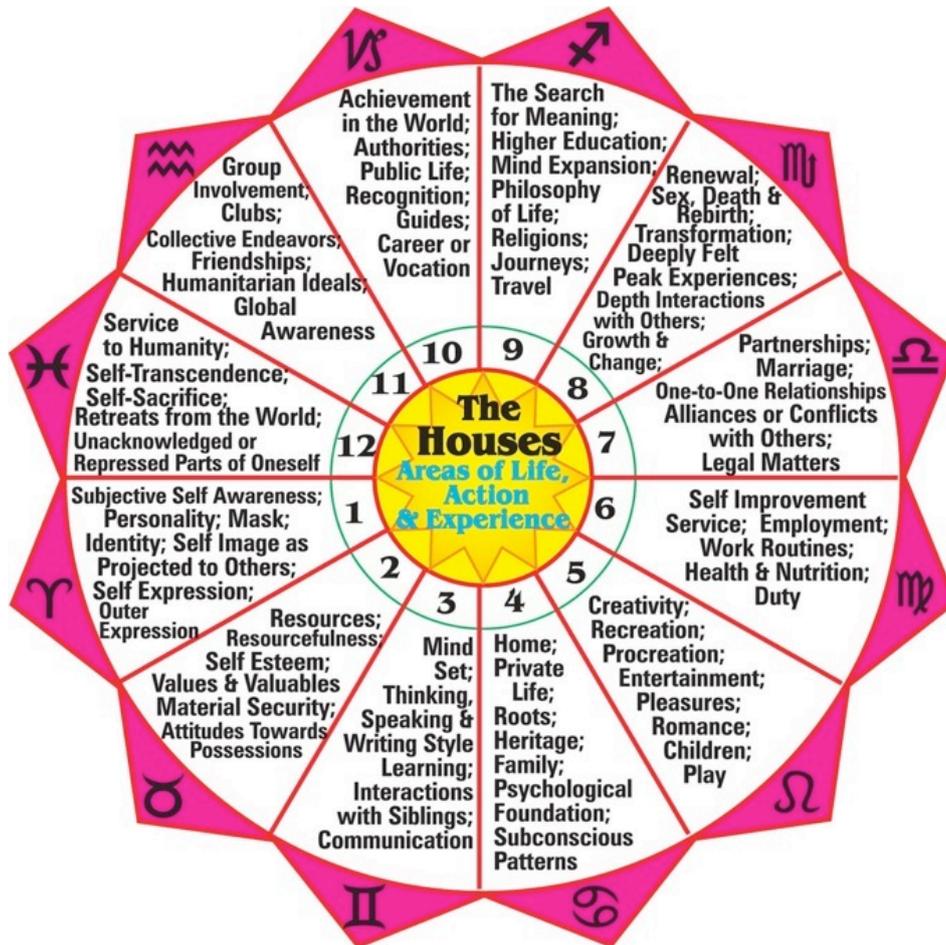


The Twelve Astrological Houses



Any planet or sign in a house always suggests the most natural way to unfold the life plan in the area of life the house represents. -Howard Sasportas, in his book [The Twelve Houses](#)

The meanings of the houses are deep and rich with metaphorical and literal content but here is a quick list to get you started.

House	Power Expression
1st House	Me, myself and I! My shop window. Appearance, traits, outlook, initiation. This is how I roll.
2nd House	My banker, investor, aunts and uncles. Self worth, \$\$\$, resources, talents, peace of mind, core values.
3rd House	Siblings, neighbors, teachers, visitor, delivery people. Written & spoken word, teaching, learning, writing, talking, connecting.
4th House	A parent (father) family, family lineage, real estate agents. Home, family, ancestors, emotional ground. Hidden processes, drives.
5th House	Children (first child in particular) entertainer, speculator, lover, agent (with 7th). Where I feel special, recreation, creativity (books/kids,/art), romance.
6th House	Employees, (employer) Dr, dentist, vet, healers, lodgers. Health, fitness, work, ritual (magic), nutrition, self-improvement, pets.
7th House	Partners, spouse, lawyer, agent, 'un-designated other', thief. Personal, socially significant, one-to-one relationships, open enemies.
8th House	Psychic, coroner, CPA, surgeon, undertaker, shaman, tantric partner, will executors. Sex, death, taxes, shared resources, trust, risk, occult.
9th House	In-laws, strangers (foreign) travelers, aliens, explorers, publishers, clergy, grandkids. Explore the unknown, meaning, purpose, travel, beliefs, www.
10th House	Boss (self, if self-employed) mother (a parent) superiors, professionals, judge, executives. Career, mission, profession, reputation, PR.
11th House	Friends, group leaders, birds of a feather, groups, like-minded others, goals and wishes for the future.
12th House	Hidden others, secret affairs, recluse people, those without a voice, the Muse, your guardian angel, secret enemies (old school) remote healers, channelers, anything clandestine, behind the veil. Collective unconscious, dreams, service, seclusion, the unseen real.

Exercise: Create a Pinterest *mood board* for the astrological houses. When you see images that make you think of any of the twelve, pin it and say which house it represents to you and why: Example. See on [Pinterest](#).

Note: The HOUSES are the pieces of pie, the sections of space divided into twelve slices round which the zodiac spans. They represent areas of life, inner and outer, and symbolize the environment where an intention or drive (planet/sign) is acting out. The ruler on the house cups and the sign or signs contained in the house suggest the climate found in that environment.

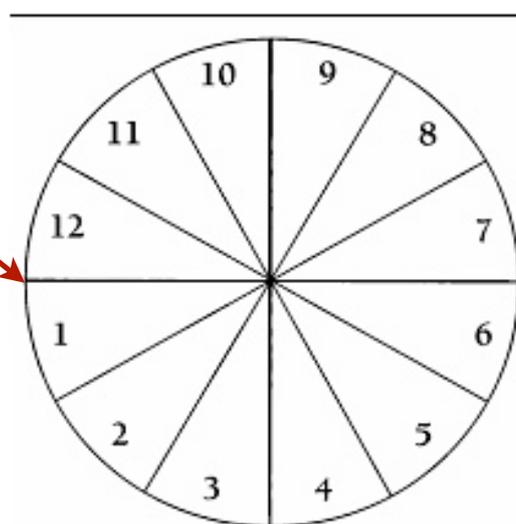
Any planets residing in a given house or transiting there show us **where** the needs and drives are operating. We meet those planets, and the archetypal characters they symbolize, in that area of life.

Special Note: There is no such thing as an empty house. Even a house that has no planets in it will have a sign on the cusp, the sign that rules that house. The sign will have one or two ruling planets linked to it, and they also hold sway there. Then there are the transits that are daily, monthly and yearly traveling through the house. Also when we form relationships of all kinds, those other people will have planets that fall into our supposedly 'empty' house. Bottom line: there is no such thing as an empty house!

The Ascendant, or Rising Sign, is the sign that is on the 'horizon' of your chart. The sign placed here is your shop window, the display you let others see.

It is also your lens through which you view the world.

Learn [how to find your Ascendant](#) here on this 5 minute tutorial.



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