it's others who are unreliable; enormous faith in the published word; and being uncomfortable with peers in general.

North Node in Gemini dreams of a life of variety. He or she wants to be seen as adaptable and a good conversationalist. He or she also wants to be thought of as an educated person. In reality, this is a person who transmutes emotions into interests. He or she is interested in spirituality, education, travel, and similar Sagittarius-ruled things, but in a passive, abstract way rather than in terms of experiencing and enriching the life. He or she may mix well with others, but only as long as he or she can assume the role of teacher. This teaching isn't necessarily a formal or professional role, but it permeates most interactions just the same; and in the course of assuming this role, much of North Node in Gemini's enthusiasm for life is misused or wasted. Extremism of some sort may also mar conversational skills.

Antidotes for Gemini imbalance: The client should be encouraged to keep a diary. If the client has knowledge to share, he or she should be encouraged to do so through teaching, writing, correspondence, or whatever way is most convenient. Travel in moderation often proves beneficial. Involvement in civil rights or community improvement causes can be helpful. The imagination should be tapped so that creativity can be developed and put to use in strategy - planning, writing, photography, or some other area according to the chart. If the client is amenable to a career change or program of career training, there are many obvious choices that would encourage development of the North Node. Among these are: journalism, newspaper work, radio work, television work, fiction writing, Air Force careers, electrical work, reporting, and linguistics. Dancing could be a possibility, although unless the client is very young this would probably be better as a hobby choice than as a career choice.

The client should be encouraged to steer clear of tiring or repetitive routines that don't provide opportunities to develop adaptability. At the same time, he must be discouraged from the 'Jack of all trades, master of none' syndrome. If there are signs of perpetual studentism, the client should be encouraged to start doing something with his present store of knowledge before trying to gain more.

Hobbies should stress physical agility and manual dexterity. Origami, model-making, collage-making and the like are recommended. For the more active, fencing, tennis, golf, and dancing are good choices.

Natal North Node in Cancer / South in Capricorn

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head is favourably situated in the Moon's domicile. It brings light in the darkness which may surround the native, helps him to see clearly into his affairs, and to act judiciously without hesitating. If inimical people (or events) encompass him, he will soon discover their weak point, and thus conquer them. The position is a lucky one. It gives the opportunity of extricating oneself from trouble and of overcoming

difficulties through one's own good management. It is a sure protection, and a promise of progress without strife or violence.

The Dragon's Tail in Capricorn is a very evil position. It brings with it sorrow, and a tendency to neurasthenia, which it is difficult to overcome. It gives the native a character or disposition which is subject to constant changes; it is also a sign of disappointment in love through the native's own fault, as he has not the gift of attracting love. It is not always detrimental to the worldly position, but the native will not know how to enjoy life; he is ever seeking trouble, and this does not help to create a cheerful atmosphere for those who come into contact with him.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Cancer gives domesticity and a mothering nature. Integration comes through furthering these qualities. Great sensitivity toward the suffering of others. Homekeeping would be an integrating force in the life.

South Node in Capricorn would show past habits of selfish ambition and a desire for power for self and to dominate over others. This tendency would have to be faced and overcome.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the soul enters the current life with much inner pride. The individual finds it difficult to understand why others do not show him the strong respect he has been accustomed to in past incarnations. As a result, prestige and the pursuit of dignity continue to be the motivators of all actions.

Some with these Nodes will even marry to achieve the social status of the subconscious Capricorn memory.

In past incarnations this soul worked hard for recognition. Without losing self-respect, he would have been the original ham, going far out of his way to attract attention. At times this would even mean imposing undue punishment upon himself if he knew others were observing. Now he would like the world to know how burdened he has been so that others can see him as a martyr.

He continues to make his work harder than it actually is, never seeming quite able to finish meeting his current life responsibilities and obligations.

Since he is always living in the past, he has a habit of bringing the consciousness of all his past burdens with him into the present. This makes his present life much heavier than it need be.

The one thing he has not yet learned to tolerate is failure in himself. He is well-practised at actually making himself physically or emotionally ill in order to avoid coping with situations in which he expects to feel inadequate.

He sees the world through an attitude of self-righteousness, whereby the actions of others are rarely condoned but often condemned. He keeps this to himself, however, for it would damage his sense of personal esteem should others know that he has been fitting them into his secretly devised caste system.

In prior lives he was highly opinionated and strongly resistant to taking advice that would affect him personally. Now he still believes that one's personal life is strictly a private matter. Consequently, around all things which relate directly to himself, he

builds the 'Wall of China'. It would be futile for anyone to try to break in, for at the slightest personal criticism, he starts adding more bricks to the wall.

Lifetimes of materialism make him an opportunist, placing himself wherever there is something to be gained. At the same time, he is 'penny-wise and pound-foolish', for he is known to be stingy in the midst of emotional bursts of extravagance.

When he sees advantage, he will turn cold and calculating so that no weakness within himself will prevent the attainment of a goal on which he has his sights. He will turn weakness in others to his own advantage. Wherever there are loopholes in the law, he can find ways to squeeze through. So intent is he on managing all he sees around him that his entire current life becomes a personal crusade to prove his worthy capabilities.

In past incarnations, his soul learned the art of accomplishment. In order to do this, there was little regard developed for others. Now through the Cancer North Node, he must learn how to give nourishment as well as receive it. Many with these Nodes experience strong family burdens so that they may come to know the emotional needs of others.

Sexually, the soul is learning how to take on the feminine role in this life. The karmic transition is from coldness to warmth - from age to youth. Many with these Nodes appear to grow younger as each year in their lives passes.

Rigid Capricorn attitudes are dropped one by one. The individual finds new security in relating his emotions more honestly. In this life, he must learn how to apologize sincerely when he is wrong, as well as not to seek advantage over others when he is right. Eventually he will see that all of his depressions, fears and worries are no more than part of a self-created martyr complex which bears little relation to current life circumstances.

He must slowly learn how to divorce himself from an insatiable need to manage everything around him.

In this life, he will go through a chain of experiences which will slowly open up his Cancerian sensitivities. Eventually, he will start to value nature more than money, emotion more than power, and new growth rather than the collecting of dead wood! When the changes start to occur, he will be brought out of the cold of winter into the bright sunlight of early summer. But he must develop a totally new emotional response pattern if he is to adjust to the new direction in which his soul is destined to go.

His highest achievement in this life is nourishing others. To reach this, he must do much work on himself, until he becomes a natural cornucopia of spiritual food to those who are hungry. The more he is able to fill people, the more happiness he will feel himself. He should see that God also favors those who stand out and wait, and that His highest blessing is especially reserved for those who seek nothing for themselves but to be available as His constant servant. In past lives, this soul was able to benefit greatly by receiving. Now, he is here to give.

The house which contains the South Node shows the area in life in which the bowl of abundance is overfull. The house which contains the North Node symbolizes the empty bowls of others waiting for food.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was spent in many difficult and confining situations. Life at that point really did not have sufficient domestication; or he lacked stability at home. In this lifetime, his ideals and energies converge to establish a solid home base. Enjoyment from being the key family person is significant for him in this life. The ability to deal with sensitivity and emotionalism is noticed. He has a lot of imagination that is properly used towards creativity. In his previous life, he did neglect responsibility of older folks. Now he is extra-cautious in this life not to do the same. Thus, family cohesion is important for him. He may show a colder exterior, but you can get to him through proper emotionalism.

(Donna van Toen)

You need to develop your domestic and nurturing abilities. Your Capricorn South Node replies: 'Yeah, but I can't take time out from my career'.

Your problem is that you tend to try to fulfill your need for public acclaim without relating it to your inner needs.

Possible reasons for this problem include: that you have developed your logic at the expense of your emotions; that you lacked sympathy, nurturing or material security as a child, or had these things taken away from you at a crucial time in your life; that an ingrained philosophy of 'look out for yourself first' has encouraged a misguided sort of selfishness; that lack of recognition as a child has led to an 'I'll show them' attitude; or an overpowering need to dominate at all costs.

Possible solutions include learning to view your emotional needs as keys to increased self-esteem; learning to adapt your wants to your needs; having a nervous breakdown; developing an ulcer; and blaming your parents for your hang-ups.

Cancer North Node seems to often coincide with institutionalization in childhood. Sometimes this means an orphanage or hospital has played a major role in the development. Other times it indicates a long stint in a boarding school. Sometimes there's a very regimented home life for one person or another. Or the parents have been cold and strict. Occasionally the Cancer North Noder has had uncaring or unfit parents, and consequently became a ward of the court. But more often the parents were merely more concerned with the Cancer North Noder as a status symbol than as an emotional being. Usually the parents were very judgemental and placed a heavy emphasis on doing the right thing in terms of living up to other people's expectations. Thus the Cancer North Noder is conditioned to view the game of life materially. But regardless of his or her successes or failures, he or she often feels a great sense of something missing until the Cancer potential for emotional self-preservation and caring is tapped.

Signs of an over-developed Capricorn South Node include: dislike of domesticity; a stubbornly narrow outlook; self-consciousness; prudishness; unapproachability; a tendency to constantly test others in some way; nervousness; dislike of new or different ideas; a desire for respect and honor at any cost; and a tendency to curry favors or social-climb.

North Node in Cancer consciously or subconsciously feels that his or her strong emotions will act as a deterrent to his or her happiness, so a primary dream theme involves keeping emotions under control or else finding someone who will appreciate his or her emotionality so that it will no longer be a threat. He or she wants to be attached to someone else who will offer protection from the cold, cruel world and

guarantee a measure of emotional security. This person generally represses emotions. He or she is often confused about his or her feelings and finds it difficult to relate to others on an emotional level. Sometimes the tendency to fear emotions comes out as a cynical or pessimistic streak designed to camouflage the person's vulnerability.

Antidotes for Cancer imbalance: If career advice is sought, the client should be steered into a nurturing profession. Nursing, acting, dressmaking, pilot or stewardess, gynecology or child care would be logical choices if other areas of the chart are in agreement. Creativity should be channeled. Painting, interior decorating, weaving, and poetry-writing are particularly recommended. In cases where the North Node has been repressed to the point of blockage, psychodrama could prove helpful. If the client has adequate understanding of astrology, a dramatization of the nodal dialogues (or the troublesome nodal configuration) could be beneficial, provided you feel comfortable about this technique yourself.

A thorough health check-up should be advised if the client complains of lethargy or any other physical symptoms, since health problems seem to be slightly more frequent than normal with these placements. Both reading and writing can be beneficial antidotes. The Cancer need to protect and nurture must be satisfied. Housekeeping can often prove to be an effective antidote, as can anything connected with land maintenance. History and genealogy often satisfy the North Node's need to preserve and protect. On another level, swimming, calisthenics, or yoga could appeal by giving the client a feeling of doing something beneficial in terms of self-preservation.

(Haydn Paul)

The more rigid Capricorn influence may shape your personality, especially expectations of respect from others which come from inwardly hidden feelings of self-importance and superiority. Your sense of identity is connected to social relationships, feelings of personal prestige, and attitudes and actions shaped by hopes of achieving higher social status - a need that may determine choices. Your acquaintances and relationships are similarly influenced by needs for social status.

It is the social 'image and face' that must be upheld. Any public loss of dignity or self-respect would be extremely traumatic. In several ways, you hide personal insecurity, relying on others to define your identity. This personality dependency is often fragile; and your self-image is shaped by reflections from others rather than from an inner strength. Remove the attention and respect of others, and you may rapidly deflate. You like to feel wanted and important, and may assume responsibilities that are too great and then stagger under the weight of this self-imposed burden, becoming a martyr and expecting both admiration and sympathy from others.

You see failure as anathema, and hate to admit any personal shortcomings, as this diminishes self-respect. Intolerance of failure affects the rest of your attitudes; and your standards may lack an understanding of fallible human nature, even though you may not always attain those standards yourself.

You try to avoid situations where failure may occur or inadequacy may be exposed, even to the point of experiencing psychosomatic illness when inner stress and outer pressures accumulate. You prefer to control life and those around you; and this can cause family tension whenever it becomes oppressive.

Your worldview tends to be fixed and preconceived; you evaluate others through self-imposed filters of social opinion, attitudes, beliefs, values, and standards. Many fail to match your purist and self-righteous ideals, which perhaps secretly pleases and

satisfies your superiority attitude.

The question is: Does this life perspective fulfill you? Or is it a struggle to maintain a protective barrier that supports a less self-assured personality? You dislike anyone probing your persona life beyond established boundaries, and become highly sensitive to any criticism, often withdrawing into your armored 'shell', evading open and honest confrontation. Do those barriers really help, or do they actually imprison you, restricting life enjoyment within rigid personality structures that you have raised?

The Cancer North Node indicates a way out of the impasse. Attitudes of superiority always result in diminishing contact with life, restricting relationships and often ending in distorted self-images and exaggerated personal importance - the delusions of an inflated ego, especially if power over others has been achieved. These self-imposed barriers between yourself and others need relaxing. Learn how to give more; acknowledge the needs of others instead of just taking their approval and admiration.

The more emotionally sensitive aspects of your nature need fuller expression. Be more receptive, value relationship and communication, and feel compassionate to the struggles of humanity instead of ignoring this as weakness. Once you can accept and express emotions more easily and honestly, personal integration can occur, and the rigidity of misapplied Capricorn can dissolve. Admitting that even you can be wrong sometimes is progress. You need emotion to transform and heal; and life would then become more enriched and relaxed, free from needing to control, manage, and manipulate obsessively. If you can make this change, great benefits become available, and with them the opportunity for a more satisfying life.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

Manifestation processes come to the fore again in the cardinal sign Cancer. In its manifestation, Cancer is oriented toward the collective as a whole. The native wants access to a home or 'nest'. He or she needs to be part of a family, and hates to be alone. Group membership gives a sense of protection and warmth. If the Node is in Cancer, the individual should try to join in. Very often, a Node with this placement occurs in strong-minded individuals who are much inclined to do their own thing and withdraw from the crowd. In the extreme case, they live like hermits because they believe they are better or more exalted than others.

The Node in a collective sign indicates that one should become involved in a collective, in order to feel part of a family, group, local community, or nation, or the whole human race. The native could become the center of a hive perhaps. For this, a measure of industry and activity is required - as befits a cardinal sign. People with the Node in Cancer cannot laze about and do nothing; they must become involved in the creation of a collective relationship for their own benefit, and preferably for the benefit of others also.

The easiest way for them to do this is to found a family. With the Node in Cancer, it is important to be able to achieve emotional harmony with those around. Any tendency toward solitude and isolation opposes this placement of the Node. The emotional experience of community and belonging has a big role to play here.

Natal North Node in Leo / South in Aquarius

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Leo helps the native to realise his desires, which are of a lofty nature. He has a fine ambition; and even if he is not an artist, he is none the less a man of good taste, a lover of form and of everything that is fine and noble.

His fine imagination should enable him to discover or invent new, pleasing and attractive things, which will profit him. His enquiring mind makes him continually desire to know and learn everything new. This helps him to progress. The Dragon's Head in Leo enables the native to conquer the difficulties of life.

The Dragon's Tail in Aquarius causes the native to be easily deceived. He is inclined to be indolent. He does not react, nor know how to act wisely; and this is detrimental to him. People should be kind, but they should know how to discriminate, and this is not the case with the Dragon's Tail in Aquarius, as the native is too much inclined to listen to fine words. This position also indicates deceit over love matters; it is a sign of infidelity on the part of the native or his partner. It also upsets iether the mental or the physical balance.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Leo gives executive ability and qualities of leadership. Needs to be independent to do a good job. Has nobility and pride. The virtue hidden in pride is self-respect. To this, Leo has the right. If self-respect is lacking, the individual would have the ability to cultivate it in this life.

South Node in Aquarius shows the past habits have been to retreat from the world because of a snobbishness or distaste. Strong egocentric tendencies have to be overcome.

(Martin Schulman)

The Leo North Node symbolizes a struggle with the will. In this incarnation, the individual is learning to develop strength within himself. Conditions force him to stand alone, very often with the absence of shoulders to lean on. He eventually learns that if his life is to be better it must be created by himself. But before he can build any such creations he must overcome his lackadaisical carefree attitude.

He still continues a past-life tendency to spend too much time feeling sorry for himself at his lack of friends when he feels they are needed most. Somehow in moments of stress, others always seem to be absent. Long periods of loneliness, isolation and in many cases a good part of the time spent as a hermit are not uncommon.

Ultimately, when the mind is made up, there is little that can sway this individual from his destiny. He must learn that his isolation is a self-imposed prerequisite for gathering strength. Very capable of strong leadership in this life, he must learn to overcome all doubts within the self.

The continuance of his past-life desires for friendships actually weaken him, as they do little to build his individual confidence. He must learn how to become more goal-oriented rather than following his accustomed tendency to dissipate his energies. The interesting thing is that while he continues to think he needs others to answer his questions, he rarely takes their advice.

The friends that he does have will be from all walks of life. In a sense, this increases his scope, for they bring to him now the awarenesses that he earned in former incarnations.

Once determination takes root, there is no stopping the path towards success, for he does not like to settle for second best. Much thought is given to the future. In fact, he is used to living there, until one day he makes the realization that 'today is yesterday's tomorrow' and that nothing will exist in the future that is not created now!

He is not the easiest of people to understand, for he will do anything to retain and emphasize his own sense of individuality. In past incarnations, he developed a detachment from the majority of the world, allowing him to feel free to go his own way. Now he takes pride in being unique and different, caring not as much for the traditions of society as for whatever rules he has set up for himself.

His main difficulty in this life is a lack of control. Without discipline he can generate his power into useless projects, until he realizes that nobody will stand over him with a whip.

If he builds on past-life knowledge, he has a great ability to do something for the human race, for he is capable of depersonalizing his actions for the good of all mankind.

Many with these Nodes live a rags-to-riches life, the big change coming after the tendency to overlook is turned into an ability to oversee! Their greatest amazement occurs when they discover prior-life talents in themselves that they never thought they had.

Happiness is reached once principles to which to dedicate the life are found. Furthermore, these principles must be unshakable so that the individual feels he is creating something solid. He will then identify his life in terms of the size of the principles to which he has attached himself.

Disturbed by the scattered activities of others, which remind him of his own past incarnations, he feels the strong need to see life moving along a directed course towards a specified goal. Still, he wants to retain his complete independence. As a result, he finds it difficult to tolerate others cramping his style. When they do, they will find him constantly testing limits.

The Aquarius South Node brings with it past life roots strongly embedded in the principles of fairness and equality. In the current life, the individual is given the opportunity to be on his own so that unhampered by others he may express his intrinsic beliefs. His job now is to show people as flamboyantly or as powerfully as he may choose the ways in which the world can overcome its burdens. His greatest achievements occur after he has surrendered his personal will to the service of humanity.

There is no question but that this is good leadership material so long as the ingrained past-life Aquarian sense of fairness is never violated. This individual is capable of making revolutionary changes in what was once established tradition. He is first, last and always amazed and fascinated by all the possibilities man can reach. At the same time, he is offended when he sees people pitying their self-imposed limitations, for well he knows the experience of pulling oneself up by one's bootstraps.

He aspires to stand tall and not be ridiculed for those beliefs which he has struggled so hard to express.

While his capabilities for love run deep, the rest of him is not too far below the surface. The continuation of his past-life attractions to momentary fascinations keep throwing him off the track, making it difficult for him now to see the core of his true self clearly. And so, he must identify with his achievements as the only real barometer of his worth.

Though he may at times strongly wish to be alone, he could never live without people, for he thrives on their admiration of his achievements. He believes in firm justice, and yet he is quick to pardon once people have admitted they are wrong. He is never one to strike when a person is down. The sense of fair play has become such a part of his soul that although he feels he should be more competitive, it makes him uncomfortable to be part of any competition which involves foul play.

Things which wouldn't have bothered him in past incarnations suddenly become important as he starts to dig into life rather than disassociate from it. Although it is his present life karma to apply his Uranian ingenuity through practical and traditional Leonian outlets, he still struggles to maintain his unique character.

Some with this position spend the later years of their life alone. Others who are married still hold onto such a strong streak of independence that they tend to keep other family members on the periphery of their circle.

The house position of the South Node indicates the area where past-life needs for originality and freedom are still seeking expression.

The house position of the North Node shows the area through which all the chart energy can be focused into a new shining creation of substantial size and worth, a gift of generosity to the world. Truly these are the Nodes of the 'inventor'.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was spent in many unusual activities. He seldom had time to be individualistic. Most of the efforts were towards achieving things for others. In this time, he has decided to be substantially individualistic. Making his own name or getting the credit for his work is significant in this lifetime. Cultivation of personality, ego and general magnetism is noticed in this person. He will use his powers and connections to get where he wants to go in life. He may have to step on others; but he will look at that as a favor to them, and later on when he is up there, he will help those who indirectly were helpful to him. Strong self-conditioning and self-confidence is noticed in him in this life.

(Donnad van Toen)

You need to learn to love deeply. Your Aquarius South Node may reply: 'Who: me? Whaddaya mean? I love absolutely everybody. Except for my ex-best-friend and my ex-lover, and that snooty sales clerk who implied I had no taste....'

Your problems may include that you are looking for Utopia. Your ideals have frustrated your needs for love and companionship.

Possible reasons for these problems: You're inclined to be lazy about developing your creativity, preferring to idealize others' accomplishments at the expense of your own. You spend most of your time serving others' causes at the expense of fulfilling your

own goals. Traumatic experiences have caused you to retreat from the world to some extent. Ingrained stubbornness hinders the formation of relationships. A subconscious superiority complex.

Possible solutions: Get in touch with your need for dignity, and channel it properly. Discover and use your fertile imagination. Learn to lie skillfully. Have a lot of lovers. Devote yourself totally to a humanitarian organization, cause, or activity.

North Node in Leo almost always has some degree of untapped creativity. Sometimes shyness keeps it untapped. The shyness is in itself a manifestation of the untapped Leo north node potentials, since Leo is the sign of confidence. South Node in Aquarius encourages the individual to lose himself or herself in a whirl of friendships and acquaintance-making, or in some vast utopian ideal. In either case, the motivation is to avoid having to come to terms with his or her own individuality. These people are seldom recognized as shy, because their shyness manifests on a personal rather than a public level.

Another manifestation of Leo North Node - Aquarius South Node imbalance is seen in the person who leaves more prosaic creativities untapped while he or she searches for that great talent that will make a contribution to the world. The Leo North Node isn't content to enjoy developing his or her creativity unless he or she can make a great artistic, dramatic or social contribution to posterity.

In my experience, people with an over-developed Aquarius South Node are generally: kept busy dealing with other people's problems; wanting to be in the spotlight, but they often find their contributions get obscured; egotistical in an unusual way - they emphasize equality and refuse to acknowledge that some people have more potential than others: in other words, you can't do any more than they can; intellectual at the expense of their emotions; spiteful; fond of shocking others; extremist in their work for change; contradictory, in that the brain doesn't know what the heart wants; averse to traditional marriage - women are often militantly liberated to the point where they resent or dislike men in general; and inclined to believe everything you tell them about themselves as long as it's flattering.

North Node in Leo would like to be seen as someone with a tremendous amount of vitality. He or she wants to be known as someone who's attained creative or business success. He or she may aspire to be a famous movie star or politician, or may want to be known for his or her lovely home or lavish parties. He or she wants to be respected and able to impress others. This person is social and capable of expressing emotion, albeit in a rather detached way. He or she may have some rather funny loyalties or a misconception of loyalty. This may serve to prevent success, as the person is inclined to be afraid that his success might inconvenience or be unfair to others. This preoccupation with the good of the group, as opposed to his or her own good, can lead to unpredictable behavior that brings more controversy than respect.

Antidotes for Leo imbalance: psychodrama or dramatization of the nodal dilemma can be helpful if the repression is severe. Interior decorating, set design, etc. can be excellent antidotes if there's aptitude in these directions. Political involvement and involvement in community action programs are ideal for stimulating a sluggish node in this position. The client should be encouraged to accept leadership roles in any capacity for which he's suited.

The client should be engaged in a 'What would happen if...' dialogue in which he or she is asked to visualize the worst possible things that could result from developing

the North Node. You should then help the client deal with these fears. This technique works best with clients who are able to laugh at themselves, since it's often necessary to point out the preposterousness of their fears.

You should make certain that the client hasn't confused ambition with ruthlessness, since this seems to be a frequent misconception with both Aquarius south node and north node in the fifth house. It seems to be less common with Sun square nodes, et al., although it sometimes manifests here as well.

(Haydn Paul)

For personal growth, you need to determine clearly your life direction and then focus and apply willpower to achieve objectives. This can be a challenge, as you tend to dissipate energies in different directions, partly due to a lack of future planning. You need to realize that you shape future experiences through the consequences of thoughts, actions, values and attitudes. What you do today creates your tomorrow; and a favorable future depends on choices and decisions in the present. If choices are misguided, you will face the inevitable disappointing consequences later.

To achieve this new life direction, you have to become more individual, breaking free from the consensual social conditioning indicated by the Aquarius South Node. This does not imply that you become eccentric or socially alienated, but rather that you become more self-reliant and independent, true to your own light and taking responsibility for your choices and life path. Positive gains from this can include self-confidence and self-understanding. Moving beyond unnecessary doubts, you can realize your potential once your life direction is determined and relatively few obstacles block your progress. Asking others for signposts may be unwise and weaken determination or send you in a wrong direction; unfolding this path from within becomes your source of guidance. Once this direction is clarified, meaning and purpose are discovered, and pursuing this task will engage your willpower.

Yet this is not a search for a self-centered path; it is one which combines independent self-expression with awareness of social relationship and interdependence. Your proposed growth should ideally benefit all, as well as yourself. Building a personal value structure is important, and you will try to stay true to those guiding life principles which provide a firm inner foundation.

Your new creative direction can be effectively released in the sphere of life indicated by the North Node's house; and as your new worldview develops, you may feel inspired to share your beliefs more widely. Your humanistic concerns will dampen as feelings of social responsibility and contribution expand. Your growing idealism and altruistic spirit will shine more clearly, reshaping life by your ideals, so that by pursuing your path, you also contribute to benefit others.

The main issue concerns individual and group growth, and may focus on social needs for fairness and equality. Once a direction is established, you may emerge as an inspirational leader, aiming to create constructive change within traditional social practices and thought. Such activity may prompt mixed reactions from others, especially as progressive attitudes may be 'before their time', and difficult to be integrated by contemporary society. But your independent spirit must be retained, so that your transformation and new socially creative expression indicates a way that society can also take. For yourself, purposefully direction energies in creative and productive ways will bring satisfaction. But you should never forget the existence and needs of others. Be true to them also, because, by your living your humanitarian ideals, your path is formed.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

In the fixed sign Leo, we are concerned with gaining a secure position in life. Leo is also a Fire sign; and the Leo personality consumes for its own benefit the living space surrounding others. Leo wants to be a monarch, and to possess a realm of which it can be said: 'Here I am at home, and here I will carry out my activities. This is my territory, and I will never surrender it'. Leo always keeps a firm grip on a personal world that represents security in the changing scenes of life; and, of course, people play a decisive part in these scenes.

With the Node in Leo, we should adopt a positive, well-defined attitude to our environment. We ought to make ourselves known, place ourselves in the center of our world, and learn to cope with it. Usually the world does not leave us alone but is continually provoking confrontations. Anyway, this position of the Node helps to correct our development, and brings us out into the open.

In charts indicating a certain hesitancy or nervousness over making one's presence felt, a Node with this placement may help to overcome this tendency. The Node here encourages the individual to come out of his or her shell and be willing to take a few risks. Finally, this Node urges us to test ourselves in the world, and be willing to experience euphoric self-realization, and the suffering of reverses, along with everything that lies in between. As a Leo, we may seem to ourselves and others to be very much on the offensive all the time; in reality, however, we are very much on the defensive, for Leo is a fixed sign, and only the Fire in it produces the touch of aggression.

Natal North Node in Virgo / South in Pisces

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Virgo gives fine aspirations. It is an ideal position for poets and writers, but not for business people, as it is too idealistic and not sufficiently practical. This position of the Dragon's Head is not good for marriage; physical love is non-existent, but on the other hand there may be much platonic or idealistic love. There is an entire absence of anything mean; the mind endeavours to free itself from matter, and this does not always benefit the pecuniary position. The native does not view life in its true perspective, and will therefore have to contend with the problems of existence. Success comes nevertheless after a long delay. There may be a fortunate and wealthy marriage, which will turn out happily if helped by good aspects of Venus and the Moon. Failing this, the position often indicates celibacy.

The Dragon's Tail in Pisces is again a sign of deceit in love, and of infidelity. The native unconsciously indulges in gossip which is detrimental to him. The position also brings physical and moral sufferings, brought about through the native himself. A general indolence is indicated, which can be modified by a good aspect of Mars. Stability in matters connected with the affections will never exist.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in the sign of discrimination and purity shows these are the qualities that will lead to growth and progress in this life. The hidden 'Christ within' must be expressed through service. South Node in Pisces would show past tendencies of escapism, copping out of responsibility; and it would be easy to follow that pattern in this life, for the tendency could be there unless the rest of the chart showed differently. Senses and sensuality have been strong in the past; now the higher

senses must prevail.

(Martin Schulman)

The object here is crystallization. The individual has to overcome past life superstitions which now impede his growth and see clearly the truth of all things before him. Prior tendencies to be dependent on others as well as to swim in the self-pity of non-achievements are strong obstacles to be dealt with and surpassed in the current life.

The individual must make every attempt not to allow himself to become bewildered amidst the maze of confusion that clouds his inner vision. Strongly conscious of trying not to hurt other people, he spends much effort to develop the ability to say what he really feels. In essence, his weak spot is hurting himself, even though he will have many opportunities in this life to know better.

He must work to build his confidence, from which he ultimately learns that nothing happens in his life until his goals and objective are clearly defined. In past incarnations, this individual was deceived by many through his over-compassionate tendency to fall for sob stories. Now, he still cringes at the sight of suffering, strongly feeling the emotion of other people's pain. He thereby allows external sorrows to drain him of his strength, until he reaches the point where he's had enough. Then the realization that his soft heart is his weak spot pushes him to his Virgo North Node, where he begins to develop the ability to discriminate between what is truly worthy of his sympathy and what is indeed fantasy!

He spends much time in the current life sifting through his value systems, discarding all that is unimportant, so that he may ultimately develop a filtering system which will enable him to make critical judgements without being swayed emotionally.

This incarnation is to teach him how to swim out of the pea soup he has fallen into; and what never ceases to amaze him is the fact that so subtle was his slipping into illusion that actually he never saw it happen.

He must try to avoid escapism and daydreaming at all costs, for in the end these weaken him to the point that he may forget how to function on the physical earth plane. From past incarnations his intuition is unusually strong and accurate, but with it comes the Piscean depressions stemming from a sensitivity to other people's disappointments.

In learning the karmic lesson of not to depend, he ultimately discovers that all those he desired to lean on eventually come to lean on him. He constantly has to pull out of events, circumstances and relationships whose very heaviness cloud his vision. His own pity for other people can lead him into positions in which he spreads himself too thinly. Hating to tell people what they don't wish to hear, he develops the art of subtlety.

One of his biggest lessons in this life is to develop the ability to say 'no' and mean it, for the softest plea from a tear-stained eye has always made him go back on his word. Well, he knows his own weaknesses, and it is through this knowledge that he can develop his greatest strength. By the refusal to be swept off his feet by emotion, he gradually swims his way out of confusion.

Many with this Nodal position have been through past-life persecution experiences, and as a result they develop a deep understanding of the pain of others. Still, they can be deceived by others, almost as if their inner gentleness becomes confused with

weakness to the point of inviting again in this life the very persecution they are running from.

They have the ability to carry deep hurts within them for many years. Yet from time to time the build-up eats away at their nervous system.

Here the Virgo North Node can act as a savior by cueing them into the diet and health conditions which will bring the most benefit.

These Nodes are especially helpful in the fields of medicine and healing, where the past-life carry-over of a strong compassion for humanity, coupled with a fresh desire for perfection, can be readily expressed. Idealism is high, but the soul's memory of a lack of self-confidence brought about by so much past persecution makes it difficult for the individual actually to believe that he can reach his ideals. He has constantly to fight the tendencies he feels towards giving up. Ultimately it is the great wisdom learned through the bitter lessons of the Pisces South Node that redeem him. For no matter how difficult conditions get, he still clings to his rainbow dream where peace and love rule the world.

He is highly critical of others when he sees them falling short of the perfected ideals he knows they are capable of reaching. He has to learn to put into practical use the essence of his own ideas which he has always vaguely felt but has been unable to verbalize. To the extent that this continues, he feels misunderstood. In times of need, he truly wishes for others to help him, yet he feels that it wouldn't be fair to ask for such help. Instead, he keeps seeking out people with depth, silently hoping that they who can see through him will care enough to fathom his problems.

Constantly seeking warmth in others, he turns stone cold when in the company of coarse or crude individuals. One of the most beautiful things about the Pisces South Node is that as the years go by he is afforded the opportunity to develop forgiveness for all those who have hurt him in this life as well as in past incarnations.

These Nodes represent the clouds and the sunshine, the illusion and the real. Always seeking some better state, this individual eventually comes to learn why other people suffer so much. Until he learns this, he goes far out of his way at the risk of hurting himself to help any and all who suffer.

His current life karma is to strive for purification and perfection in himself, while tolerating with gentleness weakness in others. This brings him his biggest lesson - self-discipline! He must learn clearly when to let the water run, when to shut it off and when to alter its course.

He must not overlook details, for it is often the Piscean lack of attention to detail that causes him to miss the clarity of understanding he is seeking. By developing a clear perspective, he can start to avoid the tendency to excess that he has brought with him into this life.

If he is to be happy, his life must be dedicated to service rather than secretly wishing others to drown his past sorrows. His biggest lesson of all is never to doubt the purity of his objectives.

This individual is starting to make things work on the earth plane. In past lives, he developed an intuitive understanding of the nature by which man and machine function, but now he is confronted with putting this knowledge to use, rather than daydreaming about some future far-off moment when all his dreams might come true. He must be careful to make all times the present as well as all places here; for only

through living in the here and now is he able to funnel into crystalline form the vast reservoirs of essences which he has accumulated through all his lifetimes.

He is to become the focusing lens on a form projector which contains millions upon millions of blurred negatives. Yet through his North Node, he is capable of refining each one so that ultimately no knowledge he has ever acquired will be wasted. In effect, this is a rather frugal Node position. Here also the mind and life become as a machine, with all the separate parts forming an integral part of the whole. When any part of the life is not functioning properly, it must be immediately repaired or discarded.

The life is geared to striving to raise efficiency and order out of the sea of the Piscean whirlpool. Much prior life work was spent in renunciation. Now only vague memories remain. In this life, the individual must learn to display the perfected ideals he has achieved through giving up all but his appreciation of the Divine Essence.

The house position of the South Node indicates the area in which a past incarnation reached Cosmic Understanding. The house position of the North Node shows the area through which crystallization can now bring that understanding into material reality.

(Donna van Toen)

You need to learn to work. Your Pisces South Node may reply 'Yeah, but that means giving up my privacy'.

Your problem may be your inability to analyze feelings.

Possible reasons for this problem: excessive tolerance of unacceptable behavior from others; faulty reasoning; a tendency to gloss over flaws; a tendency to help others while letting your own life disintegrate; escapist tendencies; your early upbringing having led to a 'you owe me' attitude; your sense being over-active, overwhelming your logic.

Possible solutions: Channel your fantasies into creative work - poetry, fiction, psychology, etc.. Learn to rule your senses instead of letting them rule you. Learn to lie skillfully. Shun human contact as much as possible. Over-eat, drink too much, get stoned.

Health problems are a frequent manifestation of the Virgo North Node - Pisces South Node imbalance. These may be physical or mental, real or imagined. Both fear of people and excessive dependency are common - sometimes simultaneously. Compulsive over-eating or an obsession with thinness can be a manifestation. Occasionally I've seen this position in what I call the spiritual or psychological hypochondriac who drifts from guru to soothsayer to therapist looking for someone capable of solving his or her problems for him or her. Invariably, there's a craving for happiness; however, the client can't generally define what this happiness would entail, except to say there would be 'no more problems'. Well-being improves when the Virgo North Node's potential for objectivity and practicality is channeled into some sort of meaningful work.

Some signs of an over-developed Pisces South Node are: excessive daydreaming; constant requests for help; a 'too sweet for words' façade; strange attitudes towards work; little control over emotions; masochistic or morbid tendencies; overall

discontentment with his or her lot in life; shallowness and game-playing; moodiness; and a tendency to attract chaotic conditions and disorganized people.

North Node in Virgo dreams of being the trusted second-in-command without whom things would fall apart. He or she wants to be a policy-maker or manager, or at least the chief executive's right-hand person. He or she wants to be known as someone who can't be deceived or boondoggled. This is generally a quiet person whose feelings are more important than logic in terms of outlining a direction in life. Instead of a policy-maker, he or she is generally a dreamer whose dreams seldom become realities. He or she lacks - or at least hasn't developed - the analytical abilities inherent in the Virgo North Node. He or she is vague about goals and vaguer still about how to realize them.

Antidotes for Virgo imbalance: Typing is a very helpful antidote, since it encourages neatness and order. The study of history is recommended if there's aptitude along these lines. Gardening is a very good antidote. Writing should be encouraged, with inspirational writing, social commentary, and ideas stressing reform being especially good. Public speaking should also be encouraged, with literary, analytical, scientific, and gardening topics being favored. Should there be no aptitude along these lines, an alternative topic should be sought according to the overall chart.

If career advice is sought, secretarial work is an obvious choice; however, few male clients are likely to find this attractive, no matter how much aptitude they have. Other good choices would be bookbinding, statistical work, historical work, work in a stationary store, and writing of any type. If the client is young enough and capable of receiving proper training, law or paralegal work might be considered. Again, you'd want to look for additional corroboration from the rest of the chart.

When North Node is in Virgo in the twelfth or first house, there are usually problems connected with a low self-image or a negative outlook on life. There's often a history of restriction of some sort. In these cases, it would be a good idea to suggest professional counselling if the problems are severe. Reading such as 'I'm OK - You're OK, Assagioli's writings, and much of the literature on Gestalt Therapy (especially Fritz Perls' writings) might also be helpful.

Certain hobbies could prove to be both enjoyable and beneficial as antidotes. Among these are music, bicycling, walking, and many types of volunteer work. Crafts of various types might also be considered if according to the client's aptitudes. It's common for clients in these categories to have no idea what they might be interested in - let alone good at - so you should be prepared to spend a fair amount of time exploring along these lines.

Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was quite a mediocre life. He did not have many opportunities because he could not properly identify them and use them. All he had was a great sense of instincts in that life. In this lifetime, he may not explicitly believe in inner instincts, as his logic and synthesis are well-developed. He would want to achieve things entirely by their use. However, as a fail-safe mechanism, he has been given the gift of 'insight' to things which he can use when in great need. Discrimination is one of his major enemies, and he often makes decisions based upon pre-discrimination. He has been given many opportunities in this life, but, at the same time, he has to achieve them very methodically. Thus, he cannot just skip and go on to the next game in life.

(Haydn Paul)

One challenge is how to relate your emotionally sensitive perceptions to the world in a way that becomes creatively positive and bridges both spiritual and physical realities. You tend to depend on others to define your life direction, perhaps through earlier social and parental conditioning, which also shapes your self-image.

Your weak spot is emotions. You will be highly compassionate, feeling the world's suffering and pain due to empathic attunement to others' anguish. This may inspire efforts to minimize pain for others, and will even be displayed through tact and diplomacy, often controlling what you say, feel, and think. You try to remold yourself to avoid giving offence to others; but in so doing, you can damage your integrity and become confused by ignoring the messages of your feelings. A combination of sympathetic sensitivity and inner / outer evasion can weaken and distort your energies and strength of identity, leaving you open to exploitation by unscrupulous characters.

Emotions will dominate judgements and decision-making; and you need clarity as to your real needs, desires, and thoughts. Saying 'no' to others poses problems, and you are easily undermined when others appeal to your vulnerable emotions and persuade you to change your mind. Self-assertion is required when you are confronted by others. Acknowledge the equal importance of your individuality, and be less passive and self-sacrificial in attitude.

Escapism, daydreaming, and fantasies attract, and you may retreat into an ideal and perfect inner world where all is good. This is the conflict between illusions and external reality which reflects the interplay between the Virgoan dream of perfection and the Piscean dream of idealism. A misapplication of these impair your ability to deal with the real world.

You can contribute to society when you work with your strengths, which emerge from an idealistic vision applied in daily life to benefit others. You may develop service concepts which embrace an understanding of how to serve, when to serve, how to receive from others, and how to recognize those you can benefit.

You may display idealism but, until you achieve self-confidence, may limit opportunities to manifest ideals, or even give up making the effort. Yet it will be the lessons learned from these struggles which strengthen you. Often disillusionment is a most effective teacher; the challenge is to continue to maintain your dream of peace and love ruling the world, despite the painful struggle. You have to live your vision, beliefs, and principles in the outer world; they have no reality if they remain as dreams. They need testing in the crucible of daily experience. Your sensitivity, spirituality, and vision of the ideal world need grounding; even in a small way, it is a step forward.

Facing conflict between illusion and reality, you always seek a better state for yourself and others. Much enlightenment can come when you realize why people suffer so much, but in this you also find the key to your own suffering. The deeper your self-understanding, the less you need to rely on others. The more you test your beliefs in real life, the more ideals can emerge in pragmatic and practical activity. You may find that directed imagination - perhaps through creative visualization techniques - especially benefits your self-healing transformation. Within the Virgoan service impulse of working for the community is a potential path which corresponds to the Piscean vision of fulfillment for all.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

The mutable Earth sign, Virgo, calls for mobility, fluidity, and flexibility. In contrast to Leo, we should total up everything of real value in our life, and discard the pomp and circumstance. We must come to terms with the community in which we live and with the environment as a whole. The 'You' is clearly emphasized here.

Leo also lays emphasis on the 'You', but in Leo we are free to make an impression on the world. Virgo is a serving sign, in which we are in a weak position and more or less at the mercy of others. Society has the last word, and our partner tells us what to do. When the Node is in Virgo, we even have to let the world decide what good we are and assign us a place - not the place we may dream of occupying, but the one for which we are suited. Conformity and adaptability are keynotes of Virgo. Now, to have to knuckle under can be very tiresome, not to mention painful. For this reason, we find many Virgoans grumbling about the miserable circumstances they had to endure.

Of course, a readiness to fit in and find one's proper place must not lead to identity loss - as can happen with hard aspects to the Node. Then one would end up in a state of alienation and become nothing and nobody.

The Node in Virgo should make us willing to adopt a positive approach to the people around us, and to see and understand what they really need before giving them what we have to offer. In the Virgoan Node, helping and serving are essential forms of expression of an active and practical love for others.

Natal North Node in Libra / South in Aries

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Libra is a sign of balance and harmony in the native's life as a whole. It also gives stability in regard to the affections; the gratification of noble desires is shown in all things. The native has a fine intellect as well as great courage. Progress will be rapid; and wealth as well as honor will be acquired. The Dragon's Head in Libra is favourable for the children and for the family ties.

The Dragon's Tail in Aries is often a sign of lack of conscience, or, at all events, of inconsequence. The native acts too precipitately; what he has decided to do must be done forthwith, and this leads to want of due reflection, which is detrimental to his affairs. He may suffer material losses, or experience trouble in other directions, due to his lack of cautiousness. This position inclines to fits of anger, but also gives great physical courage; and if the horoscope generally is good, the Dragon's Tail in Aries will not be so unfortunate.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Libra implies spiritual integration which comes from moving from self to others; from personality levels to the soul levels. Emphasis should be on loving others and getting away from self-love.

South Node in Aries means an over-assertion of self has been the problem in the past, and personality should become the servant of others in this lifetime.

(Martin Schulman)

This nodal position requires much learning about self-sacrifice and the needs of other people. All the lifetimes of work spent on building self-confidence and esteem must now be transferred to others. The Libra North Node keeps the individual from adding

to his sense of self-identity any further. He must guard against strong ego influencing his current life actions.

His long-standing me-first attitude now brings him sharp and painful experiences as he is learning the lessons of co-operation. He must slow down and make sure that all he works for is meaningful, in his marriage and close partnerships as well as all his relations with others. He has to learn to take the sharp edges out of his life and start to balance. While the center road seems less attractive to him, it is still the only path he can have towards happiness.

Ultimately he must learn the very subtle lesson that his strong pioneering individualism isn't actually meant for himself at all, but rather to equip him better so that he can provide others with a more harmonious life. Many individuals with these Nodes have a tendency to be contrary. The experience of listening to other people is a new one which they find objectionable when they feel it hampers their forward motion.

In past incarnations, progress was all-important, and getting there first was part of the highly competitive Arian drive. This carries over into a definite closed-mindedness which the Libra North Node will ultimately open, showing to the individual the other side of the coin which he had never before thought was important enough to recognize.

Selfishness and vanity of all sorts must be curbed unless the individual wishes to find himself alone. Usually he feels himself being driven towards something, yet he doesn't understand what or why. Through the Libra North Node, he is now to reconsider his goals and objectives so that his Arian energy is put to some useful purpose.

He changes his mind often; and allegiance to a single cause is not one of his finer attributes. Past incarnations have made him accustomed to a constant impatient restlessness that still has a tendency to keep him on the move. He knows that he is to give rather than to receive in the current life, yet he finds it difficult to cope with such karma with his full heart.

The Martian quality of the South Node impatiently pushes him in new directions. Upon arrival at each destination, however, he finds the gossamer cloud of Libra in the middle of the seesaw, and is surprised to see that the goal was not a goal at all, nor was the destination the end of the journey. Puzzled and confused, he sits in the middle, trying to evaluate the circumstances which he hopes will point the way towards his next successful drive. And yet each goal, each ambition, each sprint of running and striving brings him to Libra - the half-way point!

Finally, out of sheer exhaustion he makes the amazing realization that the second half of the journey involves other people. He is to learn the karmic lesson that he is not alone. Until he learns to share, something always comes up to put the brakes on his efforts. Eventually he is brought to the realization that winning or losing the game is much less important than the fairness with which it is played.

Many individuals with these Nodes are highly opinionated as a result of selfish or bigoted past-life attitudes. Now it is time for the shoe to be worn on the other foot. Much of the current life's events are painful blows to the ego. The individual has to guard against becoming embittered as he sees many of his own wants and desires being taken away from him and given to others. At first his natural tendency is to be jealous. He wants to fight back for all those things he feels he has lost; yet the more he fights, the more he loses. Eventually, drained of much of his inner resources, he

must surrender his selfish ego and accept living in a world built on sharing.

Until he overcomes his South Node, his biggest frustration is the witnessing of other people receiving all for which he himself had wished. He doesn't quite yet understand how this works, and is puzzled at why all the things he has ever wanted are coming to people around him and yet not to himself. He hardly realizes that all his desires, wants and wishes are actually designed for others.

He is mentally energizing the wishes of people around him so that he can ultimately be an instrument for their fulfillment. In actuality, he is earning himself a new place in the world by living through the karma of selflessness. Still, the insistent urges of the South Node keep pulling him backwards, often making him feel that this is a lesson he would rather not yet learn.

He must try to resist past-life tendencies to make waves, for he is now capable of witnessing disharmonies between people without taking sides. Often he is thrown into the position of referee, whereby in helping others to become more objective, he in fact helps himself. The more he can get others to co-operate, the more he can learn to do it himself.

Underneath all the hustle and bustle, this individual is learning to see the consequences of his actions before taking them. In effect, he must learn to look before he leaps!

For many with this Nodal position, there is a deep-seated anger coming out of past-life memories of frustrations which block the self-expression.

In this life, there is usually a very pleasing physical appearance, which is part of the karmic lesson in vanity that the Aries South Node is here to overcome. Any narcissistic residue also causes difficulty in marriage as this is the battleground where the war between love of another and needs of the self must be fought.

The balance between Aries / Mars and Libra / Venus is a difficult one to achieve. The Aries South Node constantly seeks to assert its needs, while the Libra North Node needs nothing for itself but to love others, regardless of their demands. This individual can feel love for others best only after his own needs are fulfilled.

Until the desires of past incarnations are left behind, the incessant pulling of his subconscious demands continues to be so strong that he has a tendency to drain energy from other people, actually putting them to sleep. In effect, he is a walking anaesthetic, constantly wondering why people avoid talking with him for more than a few minutes. He would like to talk for hours, if only to continue the focus of attention on himself. But in his private moments, he is deeply saddened by a sense of loneliness and the knowledge that his relationships with others are so far short of what he would like them to be.

There is nothing subtle about this Nodal polarity. Happiness comes only after he is forced to re-evaluate his desires and truly discovers that they involve other people. The ego-self must be abandoned, and with it a heightened sensitivity to the needs of others acquired.

The Libra North Node is one of the most difficult to achieve because the Aries self-love looms as such a large hurdle to overcome. Still, the individual must overcome if there is to be a new cycle for him; and he will find the key to this new cycle as he begins to reflect back upon himself through the eyes of others.

The house position of the South Node indicates the area where insatiable desires of past incarnations are still demanding priority. The house position of the North Node shows how fulfillment can be reached through self-sacrifices, co-operation and the expression of unselfish love to others.

(Donna van Toen)

You need to learn to co-operate and get along better with others. Your Aries South Node may reply 'Yeah, but they never want to go along with my plans'.

Your problems may include that you have an exaggerated need to prove yourself; that you tend to be uncomfortable; and that, because of your upbringing, you've come to place too high a value on assertiveness.

Possible solutions: Stabilize your relationships in terms of give and take. Learn to differentiate between caring and controlling. Learn to let others have a chance to decide for themselves. Stifle your need for others, and look out for yourself.

South Node in Aries often complains of having been forced into something which has irrevocably fouled up his or her life. This could be a too-early marriage, a career, a specific mode of behavior, etc.. In any case, he or she, as a result of this experience, justifies his or her reluctance to co-operate in other areas. Aries South Node generally hasn't developed his or her ability to commit himself or herself in a long-term situation. He or she wants fast results. If these aren't forthcoming, co-operation is curtailed. Aries South Node is also generally unwilling to take responsibility for the effects of his or her actions on other people. He or she is sometimes unwilling to share. The Aries South Noder generally wants exclusive rights to the things in which he or she is interested. He or she feels that future well-being depends on immediate gratification and success. However, goals can often be attained only when the Libra North Node's ability to co-operate is tapped and developed.

Signs of an over-balanced Aries South Node are: high blood pressure; impulsiveness; hyperactivity; a cold, critical attitude towards others' accomplishments; argumentativeness; a tendency to brag about accomplishments and be a poor loser; an insistence on leading; an unco-operative attitude; difficulty in finishing what he or she has started; and boredom or a short attention span.

North Node in Libra dreams of happiness and harmony. He or she would like to be known as a very sociable person. Others play a very important role in this person's dreams. In contrast, this is an enthusiastic, emotionally active person whose selfishness may interfere with social interaction and harmony in general.

Antidotes for Libra imbalance: The client should be advised to get a complete beauty treatment, including new hair style, in preparation for developing a new lifestyle. Even men can benefit from a new hairstyle. Likewise, shopping for a new wardrobe or new furnishings can be a beneficial antidote, as any purchase would tend to remind the client that a new lifestyle is beginning. For best results, color selection should be geared to the imbalance. Dancing is a good antidote. If the client has any physical symptoms, a medical check-up should be advised, since this is another one of the imbalances that's most capable of triggering illness. Boating, cruises, and water sports can be helpful antidotes.

The client should be advised to consciously seek out activities that stress partnership and teamwork, rather than trying to do everything himself or herself.

If career advice is sought, the following could be recommended if other factors in the chart show aptitude: hairdresser or barber, artist, interior decorator, lawyer, stewardess or pilot.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was spent with a lot of physical actions, temper and aggression. He had, in that life, achieved and lost many things as he could not learn to understand the significance of balance. In this life time, he will definitely learn and be able to use the concept of balance as applied to 'soul growth'. Everything he undertakes in this life will have a definite sense of justice, priority and deeper significance. His diplomatic talents are well worth noting in this life. He will achieve things without fighting for them; and often others will surrender to him just by his senses and magnetism. Utilization of mental energies is strongly noticed in this person in this life. Although he may not be after material success, he always manages to be plentiful in that respect.

Natal North Node in Scorpio / South in Taurus

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Scorpio gives activity, perseverance and subtlety, which will enable the native to succeed. It is also a sign of good-health, or, more strictly speaking, of physical stamina. Success will not always be attained as quickly as may be desired, but will come after great difficulties; and the native's dearly-bought happiness will endure all the longer.

The Dragon's Tail in Taurus gives material instincts, the necessity for physical exertion, and sensuous desires, which will often cause the commission of blunders. This position makes the native selfish; he likes his own comfort above everything else, and as he is not lazy or work-shy he will obtain what he wants. The Dragon's Tail in Taurus gives fits of energy followed by periods of unconquerable weariness and laziness.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Scorpio shows the need to go the way of regeneration. Spiritual integration comes through going from selfish interests to concern for others. Must let the Divine Will be done, not the personal will. Only through the way of the Higher Self will this person find peace.

South Node in Taurus means emphasis has been on material things in the past. Person has overemphasized their importance. In whatever house this node is placed in, there must be relinquishment of a possessive or materialistic attitude.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the individual is learning how to accept revolutionary changes within himself as well as the conditions in his life. He would like to rest, thinking that his soul journey is over. So tired is he, from past life memories of the yoke of his earthly burdens, that whatever the cost he would like to feel settled. As a result, he finds it difficult to develop the strength for future changes.

Tenaciously he clings to old behavior patterns which served him well during past incarnations. He has become personally attached to doing things the hard way. Like

the oxen plowing the fields, he walks laboriously through this life as if it were one long, straight furrow. He expends so much physical energy that he weakens his Spiritual Self to the point that he becomes blinded from seeing any new possibilities other than the singularly drab existence he has been accustomed to leading.

He finds it difficult to learn by watching others. Instead, he would rather work through each of life's experiences himself. As a result, he spends more time, effort and energy than he has to in each growth phase. Still, he feels he must be sure of himself. So great is his need for security that even when he makes changes in his life, they are in fact not changes at all, but merely other aspects of the same behavior patterns he has been using all along.

In past incarnations, he developed a sensitivity to his environment. In order to cope with the continuation of such a sensitivity, he starts early in this life to explore the world of sensory impressions. He learns what feels pleasurable and how to obtain it. Nevertheless, he always seems to fall short of reaching complete and lasting satisfaction. He doesn't realize that one appetite begets another. His great need for possessions makes it difficult for him to enjoy what he does not personally own. As a result, he thrusts himself into long-enduring battles of ownership over people, things and ideas. He stubbornly holds onto all that comes his way. The more he collectively accumulates, the more he traps himself. What was in other lifetimes a great need for the acquiring of substance now turns into the extra weight of excess baggage he is carrying. As the years go by, the yoke of his burdens becomes heavier.

He has created a need to feel powerful so that he can seek temporary refuge from the dismal sense of failure that has plagued him in former incarnations. As a result, he even goes so far as to seek in this life an occupation which puts him in an authoritative position.

He has undergone so much past life damage to the ego that he now experiences an intense need to prove himself worthy of respect. He will fall into deep depression when confronted with the possibility of others finding him lacking in any area. To prevent this from happening, he will push himself towards success no matter what the cost.

It is almost a certainty that at some time in this life the intensity of his karma will bring him to be at least circumstantially involved with the police.

As he reaches for his Scorpio North Node, this individual undergoes a complete transformation. He starts to kill old behavior patterns by burning bridges behind him. Experiences teach him how to cut ties cleanly, so that he does not walk into the future with both feet tied to the past. His biggest growth occurs when he is able to let go.

Inner dependency needs must be transformed into complete independence of thought and action. Strength increases with each passing year as he slowly discards from his consciousness all that oppresses him.

He must learn how objectively to study the results of his subconscious desires so that he can earn self-respect through practising self-discipline.

These Nodes symbolize the soul who for many lifetimes has been moving along a decadent path. Now the soul vessel is to be turned upside down in order to rid itself of the decay it has collected.

Fulfilling the karma of this overturning process is extremely painful to the individual,

as he may lose all he ever held near and dear. In the end, he will unquestionably relinquish more than he bargained for.

So powerful is this transformation that many with these Nodes eventually spend their later years alone. In the process of eliminating excess, they have discarded everything but themselves.

Nevertheless, much of this is necessary if the individual is to reach the point where he can see himself clearly on the very deepest of levels. Out of this symbolic death of all he ever possessed will come his new life.

The house position of the South Node indicates the area which has become decadent as a result of past incarnations. The house position of the North Node shows the way in which a current-life rebirth can be accomplished.

(Donna van Toen)

You must learn to accept (or give) financial and other types of help when necessary. Your Taurus South Node may reply: 'Yeah, but if you can't earn it (or do it) yourself, you don't deserve it'.

Your problem may be a hang-up about power.

Possible reasons: A repressive environment has made you feel that it's you against the world. A lack of understanding of your environment. A refusal to help unless there's something in it for you. An upbringing where there's been an overemphasis on money, things, or importance.

Possible solutions: Become more active in joint endeavours - a business partnership, encounter group, community project, etc.. Sharpen and develop your imagination. Concentrate on material growth regardless of what happens. Give all your money and possessions to a guru or religious sect and let them provide for you.

Taurus South Node often tries to make willpower a substitute for insight. He or she feels that by developing his or her willpower he or she will be able to handle whatever curves life throws him or her. He or she is often especially fond of simplistic self-help books and success formulae that promise unlimited earnings. Now there's nothing wrong with wanting to help yourself. And no-one would deny the importance of willpower. We've already seen what problems can arise when you don't build up your own resources. But all the money, power and determination in the world is useless unless you know where your problems are coming from. Developing the Scorpio North Node's potential for insight will improve success potential drastically.

Signs of an over-developed Taurus South Node are: refusal to think about anything that's not backed up by conclusive and irrevocable proof; insensitivity; disregard for others' rights; shyness; everything viewed in terms of money; excessive introversion; shrewdness rather than intelligence; self-indulgence; a very conservative or 'dated' manner of dress or speech; vanity but no real confidence; and cowardice.

North Node in Scorpio consciously or subconsciously wants to be tested. He or she wants to experience the highest and lowest phases of existence in order to get in touch with his or her deepest emotions and learn to balance them. He or she wants a crash course in living and experiencing. In contrast, we find a person with good

common sense and rather repressed emotions. He or she clings to home, possessions, and routines in a way that keeps life on an even keel, devoid of major highs or lows. Conservatism often squelches this person's dreams.

Antidotes for Scorpio imbalance: These seem to be the most subconscious of all imbalances; and client awareness is often very limited unless he or she is in a rather painful situation. Unless the client is receptive to what you say, you may not have much luck. Even if the client is receptive, these types of imbalances often need psychological counselling before they can be alleviated, due to their strong fixed overtones.

The study of mysticism can be a beneficial antidote if the client is relatively level-headed. Rosicrucianism, Huna, the Edgar Cayce readings, the Seth readings, astrology, palmistry or graphology would be safe suggestions. Scientific studies such as chemistry can also be beneficial. For some clients, perfume-making will appeal. Philosophy is another good antidote. The particular philosophy would of course depend on the client's aptitudes and interests. Research work of any type would prove beneficial. The client will be happiest doing something that he or she feels will have important results. Hobbies are less effective for these clients than for most unless they involve serious study. Study and research are the best antidotes for these imbalances provided the client has sufficient intelligence and powers of concentration, since this type of antidote requires minimal risk-taking and only a modest cash outlay. The client should be referred to the appropriate study and research groups since, as with Libra, teamwork is an important factor in balancing.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was spent in considerable luxuries and a routine life. He really resisted any change that would come by his way or alter his lifestyle in that life. During this life, he will be modifying his value systems continuously and constantly. A total destructive tendency in those respects will be fully justifiable as far as he is concerned. Thus, he will go from one extreme stage of living to another during the same life. His hidden motive and energies are strong, and he will use them whenever he has to. As long as nobody obstructs his way, he is very quiet, polite and well-mannered. His instincts are strong, but they have a 'get-even' type of attitude. He may forget, but never forgive, what others do to him.

Haydn Paul)

The Taurus South Node's house position may indicate the nature of certain restrictive behavior patterns which obstruct your progress. Radical attitude changes may be required to transform these from limitations to offers of new opportunities. Often these patterns involve the Taurean tendency toward possessive materialism, where feelings of insecurity and stability are connected to material well-being. The desire for pleasure, comforts, and home enjoyments can exaggerate materialistic demands, so that your needs involve ongoing acquisitions and possessions.

Contention over ownership and possessions may rise from this impulse, or over people and family matters. Relationships can be affected detrimentally if this tendency becomes excessive or is not consciously modified. People rarely like feeling 'owned' by anyone; and a family is the most common situation where authoritarian attitude are easily applied and abused, particularly by force or emotional manipulation of circumstances in your favor.

It may be difficult to avoid an organized but repetitive lifestyle, especially one self-created to shield disruptive change. This is an example of Taurean placidity, a ruminative enjoyment of stability and security. Yet, even accumulating possessions

will begin to weigh heavily, restricting freedom. Eventually, Scorpio's transforming energy will undermine your foundations. If your identity becomes dependent on material status and possessions and your values are dominated by materialism, this may become an area for unavoidable change.

You may be a slower learner than most, relying on traditional social attitudes for your worldview. You develop and learn at your own pace. Fixed life foundations are established and relied on for security and as a defence to resist change and any disturbing influences. Yet you may need to redefine and reshape yourself, gradually forming a new self-image based on higher values rather than on self-centeredness.

Your preoccupied focus toward materialism needs changing, redirecting attention from the outer world and possessions toward self-understanding and inner growth. If developed, this can create greater self-esteem and assertiveness, which comes from inner stability rather than being based on external supports, habit patterns and possessions. Personal talents and material resources are then applied toward constructive practical action, and directed to build a renewed life-style.

Understanding the tension between Taurean resistance to change and the Scorpionic transformative impulse is necessary. What may occur is that the Scorpio energies gradually undermine efforts to maintain stability. Once stability becomes fragile and you feel vulnerable and exposed, you may realize the necessity to transform restrictive and limiting behavior patterns and life-styles. Such experiences may prove uncomfortable and difficult. You may feel forced by circumstances to 'burn bridges behind you', to release the ties of the past and become receptive to new experiences. Your dependency on fixed behavior patterns or on a materialistic life-style may be dissolved by the Scorpionis transformation. This would not be a negative experience - despite your reactions to its impact - but rather one which aims to liberate you. How much you could be expected to release and relinquish may depend on your resistance to change; the more you resist, the more transformation may 'cost' you. It is a rebirth that awaits and may be unavoidable. The old always has to be replaced by the new. You are advised to welcome this crisis whenever it arrives, because it is for your benefit, even though initially you may not see it in that light.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

In the fixed Water sign, Scorpio, an effort is made to establish a regular system. Here, too, as in the opposite sign, Taurus, one is concerned with the use of material resources; now, however, they are other people's material resources. Thus in Scorpio we often meet the type that administers the property of others, manages them, utilizes and fosters their talents, and acts as an agent for their skills and services. In principle, the Scorpio Node challenges us to be prepared to act on behalf of others and to exploit their resources for their benefit and in accordance with their intentions. Obviously, in such a situation, the natives have to stand back a little, though of course having a personal part to play. In order to exercise such a function, they have to gain a place in society. The Scorpio Node always indicates an effort to achieve a certain social status. This can mean nothing more than ambition and the aspiration to be someone important, especially with hard aspects to the Node. Scorpions always think they are able to decide what is good for others. Usually they can give them helpful advice on how to realize their assets, and on how to find the best chances of success.

Scorpions avail themselves of existing forms and structures. With the Scorpio Node, one can easily adapt to current social arrangements. One can also develop the knack of exploiting them to the advantage of oneself and others.

Natal North Node in Sagittarius / South in Gemini

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Sagittarius is the surest sign of happiness and quietude, so long as the native knows how to be contented, which is usually the case, inasmuch as progress is fairly quick in this sign.

The close family ties - that is, the wife and children - live on good terms within a relatively restricted circle. It is the sort of happiness what does not proclaim itself. Success is somewhat slow in coming, but can be relied upon, as the ascent is gradual and teaches patience.

The Dragon's Tail in Gemini often causes inharmonious relations with those around the native, or with distant relatives. This may entail disputes over money matters which will be detrimental to the native, as many people may be jealous of him and put obstacles in his way. Nevertheless, he will know how to defend himself, especially with the help of a good aspect from Mars or Mercury. In the former case, success will come through violence; in the latter, through cunning.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Sagittarius points the way to far horizons, physically and spiritually. Person gains through associations with others and pioneering in new lines of philosophical and educational endeavors. An inner positivity that will be of great help in overcoming any negative aspects in the birthchart can be developed.

South Node in Gemini shows too much superficiality in past lives; too little willingness to stabilize; and a flitting from one experience to another. If continued in this lifetime, there will be little success or any sustaining power.

(Martin Schulman)

The keyword here is promise. For lifetimes, this individual has enmeshed himself in dualities, resulting in indecision. He has tried to be all things to all people, and as a result has made himself attuned to superficiality.

Now he has strong karmic lessons to learn in areas of loyalty and allegiance. Eventually he will come to see that by playing both sides against the middle he can only hope to make himself the center of the sandwich, caught in the squeeze. Nevertheless, he retains a past-life fear of committing himself fully to either side, for at least on the superficial level, he sees truth and right in both. He still believes that a definite commitment to one side would leave him with the feeling of missing the opportunity inherent in the other.

This ability to remain uncommitted enables him constantly to adjust himself to fit the needs of the moment. Like the chameleon, his colors change with his surroundings.

In past incarnations, he was not too discriminating, knowing that it really didn't matter where he gave his affiliations since he never gave his complete self anyway. Now he swings like a pendulum in the breeze, open to ride if but for a brief time only on the winning wind.

He purposely makes himself the pawn of others, and, even if only for the moment, seems to agree with them so that he can temporarily feel accepted and a part of

something.

Through many lives, his sense of self-identity has become not merely a single division but filled with all the questions of everybody with whom he was in contact. Since so many people have formed the building blocks of this inner self, it is impossible for him to be anything but a hypocrite!

When he speaks, his facial expression as well as body language will change from sentence to sentence, taking on the appearance of the person whose words he is not trying to pass off as his own. In fact, when he makes a definite positive statement, his eyes will always examine the recipient to see if it was received as truth. If not, then it doesn't really matter for he will now start talking incessantly, trying one collected statement after another on for size in the hope that somewhere in his collection of information a few words might be worthwhile.

He loves activity; and when circumstances make him feel cooped up or bogged down, he becomes highly nervous and restless.

Always over-programmed, he struggles to keep up with the myriad of details and people that fill his life. He has so much to do, and yet at the end of each day feels distracted from his purpose.

In past incarnations, he never developed a long attention span. As a result, he spends much of this life constantly changing his mind about everything.

At one point, he will go through conflict over whether to live in a large city or in the country. The conflict is really between the continuation of his past-life need to be with people and his present-life desire to be away from them.

Direction does not come at an early age. More often than not, it comes through the aid of parents or an older person who sets him on his course. This occurs usually after age twenty-eight.

Underneath it all he is unsteady; he has been so busy seeing the shades of gray in everything that he has difficulty seeing the light of truth in himself.

For this individual, life's biggest task involves a quest for higher knowledge. Through the Sagittarius North Node, he must learn that in order for man to be capable of seeing the truth, he must first be the truth!

He will go far if he teaches himself to speak from his higher mind, for the esoteric meaning of all he says will ultimately show him his real identity.

When he starts to mesh with Transcendental Thought, he will begin to reach a spiritual union within himself.

First he must work through his karma of perpetuating trivia and come to see that participating in gossip is the greatest sin against liberty. Then he must turn his back on all the past-life residue of pretended sophistication and reach for all that is real and natural. Ultimately, he comes to see that although a coin has two sides, it's still one coin! When he develops this perspective of vision, he will be able to transform the knowledge he has acquired into Divine Wisdom.

The house position of the South Node shows the area where past incarnation personality conflicts still plague the lower mind. The house position of the North Node shows the ways in which a Higher Consciousness can be developed into a

vehicle which enables him to rise above all conflict.

His present-life evolution will free him from the bondage of indecision, and in its place give him glimpses of Universal Truth.

(Donna van Toen)

You should follow through on your interest in psychology, travel, etc.. Your Gemini South Node may reply: 'Yeah, but my day-to-day activities don't leave me any time. Besides, I hate studying'.

Your problem is that a mental block prevents expansion.

Possible reasons: Environmental restrictions hindered learning. Refusal to take chances. Dislike of reading or distrust of any type of indirect communication. Reluctance to be put in a position where you may be asked to give advice, teach, etc.. An upbringing that encouraged superficiality. Little success with early education.

Possible solutions: Take interest courses. Loosen stifling ties and routines. Sever all ties, and spend your time drifting.

You'll remember that we said Gemini North Node relies on book learning to replace awareness. With Gemini South Node, the tables are turned. Knowledge remains at a very rudimentary level. There can be an 'I read it in the Enquirer so it must be true' philosophy. Or there can be a distrust of any information that comes from afar. In other words, the local news commentator knows what he's talking about but the foreign news commentator's full of bull unless he's voicing the same opinion. Frequently, Gemini North Node relies on rumors, gossip and small talk to form the basis of his or her knowledge. College education is looked on with suspicion; in fact, sometimes there's a reverse snobbism in connection with education. Gemini South Node tends to be content with his or her knowledge no matter how incomplete it is. It's only when the Gemini South Node is suddenly thrust into a new environment that he or she becomes aware that something's missing. At that point, he or she can tap the Sagittarius North Node's potential and expand his or her knowledge and understanding of the world.

The person with an over-developed Gemini South Node has few long-range goals; is restricted by his or her routine or environment; is immature or retains an emphasis on dressing and acting as he or she did at a much younger age; sees no point in college unless it's a prerequisite to a certain job; does not like to waste time on abstractions or unproven theories; may be fickle; may be a bigot; is sarcastic or cynical; marries a childhood sweetheart, neighbor, high school friend, etc.; usually marries early and settles into a routine where the only big change is a transition from school to work; and loves travel as long as the place visited isn't too different from what he or she is used to.

North Node in Sagittarius wants to be thought of as natural, sincere, intellectual, refined, and broad-minded. This is a person of such changeable emotions that he or she may be mistaken for a yes-person or a phoney. He or she has trouble focusing on one thing at a time, and tends to scatter energy to the point where objectives seldom reach completion. Restlessness keeps dreams in an ever-changing state, so that they may never be clearly defined. In effect, this person might dream of having a dream.

Antidotes for Sagittarius imbalance: The client should be encouraged to share any

specialized knowledge he or she has, either by teaching or through other means - writing, public speaking, etc.. As with Scorpio, the study of philosophy is a beneficial antidote. Religious studies could also prove helpful. The client's intuition should be developed and given a positive outlet. Dream study, astrology, palmistry, graphology and many branches of parapsychology could prove useful outlets, although you should be very certain that the client is level-headed enough to use these properly. Travel is very often a beneficial antidote. Work involving giving tourists various types of information (i.e. tour guide, travel agent, hotel information desk, etc.) could be quite rewarding.

Sports can be good antidotes. High-jumping, rope-jumping, walking, running, jogging, or any other type of physical exercise for which aptitude is shown could be recommended. It sometimes happens that the client is for one reason or another stuck in a dull, routine job - clerical, assembly line, switchboard, etc.. If there's no way out of the job due to the client's age and economic needs, it's crucial to expand the sphere of after-work activities.

If career advice is sought, challenge should be the primary quality stressed. According to the client's aptitudes, consider the following options: adult education, lecturer (with philosophy, law, and civil rights being ideal areas), priest, minister, rabbi, nun, doctor, nurse, paramedic, inspector, proofreader, publisher, missionary, evangelist, salesperson. The client should be encouraged to free himself or herself from stagnant ties where possible. At the same time, he or she should be discouraged from drifting or living totally on an intellectual plane. Sometimes pet ownership can provide a helpful counter-balance for these tendencies.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was spent in many intellectual and communicative activities. He had to deal with 'others' constantly. Thus, he was often drained of his intellectual resources by others. He had to fulfill what they expected of him. In this lifetime, he is choosing a path of independence and isolation. He likes to be a free-floating soul without getting involved with many earthly interactions. He can solve their problems when he feels like it, but at the same time, he has a choice and the ability to turn them away from him. In this lifetime, he will achieve substantial esoteric knowledge or understanding with or without being too involved in the occult. He is not very much interested in the material things or in human emotionalism. When his feelings are seen, he just transcends them or throws them at others the way they come.

(Haydn Paul)

The Gemini energy makes you restless, searching for stimulation, diverse interests, and experiences, and encourages an active life-style. Whenever you feel restricted - whether in work, relationships, or even in allowable attitudes, thoughts, and emotions - you feel extremely uncomfortable and look for ways to change the situation.

Your mind is alert and receptive to a multitude of impressions from other people and the mass of information received during daily life. Yet, due to distracted fluctuations in attention span, you may find that focus and concentration becomes difficult to maintain.

Changeability is likely, often displayed as indecision and regular shifts of mind and emotions. Your mutable nature sometimes appears to reflect various personality

types which are temporarily adopted to deal with others.

You find choice-evaluation difficult, seeing the virtues of different decisions and actions, recognizing that, from each perspective, each option may present a valid position. This inhibits your decision-making ability, making you afraid that, by choosing either position, you will lose the value of the other decision. Personal decisions are hard to make; and when having to evaluate others' viewpoints, you often take the easier way out, which is to agree with whoever presents the most persuasive and powerful argument. The danger with this is that you may devalue your opinions, beliefs, values, and feelings.

You find it hard to discriminate between different options, and resist giving commitments, because you recognize that you change your mind too often. Refusing to make responsible choices, you try to be agreeable to all. It may even seem that you agree with another's views when in his or her company, only to change again, chameleon-like, when with others. This may increase social acceptability, but can damage your integrity.

The Sagittarius North Node indicates the need for a unifying philosophy that becomes a life foundation. You require a belief or purpose that offers meaning and direction, rather than simply being swayed by the winds of superficiality, diversity, and mutability.

This becomes the issue of purposeful direction. You will probably be at least in your late twenties before you accept the necessity for a self-chosen direction; and then you will start looking for signposts; these guiding indications may come from an influential older person, either personally or indirectly, or perhaps as a 'teaching'.

One important step is to reduce your reflective tendency by determining your own attitudes and feelings, irrespective of whether this pleases others. Agreeing with all sides, or agreeing with none, leaves you nowhere, and you should find your own light. Changing this behavior pattern may not be easy, but you will benefit from becoming yourself. As you feel free to express your nature, you will have a growing feeling of joy and vitality, and will discover the liberation of being natural and real without any compulsion to agree with others. Take tentative steps to release the past and to enter the present and future as yourself, because you have much promise and much to offer. Then you will realize that, while a coin has two sides, it is just one coin, and that, while life has a multitude of faces, it is just one life.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

The mutable Fire sign, Sagittarius, and the cardinal Earth sign, Capricorn, are the two individual signs that promote the expression and the maturation of the individual personality. In Sagittarius, we always strive hard for mental autonomy. Sagittarians have an independent outlook. They want to work out their own ideas and philosophy, and to have these under their own control. With the Node in Sagittarius, the task is to develop this mental autonomy. One's thoughts should be fostered so as to produce clear-cut opinions of one's own and independence of the opinions of others.

This placement of the node is quite likely to occur when the chart indicates that the native is very much inclined to fall in line with the opinions of others. In which case, its message is: 'You must think for yourself and form your own views'. This Node is an antidote to mental laziness.

With the Sagittarian Node, we have to answer for our opinions, which may not suit us at all, because we like to think that they are beyond criticism. In hard aspects of the

Node, there is often a tendency to be dogmatic and fanatical.

In the Fire sign Sagittarius, self-confidence becomes important again. The preceding Fire signs, Aries and Leo, are brimming with self-confidence. However, matters are not quite so simple for Sagittarius, which has to prove, by its spiritual autonomy, that it has the right to stand up and be heard.

Natal North Node in Capricorn / South in Cancer

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Capricorn gives prudence, much reflectiveness, and even disposition inclined to sadness, love of solitude, but withal shrewdness and diplomacy. The disposition is more reflective than melancholy. This position may bring stability to the worldly position, but seldom gives wealth, which, moreover, the native does not desire, as he is not very ambitious. There is likelihood of gains through house property. The Dragon's Head in Capricorn gives robust health and physical resilience; and if the Lord of Life is free from affliction, is a sure sign of longevity.

The Dragon's Tail in Cancer always gives fickleness in love; it is a sign of infidelity, and often shows a risk of separation after scandal. The position of the native or of those around him is not clearly defined; he is surrounded by many secret or mysterious circumstances. This position may cause an accident, or danger while travelling. It entails liver or stomach disorders. All this is mitigated by a good aspect of Venus or Jupiter.

A bad aspect of Mars to the Dragon's Tail may cause a wound, and is often a sign of haemorrhage. With an unfortunate position of the Moon, and with Cancer in the sixth house, there is serious risk of lung trouble - tuberculosis or, at all events, bronchial disorders.

The Dragon's Tail (as well as the Dragon's Head) must be carefully studied when it occurs in the Moon's domicile, and especially in regard to this planet and the aspects which it may receive from the malefics. If the Moon is in Cancer in conjunction with the Dragon's Tail, misfortunes will occur in connection with matters ruled by the House occupied by Cancer.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Capricorn implies that business ability and ambition would be directed toward public good, or could be so directed. Integration would come through persistent sustaining effort to climb the heights of attainment and become a redeemer for others. South Node in Cancer emphasizes acquisitiveness and self-centeredness; a carry-over of selfishness that must be overcome by caring for others and developing the nurturing qualities.

(Martin Schulman)

This individual is learning how to achieve maturity. In past incarnations he had a tendency to look at life through rose-colored glasses, seeing only what he wanted to see with a definite conviction that everything else didn't exist.

Now there is still much of the 'baby' left in his Cancer South Node. He is so used to going through his prior lives on crutches, wrestling with his dependencies while seeking bannisters to lean on, that his current life is the resultant shambles of

escapist, childlike habits which keep impeding his growth.

Truly, this is the personal infant, desiring at all costs to maintain his role as the focus of parental attention. In areas of problem solving, he would rather have his parents do it. Everybody he meets and knows, be it friend, business associate or marriage partner, automatically becomes the symbolic parent to pick up the pieces of his misery, protecting him from being hit by the falling sky which he has created. He creates his own self-inflicted illnesses if they bring with them the slightest hint of gaining love and affection.

Constantly practising at becoming an adult, he never seems quite ready or willing to make the transition fully. Somehow he keeps feeling he needs much more practice first.

All he does in this life is based on his soul memory of sensitive past-life feelings which still are shattered by the slightest rejection.

Many individuals with these Nodes are strongly wrapped up in the business of their country. They personalize government, for to them it is still part, in a larger sense, of their own Cancerian family.

Underneath all else, there are unusually strong feelings of patriotism and loyalty.

Many with these Nodes focus a good part of their strength and attention on younger people.

They like to listen to the trials and tribulations of others; but not being quick problem solvers themselves, they have a tendency to hold everything inside them. As the weight of problems increases, like collecting layers, they seem to age in spite of themselves.

The most difficult karmic problem of the Cancer South Node is learning how to let go. The individual brings with him into this life such strong inner fears of ever losing or forgetting anything that he keeps making extra special efforts to retain all he has ever gone through. As such, he makes himself the 'psychic grabage pail' of the past. Constantly he is thinking about his present in terms of what he should have done years ago - or 'lives ago'. He often can be seen sorting through old photographs hoping to create his future out of fragments of his past.

At times he is extremely draining, using whatever is done for him as a springboard to ask for more. He tries other people's patience with all of his emotional problems, and long after the solutions are given to him he refuses to see logic through his cloud of emotion. He is not so much interested in finding out why something went wrong as he is seeking the lost feeling to be returned.

Endings are especially difficult for him to deal with. The word 'good-bye' has never been a part of his vocabulary, for he has always tried to preserve all relationships as long as possible. His behavior in regard to objects is no different, since he tends to form permanent attachments to the nostalgic memories they carry with them.

The major karmic lesson in the Capricorn North Node is to identify with an ideal bigger than the personal life. The individual must ultimately come to stand for something, in spite of all his real or imagined personal difficulties. He must understand true responsibility.

Many with these Nodes eventually become self-appointed hallmarks of tradition. They

would rather die than have an outsider know any part of their personal life which contradicts the principle for which they have chosen to stand.

Through the North Node, an image which others can look up to and model their lives after is established. At times personal difficulties deplete him of the strength to hold up this image, and yet hold it up he must, even if it means sacrificing his entire life. In most of his endeavors he is capable of becoming a methodical and cautious planner once he learns to overcome his past-life tendency to overreact emotionally.

In the charts of females, these Nodes represent an unusually strong search for a father figure. In males, there is a strong consciousness of the need to fulfill the father role.

The most important things about the Capricorn North Node is that it represents the point through which the individual will meet his karmic mission. For this reason alone, many with these nodes tend to be reluctant to accept the full concept of adulthood. They would prefer to remain in an immature state for as long as possible, for they sense a type of judgement awaiting them. Much like the condemned man desiring one stay of execution after another, they seek to hide behind others, constantly pushing themselves further and further to the back of the line so as to avoid meeting the effects of all they have created. This is the reason why many of them have great difficulty in accepting their own chronological age. While they admit to their age openly, they try not to live it.

There is much past-life residue of immaturity. The soul has become fixated at one point in early growth. Now there is great difficulty passing that point. Still, it will be passed, if the individual is ultimately to stand for something.

The zodiacal sign of Capricorn is the gateway through which the soul must go upon leaving the physical body, and in this most occult of signs it will stand for inspection before the Judges at these Gates. While this may not be the last incarnation on Earth, it will most definitely by house position receive karmic judgement in one area of the life. The individual with these Cancer-Capricorn Nodes will flounder half his life in helpless abandon and then one day resign himself to stand up to the saying, "Tis a far, far better thing I do than I have ever done before'.

The house position of the South Node indicates the area in which the karmic residue of immaturity seeps into the current life. The house position of the North Node shows the ways in which the individual can now enter responsible adulthood by aligning his life with the principles of honor, respect and tradition.

As soon as he learns how to do this, he is destined for a life of splendid accomplishment.

(Donna van Toen)

You should take steps towards a career (or honors or increased self-esteem). Your Cancer South Node may reply 'Yeah, but what would my kids (or parents or boss) do without me?'

Your Problem is that you have adopted real or imagined responsibilities to others that are keeping you from becoming all that you can become.

Possible reasons: Fear of public exposure. Lack of planning. A feeling that you're unworthy in some way. Refusal to let others lead their own lives.

Possible solutions: Take cautious steps towards the careers, honors, or recognition you want. Examine your needs and responsibilities honestly, and take necessary steps to balance them. Get a divorce. Commit suicide (Apolo's note - don't do it: the author was being teasingly sarcastic here). Study the lives and actions of others who have done what you want to do, and pattern your life after theirs if at all possible.

Cancer South Node tends towards deeply-rooted compulsive behavior patterns which allow him or her to justify failures. Justification of this sort is a form of dishonesty. This prevents the development of Capricorn North Node's considerable untapped potential for self-esteem. It also prevents the formation of deep relationships, since if you're not honest with yourself you can't possibly be honest with others. Cancer South Node easily becomes bogged down in dependency on those who need him or her until personal discontent forces development of Capricorn's North Node potential.

Some typical manifestaions of an over-developed Cancer South Node are: An overall lack of success in life; hypersensitivity and sloppy sentimentality; fear of authority figures; childishness; lack of emotional self-control; lack of self-confidence; snobbishness alternating with blind acceptance of others; self-pity; excessive complaining; and a craving for emotional attention.

North Node in Capricorn tends to dream very traditional dreams. He or she wants to be a law-maker, a policy-maker, an organizer, an Einstein, or at least a manager. He or she wants to be known for objectivity, prudence, and good leadership ability. He or she wants to stand out against the backdrop of ordinary workers as someone who knows where he or she is going and is getting there. In contrast, this is an emotional, rather touchy person. He or she is fond of comfort and reluctant to make changes. The need for emotional security dominates the need for dream fulfillment to the point where changes in residence, job situation, public notice, or whatever become extremely upsetting, even if these changes herald better things.

Antidotes for Capricorn Imbalance: Mathematical work can be an excellent antidote. To a lesser extent, astrology and numerology can be helpful. The client must be encouraged to take responsibility for his or her own life rather than blaming parents, superiors, or others for his or her problems. Boating and water sports can sometimes be beneficial antidotes. Leadership roles should be taken where possible. Those that provide titles (chairperson, president, etc.) are especially good for enhancing self-esteem, which is usually lacking. Activities that stress discipline and strategy are particularly good. Among these would be chess, yoga, National Guards, etc.. The need for security must be fulfilled.

Occasionally the client will have no ambition to do anything about the imbalance, in spite of complaints about the quality of life. These imbalances seem to be particularly fond of illogical 'Yeah, but...' dialogues. In cases where the client insists that you must 'solve' his or her problem single-handedly, you can do very little but stress the fact that astrology teaches self-responsibility, and suggest that the client come back when he or she is ready to accept this tenet or find another astrologer. Psychological counselling might also be recommended; this should be of a type that stresses a 'here-and-now' approach.

Natal North Node in Aquarius / South in Leo

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Aquarius is fortunate for the native from the moral and emotional standpoint. He is benevolent, faithful and sincere, and will be fortunate in his affections. Many friends will try to help him, and he may expect to progress. He may take up politics, or become the leader of a school, or the head of an association.

This position mitigates the evil influence which other planetary aspects may exert over marriage and the stability of wedlock. In the third decanate of Aquarius, especially, the lofty and noble sentiments of the native will procure for him universal esteem and love.

The Dragon's Tail in Leo gives rashness and fighting proclivities which may often bring trouble. The native is, however, endowed with courage, and will know how to defend himself; he is noble-hearted, and, though quick-tempered, not vindictive.

Worries and troubles may be caused through gossip and over-readiness to confide his plans, so that others may take advantage of them. There is also an instinctive tendency to meddle with other people's affairs, and over-confidence, which lead to difficulties.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Aquarius shows the path of spiritual progress is the pathway of service to the group, through an understanding of the unity of all life. Field of activity should be one that affects society and not an individual. Science, medicine, research and philosophical or educational fields would be the avenues that could be used magnificently.

South Node in Leo is the indication that the person misused his power and developed far too much ego in the past. This time there must be concern for others instead of a concern for self-aggrandizement.

(Martin Schulman)

These Nodes represent the struggle between the personal life and an impersonal dedication to humanity. The Leo South Node symbolizes prior lives where much revolved around the self. The North Node in Aquarius points to a future of service for mankind, where the individual will assume the role of the 'waterbearer', so that he may be an instrument in the crusade for world evolution. Before he can do this, the enormous power of the Leo South Node must be dealt with.

From past incarnations, he has a tendency to look down on other people and to be condescending of their thoughts and ideas. There is an intense pride which leads him toward name-dropping, as well as designing his life so that he is seen and known to be in the company of special people. He separates between royalty and the common man, setting himself or others close to him on pedestals. Seeing himself as the central point of the universe, he views his powerful will as the means of obtaining his ends, rather than adjusting to a fair acceptance of life.

His karma now is to learn how to walk lightly, without leaving footsteps, for in essence he is the ruler making ready to abdicate his throne.

Constantly his past-life ego rears its ugly head, preventing him from achieving the

very happiness he seeks.

These Nodes cause great difficulties in marriage for the individual experiences a strong tendency to dominate those close to him. When he can't do this, he becomes a complete hermit, freeing himself of all responsibility out of sheer disgust.

While he asks others for advice, he still must do things his own way.

His biggest conflicts center around what is artificial and what is real. There is so much martyr-like romanticism in his Leo South Node that he finds it easy to slip into the role of Don Quixote chasing windmills!

He must learn how to shed masks, ultimately discovering that ego-centered displays of dignity are coming from past-life habits and do very little now toward bringing him any lasting happiness.

For those whom he does hold near and dear, he is highly protective; and yet he has a strange tendency to wander, finding on his journeys many of the waifs and strays of society. In these outermost regions where society overlooks its existential possibilities, he discovers new horizons to explore and conquer.

He is destined to spend part of his life alone, for his unique character is too overbearing to be readily acceptable by most people. Although he enjoys having others recognize and applaud his grandiose achievements, he cannot stoop to chase people. His soul remembers a sense of pride which now forbids him to compromise his dignity.

If given the right cause, he will sacrifice his entire life for it. It is not the sympathy of others that interests him so much as their admiration for his glorious deeds.

He is repulsed by mediocrity, seeing it as a threat to his ever-present drive to reach the top, to burst the bubble, to grab for the brass ring.

If he is of the negative type, he may even use people to achieve his ends. Friends, neighbors and relatives become stepping stones on the rungs of his success ladder.

Through the Aquarius North Node he learns to overcome his past-life sense of prestige, and develops the concept of Universal Brotherhood. He must ultimately come to see himself as part of a larger cosmic sphere, in which his role is to share in the burden of human evolution. He will reach his greatest happiness when he is able to set aside his own needs and substitute in their place a new humanitarian attitude toward all he sees around him.

He is to forget pride and reach for new original horizons, no matter how eccentric his ideas seem to others. Through his North Node he is given the promise of a unique adventure, through which he can make an important contribution to the progress of civilization.

The house position of the South Node indicates the area in life that is too burdened with the desire for personal achievement. The house position of the North Node shows how the individual can set himself free from the shackles of his past-life ego by realizing the mission for humanity for which he is destined to pick up his cross.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was very individualized, and he had no time for

others. Often his status in that life was pretty high, and others had great respect for his powers in the society. In this lifetime, he has to learn to mix with others at all levels, and solve their problems, whether he likes it or not. Interests and abilities regarding the occult and uncommon spectrum of knowledge are given at his disposal. His innovations and abilities to tackle situations are quite amazing. He may be considered quite uncommon by others; or his goals are at least far from normal. Others may like him for his abilities, but not necessarily what he is trying to achieve in life. Unpredictability is always on his side, though he has difficulty dealing with it in this lifetime.

(Donna van Toen)

Your lovers should also be friends. Your Leo South Node may reply: 'Yeah, but that's not romantic'.

Your problem is a lack of detachment.

Possible reasons: An excessive craving for warmth. A tendency to close your eyes to unpleasant truths. Misuse of power potential. A tendency to attach strings to any help you give. Self-concern blinds you to other people's needs. Or maybe you use romantic courtship rituals as a means of postponing having to display the real you.

Possible solutions: Give of yourself without demanding anything in return. Channel your imagination into beneficial group activities, reform work, etc.. Display the courage of your convictions. Worry excessively about the impression you make.

Leo South Node craves involvement - in fun, in creative projects, in love, whatever. But without your developing the Aquarius North Node's potential for detachment, the end result is quantity without quality. Leo South Node finds it virtually impossible to come into contact with another person without getting involved. Since these involvements tend to be made in the heat of the moment, however, they often prove unfulfilling in the long-run. The solution is to develop the Aquarius North Node's detachment, rationality and independence.

Some typical indications of an over-balanced Leo South Node are: exaggeration; a need to be the center of attention; many acquaintances, few real friends; a tendency to show off his or her body or wardrobe; a 'what will people think?' approach to things; dependency on others to reinforce confidence; smugness; a belief that some people are just plain inferior, no matter what they do; much artsy dabbling; a theatrical or melodramatic type of self-projection.

North Node in Aquarius dreams of freedom, of transcending the limitations of his or her structure environment and being able to do whatever he or she wants without interference. He or she might dream of self-employment in a career in science, teaching, or some other humanitarian field. This person dreams of the day when he or she can be independent of others except on his or her terms. In contrast, this person is inclined to be rather star-struck or at least in awe of authority figures. At the same time, he or she has very definite opinions which are swayed only on the basis of irrevocable evidence that they're wrong. This person is outgoing and inclined to get out and socialize as much as possible. The needs for independence conflict, and often sabotage each end of the nodal need scale. Only when the needs are reconciled will fulfillment be found.

Antidote for Aquarius Imbalance: Any type of scientific study for which the client

shows aptitude would be a good antidote. Public speaking should be encouraged, with history, literature, art, and opinion being good areas to explore. Writing is an excellent antidote, with the areas of law, cultures and astrology being ideal if there's aptitude in this direction. Poetry is also a good choice. Music - both playing and listening - can be very helpful. Naturally, astrology will come to your mind as an antidote. It can be a good one provided the client has the aptitude and motivation necessary for its proper use. Independence should be encouraged.

These clients must be made aware of the potentials into which they were born, since many are inclined to feel they have only one talent, and can become very discouraged if circumstances close doors or block paths in that direction. Fixity must be dealt with positively. The client must be made aware of his or her untapped originality and be encouraged to use it

(Haydn Paul)

You may need to move away from self-preoccupation toward a greater social connectedness and contribution. You may see yourself as 'the center of the universe', with everything revolving around you as the 'sun', so this challenging attitude shift can be difficult. Your egocentric nature may need transforming. You may need to break down superiority attitudes and hidden assumptions that, by 'feeling special', your ideas, opinions, and beliefs are more correct than those of others.

You may enjoy public recognition and attention, even if this simply involves being in the company of people who have celebrity and fame, as this reinforces your belief in being special. Eventually, self-imposed masks of pride and dignity may become restrictive for you, obstructing the experience of feelings of connectedness with life. You may, however, prefer to direct willpower to achieve desires and ambitions for self-gratification and personal advantage alone. The South Node's house position will indicate the likely nature of personal desires and endeavors.

Self-assertion comes naturally, but you may create problems in relationships by being overly dominating. Unless your assertiveness can be matched by an equally strong partner whom you learn to respect, conflict will occur. This could come from attempting to impose your will. If this becomes excessive, a fragmenting of your partner's individuality could occur, which may force him or her either to submit passively or to leave the relationship in order to reconnect to him- or herself. This dominating energy may not be expressed in a deliberately conscious manner by you, but may be 'received' by a partner through psychological transfer in a purely subjective manner. Pay attention to your influence; note also those times when your will is resisted by others or by circumstances; and observe how your reaction is rarely graceful in defeat. You will probably brood in resentment and wonder why your 'magical will' failed to work.

Discover your essential life values, so that you stop wasting energy in futile directions, and apply it instead toward whatever offers personal meaning and benefits others too. Sometimes you may chase romantic dreams, but recognizing what is important must be your first priority. Once you know what is personally important, this insight can serve as a guide. To reach this stage, though, may require confronting experiences that starkly reveal the consequences of previous unsatisfactory choices, unclear values, and uncertain directions.

A fundamental conflict can arise between pursuing personal desires and the contribution you could make to help create a more caring and humanitarian society. This is the Aquarius pull, encouraging you to join the worldwide work by using your talents and energies to benefit others, rather than just for personal aims. Once you

succeed in releasing whatever is personally unessential and limiting, and manage to refocus your attitudes, opportunity exists for freedom to explore new horizons. This is the real direction which can satisfy your need to feel 'special', as you are suited to exploring the uncharted lands of the future.

The image of a 'pathfinder' is appropriate and indicates your intended way. You need to find the cause which inwardly summons you to follow the Aquarian impulse, because this gives life meaning and purpose, much more so than just chasing desires. This cause will reflect the vision of a new society based upon universal brotherhood, and you can contribute to his. Your main task is to share in the group work. Aquarius promises you a special adventure, and this challenges your will and belief in being special. The Aquarian path is quite capable of satisfying your ambitious drives and making full use of your potential and resources, yet it will also be a uniquely personal experience.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

In the fixed Air sign, Aquarius, we are once more concerned with the establishment and maintenance of a position in life. In Aquarius, conscious attitudes in thought, ethics, and philosophy, come to the fore. Primary importance is attached to the rule of reason; practical living is secondary.

Aquarians know something about everything, and revel in logical argument, in which a certain proposition may be deduced from given premises. In other words, they have a strong urge to view the world rationally and to work out a system by which things can be reshaped in everyday life. They tend to build castles in the air. If the Node receives an inconjunct, for instance, Utopian plans are laid without reference to what may reasonably be achieved.

At their best, Aquarians strive to think clearly in order to see the world as it is. Because the Aquarian mind is mostly occupied with this world and with the social order, it looks for an unambiguous, usable form of ethics that offers solutions for contemporary problems. In that respect, Aquarius is like the previous fixed sign, Scorpio. The natives of both these signs are interested in creating an ideal system.

Now, in striving for a perfect social order, the first task is to keep order inside one's own head. With the Aquarian Node, the feelings often intervene and muddle the thoughts to some extent. Therefore order must first be established in the conscious mind, in the personal world of thought, before any crusading is done in the big world outside.

In the extreme case, there is a proneness to be dogmatic, and to admonish all and sundry who do not share one's ideals. This power-play is reminiscent of Leo; and, of course, the Descending Node is in Leo at the opposite pole of the axis.

Natal North Node in Pisces / South in Virgo

(Georges Muchery)

The Dragon's Head in Pisces gives vitality, and is a fortunate position for the children, especially when it is situated in the Fifth or Eleventh House. It is not, however, a guarantee of fidelity. Nevertheless, in spite of deceit, the home will remain stable, as the native possesses the family instinct. The Dragon's Head in Pisces helps in unexpected acquisition, especially from foreigners. It is also a sure sign of long journeys undertaken when least expected.

The Dragon's Tail in Virgo is not favourable for things of the mind. It makes the native materialistic and unappreciative of beauty. He is inclined to analysis, which makes him judge everything according to its pecuniary value; everything is considered in terms of money; he may marry well, but it can hardly be other than a marriage of convenience. Progress will be difficult.

(Isabel Hickey)

North Node in Pisces implies the complete relinquishment of the self in service to others. Passion would become dispassion without losing compassion.

South Node in Virgo shows the qualities of criticism and passing judgement must be left behind. They have been the cause of self-undoing in the past, and are still hidden in the subconscious motivations and need clearing.

(Martin Schulman)

In the realm of consciousness, this is the hardest Nodal position to deal with. Here, as a result of many lifetimes, the individual starts to realize his own rigidity. He is aware of his patterns and how much they hurt him; yet he finds them difficult to let go of. In prior lives, he lived in the consciousness of a finite universe where all was well-structured. Now he is confronted with the realization that truth extends beyond what his finite senses can measure or even perceive.

He is unavoidably confronted with situations, circumstances and events which force him to relinquish his hold on the physical plane. Nevertheless, he still tries to live like the salmon - swimming against the current, regardless of the direction of nature's forces.

He still seeks order. In fact, his need for strict regimentation is so strong that he develops medical troubles in the center of the body from personalizing a stiffness that increases tension on the inner organs. Constantly he suppresses desire for the sake of doing what seems proper, for he would like to maintain an image of respectability.

In past incarnations, he built his understanding on fact, not hearsay. Now he accepts only what comes from the 'highest authority'.

He seeks ways to rid himself of the nervous irritability which keeps overcoming him, and yet he puts stipulations on the cure.

He must learn how to immerse himself in the waters of Cosmic Consciousness, and in this baptism of thought he can truly experience a new birth. Before he can do this, however, he must first overcome his karmic fear of living in a contaminated world.

He comes into this life believing that the world is filled with danger, and therefore constantly questions the credentials of the people and conditions he considers allowing into his life. Everything foreign to the self represents the threat of disease, and it is because of such thinking that from time to time disease actually occurs.

For many with these Nodes there is strong residue of sexual problems left over from former incarnations. Either a deprivation of the sexual experience, or a strong determination to avoid emotional hurt through it, leads them to seek a better understanding in the current life. Some are confirmed Puritans, while others are capable of being physically responsive and emotionally cold at the same time.

The mind is so analytical that life can easily slip into the manipulation of a chess

game. This individual has a sharp eye for detail and never overlooks the obvious. He is an expert at solving puzzles, willing to spend many hours tediously groping for the tiniest answer; but he can get so involved with whatever he is doing that he often loses perspective. His past-life discriminating tendencies often lead him now to pick apart what should be left together. Thus, although he is capable of immense clarity of thought, he does not experience complete peace of mind.

Through the Pisces North Node, he must learn Faith. When he stops separating the world into neat little compartments, he will get his first glimpses of Universal Consciousness. Ultimately he is to achieve the understanding that all is one, and one is all. Before this happens, he must learn how to stop seeing himself as separate from the rest of the world.

He will go through experiences which force him to grow more compassionate.

As he starts to find his well-laid plans dissolving to nothing, he begins to see others in a different light. Ultimately he symbolically goes through the pain of the entire universe so that he can strengthen his Divine Love to the point that he absolutely refuses to pass judgement on others.

He makes much progress by acquainting himself with the spiritual way of life. His growth extends as far as his arms can reach. While the arm of the past still clutches at his self-imposed restrictions, the arm of his future is grasping for the higher alternative. It is only his failure to let go completely that prevents him from achieving the perfect transition into the full state of higher mind. Yet, he does reach the point that he occasionally sees it.

From time to time his remarkable intuition reveals to him the mysterious essence of life; yet the past incarnation memories of his Virgoan practicality cause doubt at every point. And so, half way between one world and another, these mutable Nodes are in a constant state of change.

Arriving at his destination but not sure that he is there, he keeps going back to start his journey again. Each time, he reaches one step more into the infinite, where ultimately he will dissolve the shackles of his rigidly formed past and be born again as true Spirit.

The house position of the South Node indicates the area of life that is still too rigidly embedded in a personally overstructured idea. The house position of the North Node shows how the soul can renounce its grip on all rigid definition of form and structure so that it can be free to swim in the Ocean of God.

(Mohan Koparkar)

Previous incarnation for this person was spent in substantial discriminating condition. He was very methodical, and detail-oriented to a point of extreme. Instincts would not even get close to him at that time. In this life, he is full of instincts and 'feelings'. He wants to get away from materialism and practicality. He is searching the universe through his sensitivity; and if he feels right, he acts accordingly. His decision may not be logical on the surface, but he does not care in that respect. His judgements may not have proper reasoning but they do work right for him. Dealing with people and their emotions is important for him, as he likes the exchange of feelings in that material world to keep him happy. His use of imagination and unusual ideology is really amazing.

(Donna van Toen)

You must learn to sacrifice, give in, or give up. Your Virgo South Node may reply 'Yeah, but I have too much invested'.

Your problem is lack of understanding of need priorities.

Possible reasons: Excessive stubbornness. Fear of being taken advantage of. Self-destructive tendencies. Refusal to face the fact that some problems are difficult to solve totally. An excessively critical environment makes it hard to admit defeat. Guilt over past wrong-doing or failures.

Possible solutions: Learn to relax. Temper your analytic tendencies with compassion for yourself and others. Judge people and things by their usefulness and set your priorities accordingly.

Virgo South Node often doesn't enjoy his or her own company. This naturally affects his or her ability to enjoy relationships, since the self is always present. Virgo South Node doesn't feel human; he or she operates like a well-run machine. Not all Virgo South Nodes are workaholics, but I've seen enough instances to believe that this is one of the more typical results of nodal imbalance for this polarity. Another is an involvement in unsatisfying or destructive relationships, since often the Virgo South Node is so terrified of being alone that any relationship is better than no relationship. By tapping the hidden strength of Pisces North Node, the individual can get in touch with his or her basic humanness. Only then can he or she come to terms with his or her needs and alleviate his or her dissatisfaction.

Some signs of an over-developed South Node in Virgo are: bigotry; refusal to settle for anything less than perfect; a feeling of being 'different'; a tendency to test others mentally; a 'let me do it for you' approach; shyness; jealousy; a tendency to be critical of others' grooming, clothing or abilities in general; pettiness; and insecurity - building oneself up by knocking others down openly or through back-stabbing.

North Node in Pisces dreams of being left alone. He or she wants to be separated from the mass of average people so that he or she will be free to meditate or contemplate the mysteries of life. Note that they want to initiate this separation themselves; if rejection brings separation, he or she will feel trauma rather than satisfaction. This person is inhibited or shy, and sometimes inclined to repress the emotions, which may be extremely difficult to express. Fussiness or quibbling supplants the desired meditation and thwarts the dream.

Antidotes for Pisces imbalance: Psychodrama can be a useful tool in unlocking nodal potential. Education in keeping with the client's aptitudes is recommended, with literature, geography and medicine being ideal choices where aptitude permits. Fishing and other water sports often prove beneficial. Public speaking should be encouraged. If aptitude is shown, magic or creating illusions, painting, sculpture, boating or water sports could be a good topic. Writing is also good particularly in the areas of astronomy, myths or legends, poetry, instructional material, nurturing themes, and medicine. Hypnotism might be another good choice if the client can gain sufficient knowledge in this field.

Unless the overall tone of the chart is contradictory, the client should be discouraged from entering any profession where the overall emphasis is on strict discipline or nit-picking, since this would reinforce the very tendencies that need to be softened or balanced. Discipline can be given a bit more emphasis if the client is operating in an

entertainment capacity. Some good career choices would be: sales, cooking, acrobatics, gymnastics, detective work, painting and design. Generally, the clients I've met with these types of imbalance have been hard workers - close to workaholics in some cases. Usually they need relaxation more than work motivation. If the client is in a high-pressure job or required to work long hours, it's important that the antidote be something that's done for the love of it and is conducive to relaxation. Religious and spiritual activities often prove to be helpful antidotes. Many clients who remain unmoved by other options will be drawn to these..

MOON'S NODES BY HOUSE

Natal North Node in 1st House / South in 7th

(Georges Muchery)

The Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) in the First House is good for the native; it brings him a measure of support which will enable him to succeed in life. It is also a sign of wealth from the intellectual standpoint: a practical imagination, an inventive and fruitful mind. This position is good for the health.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail), being in the Seventh House, signifies worries and troubles regarding partners. It often indicates a very material union, so that if the planets are well-placed in the Horoscope this position will be fortunate for money and material things, but where marriage is concerned, not for the emotions.

(Isabel Hickey)

Person must develop his own initiative and his own personal power. Has relied too much on other people in the past, and has been dependent on or dominated by others. Now he must hew and carve out his own destiny. Through his own efforts and his own actions, he will gain the confidence and self-reliance he needs.

(Bernice Grebner)

This person tends to learn to do things for himself, to rely on his own initiative. Life seems to force him constantly into situations where he will have to act under his own volition. He should develop a personality that the public identifies as being individual; and he needs to take a personal stand on things. North Node in the first is forced constantly to project himself, depending upon the sign position. The sign would indicate the reason for the projection of self. He will need to accomplish things through the power of his personality, and to develop self-sufficiency.

South Node in the seventh is self-abnegation. There is danger here that the individual will try to indulge in all kinds of relationships. His partnerships can become so involved that he may lose his individuality in other. This gives the probability that the person will marry successfully later in life. There is always a secret fear of losing the marriage partner. It gives innate knowledge and talent of how to be a good partner. Along with this comes dissatisfaction because of the South Node person's overly idealistic image of a partner. Marriage in this ideal sense may be tried many times and many times denied. He is not rational where partnerships are concerned, especially when South Node is in the sign of Libra. South Node in Scorpio in the seventh is troubled with sexual idealism and / or the partner's financial status. The person is capable of counselling others despite his own personal problems, or more probably because of them.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition signifies that the personal values are more important than general public or partnership(s). Individuality is self-propelled; and this person may or may not take heavy partnership responsibility. In reality, the partnership activities are often a drag for them in many ways, but they have to learn to cope with that. Strong aggressive tendencies are displayed, and the personality can be action-oriented. Other people or partnerships become a medium of learning experiences with or without choice. In their recent past life, they have been too much marriage-oriented or in deeper public involvement.

(Martin Schulman)

This individual is here to go through experiences which challenge the self. In former incarnations, he fell into the trap of depending upon undependable people.

Spending too much time trying to help others understand themselves, he never stopped to reflect on how their same situations and circumstances played an important role in his own identity. As a result of putting the accent outside the self, it now becomes difficult for him to see who he really is. This is particularly strong if Neptune is found near the Ascendant.

These Nodes indicate past incarnations in which the individual submerged his identity in the affairs of others. Marriage and partnerships are so deeply rooted in his way of doing things that his quest of self is constantly viewed through other people's eyes. He therefore allows their thoughts and opinions of him to influence his own sense of identity.

Ultimately he must come out of the bondage of trying to be all things to all people, and, in the light of his own singular vibration, establish who he really is. He must escape from living in the shadow of other people's lives.

His soul memories of co-operation and teamwork are so strong that every time he falls back on them, he actually extinguishes himself in the causes of others.

His first house North Node now brings to him the awareness that somehow he has lost his identity. Submerged in the desire to please, he has made himself a reflection of an ideal peculiarly opposite to his own basic nature. This causes him much current-life pain as he desires to come out of himself while at the same time not inflict hurt upon those near him.

He must ultimately learn how to assume gracefully the role of leadership. This is extremely difficult, because he has had so much prior-life experience in being submissive. He has sacrificed himself so that others could achieve their goals.

All of his important experiences revolved around docile acquiescence. Now the highest growth potential is to establish a sense of self without shutting off completely the benefits of marriage and partnerships. Too often when he becomes aware of all he has sacrificed through his South Node, he becomes an extremist, feeling that one state of existence inhibits the other. He starts focusing every part of the life energy around the desire to lead rather than to be led. Through an instinctive knowledge that his Achilles heel or weak spot is in the ways that he can allow himself to be put into the position of being taken advantage of in marriage, he develops the tendency to become too over-assertive. He tries too hard to make up for what he feels he has lost.

To achieve happiness in the current life, he must learn how to balance equally his own needs with those around him. He must deliberately try not to rush his own growth and independence, with the understanding that the most beautiful flower takes time to blossom, while only the weed grows quickly!

The sign which contains the South Node indicates the ways in which the individual during former incarnations submerged himself in others. The sign which contains the North Node shows the ways in which he can now establish his own sense of identity.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Good self-projection in terms of being true to self vs. good projection in terms of appealing to others. Excessive worry about partner's well-being vs. attention to your own well-being. Self-generated vitality vs. dependency on others for stimulating vitality.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: You become dependent on the co-operation of others. You lose awareness of your own feelings about things. You lose your identity. You sacrifice yourself so that others can achieve their goals.

Possible ways to integrate North Node: Learn to accept leadership roles occasionally. Remain sensitive to your environment, but try to avoid being overly influenced by it. Travel - preferably on your own. Seek direct, honest contact with others. Seek out new experiences.

In the first house, there's a hang-up about leadership. This person is inherently strong and probably highly motivated, but often lacks moderation in his or her attempts to fulfill a leadership role. There's a fluctuation between playing the dictator - which invariably proves unsuccessful - and a strong lack of confidence in your abilities. You feel if you can't be the ultimate leader you may as well just put your life in other people's hands. Either extreme produces clashes with others, since neither the dictator nor the pawn proves to be a totally comfortable role.

A less common tendency is to not care about how you look. This person, rightly or wrongly, wants to be accepted on the basis of his or her inner qualities. However, again rightly or wrongly, in our society relationships are often initiated on the basis of an attractive appearance. For this reason, those who neglect to develop this facet of their personality quite often don't get to first base when it comes to forming relationships.

It's interesting to note that in the process of balancing the first / seventh nodal axis, the person may for a time develop an almost narcissistic preoccupation with grooming and appearance.

North Node in the first house wants to be thought of as ambitious, energetic, and lucky. In contrast, ambitions may have been thwarted by an early marriage or an unfortunate marriage that was based more on transitory romantic feelings than real love. Feelings about relationships and life in general are changeable, and often make a drain on energy, so that when opportunities arise, motivation to act on them is lacking. Sometimes there are problems from laziness or passivity.

(Haydn Paul)

Your focus for personal development will concern identity and relationship issues. You may become dependent on others and, in so doing, submerge your identity in the process, perhaps by displaying a passivity to their will, desires, and needs. You may lack self-esteem, as your self-image often reflects others' perceptions and evaluations of you. This can be misleading, perhaps creating a distorted self-perception, particularly since you allow others' views and opinions to influence your actions and behavior. Yet relationships will be important, and you can devote much time trying to satisfy these partnership needs.

You need freedom from dependency on others. Learn how to be more independent and forge a unique identity, instead of relying on others to define it for you. Through self-understanding, you can live by your own light. But, until this is achieved, you probably will remain too influenced by another's persuasion. What may occur is that, through your desire to please others, you deny and repress your own identity, needs and desires; and through misplaced self-sacrifice, lose contact with your deeper being.

While you recognize the value of relationship co-operation and harmony, being too passive and submissive to more assertive personalities becomes damaging. There are alternate ways of relating, however, which can benefit all concerned. Discovering this alternate path is your challenge. You may have to assert your needs and desires in a way which does not create conflict. Perhaps due to previously relying on others to decide actions, when you become more assertive, you encounter friction with those who have almost taken you for granted. They may find it difficult to deal with the emerging 'new you'. Such difficulties must be faced, and relationships must be rebalanced and adjusted; reverting to a submissive or passive attitude will be detrimental to inner growth.

Ideally, this developing self-expression will be balanced with an openness to experience the richness and complexity offered by relationships. Initially, this may cause relationship challenges; and your assertiveness may be inappropriate at times. Careful moderation may be necessary, especially if you suddenly act as a 'new you' overnight, or try to dominate others. You need awareness of how you are treating others as you move from a passive to an active role in your relationships. Care is required as you unfold your personality, and when harmonizing your needs with those of partners. For some, the transition could involve dissolving older relationships and later forming new ones more suitable to the old phase. Growth rarely happens overnight; it will come slowly and with considerable effort. But retain faith that your struggles will create great personal benefit and freedom. Natal North Node in 2nd House / South in 8th (1)

(Georges Muchery)

The Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) in the second house is fortunate for the native's personal worth; his business will prosper, he will accumulate wealth fairly rapidly, and many strokes of luck will urge him onward. It also favours a rich marriage for love, with an intellectual partner, of tall stature, gentle disposition and clear complexion.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the eighth house will bring trouble connected with the sense; abuse of the animal passions. It is also a sign of a peculiar death, often connected with a relative, or the marriage partner, or his (or her) parents, who may suffer from heart trouble. This position also implies trouble in connection with inheritance.

(Isabel Hickey)

Emphasis is on developing personal resources. Can attract money, and needs to do so in order to develop 'attracting' power. The ability to attract (Venus), whether it is material or spiritual, is to be built in. Reliance on other people's resources or other people's money must go.

(Bernice Grebner)

The person having the North Node in the 2nd will be faced with the problem of earning and managing his own resources. It is instructive for him to depend upon others' finances and resources. He must build his own if his destiny is to be fulfilled. This nodal position needs to develop practicality, physical endurance, and perseverance. North Node here must relate loyalty to sex, and must bring it down to earth and reality.

South Node in the eighth is secretive. There is an innate knowledge or extreme interest in sexual matters as a true regenerative force. It gives a natural talent for the occult arts. South Node in the eighth gives a desire to be supported by another, or the partner's money is extremely important to him. It gives a knowledge and talent for handling other people's money. This person needs to lose reliance on partner's finances. He is not afraid of the thought of death or dying. It gives an extreme hunger for knowledge of the hereafter, coupled with an innate wisdom of our connection with the cosmic forces. Death seems to play an important part as a rejuvenative force in his life. There is a preoccupation with his sexual knowledge and prowess. However, he is very considerate of his partner's satisfaction in sex. Both North and South Nodes in the eighth can bring fame after death, depending on aspects to the Sun and Moon.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies unusual financial activities, or abilities to deal with resources successfully or unsuccessfully in this life. They have to learn to abide by their resources rather than others' possessions. Tricky affairs with others' resources in the past life have taught them strong lessons. Thus, in this life, they try to stay away from credit matters and others' resources as much as possible. Their partner's money or possessions become a 'headache' for many of these individuals. Another significant lesson they have to learn in this life is to understand and diagnose the occult or hidden influences in their judgements and actions.

(Martin Schulman)

The individual with these Nodes spends a good amount of his current-life energies on the darker side of life. From past incarnations he has secrets which he now spends most of his time guarding carefully. His greatest difficulty is in attempting to lead a life which is beyond reproach, for his lower self is powerfully strong.

He desires light, but with every step he takes toward it the aching of his guilt-ridden subconscious blocks the road.

He has had much prior-life experience behind closed doors, where the eyes of open society failed to look. He is even accustomed to creating deceitful circumstances where there were none before.

Actually, he is testing the limits of other people's values; and while many may know him closely, none will know him well.

Inside, he is highly nervous for fear of others unlocking his secret doors; for well he knows that he is undermining nearly everything he touches. Yet he has the self-assuredness to believe that all will go well no matter where his sometimes immoral adventures continue to lead him.

Because this individual has not yet established his own sense of values, he tries desperately to study the values of others. In so doing, he inadvertently pushes others off their track and therefore can be a threat to all that others hold near and dear. In former incarnations he destroyed much of his own value systems, so now he finds it difficult to understand why others cherish the things they do. He doesn't have his own stake in this life, so with nothing to lose he feels free to claim-jump the stakes of others. Usually, this is accomplished in such subtle fashion that it is extremely difficult to recognize.

There is also strong past-life residue of sexual misuse. He has learned to think of his sexuality as his strength, using it as foothold to gain possession of others. In the female, this is the story of Delilah Mata Hari, whose unusual sexual powers lured the strongest of men from their appointed missions. In the male, much of the life energy is dissipated on sexual thoughts. He doesn't use it for power in the same sense as the female, but it is for him the reassurance that all is going well with his ego.

The interesting thing is that sex is never the end but always the means. In the give and take barter system, sexual allure or responsiveness becomes the payment in exchange for another's values.

Individuals with these Nodes become jealous easily. Constantly they wish to trade places with whoever seems to have a greater backyard; and all too often they feel the sex is a fair price to pay for all the honors they may eventually receive.

From past incarnations, this individual feels shunned by society. Now, on the outskirts of acceptance, he is like a little lost child in the winter snow, peeking into the window of a brightly lit cabin with the hope that somebody will come and let him in out of the night.

He is less than discriminating, for he desires such an immediate release from his current pain that it hardly matters to him whether he is jumping from the frying pan into the fire.

He turns to wherever solace is available, for his loyalties have not yet reached the state of evolution at which they may be considered totally trustworthy.

In his current-life childhood, he experiences fear of death, almost as if death itself would be the logical punishment for all his misdeeds in past incarnations.

He keeps feeling that he has to fight for the things he needs, for he has no sense of having yet earned them. When he falls short of reaching the brighter side of life, he secretly blames others for his misfortunes.

In a few rare cases, this individual must overcome past life criminal tendencies or residue of witchcraft. Only through a proper assessment of his second house North Node can he establish the substance that will lead to a new rebirth.

Here the memory of past lives has to be brought to the surface and then eliminated completely in this eighth house of death before the soul can progress into a new set of values.

The individual must learn to develop and build that which is sincerely meaningful to him, understanding clearly that that which is dishonorably obtained is highly difficult to preserve. He cannot expect to grow through other people's efforts, for if he wishes to cross the bridge, he must pay the toll out of his own pocket.

As soon as he grows to this realization, the lighted door cabin swings open for him - not through the goodness of others, but because he has earned it!

The sign which contains the South Node indicates the ways in which former incarnations have brought the individual to be too preoccupied with the business of others.

The sign which contains the North Node shows the ways in which he can now build a substantially new and meaningful life for himself by establishing his own value systems.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Personal worth vs. worth to others. Practicality vs. sensuality. Ability to influence others vs. ability to be influenced by others.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Extravagance. Involvement in shady dealings. Creation of false values. Lack of discrimination. Misuse of sex, occult knowledge or joint resources.

Possible ways to integrate North Node: Earn what you accept. Seek possessions for their practicality or intrinsic beauty rather than for their value as status symbols. Keep some strength in reserve for your own needs rather than using it all in pleasing others. Invest in known commodities rather than high-risk ventures. Keep spending slightly behind income.

When the North Node is in the second house, there's a hang-up about security. According to what stage of the balancing act the person is in, he or she can exhibit wild extravagance or greed and parsimony. In either case, there's an emphasis on possessions as status symbols. The actual possessions may take various forms - from ultra-expensive to the recycled bargain. In any case, they're only a symptom of the cause, which in reality is a perverted or underdeveloped spirit of enterprise. Sometimes possessions are used to assuage feelings of inadequacy caused by a constitutional weakness; otehr times they're a means of providing some measure of present security to compensate for a childhood lack. There's a strong tendency to trust to luck or be attracted to get-rich-quick schemes. Often, possessions are gained only to be lost again through extravagance or blind generosity. Sometimes there's a tendency to gamble, with disgrace or disaster ensuing.

Whtn the Node takes an avaricious form of expression, chances are that some important form of security was withheld in childhood. Clients with this placing invariably complain of some traumatic lack of privacy. Having to share a room with several siblings, having to conform to stifling regulations while in boarding school, a parent who listened in on 'phone conversations, opened mail, read diaries etc. - these are some of the most common experiences mentioned. As a result, these people have come to feel that they have nothing to truly call their own. Thus, even if they should acquire great wealth, they're afraid to give even a little for fear that others will demand more and more until once again everything they have is gone.

This last form of expression may also result from a surfeit of negative eighth house South Node experiences in the adult years.

North Node in the second house wants assurance that his or her financial needs will always be met. He or she may dream of great wealth, but more commonly just wants enough to provide the basic necessities plus an allowance for indulgence in one major luxury - expensive beauty treatments, antiques, books, or whatever. (This luxury in itself doesn't seem to have any bearing on the nodal sign; it's more often connected with a rising or otherwise predominant planet.) Peace and harmony are also important components of the dream. In contrast, this person is often subject to feelings of strangeness or bouts of moodiness that hinder harmony and successful attainment of dreams. It's interesting to note that there's often marked psychic ability that's repressed or totally denied. When this is channeled, moods often improve. In extreme cases, there's compulsiveness that can lead to underhanded methods of obtaining goals. Again, this sabotages the need for harmony.

(Haydn Paul)

You tend to protect personal secrets, perhaps associated with feelings of undefined guilt and insecurity. An example of your self-protective needs could be your tendency to weave misleading webs around yourself as a form of 'disguise', or possibly from a fear of anyone coming too close emotionally. This insecurity influences relationships, and you may fear social condemnation if your attitudes and hidden personality are exposed. These fears may be unfounded, yet they exert inner stress and pressure, shaping communication and often causing you to withdraw from more intimate contacts.

You tend to undermine things unconsciously, having an unsettling and sometimes disturbing influence on events and people, as well as on your own life. A firm stand of personal values is probably missing; and this can have a negative effect on your identity. Intentionally or not, you can challenge the values of others in a manner which weakens them, as your impact can shake their foundations. As you lack firm values, you can fail to appreciate their worth or understand how others may rely on them for support through investing in beliefs, attitudes, and ideals which provide personal meaning.

You may feel socially unacceptable, although your isolationist stance contributes to this, as do deeper insecurities. Simultaneously, however, you may want to be part of the same society which another part of you is rejecting. Pain may come from fearful feelings of social rejection. The danger is that these unresolved, wounded feelings can make you want to undermine people and society deliberately, to blame and punish them for your lack of social adaptation and integration. The feeling that you deserve more than you receive, coupled with a knowledge that you are failing to make sufficient effort, can create contradictions which generate suffering, inner discord, and dissatisfaction.

Sexuality will have a high profile, and much attention will be devoted to your adult needs. Yet attitude change may be required, especially if you prefer domination and power over others or use sexuality as a means of releasing aggressive energies. Through deeper sexual experience, a path toward enhanced harmony with others could be discovered - a path whereby relationship negativity and confusion could eventually be transformed.

You need to learn how to build foundations based on your values and worldview, on what is personally important and holds meaning and purpose. Look honestly at yourself, define these important values, and seek to apply them in daily life. Once you

learn self-respect and honor these values, you will cease to undermine those of others, and instead will respect them too. As you begin to recreate yourself, relationships will also improve and become more satisfying. You will discover a new social affinity; and through acceptance, self-rejection and disruptive pain will dissolve. You can benefit from self-directed changes along these guidelines, and they will transform your life. Human nature is more flexible and amenable to change than is often realized. Choosing to change will provide considerable insights into your nature. You could offer yourself as an example and help others by encouraging their transformation into a more meaningful life.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

Essentially, with the Moon's Node in the 2nd house, we are concerned with exploiting our capital resources. We must learn to use the possessions, capabilities, and knowledge we have acquired or partly acquired. There is no need to rely on others for their help or financial assistance. We ourselves have sufficient strength and funds to play our part in life.

The 2nd house has to do with personal possessions. It is an ownership house. The individual who has the Node in the 2nd house must use what he or she owns in order to make progress. One becomes effective only when one begins to employ one's capabilities, talents, or whatever one has - material as well as intellectual. Generosity, too, is important to cultivate, because as a rule there is a reluctance to give; or, depending on the sign, there is not enough self-knowledge and self-confidence in what one has. In which case, one must start to create this sense of security by continuing to build up one's resources.

The area of life concerned is one in which, over a fairly long period in early youth, substantial acquisitions are being made. It does not matter if these are material, intellectual, or spiritual, provided they are solid. Then comes a second period, in which these solid values are put to work. Here, too, the key question is that of generosity - of whether or not one is prepared to give. If so, the discovery is made that abundant giving yields an abundant return.

When charts have this placement, one sometimes finds a poor self-image, especially when the Node receives hard or inconjunct aspects. The native underestimates his or her personal merit, which, in the 2nd house, is judged by possessions. Consequently there can be a determination to hold on to these possessions without sharing them; also a desire to collect more. On the other hand, the native can become dependent on the wealth of others.

With the Node in the 2nd house, the vital assets are sound, but this fact is left out of account until it registers in the conscious mind. The complaint is made that one is being exploited, or that others are earning more or are better off than oneself. But when the influence of the Moon's Node enters consciousness, it brings with it a belief in one's intrinsic worth.

(James Braha)

North Node in 2nd House or Taurus

(James Braha)

If the North Node is in the second house or Taurus, the person's greatest growth, evolution and fulfillment come through appreciation and enjoyment of earthly pleasures. In past lives, the person has been preoccupied with the profundity of life,

mysticism, spiritual development, and helping others find their values and self-worth. It is not time to expand the practical side of being, and cherish God's creation to the fullest. The person should focus on wealth, comforts, the arts etc.. Collections of any kind are very much to be favored. The person must let go of patterns of detachment and indifference, and engage fully and passionately in life. Enjoyment of the physical universe is his path to happiness, spiritual integration, and higher realms of awareness.

The person should concern himself with personal security. He needs to take jobs that are steady and stable, and that allow him to cultivate a conservative, systematic manner. Endeavors involving agriculture, gardening, or archaeology will bring satisfaction and delight. The person should surround himself with beauty, and take his appearance very seriously. He must honor the qualities of patience, consistency, firmness, and determination. Above all, he must learn to acknowledge and value his own personal needs and desires. He should seek out the real and tangible, and remain somewhat sceptical of that which he cannot see, smell, hear, touch, or taste. Self-identity is extremely important during this lifetime; and the person is developing loyalty, balance, and equanimity.

Sex may be enjoyed for the sensuality and sheer pleasure of the experience, but not as a means of gaining power, indulging in passion, or losing his identity to another. Unless other aspects of the birthchart indicate otherwise, the person may have little desire for the occult or mystical side of life. He is not much concerned with psychological transformation and spiritual methods of evolutionary growth.

In Hindu astrology, the North Node in the second house and the South Node in the eighth house (or vice versa) are the most troublesome node placements. The reason is that the second house, in the ancient predictive system, is considered family life; either node there causes serious harm and suffering. Happiness in general is much disturbed, and there may be marital strife and discord. The South Node in the eighth house is good for intuition and psychic ability. Sign positions are of little significance.

Natal North Node in 3rd House / South in 9th

(Georges Muchery)

The Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) in the Third House is a sure sign of the native's good education and of his being able to live on good terms with those around him; it means harmonious relations with brothers and sisters. It procures the means of success in an intellectual occupation, especially in literature, history or geography. The native has an observant, studious and imaginative mind; ideas flow in abundance, and they are usually good and help him to progress rapidly, as much on account of his skilful management as on account of the help given by those around him. This purpose is also favorable for travelling for educational purposes.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the Ninth House denotes a practical, and often materialistic mind, which either scoffs at religion or else is very superstitious. In this House it indicates danger while travelling, trouble in connection with a journey regarding mysterious matters, or matters of which the native alone has any knowledge.

(Isabel Hickey)

The integration lies in the developing of the mental power. The ability to reason logically and the power to analyze the objective world realistically must be brought to bear on the environing conditions. The person has had blind faith and has been

religious in the past, but it has been in a non-thinking dogmatic fashion. He also has to learn to stick to routine and everyday matters and not think far away fields are greener. His pastures lie close at hand. His opportunities and challenges are in the environment close at hand. His subconscious motivations of the past will make him long for far-distant places and give him a desire to escape from the near-at-hand pressures.

(Bernice Grebner)

North Node in the 3rd makes it difficult for the person to express his deepest feelings. This must be learned by constantly exchanging ideas and feelings with others. This must be forced before he can reap fulfillment. He needs to develop the ability to share his sensory awareness in his life with those in his social environment, and needs to receive from them their awareness and impressions. He needs to relate easily to his environment and to work for the betterment of that society. The key words are communication and subjectivity.

South Node in the ninth is objectivity. This gives instinctive knowledge of philosophy, theology, and science. It gives an objective desire to study higher abstract truth. There may be many changes in religious thinking because of an inner need to seek the truth of our being. But on a lower scale this may result in a tendency to cross-examine. It promotes interest in the basic theories and concepts of religion, social ideas, and the metaphysical. The person should learn to study these subjects realistically with his intellect instead of daydreaming. South Node in the ninth, at its best, is a genius at separating fact from fancy, especially when favorably aspects to Mercury or Uranus. This position gives creative intelligence, aside from book knowledge. It also causes the person to think the grass is greener on the other side of the fence.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies unusual intellectual abilities and their use in this life. These people seem to bring vast knowledge and philosophies from previous life and utilize them on a practical level. Their communicative means are fairly strange and odd at times. Excellent relationships with brothers or sisters are noticed. They have a strange subconscious fear for foreign culture or foreign people. During this lifetime they may not achieve fame or recognition, but they will have dispersed their knowledge to many who surround them. Often one notices a hidden coldness towards their father figure in this life. Benefits from travel and short moves are often noticed in their life.

(Martin Schulman)

These Nodes represent a karma in relationships. The individual is here to learn how to fit the intertwinings of people and ideas into the scope of his understanding.

The ninth house South Node shows an accent on growth in former lives. Literally millions of hours of thought were spent on developing an abundance of wisdom. Much was sacrificed to do this, particularly the enjoyment of meaningful relationships with others. So that a large amount of soul growth could be accomplished, a freedom to explore without restriction or limitation had to be developed first.

Now in the current life the individual is habitually linked to his past incarnation sense of freedom, which although he feels he must retain, he can no longer consciously remember why.

From time to time he feels a wanderlust to visit different horizons, for somewhere off in the distance is the rainbow he is used to seeking. He is a mental nomad, constantly travelling through the great expanse of his consciousness, stopping only for rest at each oasis which offers temporary shelter from his restless urge.

Always he is seeking, yet it is difficult for him to define exactly what he is looking for. He finds others puzzling as he curiously tries to understand what makes them tick. Herein are some of his major karmic lessons. He must learn how to interact with people. Though he may be happily married or involved in close relationships, he still retains a sense of brotherhood in his thoughts. He must learn how to make his life fit into the exact puzzle slot allowed by all the other lives around him.

The ways in which he relates and communicates will constantly be put through one test after another. Ultimately he will find himself enmeshed in a network of people, so that all the knowledge he has acquired in previous lifetimes can be put to practical use.

In his current-life relationships, he feels frustrated with not enough room to move. This enclosure of people around him eventually comes to extinguish his past-life tendencies to be vague and evasive, and in its place teaches him the art of pinpoint communication.

He is very much concerned with the values of sexuality, feeling obliged to conquer any grip this force has on him. Now he sees clearly the presence of a higher and a lower self, and it is the pull from both which he must karmically wrestle out.

The individual is less concerned with gain than with protection against loss. He is terribly fearful of losing the freedom he was accustomed to in past incarnations; yet he must risk such loss if he is to interact with humanity. As soon as he is willing to take this risk, he is ready to receive his greatest rewards.

Ultimately he elevates himself through reading and purposeful study; and although he is more used to informal ways of learning, it will be a formal education that now puts it all together for him.

This Nodal position often causes a friction marriage, since the individual is prone to seeking out-of-wedlock relationships in which to work out the understanding of personality interactions that he must develop.

One of his biggest lessons is to learn how to consolidate his energies, for each time he feels the urgency to move on with things, he tends to leave loose ends scattered behind him.

His life is wide in scope, not only in areas of knowledge, but also in the myriad of people he meets, and the multitude of places he travels.

He will ultimately be known as a Messenger, bringing to all those who need it the specific bits of information that like manna from heaven are placed in their lap at the moment of hunger.

In essence, he is a teacher's teacher, for although he has little patience with a classroom situation, he is well capable of feeding information wherever and whenever it's needed. He likes doing this because it fulfills his past-life need for movement. As such, he never gets a chance to see how important the information he is disseminating actually is. Nevertheless, he has an enormous effect on the

awareness of all those whose lives he touches.

His own life is as interesting and full as an encyclopaedia, for he tries to live much of what he reads about.

For all of his movement, one would think him desirous of having a rest, but underneath he is highly nervous and needs this amount of movement in his life. The nervousness is not to be considered a negative trait, but rather as part of his mission. It reminds him that he has a task to do. Every moment, a piece of information comes into his mind, the nervousness gets triggered, reminding him that he must deliver it somewhere.

In past incarnations he avoided conclusions. Now he refuses to make a final judgement on anything. This is part of his understanding that if he were to make a final decision it would be premature for he knows that new information will constantly be coming.

He is superficially conversant in almost all areas. Still, on the personal plane he is highly misunderstood, for the messages he delivers are so uniquely disguised that they have a tendency to go over the heads of others who only see him as eternally gossiping about nothing.

The truth is that all of his words are important, but they must be seen to have deeper than surface value before they can be interpreted properly. He is truly the fast-winged messenger of the gods.

The sign which contains the South Node indicates the unintelligible ways in which the independent higher mind is accustomed to receiving its coded information. The sign which contains the North Node shows the ways in which the individual can now translate his knowledge into a language which society can understand and accept.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Good practical education vs. mind expansion. Familiar day-to-day contacts (siblings, neighbors, school chums) vs. new contacts (in-laws, foreigners, people whose experiences are different from yours). Liking for your environment vs. desire to explore new areas.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Lack of concern with education's practical application. Extensive contacts lead to loss of touch with family, old friends etc.. Adoption of a guru façade. Craving for travel causes drifting. Superficial intellectualism replaces true understanding.

Possible ways to integrate North Node: Travel, with an eye to successfully settling down somewhere. Strive to understand, and make yourself understood to siblings, close kin, etc.. Study with an eye to using your knowledge. Share your practical knowledge. Use your common sense.

In the third house, there's a hang-up about relationships. This generally stems from repressed or misdirected concentration on one area to the detriment of the other. Problems can range from fanaticism to cynicism. There's often a sense of not belonging which may lead to anything from unhealthy rivalries to bigotry to involvement in cults to extreme misanthropism. In extreme cases, there can be a turning against your own culture and absorption into a completely alien one.

North Node in the third house dreams of mental vitality and of respect in some traditional field. He or she wants to be thought of as someone worth talking to. This is a person of changing interests and philosophy who's often been strongly influenced - consciously or unconsciously - by early religious, educational, or cultural dogma. These ingrained beliefs can lead to a wasting of mental ability or less traditional but nonetheless valuable talents.

Natal North Node in 3rd House / South in 9th

(Haydn Paul)

One of your primary impulses is toward freedom, whether physical freedom and the need to travel, or a mental freedom to explore intellectually, inquire, and satisfy curiosity. You probably feel this as a restless energy, perpetually striving for release from any restrictions and breaking free from limitations. Yet this search can lack a fixed direction or purpose, and you could find it difficult to rationalize these needs for escape and change that agitate you. Likewise, others may consider your reasons and explanations unsatisfactory. You need to understand how this impulse operates and choose to control and direct its activity, or this could damage your life-style, relationships, or employment ability.

Relationships will be a major area for self-discovery. You may lack understanding of others and have problems in interaction. Even though you experience relationships, you retain the desire for freedom; how this is expressed is very important, both for you and for others. Often, you feel relationships become limiting after a while, but, as your freedom need is often selfish, you may find that a discipline of staying within the relationship and dealing with this freedom impulse could deepen self-understanding. You react against threats to this freedom; but modifying responses may enable you to enjoy other benefits. The value of good relationships is priceless. Both partners are enabled to enjoy life and develop in their unique ways. This joy could be what you lose if you decide for freedom at any cost, because it is inevitable that your solitary experience of a selfish freedom will not be at all pleasurable.

Your social friendliness and flexibility will create a variety of relationships; and this is a source of experience which aids you to attain greater understanding of others. Yet this - allied with your freedom needs - could also encourage you to enter affairs without much forethought or consideration. Surrendering to this impulse could complicate your life, leaving many issues unresolved and causing pain and confusion. Your future well-being could be affected by your pursuing the temptation of change without fulfilling obligations or responsibilities.

Knowledge is absorbed easily, accumulating a multitude of pieces of information from all sources, whether from formal study (likely to be of great value) or from people and places. Such information can be valuable to others; and you enjoy sharing it with those in need. You may fulfill a function of disseminating such 'information messages'. You may be attracted to becoming a teacher or educative communicator, preferably one who disseminates information rather than evaluates and interprets, due to a difficulty piecing together disparate pieces of information into a coherent whole. Decision-making or judgements may not be your strong point, as you continue to wait for more information which may influence your choices; often life circumstances will decide for you.

An essential lesson is to understand your freedom impulse. Learn how to express it positively within relationships, and your life will be enriched through greater harmony. Fail to apply it correctly through selfish expression, and your freedom will

lead to greater suffering for yourself and others.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

The first two houses are still very much involved with the 'I'. In the 3rd house, we enter the collective sphere, and our attitude to the group is important. In order to pick up the thoughts of the group (i.e. of those who are in my own thoughts), I must listen to, and understand, the language they are using. I must make my unconscious states of dependence conscious and, above all, I must be aware of any tendency to tell people what they want to hear.

Inherently, the collective sphere is always a problem in the horoscope, because it is too close to us. Our reactions to the group, whether in thought (3rd house) or feeling (4th house) are completely automatic; as, for example, when I say something on the spur of the moment which, although it flatters the other person, is not absolutely true. And, with the Node in the 3rd house, we need to guard our tongues, because speech is the means of communication there. At least we should go over what we have said and consider whether or not we were right to advocate it, and whether or not it is objectively true. Possibly we have agreed with someone simply to please them or to avoid an argument.

If we make it a rule to check what we say, we can come to terms fairly quickly with our Node - something that is very important when there is an opposition to the Node. Naturally, we have to talk in the same way as everybody else, but we must do so with common sense and avoid exaggeration. In other words, we must use contemporary ideas and thought structures but without discrimination. Only then can we find our true niche, and avoid being pigeon-holed. The individual has to conform within reason, but the group has no right to demand submission. On the other hand, the individual is not entitled to expect submission from the group. There is a world of difference between heedlessly allowing oneself to be controlled by others, and seeing how far one can accommodate them after making up one's own mind via the 9th house. The need to do the latter is indicated by the placement of the Node in the 3rd house.

North Node in the third house or Gemini (James Braha)

If the North Node is in the third house or Gemini, the person's greatest growth, evolution, and fulfillment come through mental expression and rational analysis of objective truth. In past lifetimes, the person may have been idealistic and emotional in his thinking. Now he must use discrimination, and focus on the facts and figures in the here and now. He should follow his instincts of avoiding dogmas, creeds, religions, and higher philosophies. The person gains little from meditation, astrology, metaphysics, and any disciplines which are not verifiable through traditional science. The person suffers when he goes by faith and intuition. He does not fare well whenever he follows blindly. He must abide by his newfound skepticism, and make his way to the truth by way of logic and reasoning.

Happiness will be found in mental professions such as teaching, lecturing, debating, and writing. The person is a good salesman. He thrives on city life, and should be as active as possible. Public relations or co-ordinating -type careers are favored. During previous incarnations, the person was sentimental, philosophical, and too taken with theories, principles, doctrines, and conjectures. Now he must plant his feet firmly on the ground and embrace the notion that 'what you see is what you get'. The person should cultivate good relations with siblings and relatives. He must work on versatility and adaptability, and try to experience as much variety and 'spice of life' as possible. The person may often find himself thrust into situations that require

great precision and attention to details.

The daily environment is important; long-distance travel is not. The person is well-advised to meet as many people as possible and continually expand his social life. He should avoid gambling or trying to predict the future, except through serious investigation and statistical research. The more he gains of useful information and practical knowledge, the happier he will be and the greater his growth and evolution. He must not allow his feelings and emotions to interfere when trying to understand an issue. The person should not concern himself with broad viewpoints, abstract ideas, fanciful inspirations, and spiritual realities. He must learn through personal experience, not gurus and mentors.

Many Western astrologers consider the North Node in Gemini to be exalted. This is interesting because, at first glance, the person appears cursed in the realms of religion, philosophy, and higher knowledge. How, then, is he to make his way to enlightenment and final liberation? It may be that the person is exceedingly blessed because he is making great evolutionary strides simply by living with physical reality. Perhaps he has had such unshakeable faith in previous lives that his only present necessity is to deal squarely with life as it is. The person feels no need whatsoever to inject meaning and significance into his existence through conceptual and philosophical beliefs. Certainly, the person with the North Node in Gemini or the third house has an easier time with practicalities than anyone else. He pays attention and quickly learns how things work here on planet Earth.

In ancient Hindu astrology, the North Node in the third house indicates an enormously strong will and an interesting personality. The person is courageous and adventurous. He works well with his hands, has intense cravings, and fulfills his desires easily. The South Node in the ninth house may indicate troubles with religious or spiritual leaders. Or the person may have a guru or mentor who is strange, weird, occultish, extremely introverted, or invisible in a way. The sign positions in Hindu astrology are much less significant.

Natal North Node in 4th House / South in 10th

(Georges Muchery)

The Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) in the fourth house gives a cheerful and happy home life, and harmonious relations with the family. The Father, or the marriage partner, occupies a prominent post. The Dragon's Head in the Nadir of Heavens is favourable for marriage, and will be a sign of happiness if the Moon is well-placed in the horoscope. It is also a sign of good heredity from the physical as well as the mental standpoint.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the tenth house may be fortunate for material things if the horoscope on the whole is good. It may, however, bring at some period in life serious worries and troubles affecting things in general - losses and damage if the Moon is afflicted.

(Isabel Hickey)

The fourth house represents the midnight or deeply hidden depth of the personality. This is why it represents the soul powers; what we are in the depths is not what we always appear to be on the surface. In the depth of oneself (home) the inner powers must be released. Not for this one the acclaim of the public and the limelight. He has had it all in the past. He gained from it the sense of power that made him feel his importance as a person. Now he must grow a soul. Through his domestic

surroundings, through a quiet withdrawal, and through the wise use of his emotions, he will find fulfillment.

(Bernice Grebner)

With the North Node in the fourth there should be a development of the domestic life. He needs to learn the art of going into seclusion. He must be alone with himself at times to develop his own depth of soul, to dig deep and get to the very roots. Possibly, he would have to learn the role of nurturing, helping another grow, as in helping to sustain life. This person would need to establish a home, to care for it and learn what it takes to do this. There may be a problem in connection with a parent, or an imbalance in his love for them - loving one more than the other - or it could give loss of one parent at an early age.

South Node in the tenth is the extrovert. With this position there is great ability to deal with the public as the person easily understands its needs. This is similar to the Moon in the tenth, but coupled with the innate genius in public affairs. He does not take time to relate on a personal basis because of an inner need for public acclaim. It also can bring disappointment and dissatisfaction with regard to his vocation, bringing in many changes. (If South Node is in Aquarius in the tenth, he can be a leader of unpopular causes.) The South Node here gives a tendency to resist control by others. At its best, the power and success attained in the world must be used to assist others. When the person is able to do this, then destiny for this person will be met. At its worst, when used for vain self-glory, he fails. Here the uppermost thought should be control of selfish desires for ambition and power.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies fairly close relationship with mother figure. At the most, the relationship with mother is closer than with father. For some reason, home or domestication is highly significant in their life. They may or may not like to be family-oriented, but that is the way their life has to be structured. Career is given a second priority in their life. Although they have strong self-displaying ego, circumstances may not give them the opportunity to be prominent in their field. The relationship with parents is that of a deep attachment; and they require a lot of effort to be free from their parental wing. Considerable sensitivity is seen in these people.

(Martin Schulman)

This individual must learn to overcome the karmic feeling that he is the vital center of all situations around him.

He comes into the current life with subconscious memories of a past sense of dignity, which leads him to believe that at least certain areas of life experience are beneath him.

His prior incarnations have put him in the position of being captain of his own ship, if not the commander of others. As a result, he is used to assuming an authoritative position whenever the weakness of others triggers his powerful need to take charge.

He enjoys the role of protector and goes to extremes in filling his life with those whose very weaknesses put them under his dominion. By so doing, he is constantly testing his own power to stand tall.

This is a lonely position, for here the individual is so concerned with his self-appointed mission that he never allows others to see into his real self underneath.

What he shows is a façade or the uniform of the role he feels obliged to play.

In the current life, he goes through experiences which teach him to come down off his skyscraper and make sure of the foundation underneath.

It is in the area of his most highly intimate relationships within his own family that the stage is set for his lifelong battle in an attempt to gain control of his own roots.

Many with these Nodes have one unusually demanding parent whose expectations encourage them to believe that they are truly destined to achieve a position of sitting on top of the world. As a result, they are discontented with whatever situation they are in, for always it falls short of what they feel they were meant to do.

The karmic lesson here is that 'A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush'. The individual must overcome his readiness to forsake what he has for the possibility of attaining what he doesn't.

So unwilling is he to see himself in a back-seat position that when circumstances force him to do so he may in extreme cases even contemplate suicide; for he firmly believes that without his achieving some great destiny, life is utterly worthless.

This incarnation brings him through the experience of facing the conflict between a career for himself and the demands of his family.

He must learn maturity, for with all his projected strength, power and dignity he is nearly a cripple when it comes to solving his own emotional problems. He must examine his roots, and, after pulling his head out of the clouds of his past, build a practical foundation for his future.

Eventually he learns that his organizing for others is merely a distraction from putting his own life in order.

The relationship established with parents early in life is more important in these Nodes than in any other position of the zodiac. Here the individual will spend much of his life energy attempting to be totally free and independent of his parents, yet always conscious of how much he needs them. Nevertheless, the reaction patterns to life continue to show a definite parental defiance, masking a strong need for parental love.

This soul is at a point in karma where he feels unappreciated for all his efforts. The past incarnation residue is based on achievement for the sake of recognition and appreciation. Now, achievement is to be its own reward. The soul must stop trying to gain audience for its deeds, realizing that an audience will always be there if the deeds are great enough. It is in this process of seeking an audience that the individual tends to lose himself. He must literally transform his fourth house into a new birth of emotional attitudes, learning the lessons that when a man stands on tiptoes he is unsteady.

His life is like the beautiful orchid: a splendid sight to behold when raised and nourished under the most delicately controlled environmental conditions; but once the orchid is prepared for display, it is snipped from its roots, insuring wilting and certain death after a short time. This individual will be faced with the choice of being the overlooked orchid growing in a garden of thousands, or sacrificing his own happiness to be the beautiful flower on someone's lapel. As soon as he overcomes his past-life need for display, he can start to grow to the maturity he is so desperately seeking.

The sign which contains the South Node indicates the ways through which he still overemphasizes his importance. The sign which contains the North Node shows how he can grow to become in substance so emotionally fulfilled that he no longer has to equate his happiness with his soul memory of prior-life personal esteem.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Pleasant home life vs. pleasant career. Worries about career vs. attention to private life. Private doubts vs. public self-esteem.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Loss of dignity. Tendency to insist on getting recognition as boss. Tendency to take on a big daddy façade (no, this isn't strictly a male trait, even if it's thought of as a male stereotype).

Possible ways to integrate North Node: Develop maturity. Use your untapped potential to strengthen your foundations. Examine your roots, upbringing and prejudices for keys to the reasons for your self-doubts. Take notice of your domestic needs.

In the fourth house, there's a hang-up about developing or growing up when the North Node is present. This can take the form of excessive self-consciousness, or it can trigger a lust for power, depending on which node is allowed to dominate. In either case, the feelings of inferiority are based on illogical feelings. These are often a result of childhood experiences. Sometimes death of a parent plays a role. Other times the parent's immaturity or lack of common sense or stability has had a negative impact.

Those people who try to fulfill their excess needs for power often complain of lack of recognition and / or sympathy from those who are in a position to offer advancement.

North Node in the fourth house wants a very loyal family and a home in which he or she will be the focal point and chief mover. Less frequently, this person dreams of developing some sort of powerful metaphysical abilities. Acknowledgement of some sort is a basic dream motif. This is a person of changing ambitions. Usually there are several career interests that are pursued in turn in an almost ruthless way. The dream of acknowledgement is often fulfilled, but the acknowledgement may not be the sort that was expected or wanted.

(Haydn Paul)

What tends to dominate is a sense of importance, authority, and decisiveness. You feel that you have a higher social standing than most, and that they should give you appropriate deference and respect. You may believe that certain tasks are 'beneath you'. You will have an aura of 'dignified aloofness' which can distance you from others.

How accurate are these feelings of importance? Or are they self-deceptive illusions? These feelings come from needing to control; and you hope to satisfy this as an authority or leader. You dislike having to adopt a follower's role or defer to another's authority, especially as this reminds you that your feelings of command could be illusions. This issue of authority needs to be confronted.

You may often assume a role of protector, attracting others who are more passive or personally weak, and who need someone to rely on. This role allows you to express leadership qualities. Yet, through identifying with this authority role, you often

manage to avoid other aspects of yourself, those which may not fit your image of leadership. The authority role, however, does offer additional challenges which help you to grow and mature. Authority implies greater responsibility, and you need to feel convinced that you have the ability to succeed.

Part of this need derives from personal insecurity, probably formed during childhood, perhaps by excessive parental expectations that encouraged a belief that you had a natural right to lead others. If these expectations fail to be met in adult life, a growing dissatisfaction develops, as life fails to match the hopes and dreams absorbed from parents.

Problems related to choices between family obligations and work may occur within your adult family, especially if you reach a senior and responsible position. You tend to be adept at organizing for others, but, in doing so, you leave less time, energy, and interest to increase your self-understanding. This may be most noticeable in a tendency to be uneasy with emotional expression or uncomfortable with feelings. You may try to avoid intimate situations when these are exposed. Emotional problems pose difficulties, and generally you hope that they simply go away... and regret that you cannot organize them into resolution!

Growth occurs when you accept your emotions and express rather than repress them. Your family and others will appreciate you more if emotions are allowed to flow more easily, rather than being submerged in role playing. Your achievements can be considerable, especially through career and work, but you should strive to achieve for achievement's sake, rather than for the 'applause of the audience', as this will serve only to reinforce identification with your role.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

In the 4th house, emotional values are all-important. It is not enough, as in the 3rd house, simply to inquire about the meaning of something; one must be able to enter into it with feeling. With the Node here, we are like a bird that felt good in its cosy nest and was thrown out of it. Usually the chart will exhibit a tendency on the part of the native to lack balance and to be overeager to stress his or her own individuality. The lesson to learn is to be an ordinary human being among other human beings, and to be able to give and take emotionally.

Often the 4th-house Node is counterbalanced by the Sun, Uranus, or Pluto at the top of the chart; and this produces, by reflex action, the wish to be famous or a leader. When emotional imaginative pictures to do with the family or the group enter consciousness, these guiding images have to be clarified.

If planets in the 9th or 10th house show high ambition, this can be satisfied; but, with the Node in the 4th house, the native needs to keep close to home and roots. The feet need to be kept firmly on the ground. Bottlenecks, which hold up progress, are often encountered. Now, when blockages occur, the native's reaction is to try and forge ahead. In many cases, that would be the right thing to do; but with the Moon's Node in the 4th house, it is wrong. The proper course of action is to pull back and to live as one of the group, as one of the family. This is the only way to prepare to move forward again, to find room for manoeuvre, to gain access to those it is desired to lead. Then misunderstandings will be swept away and a fresh impetus will be given to upward development.

With Nodes in the 4th house that receive hard aspects, there can be a retreat into a pleasant ideal world of acceptance and domestic bliss. This 'warm nest' feeling has a very important function. It is one of the fundamentals of life; and we may well want to

experience it at all costs. This makes us undifferentiated and dependent on the activities of the family. We are governed by these activities, and do not have a hand in shaping them but are sacrificed to the family's interests. In the worst scenario, our relatives assume the right to abuse us and to walk all over us.

When there is a planet in the 10th house, in opposition to the Node, the native will readily part with a place in the nest in order, at least, to make sure of getting on in the world. Ambition, in whatever form it occurs, destroys the sense of domesticity. The natural need to be part of a bigger organism, group, or family, comes second-best.

With a square from a planet on the Ascendant, the departure from normal is not excessive, but the native is too egotistic; with a square from the Descendant, the native defers to the partner. If, for the sake of personal development, the need to belong is allowed to wither, an essential human quality dies, and the individual becomes a loner and inclined to do wrong to others. For the ability to avoid unfairness is based on the nest-like environment of the 4th house.

North Node in 4th House or Cancer (James Braha)

If the North Node is in the fourth house or Cancer, the person's greatest growth, evolution, and fulfillment come through taking care of his home and family life. In previous incarnations, there may have been an overabundance of professional activities and social responsibility. Now the person must concentrate on his own soul growth and fulfillment of emotional needs. All activities involving land, property, and homes are favored. The person should develop his feminine and maternal energy, and seek to nurture all those in his presence. He should dedicate his life to family, children, relatives, and loved ones. He may do well in healing professions, nursing, cooking, catering, innkeeping, or any domestically-oriented jobs. Although career focus is neither psychologically significant nor a main objective of this life, the person is extremely concerned with the well-being of all members of his immediate community. He must do his best to see that everyone has a sense of belonging.

The person should not look for a life of profound philosophical meaning. His actions are not based upon compelling drives towards particularly ambitious goals. Rather, he is here to experience and appreciate the full value of his emotions, senses, passions, sensitivities, and vulnerabilities. His job is to keep his family and the human species alive and well. Tradition, rituals, and cultural values are of very great importance. The person is on a lifelong journey back to his roots. Spiritually, this means he is very well-advised to engage in meditation, contemplation, and all inner-directed self-development techniques. Also, he gains tremendous benefits from periods of self-imposed seclusion and isolation. On a more mundane level, the person wants to learn everything possible about the lives, history, and circumstances of his ancestors and predecessors. At the very beginning of life, the person is organically connected to the father. However, as his consciousness grows, he quickly realizes there is no progress to be made in this realm. He then shifts his attention to his mother and all other tenderhearted expressions of creation.

The person is devoted to practicalities, not ideals. He is wonderfully sympathetic, and functions as a magnificent support system to those in need. He is like a rock of stability, always emotionally available for others. In this lifetime the person is learning extreme devotion and loyalty to his loved ones. He may derive tremendous pleasure from gardening, landscaping, or farming. Collectibles and material possessions are very important. The person must have absolute control over his daily environment. He should surround himself with beauty and whatever else appeals to his personal tastes. Living near water is preferred; and the person may wish to

develop his psychic, sensitive nature to the fullest. He is here for a highly subjective, even sentimental, experience of life, and is now relinquishing his obsession with objective realities and ultimate truths. The person may do well in mining, archaeology, or any ecological vocation.

In ancient Hindu astrology, the North Node in the fourth house indicates problems with a forceful or domineering mother and troubles in gaining educational degrees. There are strong cravings in the heart, and a possibility of attaining large homes or mansions. The South Node in the tenth house reveals a good reputation and successful professional life. Careers may involve any spiritual activity which raises the consciousness of the common person. There is distinct talent in metaphysical or natural healing techniques. The sign positions of the nodes are of much less significance.

Natal North Node in 5th House / South in 11th

(Georges Muchery)

The Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) in the fifth house indicates pleasure in regard to the children, who will be intelligent and have a generous measure of luck in life. This position is also fortunate for an artist, or anyone who is connected with matters that appeal to the mind. It is good for theatrical managers, musicians, and all engaged in artistic occupations. For everyone, it is a sign of luck in games and speculation; but prudence must be exercised in this direction, as an evil aspect of Mars to this house would upset everything. It is especially at the period of the annual revolution that this position of the Ascending Node is fortunate for speculating, if the horoscope at birth on the whole shows that the native is lucky.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the Eleventh House does not always bring friends and acquaintances of a specially high social status. It causes the native to come into contact with people who may do him harm. Some of his associates will not be disinterested, and will try to cause him pecuniary losses. This position may also indicate a heavy monetary loss to the Mother, or Wife, if the Moon is in bad aspect.

(Isabel Hickey)

Through self-expression (through the use of the individual's creative force, whether it be children of the body, mind or emotions), he will find fulfillment. Attention must be given to developing his own desires; and he will not be led by others. In the past the attitude was 'Let George do it'. Now George won't do it, and the person has to develop his own goals and objectives. Friends have helped in the past, and thereby weakened the person instead of strengthening him. Dependence is a habit pattern buried deeply in the subconscious; but this time the will to stand on one's own strength and attain their own goals is the necessary ingredient for a successful life.

(Bernice Grebner)

A person having North Node in the 5th needs to learn to use his heart and become attached in a very personal way. He needs to love deeply and intensely on a one-to-one basis. There is also a deficiency or delay concerning children in his life. The children can be physical, mental, or spiritual offspring. He should develop a great desire to be creative in some endeavor. This person cannot seem to hold onto love until later in life, because he simply does not know how. He seems able to succeed in this more successfully when he meets someone with South Node in the fifth. Aspects to the Node are very important in determining whether he has the strength to acquire this new growth. As an example, bad aspects to the Moon or Neptune could

give emotional problems by loss of touch with reality in this regard. North Node here needs to learn to consider self in loving. He may not be able to express his love fully.

South Node in the eleventh is unattached love. It is too detached and selfless. Friendships, social affairs, reforming drives, and advanced ideas in human relationships are part of the perfected South Node in the eleventh. This person is friendly and open, and instinctively knows society's needs. Friends can turn into lovers; and he truly needs an intense love affair to fulfill his soul's destiny. People with the South Node in the eleventh house suffer real discomfort in close relationships between members of the opposite sex. They have very utopian ideals where human needs are concerned. This varies with signs and aspects, but these ideals must be used as a basis of leadership in social and / or political causes where he can teach others humanitarian ideals. Here, we find many government officials or those dealing with the public welfare.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies close relationship with children. They have fairly good success in love / romance, but regarding friendships they may have many disappointments. Their love given to others is much more elaborate than what they receive back. This imbalance in love exchange creates internal inferiority complex in them; and sometimes frustrations affect the relationship. Their creative ideas can be out-of-this-world and at times ahead of time as well. They often find their vista-sphere of life is limited, and many of their goals and ambitions remain as a fantasy. Their love affairs often have a previous life connection; and they can feel that awareness when they are with others.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the individual is learning about the Creative Process. He spends much time in the clouds, hitching his wagon to some distant dream or pondering through his vast multitude of fantastic ideas. In past incarnations, he lived for the fulfillment of wishes. Now his gossamer world of wispy dreams is so ornamented with the accumulated fragrance of promise that it takes a great deal of realistic prodding to shake him loose.

From a young age, he has learned to become a 'people-watcher', spending most of his conscious hours pondering the possibilities of other people's actions. As a result of prior lives, he has learned to become highly imaginative and inventive; at times he is even ingenious, but he is too used to spending most of his mental powers working out the intricate plots of his fantastic daydreams.

He never ceases to amaze himself at the oddities he can conjure up within his own mind; but for all his ingenuity he is one of the least practical people of the zodiac. He is always deeply enmeshed in thought. What he is really doing is seeking symbols which will provide new material for future dreams.

His karma is to learn the importance of dreams, inasmuch as how they explain his life. Ultimately he comes to realize that his entire existence has consisted of acting out his dreams, to the point that he has become the puppet of his own fantasies.

When he does come down to earth, his first instinct is to reach for friends who in either appearance or behavior remind him of the characters of his wispy fantasyland.

His mind is constantly drifting off into the distant future; and there, in the science fiction of a century as yet un-lived, he indulges himself in the intriguing fascination of

the remotest possibilities which would otherwise have little or no bearing on his current life. Still, he likes to ponder.

He thinks much about the value of his work as well as of the effects of his childhood, both of which he blames for his difficulties in coping with his sex urges.

The truth is that neither his work nor his parents, nor even his sex urges truly bother him, but instead his frustration arises from the gap he sees between the reality of his past-life dream-world and the sharp awakening circumstances through whose boundaries and limitations his current life is actually lived.

He finds it difficult to understand why there is a barrier between dreams and actions; and as a result, he spends much effort trying to break through the walls of limitation that separate one world from the other.

But all the while he is dissipating his strength; and the more he does this, the less he is able to create his own life.

He must realize that through his fifth house North Node he is now given the greatest gift that man can receive - the power to create his own identity. By studying the process of creation, he can become aware that it is his own thoughts that have caused all the circumstances that he deems real in his life. He must then go further to understand the link between his thought and his dreams, for truly it is his life of dreams that in greater measure than he thinks is creating his life on earth.

He must learn to be responsible about his dreams and careful of what he wishes for, since he, more than one with any other Nodal position in the zodiac, will actually see his dreams materialize. But always the physical effect of each dream comes with a slight twist; enough to make him aware of the danger of creating selfishly.

This individual will have to live his dreams long after he remembers the reasons for them. It is a strong part of his continuing karma to understand 'wish power'; and how better to understand it than by living through the consequences of all his wishes?

Thus, his life is both a blessing and a curse for each time he rubs Aladdin's lamp his soul will either move higher on the wings of spirit or sink miserably in the depths of his own private hell.

He is learning that the dreams of his eleventh house South Node are under the rulership of Aquarius, where they must be directed towards a service for humanity; and that the more he wishes for others, the more he will ultimately have for himself. But when he reverses this process, his life becomes a veritable shambles.

If he chooses to create for himself, he faces the unfortunate results of misusing a sacred gift, for his dreams ultimately will become so jaded as to be utterly worthless insofar as they are able to bring him happiness.

Unless these Nodes fall in Water and Earth signs, they can cause difficulty in relationships and marriage due to so much past-life residue of non-attachment.

Major turning points in the current life revolve around children, through whose eyes the individual comes to understand his own sense of self-worth. He observes how children put their dreams into action, and soon comes to realize that instead of making his dreams the plans for his future he actually has been allowing them to block every present moment. Once he sees his dreams as a well with no bottom, he is able to let go of the castles in the sky and focus his attention on whatever he is

creating in the present.

To do this, he even reaches the point of becoming aware of how he allows his great need for friendships to dissipate his creative energies.

More than anything else, he desires to be a doer; but it is only after he gives up every personal dream that he can become strong enough to take the building blocks of his life and put them together. He must literally take the bull by the horns instead of allowing himself to be led through the gossamer Cinderella world his soul remembers.

To accomplish this, he would do well to spend much of his time learning self-discipline, for only through the ability to guide himself will he ultimately be able to surface from the deep waters in which for lifetimes he has submerged his hopes and his dreams.

The sign which contains the South Node shows the ways in which past-life dreams continue into this incarnation. The sign which contains the North Node indicates how the individual can constructively apply all his dreams to reality through expressing creatively all he feels inside.

Some highly evolved souls with these Nodes have experienced Cosmic Consciousness in a former life. Now through their fifth house North Node they are here to bring this awareness to the children of earth.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Pleasurable childrearing vs. pleasurable social life. Romance vs. friendship. Creative ambitions vs. social or humanitarian ambitions.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Impracticality. tendency to think instead of act. Mental drifting and daydreaming. Undervaluation of creativity or procreation. Frustrated hopes.

Possible ways to integrate North Node: Fulfill dreams in a practical way. Develop potential for enjoying leisure time in an active, tangible way. Exploit ability to bring pleasure to others. Examine feelings about children, childrearing and procreation. Don't use group priorities as an excuse for neglecting your personal goals.

In the fifth house, there's a hang-up about self-expression. Here we have the social climber of the show-off. Less commonly we see the 'Aw shucks, it was nothing' syndrome. Humility is either lacking or perverted in some way. In some way, the ability to verbalize your attitudes is detrimental to relationship formation. Romance is usually the most common area of difficulty, although parent-child relationships and social life in general can suffer as well. Sometimes there's a tendency to expect your children to do what you couldn't, whether it's marry a millionaire, become a brain surgeon, or simply be the most popular child in the class.

North Node in the fifth house wants to be considered loyal, above all else. Fun, romance, and children often play a role in the dream motif. This person wants to be thought of as a powerful instrument or advocate of good. This person tends to be rather moody. He or she is inclined to attract sensitive souls to befriend; sometimes these people are cranky or difficult, and severely test North Node in fifth's desire to remain loyal. Parents are generally a strong influence for better or worse. Often

there's over-concern about whether the parents will approve of their actions or not. If the person chooses to break away from parental dominance, he or she may suffer severe guilt pangs that hinder effective functioning. The dream of loyalty must be tempered by a primary loyalty to self before the rest of the dream can be fulfilled.

Natal North Node in 6th House / South in 12th

(Georges Muchery)

The Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) in the Sixth House is good for the native's health, and even when he is ailing, or seriously ill at some time of his life, the Dragon's Head will help him to get over his illness, so that if his life should be despaired of he will have a chance of recovery. It also implies good fortune derived from employees; and if the horoscope on the whole predicts it, it confirms gain through an inheritance from an uncle or aunt.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the Twelfth House is one of its most unfortunate positions. It causes incessant worries and troubles during the whole period of occupying this house, or when it passes through it again, unless benefic aspects from other planets are in operation at the same time. It causes loss of money, and unsatisfactory business transactions. It makes powerful enemies and merciless creditors, and is also a sign of ill-health and troubles of all kinds.

(Isabel Hickey)

Integration only comes to this individual through service. Must come out of his shell and work. Has been isolated through self-undoing in the past. Either enforced seclusion, or restrictions due to lack of compassion in the past, has made it easy to retreat this time. Fulfillment comes to this individual through serving others and losing the sense of separateness. Humility, the last virtue to be attained, can be the keynote of his life if the individual is willing to serve others with no concern about the self. In order for any of us to become something, we have to be willing to be nothing. This is the message of the sixth house.

(Bernice Grebner)

With North Node in the sixth, he needs to work and to be of service to others. He must learn to do for others with no regard for himself. He needs to lose the self-interest toward which he tends to gravitate. This also includes learning discrimination, attention to details, and discipline from too much daydreaming. He also must concentrate on health matters for the protection of his physical body. He needs to bring compassion down to the practical level.

South Node in the twelfth is sensitivity. Here is the person with a talent for working with the sick or mentally insecure. It gives a drive to seek seclusion and an inclination to meditate. With bad aspects it could give an alienation from society. This position seems to be karmic; and there is a very definite secret, sacrificial service of some kind involved, depending upon sign and aspects. The person with the South Node in the twelfth house may have a martyr complex, which must be used at its highest in sacrificial service and delving into the secrets of the subconscious, bringing them to the light of the conscious mind. This position gives many nurses and doctors.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies work-related areas and importance in life. For some

reason, they are highly inspired to do things others may not want to do. For spiritual growth, this is quite a good position of the North Node. For some reason, their interest in life is not tremendous but just a passing stage in the Karmic line-up. Physical health is maintained considerably well, and they may even get into diet foods, meditation and related areas. In their prior life, they came fairly close to achieving the secret of the universal escape, but missed it by a short margin. This aspect often provides self-confining tendencies to elevate one's position in the universal race.

(Martin Schulman)

This individual spends most of his time in deep thought. He likes to be left alone so that uninterrupted by others he can let his inner reflections sift through the karmic memories of all his past incarnations. This is not to say that he doesn't like company, or that he's even aware of what he's doing. The fact is that he goes so deep as to become totally oblivious to anything he is thinking about! He loses himself in himself.

Always the conscious reason for going inward is based on logical intention, but the individual tends to reach the point where all logic eludes him. The Neptunian subtlety of the depths he reaches remains a mystery even to him!

One of his greatest problems is that while he stays inside himself he is preventing others from stabilizing his mental journeys. As a result, he accumulates enormous past-life fears, having no idea whether they are real or imagined, or just a compressed collection of the mental scenery on his inward journeys.

Still the basis of his outward life is built on fear and imagination, and regardless of how strong the rest of the chart is, he keeps having moments of not being able to find confidence in himself.

He is a lot like the turtle constantly peeking out of his shell. People close to him see his life as a tendency to avoid all that seems real.

He spends most of his time watching others from behind a see-through mirror. Ultimately he comes to believe that the rest of the world is viewing him with the same scrutiny. There is a latent paranoia built into this Nodal position.

In areas of work he is an unusually poor organizer, leaving many scattered ends behind him and always feeling that there are not enough hours in the day to complete his chores. His problem is that he doesn't know how to budget his time, and as a result he is constantly trying to catch up to the present.

Much like the rabbit with the clock in 'Alice in Wonderland', he keeps throwing himself into the position of having to rush to avoid being late.

Part of his life will at one time be involved with hospitals, institutions or organizations which demand him to structure his ways. He needs this in order to come out of his inner self.

The big karmic lesson is for him to learn responsibility instead of feeling sorry for all the woes that seem to beset him. More than any other house in the zodiac, he cries at the slightest hurt either real or imagined. Sometimes the crying is inward, but always it is there, for on the very deepest levels he feels that the love he has to give goes unnoticed and unappreciated. Because he thinks this way, he becomes his own creator of gloom; and woe to the person who tries to pull him out, for then he will have a receptive ear for all the past-life hurts, fears and worries he has not yet even

verbalized!

Underneath all else, he is a bottomless well of fretting, with not enough deep faith in the positive outcome of events. He must work on building trust so that he can have the strength to come out of his shell. Once he does, he is one of the most compassionate, beautiful and useful people in the zodiac.

His sixth house North node gives him great pleasure in helping others, but he cannot do this well until he realizes and accepts the fact that in this incarnation he has chosen a life of sacrifice.

He must learn how to organize his thoughts, his work and his diet, for he is a natural-born healer, capable of defying the limits of practical medicine with his own more mystical methods of curing. But a talent is not a talent until it is developed, and an individual is not more than he thinks he is. Ultimately he will come to learn that his greatest gift is faith. But he will work long and hard to reach that awareness!

Part of the current life will be spend nursing or coping with physical or mental illness, either in himself or in others close to him. His major growth occurs when he realizes that all illness is no more than a disharmony in the body reflecting disharmony in thought. Something inside himself is constantly trying to tell him this, and he must learn not to allow his past-life fears to block what is now being opened for him.

Many with these Nodes go through experiences of illnesses that miraculously disappear, to the amazement of medical doctors, dentists and other professional practitioners. The karmic lesson here is to learn the higher reason why, for as soon as understanding is reached, the new-born faith starts to heal. Once he becomes aware of the power of his faith, he becomes a veritable dynamo.

As he builds in more positive thought currents, he automatically learns not to criticize others for the lack of perfection he sees in them.

His outlook on life remains clinical: scrutinizing and diagnosing all with which he comes in contact.

Of all the Nodal positions, this is the most difficult one to open up to past incarnations. The twelfth house South Node has completed a karmic path, the details of which are to remain forever sealed in past times, even though the subtle Akashic essence still remains.

Lifetimes of escaping from inner torment have been completed. The individual must come to realize that most of his inner negativity is not related to the current life, but only exists through his continuing to think along a track which has already ended.

He still has inner feelings of being persecuted which he must learn to bury once and for all, for the more he allows himself to dwell in such thoughts, the more he will inadvertently recreate such circumstances.

He should learn to realize the past for exactly what it is: no more than a memory, and no more real than a photograph in his mind, which he now has the free choice of holding on to for the sake of its misery or discarding so that he may step out into a productive new world.

Once he can put his entire state of consciousness into a positive and productive outlook on life, he will be able to start experiencing a new meaning to his existence.

The sign which contains the South Node shows the ways in which the individual blocks his current-life advancement by withdrawing into karma he has already completed.

The sign which contains the North Node indicates the ways in which he can now develop a fruitful life through service.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Physical health vs. spiritual health. Efficiency vs. debilitating worries. Pride in work vs. feelings of inferiority.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Reclusive tendencies. Feelings of alienation. Escapism. Paranoia. Lack of detachment.

Possible ways to integrate North Node: Learn to take pleasure in helping others. Organize and discipline your mind. Accept appreciation. Be willing to work for others. Develop practical goals.

In the sixth house there can be hang-ups about imperfections, dedication, or service. Narrow-mindedness and intolerance are frequently at the root of these hang-ups. A lack of confidence and a strong fear of rejection are common side effects. Everything must be black or white; gray is intolerable; 'almost' doesn't count at all. This holds true both in self-judgement and in judgement of other people.

Total success is this person's ultimate goal; nothing else is acceptable. There's a tendency to frequently test other people's dedication by throwing out obstacles or challenges which must be met if the tested person wants to retain the esteem and respect of the testee (note that the tester may also be the testee). Extreme urgency is a keynote - there's always some crisis to be solved or some need that must be filled immediately. Otherwise, dissatisfaction sets in.

Sometimes, the person may retreat from the real world entirely either via the nervous breakdown route or through involvement in some idealistic pursuit.

Typically, this person makes excessive demands on himself or herself and talks a great deal about 'good' and 'bad' people, things, and attitudes. He or she is generally disappointed in friends, work and everything else because expectations are set at such an unreasonably high level.

North Node in the sixth house dreams of being vital, energetic, and physically and mentally healthy. They may want to be actively involved in some sort of healing art or profession. They dream of becoming psychic healers, doctors, renowned herbalists, or people noted for their healthy, attractive bodies. They dream of finding a way to take care of their body without foregoing self-indulgence and hope of being able to pass this way on to others. Sometimes mental health is emphasized rather than physical health. This person wants very much to be thought of as perceptive. He or she typically feels isolated from others and has difficulty finding emotional satisfaction. Much time is spent examining both emotions and the physical state, hoping to find a key that will allow him or her to feel more in tune with others. Self-deceit or attempts to deceive others may keep perceptions and well-being blocked or lead to misguided or self-defeating action.

(Haydn Paul)

You may experience slipping back into the depths of your unconscious mind, moving beyond rational thought, and accessing irrational and imaginative sources. You tend to be introverted, often with a distracted attention as you prefer to avoid involvement in the mundane world. This could either become a form of escapism - and evasion of responsibility and duties - or more positively and creatively be directed toward meditation, contemplation, and a creative artistic spirit. Results depend upon application and choice. You may feel that life is a dreamlike state; this depends on how effectively you separate inner activity from external reality.

This inward mental attention does affect daily life. You may be less efficient and organized at work or when performing domestic tasks. Through diverting energy and interest toward inner realms, you often leave work unfinished and then claim the excuse of insufficient time. This can become a normal behavior pattern. Even if you had more time, however, you may still fail to complete tasks as your attention suddenly fades. To change this tendency, and to become more mundanely anchored, you could benefit from an organizational structure which requires self-discipline and shows how careful planning and a focused will can be efficient.

There may be various inner fears and indistinct worries which preoccupy your mind and make you feel sorry for yourself. What may be needed is greater self-responsibility, and an effort to become more positive and trusting of life, so that fears can be banished. Then you can feel confident to dare to face the real world. You are quite capable of doing this; but any avoidance habit may inhibit progress, since you do prefer retreating into a private inner world, especially at times during relationships when you believe your love for another is unappreciated.

You need to be helpful to others, but may be reticent in moving beyond a protective shell. Your usefulness depends on passing beyond these restrictive behavior patterns. Reaching out to embrace life, accepting your total nature, and improving communication with others is your way forward.

There may be a phase of illness - either your own or that of someone else close to you - which offers a lesson that much illness, being psychosomatic in nature, is caused by states of inner disharmony of thought, emotions, attitudes and values. This can be through emotional repression which generates physical side-effects, tension, and stress. If you can perceive the cause behind the obvious symptoms, identify the real underlying problem, and make a conscious, deliberate effort to transform and resolve the problem, amazing healings can occur. The path of healing may then attract your attention, and you could have healing abilities which can be awakened. Linking your observational abilities and empathic contact to your personal growth, and introducing more positive attitudes, could help transform you into a 'healer', especially in the alternative medicine field. Once you deal with your problems, you should experience a more fulfilling sense of meaning and purpose, especially when you share yourself with others.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

Here our problems are existential, and we are concerned with maintaining ourselves - unlike the situation in the 5th house, where we simply stand and make our presence felt and where being is more important than doing. However, even the 6th house is not primarily concerned with doing, but with getting a clear idea of what one is capable of doing.

The 6th house is a mutable (cadent) house; and mutable houses always have to do with realization. It employs the process of realization to find its own 'untapped market'. It prompts us to ask, 'Where are abilities like mine in demand, where am I needed, where would I fit in?' The question may appear to be academic, but it is real enough, for a 6th house presupposes a 5th - i.e., it presupposes that we already possess 5th-house self-assurance and enjoy a certain status.

In the 6th house we are concerned with being able to make proper use of the I that has been put to the test in the 5th house. Thus we are concerned with becoming part of the environment, and with making a personal contribution to it, while earning a living at the same time. Basically, in the 6th house - especially if the Node is posited there - we should look on ourselves as a supplier who can satisfy a demand, saying, 'I wish to make a contribution to my local community. Now where is this contribution required?' It is a question of putting others first, because the 6th house is a house of service.

The principle of service should be recognized as a valid principle. Leo rules, and Virgo serves, but their roles can be seen in reverse, as when it is said of a king that he is the chief servant of his people. Similarly, the 6th house does not necessitate servility, or passive, compliant acceptance. It calls for a positive contribution, provided our contribution meets a real need; for this is what service is all about. Often we have to do hard work, and make an effort that taxes our strength and may even seem to be bad for us; but, with the Node in the 6th house, such experiences are a necessary part of life. We can grit our teeth and say, 'I know this is no good to me. Nevertheless, I will do it, because the situation calls for it'. If we are harboring some illusion about our abilities, the Node in the 6th house will undeceive us, and will show us the truth about what we can and cannot do.

In the 6th house, it is important to perform, as briskly and as cheerfully as possible, the task that lies to hand. We need to resist the temptation (held out to us by the Neptunian 12th house) to sit and dream. Success in the 6th house comes by tackling a job oneself, without waiting for someone else to do it. One should do one's best, even if the task seems to be beneath one's dignity, or leaves us feeling that we always have to do everything ourselves, because it is by our personal participation that everything gets underway and is organized. The whole secret of the 6th house lies in the continual fulfillment of obligations, and in a wholehearted application of one's abilities to achieve common goals.

North Node in the 6th house or Virgo (James Braha)

If the North Node is in the sixth house or Virgo, the person's greatest growth, evolution, and fulfillment come through routine service, daily work, and attention to details. In past lives, the person has been dreamy, idealistic, religious, and spiritual. Now he must focus on practical matters and learn to deal with boundaries, essentials, and necessities. Careers involving nursing, cooking, haircutting, etc. are all favored. Or the person may fulfill his destiny in any pursuit dealing with knowledge and information. He may be a good writer, editor, accountant, or bookkeeper. The person must investigate, analyze, and evaluate on a daily basis.

The person may have been born wanting to help everyone else, with little concern for his own personal needs. Now he is here to focus on self-improvement, progress, and full development of his talents. He should take care of the quality of his appearance and the food he eats. Health matters are important, and the person should exercise and learn about preventative medicine and healing techniques. He has to relinquish his easygoing ways, and make a lifestyle of discriminating, judging, and attaining perfection in earthly matters. He should work on precision, manual dexterity,

technical skills, and any crafts of his choice. Duty and discipline are crucial in this lifetime.

The person should be picky. He should be cautious and careful, and intensely examine all issues. He should seek to understand the details and mechanics of things. The more knowledge he gains, the happier he will be. His task is to categorize and compartmentalize, and create order wherever chaos exists. He should leave wisdom, idealism, and broad perspectives to philosophers. His efforts should be directed toward solving problems and overcoming obstacles. Old tendencies of profound, compassionate sacrifice should be avoided. The person is here for minor service, and he will suffer if he acts the part of 'savior', or allows others to take advantage of his generous nature. Enjoyment of small pets is favored. Purity and innocence are essential, and the person must never function out of improper motives.

In Hindu astrology, the North Node in the sixth house indicates extremely good health and a powerful appetite. The person defeats his enemies and competitors with ease, and therefore may reach the top of his chosen field with little interference or resistance. The South Node in the twelfth is good for spiritual growth and enlightenment. The nodes in the signs are of much less significance.

Natal North Node in 7th / South in 1st

(Georges Muchery)

The Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) in this house is good for marriage, which it causes to be contracted on a lofty, sentimental and secure basis, provided Venus and the Moon are well-situated in the horoscope. It is also very powerful in regard to partnerships and contracts, which it helps to make successful. It is also in this House that it is most favourably situated for lawsuits, which will be won through its support, thus bringing unexpected gains.

It is also a token of inheritance from grandparents, or an increase of wealth for the latter, by which the native will benefit.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the first house has a detrimental influence on the development of the native in the early period of his life. It upsets his health, and often his mind as well, inasmuch as he will be too analytical and will not always see things as a whole, but will become absorbed in small details. In regard to any special question put, it would signify a very bad beginning for the matter under consideration, as it always entails trouble and worry. This influence in a horoscope continues for a fairly long period, inasmuch as the Nodes being retrograde the Dragon's Tail passes from the first to the twelfth house, which is also malefic.

(Isabel Hickey)

Needs to get away from himself. Has lived for and to himself until he has become too independent. Needs to take other people into account and get away from too much self-centeredness. Self-assertion has to be eliminated. Integration and fulfillment come through giving up the personal ego and helping others to attain a sense of their worth.

(Bernice Grebner)

This person has to overcome a tendency to work by himself. He needs to learn to work with a partner, to learn the balance it takes to do this. He has to strive for a close personal relationship with others. This relationship should bear some

constructive fruit, whether business or marriage. This is quite a step because it leads to the death of the self-centered ego. The person then acquires the knack for becoming an arbitrator. He needs to develop an appreciation of beauty in the arts.

South Node in the first is the egotist. This is the person who tries too hard and, as a result, comes on strong at first. It gives a strong pioneering spirit with a 'me-first' attitude. There is an ability to do all things by oneself. This position can give a changeable personality. He tries too hard to be a special personality. This person may think in terms of his physical body being superior to others. He has a tendency to push himself too hard because of a lack in partnerships. The problems in life seem to be very much concerned with self. He can be the fearless pioneer of new concepts or new activity.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies marriage or partnership activities are extremely important in his life. Self is often given no priority but what is best for the marriage is taken into consideration. Thus, a self-sacrifice for the betterment of the marriage may turn out to be a devastating situation. This individual will try everything to maintain that relationship. As an individual, they may not be able to contribute and achieve much in life; however, with partnership activities their contribution and output is substantially increased. They often have a good public image; and their objectivity is fairly well known among others. They are very charming, diplomatic and polite in general expression or communication.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the individual has many lessons to learn in areas of partnerships, marriage and co-operation with others. In past incarnations, he had to account only to himself for all his thoughts and actions. Now in the current life, his soul remembers all the individualism and independence he enjoyed.

While he may pretend to be a good listener for the sake of society's acceptance, he rarely takes advice given to him. Instead, he spends most of his energy developing whatever abilities he has, while constantly seeking approval for the efforts he has made.

Although he will be the last to admit it openly, he never quite notices others as much as himself.

He has great apprehensions about being outdone, and will go far out of his way to secure for himself a position where his dominion will not be challenged. If the rest of the horoscope shows strength, then this is truly the individual who wishes to be 'King of the Mountain'.

Although his experiences in this incarnation teach him to sacrifice for others, he never truly sacrifices himself, for he has spent lifetimes building to a point where he has now become an independent spirit.

He can relate to others so long as they don't shackle or bind his sense of freedom. If he feels someone close to him is inhibiting his self-expression, he will do all he can to extricate himself from the relationship. Thus, the marriage state is not one that comes easy for him.

Individuals with these Nodes are either single or divorced, or at least separated in consciousness from their spouse. They find it difficult to believe that the continuance

of their own past-life selfishness is creating all the problems for which they are now blaming others.

They must learn how to give with a whole heart, rather than symbolically throwing a bone here and there just to keep the pack quiet.

This individual is usually so out of harmony with himself as being part of a greater universe that he is prone to develop a chronic impairment or impediment, either physical or emotional, which he ultimately uses for sympathy. The last thing he is willing to accept is a sense of failure, for he constantly feels the needs to prove his own self-sufficiency.

Sometimes he is seen by others as a battler, well guarded against any threats to his ego. Since he truly doesn't like to be dependent on others, his loyalties are questionable. Underneath it all, his past incarnations have taught him to be faithful to himself, and therein his allegiance ends.

For those who wish to join him, he will be their patron, but rarely will he go out of his way to join them. He is a 'loner', conscious of his own unique individuality, and proud of the ways in which he knows he can retain it.

His karma is to learn consideration for others, for in his desire to be the center of attention he projects himself as more important than he usually is, thereby shutting out the very love he claims he is being denied. Still, he desires to control others, and in this ability to control he bases his security.

He is capable of great achievements, but he rarely reaches the levels of his capabilities because he is so wrapped up on self that he fails to see the cosmic scope of his personal ideas.

He must learn to view the reflections of his thoughts and actions and to realize that there are always two sides to a coin. Eventually he comes to understand that while both sides of an issue may be totally different, neither is better or worse than the other.

His major growth occurs when he can detach from himself and impersonally laugh at all the ego-centered ideas that ruled him in the past.

He must ultimately come to the point at which he is willing to take all the power, strength and confidence that his prior incarnations have built and give it away to others who need it more. He must do this wholeheartedly without a sense of martyrdom, for if his giving becomes ego-involved in any way then he remains on his lonely island. But if his generosity is truly dedicated without pride in giving, then he has an infinite blessing to offer as he inspires confidence and strength in others.

He can give others the will to live where there was none. He can make others aware of their own self-worth. But all the while he is not to ask for anything in return, for if he learns to focus his energies on helping others, then he will be amazed to find how God keeps providing all his own needs.

In this Nodal position, there is a guaranteed built-in unhappiness every time he focuses his energies on himself. If married, he will have much to learn from his second child, as well as in his relationships with nieces and nephews.

He is destined to devote his life to others. Actually he has been preparing for many lifetimes to meet now the person or persons who need him the most. In some cases

the spouses is an escapist who must be given the strength and confidence to face reality.

Whether married or single, this individual eventually comes to learn that his life is a mission, dedicated to another soul or in fact many souls needing more than he does. His karmic lessons are in developing kindness and an understanding nature. As soon as he does this, he is rewarded a thousand to one for all he gives.

The sign which contains the South Node shows the ways in which too much residue of past-life concern for the self can hamper progress. The sign which contains the North Node shows the ways in which the individual can reach fulfillment through sacrificing the self for others.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Marriage vs. independence. Accepting vs. demanding. Overcoming enmity vs. comfortable self-projection.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Excessive worry about being beaten or outdone. Inability to relate to others. Feelings of martyrdom, excessive egotism, loneliness. A tendency to interfere with others' free-will. Belittling others' worth.

Possible ways to integrate North Node: Whole-hearted giving. Increase your consideration for others. Take an objective look at how others respond to your self-projection and do what you can to improve it. Detach yourself from your overconcern with your image. Channel your energies into marriage and other one-to-one relationships.

In the seventh house, there can be hang-ups about harmony or co-operation. Depending on the phase of nodal balance, the person can be far too easily influenced or far too convinced that his or her way is the only way. The underlying cause of this is a lack of firm partnership goals. This person is torn between involvement at any cost and preservation of his or her highly comfortable image of self as a good or beautiful person.

Less frequently, there's an inability for the small talk and role playing that's necessary to attract others. This seems to be a problem connected to the overcompensation phase of nodal balance.

North Node in the seventh house dreams of gaining much through marriage and / or other relationships. He or she truly believes that teaming up with others will improve his or her lot in life. This person hopes to gain respect vicariously, through marriage or some other type of affiliation, and feels that success and happiness will be guaranteed once he or she finds his or her 'other half' - someone who embodies those qualities that he or she feels are lacking in his or her own make-up. This person has a great deal of sensitivity. He or she also has a great deal of psychic ability; unfortunately, both are liable to be repressed. Aggressive pursuit of an alter ego tends to drive the dream further and further out of reach until the person is forced to look within for the repressed or lacking qualities.

Natal North Node in 8th House / South in 2nd

(Georges Muchery)

In the eighth house, the Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) promises a peaceful and natural death, and a happy ending to the life. If the malefic planets (Saturn, Mars and Uranus) are free from affliction in the horoscope, and provided the Sun and Moon are powerfully situated, the length of life may exceed a hundred years. This position is also fortunate for inheritances and legacies. The native's inherited property from his parents will be considerably increased, and he will also have the chance of unexpected gains from lotteries or gifts.

In the second house, the Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) is not fortunate for money matters. It is harmful to the native; or, more strictly speaking, his enterprises will be upset by circumstances over which he will have no control. This position may cause bankruptcy. Moreover, in regard to the affections, it will indicate deceit on the part of people in a low station of life. If the horoscope on the whole is not good, it denotes loss of position on account of a woman of loose morals.

(Isabel Hickey)

Subconscious habit patterns of the past have been the 'getting' principle rather than the 'giving' one. Must help others to find their resources and their sense of worth. The play on the senses must give way to the transforming of passion into compassion. Before the seed can bring forth fruit it must be buried in darkness, break its self-enclosed shell and reach for the Light. Helping others to find their resources and values is the clue to the right use of the North Node in the eighth house.

(Bernice Grebner)

The North Node in the eighth house forces the person to learn to accept another's financial help. Sometime in his life, he will be forced to learn to accept the humility of taking from others. He also needs to learn the depth of experience in sex, its proper and beautiful purpose, and the regeneration and rejuvenation it brings to human beings. North Node badly aspected could cause either a breakdown or disturbing emotions when there is an imbalance in any of the eighth house activities.

South Node in the second is determination. This position gives the person a dissatisfaction with money earned, or with working conditions. It may give many changes in jobs, or more than one job at a time. The person is always seeking the ideal way of adding to his own resources. This also can lead to financial difficulties. South Node here gives us one who enjoys the physical pleasures, but who needs to learn balance and control of appetites and sense by creating beauty for the world. Second house South Node can give an inability to earn completely one's own way. Satisfaction and success in this area usually is delayed. It can give the person stubborn pride but great loyalty to a cause or a person.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies that the person has to deal with resources and possessions in various ways in life. Often their combined resources are plentiful and handy, but the other person may or may not allow them to use it generously. Their own resources become a doubtful issue in many cases. Strong interest in the occult or hidden side of life is noticed as a rescue from the material world. They often have good instincts and ability to deal with others' subconscious. Cash flow situation will depend upon the planet(s) conjuncting the nodal axis. A benefic will increase

favorable chances, while a malefic will cause uneven difficulties. Learning from the idea or reality of death and regeneration is strongly noticed in this case.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the individual is confronted with a powerful battle inside himself on the most basic of levels. His karma is to overcome the extreme possessiveness of his past incarnations. Until he deals with this, he has difficulty finding meaning in anything he cannot personally own. He is jealous of the possessions of others, desiring strongly to have all that his eyes behold. In some individuals this builds up to an insatiable lust for possession. In this respect there is such a strong determination that little can sway him from pursuing his desires.

Nearly always his life is based around the sexual force, and it is nearly certain that the sense of sexual understanding is highly perverted. There is usually something animalistic about the nature. Whether open or concealed, there is a lack of response to the civilizing effects of society.

In his past lives, the individual did not fully understand the importance of other people's values, but continued to go his own way, unaware of how he affected others. His soul has built a need system so great that no matter how much he is fulfilled, his greatest needs always seem to be just beyond his reach. He is like the proverbial donkey following a carrot strapped to his head; but rarely does he understand that he is the one who put it there.

Those near him would give him the Moon if it would make him happy, but they know as well as he does that it would be only a momentary toy ultimately to be discarded and replaced by another need. It seems to be the quantity of quality that he desires, which is to say that he feels he must have it all! A bundle of excess in all directions, he finds it difficult to change his ways even after the realization that he is headed down a path of disaster. He pushes each crossroad to such extreme excess that when he does discover his errors, he is so far beyond the point of departure that he find it impossible to see his way back. And so he continues further along a parth he knows is wrong because it is the only road his eyes can see.

In some cases he goes to such extremes that he may run into trouble with the law; but long after he sees his error he still keeps trying to convince others that he is right.

More than one with any other Nodal position, this individual must learn self-control, for without discipline he can too easily allow his past incarnation habits of self-indulgence to make a shambles of his current life.

Some with these Nodes experience an infirmity which brings them so close to death that their eyes open to a new appreciation of life. Others go through extremely trying sexual episodes so that they may start to be more clinical about their behavior. But always the karmic lesson is the same. The individual pushes himself so hard that he ultimately destroys all ground he has gained. Through a symbolic death of excessive behavior patterns, he may ultimately experience a new birth.

The past life residue presents too many physical and material concerns. The main growth in the current life is based on the individual's ability to ferret from out of the depths of hie being the strength for a rebirth. He often displays an interest in the occult, through which he ultimately gains information needed to achieve his regenerative transformation.

Whatever he chooses to do, there is always chaos in it, for he is an extremist. And yet the combined karmic residue of stubbornness and laziness keeps stalling his rebirth. His soul wants to transform, but he has difficulty finding enough energy to do it.

The hardest thing for him is to learn how to walk with no footsteps, for he so desperately wants to be impressive that he keeps making his own life heavier.

Relationships are extremely important to him. From prior incarnations he has developed the habit of seeing the world as a social caste system, and within this framework keeps struggling for status, always believing that some people are more privileged than others. Through his eighth house North Node, he must symbolically kill this past-life value system and go through the permanent metamorphosis which will eventually attune him to the value of others. He has much to learn from those close to him as soon as he starts to listen.

Most of his sexual thoughts come from a deep-seated desire to kill the physical plane. They lead him on a path of ultimate disgust with himself as well as with the physical and material life he has led for so long. Through open or secret lust as well as jealousies in money or business affairs, he keeps spiralling his life to a point of no return. Once he reaches this, he will begin to be accepted through other people's value systems in order to find his way back. But he will be confronted with the test of having to give up all that he has ever thought important, almost as if he is being asked to step to the back of the line and wait his turn. Each time a new and finer value is imposed on him, he must learn how to eliminate all in himself that blocks its acceptance.

He will start his new life from the bottom of the ladder, where because of the slowness of his ascent he will treasure deeply every inch of ground he gains.

Truly these Nodes indicate a difficult life, but only because the ingrained attitudes of past incarnations are so fixed on having their own way.

Until the transition is complete, he can expect his current life to be one financial tug of war after another. He must learn the karmic lesson that possessions are for the purpose of use and that it is not necessary to own more than what is immediately useful.

When he overcomes the tendency to allow his life's energies to dissipate themselves, he can become a veritable dynamo in the business world. Still, he must never forget that he is the type that must burn his bridges behind him as a protection against slipping backward to levels he has struggled to pass through.

He must understand the biblical story of Lot, who when he was finally redeemed from Sodom and Gomorrah was asked to leave the city, take no possessions, and under no circumstances look back.

The eighth house North Node can regenerate the individual. It is up to the strength of his own faith. To reach heaven, this Nodal position must walk through hell first, and there from the very bowels of the earth make the realization that God will hear his faintest cry for help as soon as he sincerely promises not to 'look back'.

The sign which contains the South Node shows the type of past-life value system that must be regenerated. The sign which contains the North Node shows the ways in which the rebirth will be accomplished.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Own values vs. other's values. Growth vs. degeneration. Joint resources vs. personal resources.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Extreme possessiveness. Sexual difficulties. Lack of regard for other people's values or needs. Unhappiness with possessions and money, no matter how comfortable your material situation seems to others. In extreme cases, trouble with the law; more often, simply trouble from atypical values.

Possible ways to integrate the North Node: Develop self-control and self-discipline. Develop an appreciation for life. De-emphasize things; concentrate more on relationships. Organize your life - clear away worthless people, things, attitudes. Try to stop worrying about being appreciated; be willing to work for the joy of working rather than for prestige.

With the North Node in the eighth house, the hang-up seems to be centered around power. Inability to forgive and grudge-holding are common expressions of this hang-up. A muddled or twisted sexual identity is another manifestation. Thus we see the macho male, the femme fatale and the asexual being - as well as those who are attracted to these types. Often there's a 'money is power' syndrome that can manifest in gambling or foolish spending. In most cases there's a strong desire to prove your worth or get back at those who have wronged you.

North Node in the eighth house also hopes to realize gains through partnerships or other relationships; but the dreamed-of gains are liable to be more tangible in this case. He or she could dream of marrying a rich mate, befriending someone who dies and leaves him or her a sizeable inheritance, or being cut in on somebody's lottery winnings. There's a strong desire to eliminate hardship of all types. This person takes an emotional approach towards financial matters. He or she tends to spend on the basis of emotional impulse rather than need, and is often careless or impractical with money. Less frequently the person is too lavish with praise, time, or nurturing. These tendencies stem from a subconscious feeling that he or she is incapable of amassing necessary resources without help from others.

(Haydn Paul)

You find it difficult to change your established ways, even when recognizing that the way leads in a wrong direction. You tend to continue anyway, mainly because it is the only path you see, and you will attempt to convince others that your way is right. And, in many ways, it is, because it offers the potential to realize what drives you and to encourage change, especially when painful consequences occur.

Resisting the temptations of material life is probably needed to balance this, especially as you favor possessions and material acquisitions which appear to offer a surrogate sense of meaning. Your desire nature often prefers quantity to quality, but is rarely satisfied or satiated for long. This requires transforming to deepen life appreciation.

Your behavior can be extreme in most things; and you often destroy progress by burning bridges behind you, stopping any chance of returning to the past and old habits. This ensures that you are committed to a chosen future direction. Potentially, such action can lead to positive results. Yet these do not just come about by

themselves; you have to work toward them consciously. You require an inner transformation (designed to improve your life), but may have difficulty in generating consistent energy to stimulate change. Additionally, there is always an element of possible chaos in your behavior that emanates from any misapplied Scorpio energy which can always unconsciously undermine your intentions.

You desire to be impressive to others; yet to some, you can appear as a negative influence. This arises from lacking comprehension of how your personality impacts on others, because you are so preoccupied with going your own way.

Relationships are important, although you tend to seek social status through them. There may be some confusion with respect to sexual matters / identity / activities, and you do not feel at ease with insistent physical demands. This can cause inner resistance and conflict. You may feel wary of sexuality, and your sexual image may be a difficult one to accept or integrate. You can keep such insecurities hidden and at a distance. Yet, as sexuality is an essential part of adulthood, it is a powerful impulse which requires satisfaction and understanding.

If you discover more transformative personal values, this can moderate any unconscious or excessive behavior patterns. You need openness to experience and to receive the influence of others, so that your life becomes expansive, as understanding different attitudes develops greater tolerance. Introduce new attitudes and values toward modifying your possessive impulse, especially by realizing that possessions are only for us. Material prosperity does not indicate a person's quality, or necessarily satisfy or fulfill his or her deeper needs. Your emphasis should be placed more on appreciating quality - that of yourself, of others, and of possessions.

You may need to release much that you previously considered to be important and meaningful, even though it has failed to give peace or happiness. Circumstances may strip you of the past in order for you to receive a new impulse and be influenced by more appropriate attitudes and values. If this occurs, see this experience as a positive personal renewal, an opportunity to change your life by a more moderate and balanced approach, leaving behind your compulsive and unconscious tendencies.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

The 8th lies halfway between the Descendant (DC) and the Medium Coeli or Midheaven (MC). Like the other fixed houses, it has no contact with the main axes. Like them, it is relatively remote from the cardinal force and favors a settled state of affairs. A dual instinct resides in the Scorpio 8th house. It rules the situation in which two things are wanted at the same time: the thing that suits the Descendant, and the thing that suits the Medium Coeli. Both of the nearer main axes determine the themes of the fixed houses.

This produces a double nature. In the 8th house, there is a desire to fulfill two conditions: on the one hand, to be in good communication with the 'You', and to profit by the contacts made through the seventh house; on the other hand, to undergo a 10th house individualization. However, to stress one's individuality can lead to isolation and to the loss of advantages offered by the 7th house. To be entirely 'Me', I have to give up 'You'. Therefore I am torn between two desires. Although I want optimum access to those around me, I also want to be a strong, independent, free individual. And so I seek to be someone important in society. That is a classic compromise which society has always found acceptable.

Society is the sum of all the 'Yous'; and if I climb the social ladder and reach a secure position, I become someone who is respected. But, conversely, when I have a social

position, I am answerable to others. To be sure, I have a place in society and authorization to perform a certain function; but, equally, I am under society's eye.

The Node in the 8th house warns me that I need to understand these two conflicting requirements, and to handle them sensibly without making false compromises. In fact, any compromise is rather inconclusive. With the Node in the 8th house, I am compelled to live on the razor's edge. I must guard against opting for security at the cost of personal development.

In the 8th house, the Node challenges us to strike a proper balance between society and individual growth: a balance that will produce spiritual and personal harmony. It requires us to cultivate a healthy relationship with the environment, in which the latter is respected, and to fulfill our obligations without hindrance to our spiritual growth. This is a tall order, because it presumes an internal and an external interdependence that are not easy to come by. It implies give and take in the spirit of: 'Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's...': not by seizing advantages, but by giving and taking in such a way that we and others each get what is our due. It is important to keep things in proportion; and to do so calls for the ability to keep a cool head and to weigh everything carefully; also to be scrupulous in keeping the rules, including the rules of affection, sympathy and contact.

Also one must not neglect love while getting on in the world. In the 8th house there has to be equilibrium between the physical and the spiritual. One is constantly being challenged not to lay undue emphasis on status or on material advantage. Usually, when the Node is in the 8th house, there is a struggle to overcome a fixation on the tangible and material, and to release living human impulses.

North Node in the eighth house or Scorpio: (James Braha)

If the North Node is in the eighth house or Scorpio, the person's greatest growth, evolution, and fulfillment come through relinquishing his desires for possessions, and helping others to determine their values. In past lifetimes, the person has been attached to his acquisitions and engrossed in his cravings for personal security. Now he is learning how to surrender and merge with energies separate from his own. Success and happiness will be found in pursuits involving the occult, metaphysics, mysticism, and psychic work. The person may also do well in politics or other fields which promote causes or campaigns for the good of others. The person should not concern himself too much with his own self-identity and intimate pleasures. He is here for greater purpose and profundity.

Good results occur when the person concentrates on spiritual evolution, soul growth, and psychological transformation. He should focus on ideals, paradigms, and ultimate realities rather than what can be gained from the mundane, physical universe. Sexual experiences are deep, significant, and valuable. The person transcends individuality and merges profoundly through the orgasmic experience. Appearances and physical beauty are not so important. The person must seek that which is deep, real, spiritual and lasting. He should open himself to all kinds of experiences, without trying to pick and choose the good versus the bad. Passion, power, and self-control are to be cultivated. The person should welcome his newly-vulnerable nature and embrace whatever ego-death-and-rebirth experiences come his way.

In Hindu astrology, the North Node in the eighth house and the South Node in the second (or vice versa) are considered the most painful and troublesome node positions. Family life is harmed and there are disturbances in married life. Happiness is not favored. However, there may be good spiritual and mystical experiences. Also, money can be earned from metaphysical or natural healing techniques. The sign

positions of the nodes are much less significant.

Natal North Node in 9th House / South in 3rd

(Georges Muchery)

This position is excellent for things of the mind. The native will constantly progress when the Dragon's Head occupies this house. His synthetic mind will enable him to undertake anything and succeed in everything, so long as the horoscope on the whole is favorable. In a woman's horoscope, it indicates marriage with a man above her station in life; and the husband will be 'somebody' from the pecuniary as well as the social standpoint. It is also fortunate for travelling, which will occur under comfortable and pleasant circumstances. For a man, this position is fortunate for taking up politics, as it enables him to emerge victorious in oratorical controversies through his facility of speech (provided Mercury is free from affliction), and especially through his ever-present common-sense.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the third house causes serious disagreements with those around the native. With an evil aspect of Mars, it signifies blows and wounds received during a dispute. This position is not good for the native's education, and compels him to associate with low-class people, which may be to his detriment. It is also a token of disharmony with the parents, brothers, or brothers-in-law, and is detrimental to the native's good repute, gossip, slander and calumny being the fruits of the Dragon's Tail in the Third House.

(Isabel Hickey)

Too much emphasis on mind and not enough emphasis on superconscious power. Faith and devotion to an ideal needed. Separative tendency strong, for mind separates; heart unites. Faith is tied with feelings and with the heart. Inner philosophy along devotional lines needed to balance the intellectual faculties. Should travel, outwardly and inwardly, for expansion. Relatives are the source of difficulties, and it would be well to be away from them if possible.

(Bernice Grebner)

Many times when the North Node position in the ninth is not developed, it gives the person a tendency to defy the law in some way, or gives the inclination to find ways of working deviously within the law. This can indicate also a disregard for religion. The person may have a difficult time being ethical. Religion can be touched upon only subjectively. He needs to develop an interest in psychology, religion, and abstract philosophy. He must become more objective in his thinking and studying, expanding mentally and spiritually. The person with North Node in the ninth has to try to absorb and assimilate what is beyond his mental reach. He needs to become more objective in his interpretations within his immediate world.

South Node in the third is subjectivity. The person has the ability to express himself very well, and is keenly interested in mental pursuits. This gives a strong psychic tie to brothers and sisters, and could bring loss of one through death or separation. It can give writing ability with favorable aspects to Mercury, Venus, or Neptune. There is a strong urge to share knowledge with others. South Node here denotes a duty in caring for brothers and sisters who may continually drain the individual. There is also much involvement in activities for the community. It is most difficult for the person with South Node in this position to finish his formal education. The person would rather read and study on his own, or he goes back to school in an on-again, off-again way. This is an influence that gives impatience. There could be many small accidents

if this Node is badly aspected. Involvement with neighbors is a continual problem.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies that one has to utilize all their philosophies and higher knowledge to cope with the situations in life. They have to learn a lot of lessons from their mistakes, and in many cases, they cannot even communicate their problems. Mental distortion or uncommon thinking is noticed in them. Affairs of brothers or sisters are very destined in their life whether they want to or not. They will get involved with publications, publicity or some 'foreign' affairs / activities in their lifetime due to strange coincidences. Either they have relatives living far away from them, or they often maintain a large gap between the relatives. Long-term relocation is often significant for them, even though they dislike short travel.

(Martin Schulman)

This individual is forever pulling himself out of webs of entanglement. Every relationship he enters becomes so complicated that he has to use all his energies to free himself. In past incarnations he developed a great need for people, and herein lies his weak spot, for as much as he now thinks he would like to be alone he feels an almost compelling need to reach for others

He listens to problems and likes to be in the position of giving advice. Often frustrated by the multitude of problems dumped in his lap, he secretly thinks that if he had had more education he would be better equipped to cope with all the questions that befall him. He keeps trying to be as diplomatic as possible, and is constantly enmeshed in the after-thoughts of the words he has spoken to others.

Always conscious of the interpretation his words may be given, he nurtures an inner fear of being misunderstood. As a result, he keeps going back to yesterday's conversation to re-explain all that he meant.

He must understand the essence of truth without having to feel compelled to make truth smaller by trying to communicate it verbally to others.

One of his greatest problems is dealing with the karmic residue of an insatiable curiosity, which although it served him well in former incarnations now keeps leading him deeper into webs of details. His greatest crises occur each time he is forced to make decisions, for rather than relying on his intuition or his higher mind, he keeps seeking more facts and details in the hope that when he has all the information the decision-making process will be easier.

Constantly striving to achieve neutrality, he becomes a paradox to himself. In prior lives, he fell into the habit of identifying with catchy phrases, cute sayings and euphemisms to the point that he has now become a walking cliché.

Liking to read and explore a wonderland of knowledge that he sees around him, his life is a constant thirst for more understanding. He is convinced that this is the one path in life that has no end. Whatever he becomes keenly interested in he can make into a life-long study, particularly if the South Node is in a fixed sign.

He likes to feel worldly. As a result, he'll do things that others wouldn't, just for the sake of experiencing new understanding.

His current life is involved with so many people that hurt feelings are bound to fly, not because of any malicious intent but rather through the inability to keep up with

everyone in whose life he has become involved. At the very deepest of levels, he has many inner doubts about himself which become amplified when he speaks with others, for if it were at all possible he would try to be all things to all people.

As a result of past-life habits, he spends too much time in 'lower mind'. He goes through more movement than he has to; and if this is not expressed physically, then he does it in thought. At times his merry-go-round of possibilities is so great that he thoroughly drains himself by thinking about what he should do. As a result he does nothing.

He will experience fears that he is sexually impotent. Once he starts questioning along this track, his enormous thirst for understanding can lead him into a promiscuous behavior pattern until he is reassured that all is well and he is perfectly normal.

On his deepest level, he is not a sexual animal, but in fact so mentally inclined that he has fears of being shut out from the nitty-gritty of life because of his mental inclinations.

Like the young child afraid his peers will accuse him of being a bookworm, he will dare himself to prove that he can be accepted in a physically-oriented world. Nevertheless, his greatest subconscious need is one day to become a walking encyclopaedia so that he will never be caught short, lacking the right piece of information at the right moment.

His biggest growth comes when he learns how to make the karmic transition from lower to higher mind. As he drops his past-life attachment to trivia, his eyes begin to open wide to the enormous horizons before him.

The less he talks to others, the more faith he starts to develop.

He must learn how constantly to broaden his interests so that the scope of his knowledge is not limited by the demands of his immediate circle of relationships. He does well when he learns how to step back so that he can see the forest from the trees. When he does this, he also learns how to let things slide off his back, which gives him a new sense of peace that somehow always eluded his reach.

Travelling helps to broaden his perspective, and he meets his greatest successes far from his place of birth. For some, the life will be influenced greatly by a foreigner.

Through the ninth house North Node, enormous spiritual growth is possible once the individual has learned how to pull away from all his prior-life doubts and questions. He must take his mind out of a finite world and focus on an infinite consciousness.

He will lose friends by doing this, for there are few who will understand his sudden aloofness. But through those who stay with him he will learn the difference between a friend and an acquaintance. As he grows, he begins to focus on ideas rather than the words through which the ideas are expressed. He sees how others limit themselves by language, and tries to speak to their ideas rather than to their words. The sign which contains the South Node indicates the ways in which the soul memory of past incarnations is still too embedded in lower mind activities. The sign which contains the North Node shows the ways in which the individual can now free himself through the broadening influence of the higher mind.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Devotion to causes vs. the need for stable routine. Dreams vs. realities. Psychic or intuitive mind vs. logical mind.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Entanglement in mazes of busy-work, gossip, family feuds, etc.. Problems with teachers, in-laws, foreigners. A tendency to take everything too literally; inhibition of the higher mind. Cynicism, agnosticism. Insatiable curiosity bordering on meddling.

Possible ways to integrate the North Node: Expand your mind by taking courses. Read about controversial issues and try to formulate opinions. Travel. Be selective about people; avoid gossips and crisis-prone erratic types. Take time out from routine activities to try new things.

In the ninth house, the hang-up centers around education or learning; and a lack of self-restraint invariably plays a major role. This person is often so easily swayed by his or her environment that life is spent moving from one bandwagon to another. A lack of continuity is often seen, too, making a little learning truly a potentially dangerous thing. Occasionally we find the reverse intellectual snob, one who values manual dexterity in just about any form but has no use for mental dexterity.

North Node in the ninth house dreams of being some type of teacher. He or she feels that education holds the key to tapping his or her fullest potentials. Success and progress are important themes of the dream motif. This person tends to let emotional factors stand in the way of success. While there may be a great amount of potential, as long as emotions take precedence over sense, the dream can't be fulfilled. Inconsistency is often a problem, since the mind rarely understands what the emotions are doing.
(Haydn Paul)

Your main concern is likely to be communication, relationships, mental development, and intellectual gathering of information. Relationships may become a source of conflict and confusion. You may not feel at ease with intimacy, and may prefer to break free from complications. As you are more mentally focused, you feel less comfortable with emotional and physical levels; sexual unease may also exist. This can be because you are less physically preoccupied than many, and so need intimate relationships less; sexual urges do not dominate your motivation or desires. You can learn to accept your sexuality as a natural expression, but within a context which values other aspects of relationships even more highly.

You can enjoy being alone, pursuing interests undistracted by others; yet there is also an impulse that seeks to communicate and relate with others. Balancing these tendencies can cause some difficulties.

People with emotional problems often turn to you for support, finding your detached mental perspective beneficial and calming. You help them find a more rational viewpoint to deal with agitated emotions. You enjoy this role and try to be helpful, hoping that your supportive advice can be used by them for positive results; you are very careful with suggestions, and try to ensure that you are not misunderstood.

Sometimes your tendency to be diplomatic and neutral has negative effects on you. Using evasive and nonconfrontational words can eventually interfere with identifying your own thoughts and feelings; and you could lose sight of your perception. If this occurs, it may be better to become more true to yourself and ensure personal clarity. This could become more problematic if your social life builds into an ever-expanding

web of relationships and contacts, making it inevitable that, at times, you will inadvertently upset someone. Relationship conflicts may happen, and this makes you confront inner doubts; if you have not been fully honest in your 'diplomacy', you will realize the futility of interfering with genuine communication. Through unnecessary relationship compromise and evasion of honest contact, you may become less true to yourself.

Keep conscious control of your life, or you may experience phases when its pace appears to increase, making you run faster on a treadmill just to keep in the same place. This could be the result of a social or mental whirl which makes you feel increasingly uncomfortable and could cause symptoms of ill-health and problems in decision-making. You are not always adept at making choices and decisions; you prefer gathering all facts and details prior to deciding. The difficulty lies in believing there are more facts to accumulate, and so postponing choice. Perhaps relying more on intuition or 'gut feeling' could be experimented with.

Stocking your mind with knowledge and information will become one of your favorite occupations; and the world appears to you as a treasure trove of facts, interests, and fascinations. You want to accumulate as many of these as possible; and your need to understand will be a lifelong preoccupation, with interests spanning human knowledge and never resting in the search for more pieces of the human puzzle. At least through mental journeys you will explore the world, although physical travel may also appeal, and would broaden your perspective. It may be that success will come through leaving your place of birth, or through foreign contacts.

You need to focus your information gathering, so that you can synthesize your knowledge into something usable, something that reveals important truths about the human condition and the nature of life. If you can do this, you will provide extra meaning to both your own life and others' lives, as you concentrate more on inclusive ideas and less on fragmentary facts. As your vision extends, your ability to communicate will also become more effective.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

The 9th house has to do with the development of individual thought, or spiritual autonomy. What is involved here is the 3-9 (or thought) axis. In the 3rd house, our task is to learn the language, and to absorb the knowledge, of the group. In childhood, we accept the thought-structures of our environment, of the group in which we live; and we are molded by the thinking of those around. The collective enshrines not only knowledge but also routine patterns of thought which are almost mechanical. Thinking in the 3rd house is fairly reflex, and travels along fixed lines.

In the 9th house, there is an awareness of, and an ability to distinguish, those thought structures and routines, those scripts or programs, which have become second nature. And not until this state of awareness is reached can we discard the things that do not tally with what we have worked out for ourselves. In the 9th house, we must create our own philosophy of life and strive for intellectual freedom. We must form a picture of the world that is as objective and as devoid of value-judgements as possible, by examining things for ourselves, making up our minds about them, and so arriving at our own outlook on life. The evidence of our senses should provide food for thought. The ability to draw conclusions from what is observed, to follow the course of events, and to have clear ideas and a personal point of view, is typical of the 9th house. Our prerequisites are accurate observations and keen perceptions, from which valid results can be obtained, inferences made, and our own attitude developed. Muddled ideas carried over from the 3rd house can be full of prejudice, however, and may make it difficult to think clearly in the 9th house.

Therefore, with the Node in the 9th house, we need to make a special effort to form our own opinions and to draw up a clear account of them. We should try to avoid being led astray by others either intentionally or unintentionally, or by automatic responses of our own that spoil clarity and obstruct freedom of thought. If we come across a good idea, it is not good because it is said to be good, or because it emanates from some authority; it is good only if we can verify it by obtaining the same results. Verification is the task of the 9th house.

Keen senses are absolutely vital for clear thought. Keen senses are symbolized by Jupiter, the ruler of Sagittarius, which is the counterpart of the 9th house. Obviously, there is a connection between observation and thought, and this connection is represented by the 9th house (and by Sagittarius). Our senses need to be in good working order before we can make clear judgements.

We require the courage of our convictions when putting forward our own ideas. We need to be self-confident to trust our own observations and feelings, and not to be persuaded by the crowd that we have seen, or should see, something different. The 9th house encourages us to stick to our point of view, and to the truth we have discovered for ourselves. Of course, we must not think that we are always right or that we can do anything. The progress indicated by the Node in the 9th house comes about through expanded awareness by means of original thinking, travelling, and philosophizing, etc., after we have left the route charted for us by others. When we take an independent line, query what we are told, and experience things for ourselves, we learn what life really is.

North Node in the ninth house or Sagittarius: (James Braha)

If the North Node is in the ninth house or Sagittarius, the person's greatest growth, evolution, and fulfillment come through pursuing religion, philosophy, and higher knowledge. In past lives the person was intellectual, analytical, meticulous, precise, and skeptical. Now he is to cultivate faith, and concentrate on ideals, paradigms, and the ultimate truth of existence. The person should use wisdom and seek broad viewpoints. He must give credence to his intuition, feelings, and inspirations. He must take his visions and prophecies seriously, and give little importance to the petty and inconsequential in daily life. The person gains his greatest happiness by devoting his energies to spiritual ideals, mystical movements, and enlightened gurus. He is exceedingly gifted in promoting religion or any other knowledge which raises the consciousness of the masses. Publishing, as a career, is greatly favored.

The person must continually discriminate between right and wrong, and even make a discipline of the process. He should seek freedom and liberation, and develop his soul conscience. Beliefs, principles, and morals are everything, and the person must maintain a positive outlook under all circumstance. The person is eternally concerned with profundities. He knows the meaning of life is to find perfection with God. Money, possessions, and material comforts are of little consideration. The person should seek to increase his generosity and charitable nature. Travel is a source of evolution; and the person may wish to engage in foreign affairs. He should take fun and recreation seriously, and enjoy speculations when he feels the impulse.

The person may pay little attention to relationships with siblings and relatives. He must relinquish his previously constricted or microscopic way of thinking and allow his perception and insights to take him to the highest interpretation of life that is possible.

In Hindu astrology, the North Node in the ninth house indicates cravings for religion

and higher knowledge, and great power after the age of forty-one. However, there may also be difficulties with the father and religious or spiritual teachers. The South Node in the third house means that the person is strong-willed, exciting and adventurous, and good at fulfilling his desires. It also signifies a spiritual, introspective, or introverted younger sibling. The nodes in the signs are much less significant.

Natal North Node in 10th House / South in 4th

(Georges Muchery)

The Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) in the Tenth House gives full and complete success generally. There will always be progress towards better things, as the native is truly gifted from the time of birth, and these gifts will develop, since the Dragon's Head passes (owing to its movement) into the Ninth House. It is a lucky position, and the native may undertake anything; he will succeed, and attain to a high position with honours, fame and riches.

The Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the Fourth House is not good for domestic life, which is founded upon exaggerated selfishness; the couple think about themselves in preference to their family, so that the inharmoiious home is likely to be broken up, thus indicating separation and disagreements. It also means pecuniary losses, an inheritance wasted in order to gratify sometimes very unworthy desires.

(Isabel Hickey)

This soul has had his soul powers developed. He has withdrawn and lived in a quiet, reserved manner. Now he must come out into the public and the limelight and give himself in some public way to the world. In a career he will find his fulfillment. If he tries to cling to home, it will in some manner fall apart. Unconscious desire to retreat has to be overcome. Has to learn to be with people rather than retreat from them.

(Bernice Grebner)

A vocation should be followed, sometimes to the point of sacrificing home and domestic life. This means working for or with the public in some way. Through very sustained effort and great exertion, success in public life will be attained, but requires personal sacrifice. The area of sacrifice can be ascertained by the aspects to this nodal position. When this Node is balanced finally with the South Node in the fourth, then the fulfillment of the great-person status will be obtained, and not before. This position, when followed, will give the urge to be a protector of great masses of people, to be a leader among them. Naturally, the influence of all of these nodal positions in the houses is dependent upon the signs involved. If the sign were Leo in the tenth, it would deal with children or some creative project, and the theater may possibly bring fame. One cannot read simply North Node in the tenth, but always must interpret the signs and aspects. If the aspects are trines and sextiles, the arrival at the North Node will come more easily; but if aspects are squares and oppositions, the arrival at the North Node may take more time and trouble.

South Node in the fourth is the introvert. This position of the South Node gives a seeking after perfection, especially in domestic matters, and gives a great depth of soul. It can cause many changes of residence for the individual. There is great dissatisfaction in this area, with a constant desire for a Shangri-la. The person wants to live a quiet, retired life in seclusion and peace. There exists a shyness about him; and he would like to retreat from the public. He probably will adopt a parental role by trying to hold people too closely. He is usually very talented at repairing things

around the home. If a woman, she is usually a good cook.

(Mohan Koparkar)

This condition often signifies stronger success in the professions or career area. However, some drawbacks are noticed in the home affairs. Here, the individual converts all the domestic energies into professional direction. Thus, satisfactions and fulfillments through the home are fairly low for him. Their individuality and strong ego are worth noticing. Often difficulties during childhood bring about a distorted mother / father complex to this person. These people are a lot closer to their father than to the mother. However, some of the hostilities or lack of mother element are due to recent past life complications with her. Sensitivity and emotionalism is something they have to overcome, and they have to show an image of tough practicality in this life. Their first half of life is not very enjoyable compared to the second half of life.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the individual finds that much of his time is needed for the demands of his family. Constantly he feels held down, as if he is being prevented from realizing his own individuality. The fact is that he comes into the current life with much karma owed to his family.

In past incarnations he ignored the hands that fed him. Now he is locked into the lesson of becoming those feeding hands himself. In the current life he finds his mate and children just as highly unappreciative of all he tries to do for them. Still he will do more if he is ever to grow past his karma. At times, the burdens become so heavy that he has to fight himself to keep from feeling an inner resentment.

The female with these Nodes will have problems with at least one child, which will demand most of her time, effort, energy and concern for she is to learn on the very deepest of levels the responsibilities of parenthood. To enforce the karma still deeper, the spouse is either not present or so lacking in character that this individual must ultimately become mother and father at the same time.

Whether positive or negative, the emotions never leave the family. This individual constantly feels the need to break out and be free; yet his past-life memories of self-enforced chains never quite permit him to do this.

Nearly all of his energy is spent on untangling the web of relations that he sees around him.

In some instances, he experiences great conflict with other family members over real estate.

He must learn not to let circumstances weigh him down with feelings of hopelessness, for the needs of his family are constantly compounding themselves, to the point that from time to time they become considerably more than he bargained for.

Often, he is caught by surprise through the actions of those closest to him, for although he can develop strong outer worldliness, he still remains almost childishly naive when it comes to the emotions he feels about those close to him.

Some with these Nodes have to go out to work, becoming the sole source of family support. Others are put into the position of becoming the family supervisor.

Always this individual is caught between the conflict of the things he would like to do for himself and the things he knows he must do for his loved ones.

Constantly faced with situations which tempt him to react childishly, he must learn how to mature. He must rise above family harmony and do all he can to achieve a role of self-dignity.

When the needs of his loved ones are understood, only then can he have the freedom to experience a career life of his own.

As he makes the switch to his tenth house North Node, he is ultimately forced into the position of assuming the dominant role. He must learn how to keep his life focused in a direction above and beyond all the scattering needs of his close family members.

Paradoxically, he escapes from one family by creating another, until ultimately every person he meets and likes gets pulled closer to him in a type of pseudo-universal family. As the years build up the life starts to resemble the 'old woman who lived in a shoe'.

His greatest happiness comes from being in a position to be able to offer shelter to others.

In later years he joyously re-invites others to lean on him. His mission to move away from emotional immaturity and in the direction of responsibility tells him that each person he moves along the path represents another payment for his own ticket towards soul evolution.

The sign which contains the South Node shows the ways in which he allows immaturity on the part of others as well as himself to block his potentialities for achievement. The sign which contains the North node indicates the ways in which he can develop maturity by pointing his life in a meaningful direction.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Authority vs. need for private life. Conscious vs. subconscious. Ambitions for power vs. ambitions for self-understanding.

Possible results of sacrificing North Node: Family demands are used as an excuse for not developing your fullest potentials. Neglect of career. Parenting or domesticity takes up most of your time. Others take you for granted.

Possible ways to integrate North Node: Untangle yourself from domestic and parental traps. Involve yourself in your community instead of staying home all the time. Develop a more positive outlook. Make contact with people outside your family milieu. Go out to work, even if it's only part-time or volunteer work.

In the tenth house, the hang-up is connected with respect or integrity, which may mask a basic dislike of people and / or social functions. This person subconsciously fears authority figures, and is uncomfortable in society unless he or she can come out decked in all the trappings of success - and even then there may be doubts as to the worth of that success. Reclusiveness or deep introversion may manifest as a means of coping with these fears.

Often there's been an early struggle with authority figures or society in general. Difficulties with one or both parents are common. Usually the early upbringing involves a heavy dose of moralistic philosophy. Less frequently, one or both parents was maladjusted, and the offspring has to live down their misdeeds or grows up feeling a need to make amends for his or her parents' failure to contribute to society.

North Node in the tenth house generally dreams of success in life. This involves overcoming limitations and rising above his or her station in life through gaining the support of authority figures or others who are in a position to help. This person tends to get trapped in a comfortable, mildly pleasant rut due to emotional ties. A parent or other family member may be instrumental in keeping the dream from being fulfilled. This usually isn't because of outright opposition; generally, it's because of subconscious fear or guilt on the part of North Node in the tenth. Clannishness, bigotry, or class-consciousness can keep the person from making contacts that would be instrumental in fulfilling the dream.

Natal North Node in 11th House / South in 5th

(Georges Muchery)

In the Eleventh house, the Ascending Node (Dragon's Head) gives many friends and supporters who will help the native to progress. It is a good position for associations, and also reveals the possibilities of becoming a leader, a Shining Light. Great social success is promised, inasmuch as the motion of the Node in the course of life cannot be otherwise than favourable for progress from the worldly as well as the mental standpoint. This position also indicates increased wealth for the Mother or the Wife; and this will benefit the native and his children, whose Father's name and fame will help them in their turn.

In the Fifth House, the Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) is detrimental to happiness in general. It may incline to gambling or speculation, which will not be successful; and pecuniary losses are inevitable if the native indulges the tendency. It is also the cause of ill-health of the children, and anxiety on their account.

(Isabel Hickey)

There may be children in this lifetime, but they will not be of much help or give much love to the individual. Energy expended in personal affections will not bring adequate satisfaction. Perhaps a treading of the primrose path, seeking pleasure and evading responsibility is a subconscious pattern of the past that is being redeemed in this lifetime. Friends will bring far more satisfaction and sustainment than family ties. Goals and objectives that deal with group endeavor or service of a universal nature will be successful, as well serving as a means of spiritual integration.

(Bernice Grebner)

Much depends upon whether the sign involved with this North Node is masculine or feminine, to denote the type of friends most favorable to the development of this house. This seems to be very important. People who have the same nodal axis - fifth and eleventh - by house and / or sign seem to understand each other better since they have the same direction to their destiny. Someone who has North Node in the eleventh will be helped greatly by someone with South Node in the eleventh. This person needs to learn the art of friendship and to become involved in some type of social endeavor or reform action. Here they must become as an Aquarian in the highest sense of the word: a true humanitarian. With this position there must be

acquired the ability of true detachment and an independence in loving, for one cannot be dependent and be a true humanitarian. With the development of this North Node position comes a true strength and understanding of the human condition.

South Node in the fifth is attached love. It is too attached and self-loving. With South Node here, there is an almost constant interest in love; the giving and receiving, and its pleasures. This gives innate knowledge in the rearing of children, although not always immediate success. This nodal position can bring loss of children with aspects to it showing the degree of the loss. It bestows many loves - loves that are always changing - and gives a knowledge of love beyond the ordinary. The lovers usually turn into friends. Personal affections prove dissatisfying because of a certain idealism. There is constant searching for love, romance, and pleasures. This position delays a permanent love relationship. Receiving love is denied, it seems, until enough is given. [If for example South Node is in Libra in the fifth, others in his life leave the person because he expects too much. South Node in Aries indicates the person's own egotism destroys love through impatience. South Node in Taurus demands the person's own money be spent for children, love, and pleasures. South Node in Scorpio demands the partner's funds be spent on children, love, and pleasures.] This position gives an individual creativity leading to genius when well-aspected.

(Mohan Koparkar)

North Node in the 11th house often signifies that the person has considerable friendships. Friends are his major assets through which he achieves a lot of things in life. Problems and difficulties usually stem out of romances, and quite often formation of a successful relationship is very difficult. Their next difficulty is with regard to children. Either having a child is a problem, or dealing with children may be one. In their recent past life, their attitudes and dealing with children have often been so uncommon that they have to suffer in this life. Often these people carry out their major hopes and dreams in life like clockwork, and their surrounding influences help them in all respects to do so. Their love received by others is much better than they can give back to others. This imbalance in love exchanges causes problems or tensions in relationships.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the individual comes into the current life remembering a style of living in which he was the sole creator. Now he keeps trying to take the bull by the horns in order to recreate the manner of living to which he was accustomed. Yet everything he tries to do bears a tinge of being slightly inappropriate insofar as fitting his current life circumstances is concerned.

He is prone to love affairs, finding them a comfort to the continuation of his past-life ego. What he often fails to realize is that through his love affairs he makes himself weaker, and rather than gaining strength from compliments and encouragements he develops a dependency where each compliment creates the need for another. Eventually he makes himself so helpless that his behavior becomes hopelessly childlike.

He wants to be loved desperately, but the residue of past-life sexual tensions is so great that he often confuses what is really important to him. He has great difficulty understanding reality, for his life is stage of players and his dreams are so romantic in nature that he becomes a veritable Don Quixote chasing windmills. He believes in chivalry and can easily be fooled by glamor. Wanting to be constantly reassured that his arrival in life does not go unnoticed, he is unable to accept the role of just being a member of the audience.

To those who appreciate him, he can be extremely generous, but the moment he feels ignored he will run into his gossamer dream world trying to create a Seventeenth Century romantic adventure in which he will be the central character.

Constantly in search of self-fulfillment through amorous adventures, he can too easily lose his way.

He would like others to think of him as sacrificial; and when he does involve himself with a love affair, it is almost certain that he will force himself into a position of having to give up everything. Like the 'Martyr King' who sacrificed his throne so that he might fulfill his love, this individual would like his affairs to be honored, sanctioned and even admired.

His past-life sense of dignity is so great that he is not particularly pleased with even the thought of an illicit love affair; yet from time to time he finds himself in the midst of one if for no other reason than to express his ability to sacrifice a principle for what he believes at the moment to be the world's greatest love.

Basically he is a good person and it would take severe chart afflictions for him to have a malicious bone in his body. Throughout all the zodiac, his creative talents with children are unsurpassed, for at heart he is a child himself.

Regardless of his Sun sign, he will at one time in this life need to lean on someone with more strength than himself.

Through his eleventh house North Node, he is to learn the value of friendship. He must transcend the physically possessive relationships of his past incarnations and cherish with equal fervor the new impersonal relationships he is now forming.

In this life, he is learning how to pay more attention to the meaning of his dreams rather than trying to force his own will against the flowing tide.

His dreams bring him messages from his higher guidance, through which he is telepathically brought to understand the reasons for all his actions; but his will is often so great that he refuses to accept what he knows is true.

If he is realistically asked to abdicate anything at all in this life, it would only be his powerful self-will, for here in the pride of ego he actually blocks all that he so desperately desires. Truly, he is his own worst enemy.

The individual with these Nodes suffers from a built-in discontent, for whatever he creates through his South Node only leaves him free to dream of more he is missing. He would like to be free of entanglements, but he is constantly jumping out of the frying pan into the fire. Before any growth at all can be made, he must learn to overcome the monstrous dragon ego which he has allowed to become his self-generating instrument of destruction. He must learn how to see himself impersonally, with the understanding that his life is like a river flowing beneath the bridge from whose vantage point he may watch it.

His most difficult tests always revolve around the temptation to control the flow of that river; yet his greatest happiness occurs when he can appreciate its beauty without tampering.

It is almost certain that he will go through at least one major experience in which he will be required to sacrifice his personal ego for the sake of fairness to another; for

only when he has learned how to rid himself of every biased thought can he reach his higher purpose. So long as he retains the slightest tinge of self-pride, all the power in the chart will be denied him. Even the possibilities of a harmonious marriage loom beyond his reach until he becomes impersonal.

The fifth house South Node uses so much energy in trying to achieve self-sympathy that the individual has difficulty finding the strength to give complete fulfillment to a marriage mate. Many with these nodes experience divorce; but this is neither destiny nor necessity - it is simply an outgrowth of misusing the South Node energies. Through so much focusing on the self, the individual does not see or fully appreciate the blessings he has. Again, the answer is the same. He must relinquish the grip on 'self' and dedicate his life to impersonal service rather than expect others to wait on him.

If he can learn to become less romantic and more scientific, he will start to see truth for what it is. He must never allow the fires of passion to cloud his vision for his happiness will be achieved only when he can look at life from a dispassionate viewpoint.

His karma is in learning how to become non-involved and yet always available when needed by others. Ultimately, he is destined to become the impersonal servant of humanity.

He will at one time in this life do much to further the career of another.

Friendships, clubs and societies become important to him, for it is through such associations with others that he ultimately comes to sense his own identity. Through the ways that others value him, he comes to value himself. Then he is able to see himself as a part of others as well as a part of a higher cause to which he is dedicated.

The more he can do this, the more he will rise off the plane of self-consciousness, and the demanding needs to gratify his own ego will become submerged in the collective ego of the cause to which he has dedicated his identity.

When he completes this lesson, his strength of character and sense of direction become no weaker nor less purposeful than the cause of which he becomes a part.

The sign which contains the South Node shows the ways in which this individual allows too much past-life residue of passion and desire to pressure his current life. The sign which contains the North Node indicates the ways in which he can develop enough detachment so that he frees his personal self, enabling him to dedicate his energies toward more universal causes.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Need for social attention vs. need for creative development. Reliability in friendships vs. demands of lovers and children. Fulfillment of dreams vs. fulfillment of present needs.

Possible Results of Sacrificing North Node: Inappropriate behavior in terms of your goals. Difficult love affairs. Desperate measures taken in order to gain recognition. Generosity verging on extravagance. Lack of fulfillment in romance, parenting, social life.

Possible Ways to Integrate North Node: Become goal-oriented instead of pleasure-

oriented. Let love affairs be guided by your self-respect. Temper your generosity with discrimination. Openly admit your weaknesses. Meditate on the value of friendship.

In the eleventh house, hang-ups can involve honesty, knowledge, or ethics - all things that would seem to correlate more with Sagittarius / ninth house at first glance. But where North Node in Sagittarius / ninth leans towards lack of discrimination and sometimes fanaticism, the eleventh house North Node takes a cold, dispassionate approach. Whatever is perceived to be the truth or the right way is followed without thought about damage that may be done should honesty prove not to be the best policy or if the truth turns out to be flawed. Relationships are often spoiled by this 'honesty is the best policy' approach as others frequently feel demeaned by this brutal, almost egotistical honesty.

Occasionally North Node in the eleventh house can manifest in a compulsive need to see the good side in everyone, regardless of the cost to self. Here we see the Mr. or Mrs. Nice who suffers extensive guilt pangs if the need to criticize arises. A child-like Pollyannaism and naiveté about people eventually leads to disappointments and being taken advantage of in relationships.

North Node in the eleventh house wants some sort of guarantee that his or her goals will be realized. He or she wants to be known as an honest person, a seeker of knowledge, and an instrument of positive change. He or she dreams of close friends to share goals with, people who will offer support without making demands. This person is typically very impressionable and not cautious enough or discriminating enough when it comes to other people. On one hand, he or she may blindly take advice without considering its source. On the other, pomposity or excessive pride may keep him or her from asking for or accepting even the most necessary or valid advice. There's a tendency to invest a great deal in emotional whims and pleasure-seeking at the expense of long-range goals.

(Haydn Paul)

You are attracted toward the pleasures of life, creativity, love affairs, and a self-centered style of expression. Your creative imagination often weaves many colorful webs around your actual reality, creating an appearance that you find more appealing than the real nature of the world.

What excites you is this alternative choice of perceptions, which, due to creative directorship, imposes a worldview characterized by a large group of play-actors and actresses, performing their chosen roles, chasing private dreams and adventures, and following their desires. Arguably, this is a valid way to perceive life. It certainly raises life above a more mundane perspective, infusing it with a glamor and fantasy that enlivens and enriches. Yet a danger can exist in using this to escape from reality and responsibilities by preferring to live as a central character in a romantic and heroic drama.

You desire to be recognized and noticed by others, to stand out from the crowd of unknown faces. This creates your attraction to being 'onstage before an audience'; anonymity is not a favored role, and you hate to be ignored. Love affairs are one of your favorite pastimes, however, based on your need to be loved by others. These affairs provide a suitable stage for performance, with a captive audience on whom you can depend, at least temporarily. Romantic interludes may divert from creating a life-direction, as those by-paths which appear to offer pleasure always seem more seductive.

In love, you are prone to make grand gestures of sacrifice for love - especially for the benefit of your partner - and tend to subjectively turn relationships into great passionate dramas. You can fall in love easily; yet often this has only a superficial emotional impact; you avoid deeper depths of the love experience where transformative energies exist - in fact, you rarely sacrifice anything at all.

There is a lively, childlike spirit at play with you, but one that is naive and almost innocently self-centered, a spirit that desires constant company or a supporting cast to maintain. Much of your waking life is spent forming these creative, imaginative, and romanticized dreams which are projected onto the world and people, and which serve in several ways as a protective barrier. Yet it is this inner activity which prompts self-development and gives opportunities for insight into the real meaning and influence of 'dreams' in life. Personal dreams can motivate creative determination to actualize desires, but if you attempt to force events against the tides of life, failure is likely. Dreams can also bring messages from within, trying to guide you toward an understanding of the reasons for your actions and experiences. If you can register the impressions, from dreams and intuition, such guidance may help you to adjust your direction. Unfortunately, many fail to listen to the quiet inner voice.

Until you reduce self-centeredness, you will experience discontent and feel that you are missing something vital in life, even though you creatively color much of life with brighter hues. Searching to be free of commitments, you may unconsciously create more by your choices and actions. Your sense of ego and pride may cause problems through self-preoccupation, especially within relationships; and your need for 'more' prevents the appreciation of what you already have.

Become aware of others as more than supporting 'players'. Recognize the equal validity of their needs, desires, and dreams. Adjust your relationship behavior accordingly, to restore harmony. Your romantic vision of life may need modifying so that reality is not lost, although your sometimes childlike view of life can still be refreshing to more jaded appetites.

Your new direction is to apply creative imagination to dream of a better world, not just for yourself, but for everyone. Friendships and group involvements are likely to expand life; and possible commitment and dedication to an idealistic vision could enable movement beyond a self-centered focus into performing a more important role. In your discovering how to improve the quality of life for others too, the world can assume a more positive nature; and your tendency for romanticized love and adventure can be transformed into a more realistic and satisfying contribution for the well-being of all. Discovering how to combine creativity with social needs could offer an effective and attractive balance; in so doing, you could discover the powerful mystery of the creative dream, realizing that it has generated the whole universe and seeing that, by our small use of it, we obtain the power to positively transform our lives and the world.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

The 11th house belongs to the axis of relationships. Like the 5th house, it has to do with the attitudes and behavior of people to one another. In the 5th house, human relationships are tackled with a naive simplicity, One sees oneself as the center of the world and tries to realize personal desires or ideals. In the 11th house, this self-oriented view has to be abandoned. Its simplistic methods will no longer work, because one recognizes that one is part of a Whole. Here one must act, on principle, in accordance with transcendent, universal criteria. Postulating these criteria is even more important than working hard on them.

When the Node is in the 11th house, it is important to establish a clear attitude toward people. This can be personal, for in a personal sense the 11th house is known as the house of friendship. It represents the possession of friends and confidant(e)s. It represents making a choice of people who have a certain quality, in which there always resides an element of trust. This element of trust clearly divides the 11th house from the 5th. On a personal level, the Node in the 11th house indicates a need to form friendships and to make the most of them. We have to learn to be selective when looking for friends, and to seek kindred spirits who will turn out to be genuine. We may be parted from such friends for years, but when we meet them again it is as if we had been with them only yesterday. That is true friendship. In the 11th house, the discovery can be made, as soon as we learn to stop clinging, that loyal devotion is possible even without conditions. Then complete freedom of action is granted in the friendship. What this means is that with the Node in the 11th house, we must overcome the desire for security characteristic of the Fixed Cross, and put it behind us.

In essence, friendship is the result of striving for an ethical attitude to others. From this point of view, the 11th house aims at the development of an ideal concept of humanity. Basically, what is meant here by ethics is mutual respect between individuals. Although we work at this (or discover it) in the 9th house, ethics is a fundamental frame of reference in the 11th house. Naturally, it is a frame of reference for doctrines and creeds; for the 11th is a fixed house and, in a fixed house, conditions rather than processes hold sway. Therefore, the ethics with which the 11th house is concerned are ready-made ethics, in which one believes, or with which one identifies sufficiently strongly to want to pass them on to others or even to impose them on them. Dogmatism almost always emanates from the 11th house, which has to do with our convictions and our moral yardstick.

If the Node receives hard aspects, there is a likelihood of blind acceptance of a certain ethical view. Even a sophisticated and complex system of ethics can be passively absorbed - usually as a result of the upbringing or of social influences in youth, chiefly at the time of puberty.

Inconjunct aspects to the Node should be heeded too, because they introduce an element of uncertainty. When they are present, we are susceptible to any number of ideologies that promise security. This can lead to difficulties, especially in the practical arena of friendship, because we are prepared to change our friends whenever we change our ethical beliefs.

When soft aspects are received by the Node, or by a planetary stellium, there is often an inclination to join an elite group or to embrace a special doctrine, because this seems to be the most convenient thing to do. We cradle ourselves in the security of the group, and use it for our own ends. And so we need to make an effort to overcome what is indicated by the Node here. For a start, we should examine our ethics. In the 11th house, and with soft aspects, this is not particularly easy, because our ethics are second-nature to us. We may change our opinions but, unconsciously, we react according to ingrained patterns of behavior.

So, with the Node in the 11th house, we ought to take pains to acquire a satisfactory system of ethics that is clearly formulated and intelligently accepted. Otherwise, we may indulge in spiritual snobbery, and pretensions to exceptional moral virtue. Egocentricity in ethics produces the smugness that says 'I am better than others, because I know how to behave', or 'We are better than others, because we know how to behave'.

The Node in the 11th house serves notices that we ought to take responsibility for our own actions and ought not to rely on others. Doing the latter is a big danger, because solidarity with the group gives us a feeling of strength, and we imagine we are entitled by some dogma or ethical system to sit in judgement on people and call them 'mistaken' or 'wicked'. Behind the group-egoism involved in special friendships, there lurks an individual egoism, though we may hide it under a shiny white cloak of ethics.

North Node in the eleventh house or Aquarius (James Braha)

If the North Node is in the eleventh house or Aquarius, the person's greatest growth, evolution, and fulfillment come through performing altruistic acts for society, getting involved with groups and friends, and developing a sense of detachment. In past lives, the person may have been extremely proud, renowned, and ego-oriented. Now he is here to care for the citizenry of the world. He must let go of emotional attachments, and seek to improve existing conditions of the common person. He should try to locate and abolish outdated forms and structures, and implement new, innovative, efficient methods wherever he can. The person should not place great attention on children, intense love affairs, and deeply personal pursuits.

The person should favor his mind, not his impulse. He must cultivate the intellect and allow his rational mind to take precedence. Science and research endeavors are favored. Rules, regulations, dogma, and rhetoric are not to be greatly regarded. The person is learning a much more impersonal style of functioning. He is concerned with knowledge, information, and truth, and is relinquishing old habits of sentimental convictions and individual preferences. Commitment to ideals, especially the betterment of humankind, is crucial. The person must perceive life from the viewpoint of society. He should take life easy, not intensely. He should meet with friends and groups regularly, and effortlessly discover causes and campaigns worth furthering. Freedom, liberty, and equality for all must always be supported.

Fame and recognition are psychologically unimportant. The person may be a pioneer or revolutionary, but he is never to allow his reputation to go to his head. He should always favor activities which have never been done before. He does well with utopian movements, current fads, and prevailing crazes. He should generally avoid speculations, gambling, intense passions, and profound romance. His purpose is humanitarian.

In Hindu astrology, the North Node in the eleventh house indicates great ability to fulfill major goals and desires. The person earns plenty of wealth from 'side ventures', and has powerful, influential and worldly friends. The South Node in the fifth house means the person's 'poorvapunya' or past life credit is connected to spirituality and psychic experience. In other words, in previous lifetimes the person worked hard on attaining enlightenment and evolutionary growth; and in this life he gains the benefits. The South Node in the fifth does not produce many children. But those that are born will be introspective, psychic, contemplative, and decidedly spiritual.

Natal North Node in 12th / South in 6th

(Georges Muchery)

This position of the Ascending Node (Dragon's Tail) in the Twelfth House, though not very fortunate, nevertheless brings relief in trouble. It gives Faith, and enables the native to convince himself that all is not lost. He will have to struggle and defend himself; there will be difficult periods in his life; but he will conquer with the aid of the benefic planets, and more prosperous times will come in the course of the

Revolutions of the Ascending Node.

In the Sixth House, the Descending Node (Dragon's Tail) will cause serious disorders in health, and countless difficulties with subordinates, some of whom will try to harm the native; and may even rob him or endeavor to deprive him of his position. It is also a sign of disagreements with uncles and aunts.

(Isabel Hickey)

Has ability to clear payments due from past karma by self-initiated channels of service. Work with those limited and afflicted would be fulfilling and integrative. Hypochondriac tendencies of the past must be overcome. Subconscious tendency to identify with negative conditions needs eliminating through positive and uplifting emotions. In other lifetimes, negativity brought on disharmony and disease in the physical body. In this life, helping others achieve a new and happier outlook is the way for this person to find fulfillment and peace of mind.

(Bernice Grebner)

North Node in twelfth house takes self-sacrifice. It is helping those less fortunate, those handicapped or afflicted. This is done in a quiet, unassuming way. The person must learn compassion, learn to accept others as they are, and to help them in spite of any differences. This is the position of karma, and seems to call for some kind of payment. Many times this position produces doctors and nurses, and would seem to be an excellent way to fulfill this twelfth house Node. Since this is the house of the subconscious mind, the person needs to develop and release these vast resources, bringing them to the threshold of the conscious mind by expanding his ability to meditate. In its lighter vein, this is the sign of the poet, indicating another means of liberating the storehouse of the subconscious mind and its vast inspirations. The degree of success would depend upon its connection with Mercury, Jupiter, and the third and ninth houses.

South Node in the sixth is the critic or the worker. Here the South Node gives an instinctive knowledge on health matters and a drive to learn more concerning this. It gives a desire to serve others and a constant changing of working conditions. There is great attention to detail with the ability to weed out. This individual knows how to work, and much more so when this South Node is favorably aspected by Mars. South Node here denotes mysterious illnesses, those difficult to diagnose. Neptune in the sixth also indicates mysterious illnesses. If there is a conjunction of Neptune and South Node in the sixth, or Neptune is in the first house, this compounds and accents the problem. This person can become a hypochondriac, and is always running to the doctor. Many doctors and nurses have South Node in the sixth. The tendency to be critical and to take everything apart is strong with South Node in this location, and can be, to some extent, severe, the sign involved considered.

(Mohan Koparkar)

North Node in the 12th house often signifies that one has a lot to learn in this lifetime, with or without individual choice. The work area is often a confining issue for them. However, it is a part of their lifestyle that they cannot get rid of. Working with institutions or dealing with behind-the-scenes activities is quite significant for them in this lifetime. They use considerable amounts of psychic sensitivity in their routine lifestyle. In their work, they are quite methodical, practical, punctual and steady. The digestive system or problems with circulation need(s) attention in this case. Physical health, in general, may not be necessarily weak. Their tendency to daydreaming on the job or uncommon work hours is significant; and sometimes they

even get to like that schedule. Affairs of Karma or life as a continuous process are significant for them; and their interest in reincarnation is amazingly worth noting.

(Martin Schulman)

Here the individual undergoes a crisis in consciousness. Whether he is actually aware of it or not, much of his life is spent in deep thought.

He finds the physical world exhausting. From time to time, he has to deal with illnesses which take him out of the competitive arena, strongly affecting his abilities to work.

When he is working, he finds conditions intolerable. He feels either underpaid or, at the very least, unappreciated for all he has to offer. He becomes so wrapped up in the circumstances surrounding whatever he is doing that he allows his attitudes toward his job to permeate all areas of his life.

He has much prior-life memories of order and organization; yet everywhere he goes, he sees chaos.

In past incarnations, he was a perfectionist, critical of the world around him. Now the imperfections he sees weaken him to the point that he feels unable to cope. The world is perceived as not quite giving him all that it could.

Some with these Nodes tend to dwell in self-pity, while others nourish an embittered resentment. There are feelings of jealousy directed toward other people's well-being, which they perceive as being less earned than their own. Usually there is an inflated sense of ego at the source of the problem. The self as developed in past incarnations is now seen as a perfected ideal, stationed above the rest of humanity. In his own private thoughts, this individual will rarely admit that he has a tendency to look down upon others. Yet, secretly he sees everyone as less perfect than himself.

He would sooner go unemployed than work at a job which he feels is beneath him. It is certain, however, that circumstances will force him to do such work even though it is against his every principle.

Having tendencies to internalize his anger at feeling put down, he creates one very real illness after another, until ultimately he reaches the point that he feels justified in blaming his work conditions for his poor state of health.

Carrying a past incarnation feeling that society has shut him out, he sees himself as a neglected child deprived of the central core of richness in life which is there for others but somehow not for himself. He spends too much energy trying to impress others, and not enough in developing a fullness within himself. More than anything else, he must learn to look inside, where he will find the answers to all of his problems.

Many with these Nodes watch life pass them by, spending all too much of their time and energy wrapped up in petty thoughts. There is a strong residue of past-life nervousness in the sixth house South Node, wherein this individual literally eats away at himself by trying to digest into his system of order every tiny detail that comes to his attention.

He must learn how to discriminate between what is important in terms of his life's values and what are just transitory upsets which will pass in due time.

Through his constant questioning, he creates for himself a sexual problem, rooting itself deeply in fears of failure. And so unable is he to face his fears that he will compound the problem by developing a pattern of abnormal sexual responses designed to mask his feelings of inadequacy.

Though he tries not to, he keeps seeing himself as a helpless pebble on the beach of thousands. In prior lives, he managed to control his universe. Now the world seems larger than he would like, and he does all he can to prevent himself from feeling too small by comparison.

His growth starts the moment he begins to see himself not only as part of a greater whole but as containing within himself the essence of the entire universe. He must break his past-incarnation tendency to put the world in little boxes; and instead search for the seed of all within himself: here he will find the abundant richness he has been so desperately seeking.

Periods of forced isolation help to bring him to a higher consciousness through which he ultimately learns that things can be different without one necessarily being better or worse than the other.

By going deep into himself, he will realize that all of life's conditions depend entirely on how much he can relinquish his hold on trying to overturn the world and rechannel his energies toward overturning himself.

He does well by immersing himself in the works of a large institution where he can develop a group-consciousness, focusing on the collective good of the whole rather than dwelling in the collected residue of his past-life bitterness.

He will be tested many times in areas which help him to develop compassion, until he ultimately sees that judging others actually prevents his own happiness.

His past-life karma is erased when he learns how to flow rather than allow his life to keep interrupting itself by petty distractions. He must attune himself to the essence of the universe rather than attempt to sort everything into neat little compartments. The compartments are like a house of cards, and only after they topple does he realize that his purpose in life is very far from what he originally thought.

He can then learn how to loosen up and bathe in the beauty of all God's creation, rather than seeing only a part of God and calling the part he sees 'All'. As soon as he can greet change willingly, bending while the winds of circumstance flow through his being, he is on the path.

Eventually he will leave the world where people manipulate each other and walk through the doorway to a higher harmony. In preparation, he must transcend the subconscious past-life memories of physical problems that still weigh him down, and start to climb the cosmic ladder which leads to the realization of his soul. He must learn how to appreciate the wonder of all he sees without enmeshing himself in the details of why or how.

His life will represent the ending of an era much as the works of Dante symbolized the end of a period in literature. When he accepts this, his life's work can be a great culmination of all that has come before him.

Although his work may bring him behind the scenes, there is a good possibility that it can come to public attention. He must also learn that the physical state of his health is totally dependent upon the purity and stability of his inner mind.

Truly this is the Nodal position of mind over matter; and the life will be a karmic transition from the world of matter into the consciousness of infinite spirit.

The sign which contains the South Node indicates the ways in which former incarnations brought the individual to preoccupy himself with physical matter. The sign which contains the North Node shows how he can now transform his soul into the pure essence of Divine Mind.

(Donna van Toen)

Conflicts: Lack of confidence vs. capability. Self-destructive behavior vs. service to others. Reclusive tendencies vs. need to work or serve.

Possible Results of Sacrificing North Node: Crises involving awareness. Physical or mental exhaustion. Inability to find suitable work. Disorganization. Excessive self-criticism that encourages feelings of inferiority.

Possible Ways to Integrate the North Node: Eradicate self-pity. Recognize that an inferiority complex is often a warped superiority complex. Examine your motives for working and serving. Learn to externalize your anger in an appropriate way.

In the twelfth house, the hang-up is connected with self-understanding. The problem often stems from a combination of fatalism and a lack of determination. Because of a lack of appreciation for self, this person craves appreciation from others to foster self-worth. But because self-worth can only be gained from within, external appreciation seldom changes this person's perceptions. Self-sabotaging and illnesses are manifestations of this confused, inferior concept of self-potential.

Sometimes this nodal position manifests in an inability to share feelings, or just plain shyness. Quite often in childhood this person suffered experiences that made him or her withdrawn or unreachable. Sometimes these involve parents; other times they took place in the early school environment. Sulking, brooding and depression are common.

North Node in the twelfth house dreams of feeling at ease with others when in a group or one-to-one encounter, but also wants to be able to spend quite a bit of time alone. He or she wants to be something of an enigma. This person is changeable in moods and work habits. This affects his or her ability to take advantage of opportunities for dream fulfillment. While actual physical or mental health may be good, the person may allude to some mysterious tragic flaw or skeleton in the closet that prevents success. Less frequently, there's a tangible problem in this respect. The person is highly self-critical and equally critical of others, thus preventing successful interaction with others as well as with the subconscious.

(Haydn Paul)

The realm of work influences your sense of well-being; but the implication is that you will feel restricted and limited, creating feelings of dissatisfaction and resistance. This can come from earning a living from work that fails to interest you, or that does not utilize your talents and constricts opportunities for personal development. Your employment can be felt as boring, stagnating, and stultifying, offering little job satisfaction; these frustrations will cast a dark shadow over the rest of your life. If this is your experience, you need to invest more effort and attention to changing your

working environment, perhaps pursuing an alternative career or changing your life priorities.

You prefer to see order in the world, and adjust your lifestyle accordingly, failing to comprehend why much of life appears chaotic, illogical, or unnecessary, and why people make the most of their suffering as a consequence of their attitudes and choices. Sometimes you assume a 'superior' attitude in this respect, although, if your work sphere is not satisfying, you too are creating your own suffering instead of changing it.

Inner pressures can build from repressing feelings of anger and resentment, and you may sometimes believe that life does not reward your efforts. Try to avoid this buildup, or else you may create health problems caused by festering emotional energies, which can result in physical or psychological illness.

Attempting to impress people will make you uncomfortable and generate feelings of 'selling yourself out'. It will be valuable to explore your inner self, because, by looking within, you will discover answers. You need to determine what is truly important and discriminate between whatever is meaningful and lasting and that which is only temporary and passing. Deciding priorities can be revealing; and an important step is to make your life-style harmonize with your nature: this can lead to radical changes.

Instead of reacting against facts of life with which you disagree, rechannel your energies to enable self-understanding in order to build a suitable lifestyle, one which draws out those qualities, talents and abilities that you knew were there, but which had not been allowed expression. If this can be achieved, then satisfaction and fulfillment will be great. The key to this lies in yourself, as it is likely that the world will not easily give you opportunities, and you may have to act independently. The richness found within can satisfy your search.

Avoid fragmenting life if possible; try to see and experience it as a unity; move freely with the winds of change. Provided this can be done with compassion and understanding for others, potential exists to realize more meaning and purpose. It may require releasing assumed values and substituting more appropriate ones. Then your life can be adjusted to accord with the new values. You have the character to succeed if you make those changes revealed necessary by an inner examination of priorities. Just feeling dissatisfied is not the answer. Unless you deal with the feeling, it will only create more resentment; turning within and changing can provide new signposts and directions for you to follow.

(Bruno and Louise Huber)

The 12th house is the one furthest removed from the outside world. It is well away from the 'You'-point. In addition, it is a very introvert house and corresponds to the passive sign of Pisces. The native waits for someone with initiative to make a move. It is the place of turning inward and of self-discovery. The Node in the 12th house means that this person needs, from time to time, to withdraw from active life for the purpose of self-remembering.

The 1st and 12th houses form the 'I'-space in the house system; and sandwiched between them is the 'I'-point, the Ascendant. In the 1st house the 'I' is extravert: it faces the world and announces: 'Here I am!' The introvert 'I'-house is the 12th house. Here we do not exhibit ourselves to the world, but keep some space between it and us for the sake of being wholly ourselves. Being ourselves implies knowing and accepting ourselves for the ones we really are. Self-observation, self-knowledge, and self-discovery are tasks to be undertaken here.

In addition, there is something greater and more pivotal we can do. We can discover our membership of the greater, or cosmic Whole, our relationship to humanity, and to God. This transcendental experience enables us to feel woven into an all-embracing Reality. Even though we are separate individuals, we are nevertheless parts of a macrocosm, the whole of creation. We do not perceive this in its unimaginable wealth of details, but can experience it as a unity.

The individual would not survive without being part of a whole. Incorporation of the self in a greater whole is the object of the 12th house, and the Moon's Node here invites us to make that object our aim. Union with reality, which it can help us to attain, is the best and surest source of health.

There is no substitute for the basic confidence provided by discernment in the 12th house. It gives an awareness of infinite being in which all things are contained. Here, too, is the area of religion, where the experience of God transcends theory. And it includes the religious experience of someone who does not have a religion but is occupied (for example) with the cosmos as the infinite totality of space, and has much the same experience as a believer, although still understanding it differently.

Anyone who has this position of the Node must learn not to regard abstract ideas as real entities. The place for these is the 6th house, which is the depository of those 12th-house creations that are useful for everyday life. But this experience of an infinity in which everything is contained, this experience of God or the Cosmos as a vast expanse, cannot be put into words; for in the 12th house we leave behind the area of the imaginable. Indeed, only by doing so can we have a genuine, deep, and all-embracing experience. Yet, because of its character, the experience is strange and unsettling, since all categories of thought, feeling, and doing are abandoned. On catching sight of this expanse, we are afraid of disintegrating, or of falling uncontrollably into a yawning abyss. It is a leap into nothingness, and resembles death.

We need to understand the Node in the 12th house in such a way that we are able, from time to time, to retire into this space that belongs to all created beings in the universe and yet is completely individual to us. We can learn to withdraw into ourselves; far enough, indeed, to become the Whole again. We can learn to pray, meditate, and contemplate, and may be awestruck by discovering a great sublimity. Each of us will do this in his or her own way: one goes to church, another contemplates the starry sky. Getting results does not depend on the objective space with which one identifies, or on a given place, but depends on the capacity and the will to expand and direct one's awareness.

North Node in the twelfth house or Pisces (James Braha)

If the North Node is in the twelfth house or Pisces, the person's greatest growth, evolution, and fulfillment come through serving others in a profound way. In past lives, the person concentrated on daily work, mundane tasks, and his own perfection and self-improvement. Now he is to devote his energy to idealistic callings, benevolent endeavors, and the betterment of humankind. He may be drawn to medicine, psychology, metaphysics, mysticism, religion, or any activity which heals or uplifts others. Or he may relieve the pain and suffering of the masses through heartfelt artistic expression. Singing is especially favored. The person is learning to let go of his old patterns of criticizing, evaluating, and picking things apart. Now he must be as generous as he can be. He should give, give, and then give more. He should live from the heart, not the mind. Happiness comes from working to further the highest vision of human life, with no thought of personal gain. The more noble

and virtuous the person's motives, the faster and greater his evolution will be.

The person should cultivate faith and develop his spiritual nature. His main task is to transcend self-interest. He should adopt a lifestyle of love, compassion, and understanding. Above all, he must never condemn or judge others, even the worst of the human race. When he does, he brings sorrow, grief, and shame onto himself. The higher part of his being simply will not tolerate small and narrow behavior. The person should champion the cause of peace, harmony, and brotherhood. He must look for the best in others and refrain from gossip, negativity, and pessimism. Of all possible life paths, his is the highest and most majestic. He should consider the spirit behind people's actions, and bear in mind the complexity and rigor of human life.

The person is not here to be cautious, careful, and sensible. He is seeking enlightenment and ultimate freedom. He wants to live a life of purity, devotion, and union with the infinite. He must pursue his ideals, visions, and inspirations. Material comforts are of little importance. The person may wish to perform major service. He may work in hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, or other institutions which aid society. He must follow his intuition and feelings. He will be happy living near the sea. Artistic endeavors are favored.

In Hindu astrology, the North Node in the twelfth indicates cravings for spiritual growth and 'moksha' - final liberation. There may also be intense sexual enjoyment. The South Node in the sixth reveals very strong health, excellent ability to defeat enemies and competitors, and daily work involving metaphysical healing techniques. The nodes in the signs are of much less significance.