
Complete Relationship Synastry Report

For

Prince Charles & Camilla Parker-Bowles

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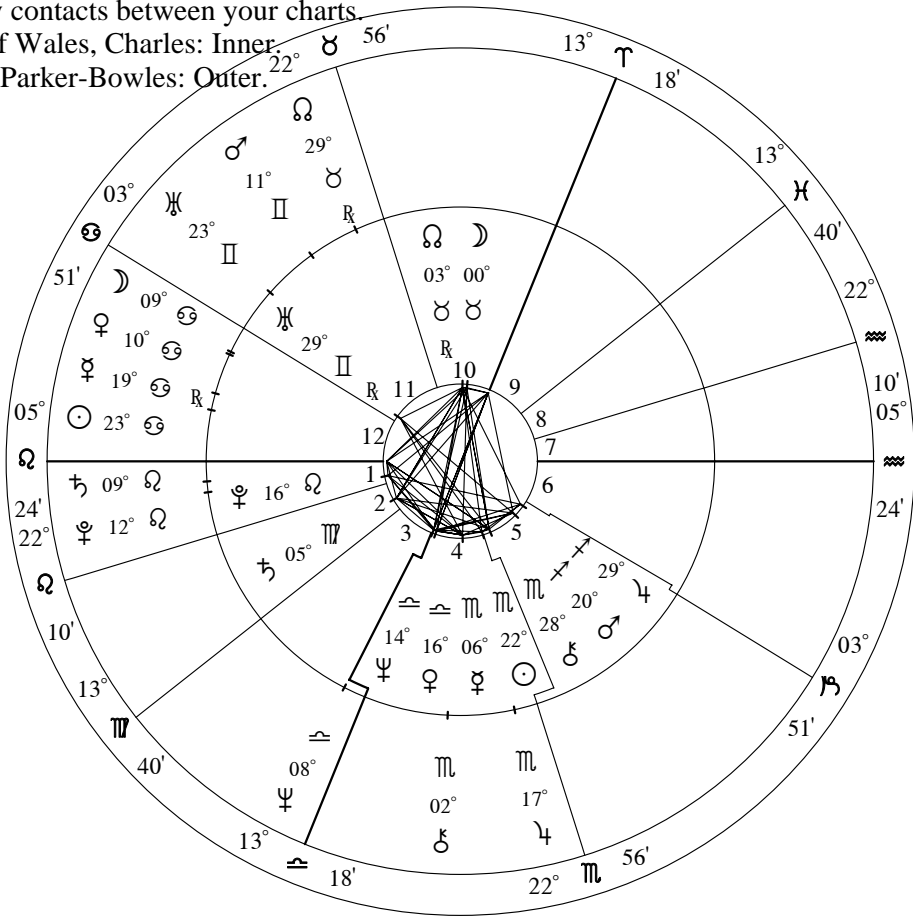
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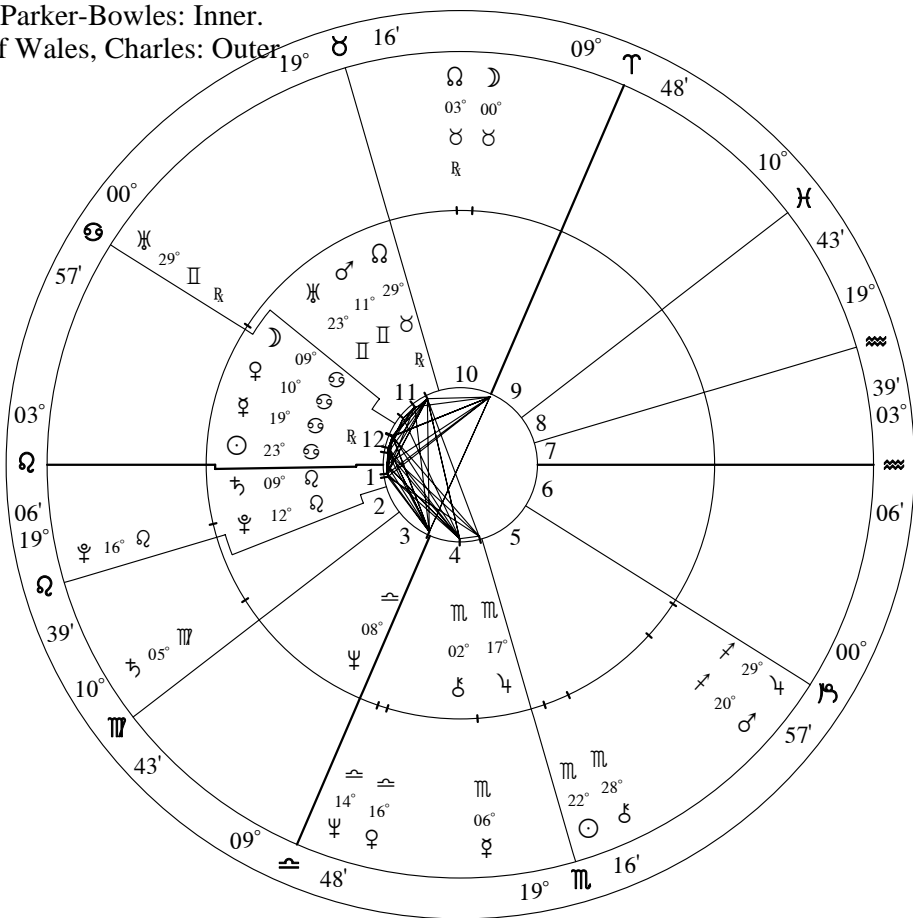
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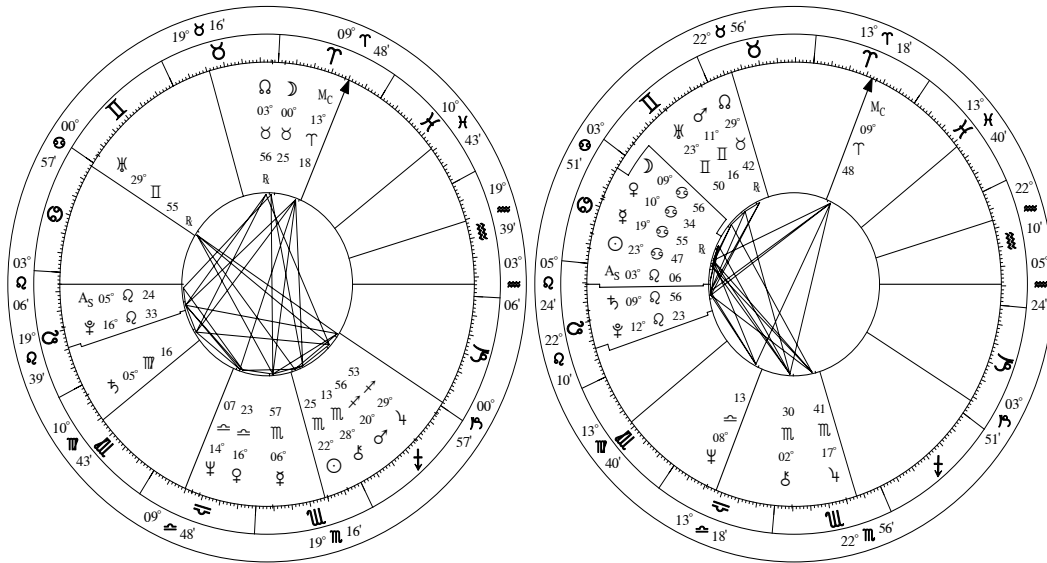


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A Comparison of Your Charts

This astrological report takes a look at your birth charts to see how the two of you would be likely to interact in dating, a love affair, or, especially, in a long-term partnership like marriage. Its purpose is to make you more conscious of what's really going on between you. In the pages that follow, you'll get a better appreciation of what each of you wants and needs when you pair off with another person. Regarding your relationship with this particular partner, you'll see strengths that you can cultivate, and also be alerted to possible problems that could get in the way of your happiness.

If you read about problems, don't worry. Almost every astrological combination has both positive and negative possibilities. We include some common ways in which astrological combinations are misused, but you may never experience the negative sides. Much depends on other things in your chart and on the way you're using what has been given you.

The important thing is to be aware of your choices. As you read you'll see that when faced with virtually any so-called problem between the two of you, you can choose a desirable or an undesirable way to act. This report will try to show you where the problem is coming from, and suggest constructive things that you can do. It will also alert you to the strengths that you can build upon to create an increasingly strong and satisfying relationship.

In this report you'll find sections on:

- *Your Styles of Relating.* We'll first look at each of you as individuals. We'll start with your basic personality type, and then look close-up at your needs and attitudes regarding romance, partnership and sex. Your section is addressed to you as an individual, but if your partner also reads your section, he or she may better understand your overall approach to life and the way you go about relating to people.
- *How You See Each Other.* For each of you, we'll explore how the way you see your partner is shaped by the lens of your own horoscope.
- *The Dynamics between You.* For clues about the sorts of dramas that go on between you, we'll look at each aspect that links a point in your chart to a point in your partner's chart. These "interaspects" will show both the assets and the problems in your relationship.

Charles's, Prince of Wales Chart Positions

Planet		Sign	Longitude			Declination			
☉	Sun is in	♏	Scorpio	22°	25'	20"	-18°	22'	00"
☾	Moon is in	♉	Taurus	0°	25'	51"	+11°	13'	00"
☿	Mercury is in	♏	Scorpio	6°	57'	24"	-12°	09'	00"
♀	Venus is in	♎	Libra	16°	23'	00"	-4°	45'	00"
♂	Mars is in	♐	Sagittarius	20°	56'	54"	-24°	03'	00"
♃	Jupiter is in	♐	Sagittarius	29°	53'	07"	-23°	22'	00"
♄	Saturn is in	♍	Virgo	5°	16'	03"	+10°	55'	00"
♅	Uranus is in	♊	Gemini	29°	55'	43"	+23°	38'	00"
♆	Neptune is in	♎	Libra	14°	07'	46"	-4°	10'	00"
♇	Pluto is in	♌	Leo	16°	33'	45"	+23°	04'	00"
♁	N. Node is in	♉	Taurus	3°	56'	09"	+12°	50'	00"
A _S	Asc is in	♌	Leo	5°	24'	34"	+18°	55'	00"
M _C	MC is in	♈	Aries	13°	18'	22"	+5°	15'	00"
♄	Chiron is in	♏	Scorpio	28°	13'	23"	-16°	41'	00"

Charles's Style of Relating

Charles, to find someone who's right for you and then form a happy and lasting relationship, you first need to have a sense of who you really are and what you need and want. A look at your own birth chart will show where your strengths are and what you tend to lack. It can give you perspective on your own nature, helping you to make allowances for the blind spots that can harm your interactions with others. It can also give clues about what sort of love partner would make you feel most happy and complete.

Charles's Basic Character

Fire, Earth, Air and Water signs are quite evenly balanced.

Your chart is notable because the four basic types of signs are so well balanced. This gives you an unusual latitude of choice in the way you react to situations. Depending on the circumstances, you can concentrate on taking action (Fire), on assembling the facts before you move (Earth), on planning a strategy (Air), or on consulting your instincts and intuition (Water). This wide variety of options that you have may help you better understand and deal with your partner's style of reacting. Unless your partner also has a balance of elements, however, you may find your partner's range of responses a bit limited.

Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable modes are quite evenly balanced.

Having a fairly equal distribution of planets in Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable signs gives you a useful ability to suit your mode of action to the situation. When appropriate, you can behave in a Cardinal manner, leaping in to intervene directly. At other times, you can use the Fixed symbolism of your chart to be firm, stand your ground, and preserve what is valuable. And in yet others, you can draw upon your Mutable strengths to be agile and adaptable, quickly shifting as the circumstances require. Overall, this helps you to adapt to whatever challenges your relationship presents. You may, however, need to make an effort to be understanding if you find your partner getting stuck in one mode.

Your Sun is in Scorpio.

Your Sun in Scorpio reinforces the idea that you tend to be highly focused. When you have a goal in mind or a direction in life to pursue, you move deliberately and with intensity. You like to analyze deeply before you make a decision, and once you make up your mind, it's difficult (if not impossible) for others to change it. You can also work long and hard to achieve the results you want.

Your intensity can be extended to your interaction with people. If you find someone who attracts you, you can pursue that individual unfalteringly, whether or not you receive encouragement. Your persistence will usually wear down any resistance.

You don't take your commitments to people lightly. You can be counted on to stay with a relationship through thick and thin and, in some cases, much longer than you should. The ultimate reason for your ending a relationship is often discovering that your partner is untrustworthy. Once you're sure of this, you can terminate the partnership and rarely will you return to it. So, the good news is that if your partner wants to maintain the relationship, being loyal may be the way to do it.

Once you've connected with a partner, you have the ability to make that other person feel very significant. You'll probably try intently to fulfill your partner's wishes, and you can concentrate on making, or at least helping to make, your partner's needs and desires a reality. This may be exhausting for you, but it can be very flattering for your partner.

Because you give so much to those you care about, you probably don't have enough energy to spread your attention to too many people. This can mean that you form few close attachments, but when you do become involved in a serious relationship, your partner can rely on your loyalty.

It's possible that your partner could feel a bit stifled and may prefer not to have so much of your attention. Should this occur, it might be a good idea to analyze the situation together. If you recognize that your need for loyalty from your partner may be the cause of your hovering, your partner could find ways to reassure you of his or her fidelity, and you in turn might be able to give your partner a little more space.

Whether you're discussing your personal problems or the state of the world, your conversations are usually not light. You have a talent for analyzing deeply no matter what the subject is, and will not be satisfied with a superficial answer. Your greatest difficulty may be getting conversations started. You could hold feelings inside for too long. If you can learn more quickly to bring up issues that bother you, the solutions may come faster as well.

Your Moon is in Taurus.

You are steadfast in your feelings and would probably not be viewed as moody. This doesn't necessarily mean that you're sweet-tempered (though you may well be!). It's just that your responses are predictable. When it comes to the emotions, you're a creature of habit, whose reactions to particular situations tend to be similar time after time. The advantage of this is that your partner will know what to expect from you. The disadvantage is that it will be obvious how to push your buttons.

If your partner often hurts you or makes you angry, there may be a problem between you that should be examined. Your intuition may help you to unearth the real cause. Once you find a practical explanation for emotional behavior, you're capable of changing not only your mood, but also your attitude and ultimately your response. When you do make changes, the world may think that they're spontaneous, but actually the process has been gradual and has involved a great deal of thought.

When dealing with negative feelings, it's natural to wallow a bit — to want to lash out in anger or lick your wounds. While everyone has these urges, the longer you indulge in them, the more time it'll take to change your pattern. The sooner you begin to make sense out of your feelings, the sooner order will be restored. To make this happen faster, your first step is to figure out what you need to do to feel emotionally gratified. That's your best incentive for change. It may sound selfish, but if you're happy, chances are that your partner will be happier as well.

Another quality of the Moon in Taurus is dependability. Once you form an emotional attachment, it's not easily broken, and so your partnerships tend to be long-term. You'll be loyal and trustworthy and will expect these qualities from your partner as well. As long as there's mutual trust, your eyes probably won't stray, and even if you suspect disloyalty from your partner, you'll tend to require strong, practical evidence before you take action.

Another Moon in Taurus tendency is to treat your partner as an extension of yourself. This means that you'd take care of your partner's emotional needs as you would your own, which is fine if your partner does have similar needs. It also means that you could view your partner as one of your possessions, which may or may not feel good to your partner.

Your partner may enjoy your dependability and be content with the relationship. If this is the case, just continue what you've been doing. However, if your partner complains about your possessiveness or about feeling smothered, you might want to try a different approach. Bestowing gifts on your partner is one comfortable way to show that you care. Another is to listen to what your partner wants from you. If you can reconcile these wishes within the framework of your own needs, you should be able to accommodate them without much difficulty.

Charles's Axis of Relationship

The horizontal line that separates the upper half of your chart from the lower half represents the horizon. It suggests two arms reaching out, and it is in fact your "axis of relationship." On the left-hand or eastern side of your chart there is the Ascendant (or rising sign), which signifies you and the way that you present yourself to others. On the right-hand or western side there is the Descendant, which signifies the sort of partner you'll be drawn to and who will make you feel more complete. Any discussion of your rising sign (you) implies your setting sign (the partner who will complement you).

The following description assumes that you've given your actual time of birth quite precisely. If you haven't, and the degree that your chart shows on the Ascendant is near the beginning or end of the sign (0 or 29 degrees), it's possible that the adjacent sign would describe you better.

You have Leo rising.

Most likely, you have the sign Leo rising. This means that you tend naturally to radiate warmth and outgoingness to others. For you, interacting with people can be somewhat of a stage performance. In fact, even an audience of one may be enough for you to display your acting ability. This is partly because the fuel that you run on is the applause and approval of others.

Individuals with Leo rising tend to like everyone who likes them, but they also want the whole world to like them. Therefore, when people seem to disapprove of you, you may try even harder to be impressive. This may be one reason why you're often attracted to those who are a bit cool and aloof. These individuals represent a challenge, and you'll often work hard to establish relationships with them. While they may not show it, they will most likely find that your warmth completes them and gives them the social connection that they crave.

If you feel really ignored or disliked, however, you may turn up the volume so that you'll be sure to be heard, or blow your own horn to tell others how wonderful you are. But loudness and bragging will hardly enhance your image. If you want to impress a person who seems to dislike you, it's better to find a third party who will tell that person how great you are. It's so much more believable if someone else sings your praises! A partner who genuinely admires you and finds the show that you put on entertaining can be a great asset to you. Then, you can sit back and simply radiate the warmth and lively sense of fun that are your special gifts to others.

Because you may be attracted to a rather cool and detached partner, even if you're committed to each other, you may sometimes wonder if your partner approves of you. At those times when you feel insecure, you might show the more abrasive side of your personality. Although the lapses may be short and temporary (which may help to make them more tolerable), they might not be pleasant for either your partner or you. It may help to have a backup audience – a friend who adores you and who can give your ego the temporary boost that you need to get back on course.

But let's face it. If your partner is committed to you, you're obviously appealing. Your ease in performing before the world is attractive to someone who may not be able to do this so effortlessly. You could be the social buffer for your partner, or help your partner to interact with others more easily. In return, your partner might teach you to be a little more discriminating in selecting people to be involved with.

Another way in which you can influence each other is that you may help your partner to become more enthusiastic and involved. In turn, your partner can help you to become more objective. The only difficulty is this: how do you determine when it's appropriate to become involved and when it's better to remain detached? Time and experimentation will answer that question.

Dating and Romance

To take a look at your specific approach to romance, partnership and sex, we're now going to look at the houses that govern these areas in your chart. These houses describe both what you have to give to a relationship, and also what you probably want from your partner.

Relationships start with a period when you're checking each other out, and aren't yet really committed. This stage is covered by your Fifth House, which also has to do with amusements and self-expression. In a romance, the Fifth House shows how you wine and dine each other in the dating stage. Having fun together in a romantic setting helps you to get the relationship off the ground.

When you're married, this area of your chart turns into the place where you refresh and renew both yourself and your relationship. To keep the spark glowing, it's a good idea periodically to let go of your duties, play, be romantic and even a bit outrageous. If you neglect this essential human need, it can be filled by romances outside of marriage, risky activities like gambling, or escapes like drinking or drugs, which are other less satisfactory ways that this house can find expression. For longevity and happiness in any relationship, you need to keep the fun, romance and playful element alive.

On a deeper level, the Fifth House is where you come to establish yourself as an individual. Through being brave and taking risks, through finding what activities and people make you happy, through games and role-playing, and through expressing yourself (all Fifth House activities), you come to know who you really are. Only after you've done this are you really ready to commit yourself to a Seventh-House relationship such as marriage.

Each house brings in a variety of symbolic themes, as shown by the sign on the beginning or cusp of the house, other signs falling within the house, planets within the house, and the planet that traditionally "rules" the sign on the cusp. For your relationship to find its fullest expression, it's important that, in your interactions together, both of you try to express as many of the following themes as possible.

Scorpio is on your Fifth-House cusp.

Your romantic relationships are neither frivolous nor superficial. In fact, when you think of romance, it is most likely in terms of a grand passion. Even from the outset, you want to connect on a deeply emotional level. To you, a satisfying romance means sharing your innermost feelings, either verbally or otherwise. If you find this difficult to do, your romantic life suffers. Sex may provide such an emotional connection, but it must be deeply involving. Sex that is merely recreational won't do. It's also possible that you'll achieve this deep rapport with your beloved by going through dramatic life experiences together.

You tend to make a heavy emotional investment in an area that is meant to be a playful try-out for the real thing. Some kinds of partner may take your relationship more lightly than you do. You may find yourself analyzing the other's deepest motives, and becoming possessive or maybe even obsessive about your romantic connection. The more secure you feel in the relationship, however, the less likely you're to hold on so tightly. You may be able to live this house on a less emotionally demanding level by delving into some subject deeply together, or making a game of pooling some of your financial or other resources.

Sagittarius is within the Fifth House.

After you have begun to feel sufficiently secure in a romance (or have become exhausted by its emotional intensity) you'll probably relax your grip and begin to lighten up. Heavy emotional encounters may give way to learning things together, or to planning a big trip. Or, if your romantic partner wanted a bit more freedom, now you become more inclined to give it, because you yourself may be a bit restless and in search of more fun or intellectual stimulation in the world at large.

Capricorn is within the Fifth House.

The casual, pal-type relationship will eventually take on a more sober and practical cast. Going beyond just having good times together, you'll evaluate your romantic partner very practically, considering his or her position in the world, what he or she has to give you, and whether the connection is in general worth while. If your partner passes your scrutiny and makes a commitment to you, in return you'll be responsible and fulfill your obligations well.

Mars, the ruler of your Fifth House, is in the Fifth

The planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on the Fifth-House cusp brings in additional considerations. Placed in the Fifth House of your chart, it reinforces Fifth-House themes, making courtship and romance especially important in your life. You tend to want a partner who is demonstrative. This could take the form of open affection or lavish gifts, or possibly both. As long as you receive attention and the setting is just right, the relationship should flourish. If, however, you feel ignored or taken for granted, dissatisfaction will set in. If this occurs, you need not just sit back and complain. You can create your own scenario. To pique your partner's interest, try instilling a little mystery into the relationship. You'll be putting your talents to work, and you could have fun doing it.

Having planets placed within your the Fifth House emphasizes the importance of pleasure and play in your life, and adds yet other requirements for you in the area of romance.

Your Mars is in the Fifth.

One of the possibilities with this placement is that you may be looking for a dashing, aggressive and/or energetic partner. Another is that you enjoy pursuing a romantic partner or you like being pursued -- the premise being that one of you is supposed to play hard-to-get while the other chases. Still another manifestation could be impatience in regard to romance. For example, you might meet someone whom you find interesting, but that person does not call you soon enough, so you make the first contact. Fortunately, in this day and age, it doesn't matter whether you're a man or a woman -- if you find someone appealing, you don't have to wait to be called. If the other person doesn't find you attractive, you might as well know it right away. In romance, the keyword for you is action. As long as things keep moving in this department, you'll be happy, and so you'll probably do your best to keep things lively. This could include dates where you engage in sports or other sorts of vigorous activity.

Your Jupiter is in the Fifth.

Romance makes you feel expansive and optimistic, and you want to scoop up all the good times and pleasure that you can find. It's possible that you could play the field, and at some point in your life you could date a lot of different people at once.

Your ideal romantic partner will be someone who broadens your horizons. You'll be happiest with a person who is open to new ideas and who has something new to teach you. You'll probably want someone who enjoys a challenge, has the ability to make life an enjoyable game, and is just plain fun to be with. Being a stand-up comic isn't necessary, but a good sense of humor will definitely help.

The main possible danger with this position is a tendency to over-spend, over-eat, over-extend yourselves and generally overindulge when you're out for a good time. You could date someone who encourages this, or you could be the instigator yourself. If you find yourselves broke, putting on weight, exhausted or satiated from all the excess, remember that there are simpler ways to have fun together. Things like enjoying the outdoors, moving about, taking a course or joining a discussion group can feel satisfying without overtaxing your resources. Then maybe you'll be able to put some cash aside for the occasional big blowout or romantically extravagant gesture.

Becoming Partners

The Seventh House is traditionally the house of marriage. It covers any relationship in which you pick one partner, face each other directly, and work out a relationship of equals that will endure over time. The Seventh also signifies any relationship where you confront each other one-on-one or where you're yoked together and asked to pull as a team.

To do this successfully, you need to adjust your own energies so that they find a balance with your partner's, and neither person is dominated by the other. This means finding the right balance between self-assertion and compromise. To achieve happiness together, you need to deal with differences and resolve power struggles in a way that respects the rights and individuality of you both. Open communication is essential. There can be battles along the way, but the goal is an enduring relationship where the two of you know each other thoroughly, each get your fair share, and develop mutual trust and respect.

Aquarius is on your Seventh-House cusp.

You need a degree of freedom within your intimate relationships, so 24-hour-a-day togetherness is not for you. Remember that both of you need to have some personal space, and that you should be allowed to maintain your individuality within the relationship. There's also a strong possibility that your partner will be from a different background than your own, or will be non-conforming in some other way, either in appearance or ideas. If you support each other's uniqueness instead of fighting or ignoring it, and each allow your partner some freedom, you could have a satisfying and stimulating partnership.

Saturn, the ruler of your Seventh House, is in the Second

In your chart the planet that is traditionally associated with the sign on your Seventh-House cusp is placed in the Second House. This suggests that you want a marriage founded on security, financial and emotional. As a couple you'll put much energy into creating a sound financial base. You see yourselves as a team, dealing with the practical aspects of life, and building a secure foundation for living. The possessions you accumulate together become the material expression of your relatedness, and contemplating them may remind you of your closeness and love. More than most people, you feel that you belong to each other. When this becomes excessive, you may have to curb your emotional possessiveness and remember to see your partner as more than a prized possession.

Every planet that a person has in the Seventh House would indicate at least one additional requirement for them in a close one-to-one relationship. You have no planets here, however. For you, close partnerships may not be the all-consuming concern that they might be to someone who has a full Seventh House. This means that you could actually have an easier time finding a marriage partner. Your requirements in a partner are apt to be looser, and so you can be open to a greater variety of people.

Entwining Souls

Ideally, in the Fifth House you gained a sense of who you are and who you want, and in the Seventh you learned how to enter into a partnership without sacrificing your individuality. In the Eighth House you're called upon to surrender that self so as to merge with your partner fully.

This surrender commonly takes the form of sex, but it can be other forms of deep involvement as well. On a material level, it can mean pooling your possessions and finances. Essentially, this house is where you loosen your grasp on what you once thought necessary, and in doing so, merge into a deeper and larger self that goes beyond your own individuality.

The Seventh House allowed you to work out power struggles through open communication and adherence to the rules of fairness. Eighth-House power struggles are sneakier because they arise from unconscious depths. They often result in an attempt to force surrender rather than allow the other person to render it up freely. To resolve these struggles, you need to open yourself to your own deepest emotions and those of your partner. When emotion is respected and given its due in a non-violent way, Eighth-House struggles can eventually lead to relationships of enormous tenderness and depth.

Regarding sex, most people have more than one sign influencing their Eighth House, and many also have one or more planets in the Eighth. This multiplies possible avenues for sexual expression. Finding ways to combine all these energies can lead to the kind of sex that most satisfies you.

Aquarius is on your Eighth-House cusp.

To you, sex can mean expressing your individuality. You may feel free and uninhibited in sex, or you could declare your independence by assuring yourself that you're no one's sex object. You want to be the partner who determines when and where sex happens. You could also combine the two possibilities, feeling liberated and unrestrained in sex, but only when you yourself are in the mood for it.

Pisces is within the Eighth House.

You are probably also looking for the perfect physical union. This is hard to find, so you may sometimes fantasize about sex and your partner. Using your imagination can enhance your sex life, but don't carry this to the point where you delude yourself. Also beware of being the partner who does all the giving. Emotional experiences need to be shared with someone who cares. Pick a sex partner who returns your deep feelings, and you won't have to play "let's pretend."

Saturn, the ruler of your Eighth House, is in the Second

The placement of your Eighth-House ruler in the house of possessions suggests that for you, good sex is strongly connected with your sense of security. The more insecure you are, the more effort you'll put into sex. Also, if there are any difficulties with your sexual partner, this could affect your sense of self-worth. As in most relationship matters, it takes two to participate and two to keep it going. Don't take sole credit for your sexual successes, but also don't take total blame for the failures. By analyzing any problems with your partner, you each can find ways of enhancing your sex life together.

Because you have no planets in your Eighth House, your requirements for sex and deep emotional bonding are simpler than they might be. If one or more of your partner's planets falls into your Eighth, however, it can add some different themes as well as additional energy to your sex life.

How Charles Sees Camilla

No matter how objective you think you are, the way you see others is always to some extent determined by your own necessarily limited point of view. Becoming conscious of your own possible biases in viewing your partner can often be very helpful in avoiding thwarted expectations and in overcoming misunderstandings in your relationship.

One of the main things that will describe your own personal way of seeing Camilla is the way her planets fall into the houses in your own chart. The houses are calculated from the point on earth where you were born, and, as such, they reflect your own personal view of the heavens. Not only do they provide the framework through which you experience your own planets, they also provide the structure through which you'll view Camilla's planets as well.

Houses represent specific departments of life (romance, partnership, sex, home, career, finances, etc.), and they show where you most tend to apply your inner planetary energies. When one of Camilla's planets falls into a particular house in your chart, you will tend to associate her expression of that inner planetary energy with that particular department of life – no matter how she views that planetary energy in herself.

Looking at it another way, you could think of Camilla's planets as "lighting up" your houses, bringing additional energy to the areas of life that those houses deal with. By filling in the empty houses in your chart, she may make you feel more complete. By adding planets to your already-filled houses, she can further emphasize those areas of existence. By adding different planets to a house, she can introduce new possibilities into those areas of your life. Besides suggesting how you will experience Camilla and how you will feel about her, looking at her planets will suggest the functions that Camilla will tend to take on in your total scheme of things.

Houses, of course, divide the chart into twelve specific areas. Before getting into that much detail, we can check out your overall perception of Camilla simply by the way her planets are clustered in the main areas of your chart.

More of Camilla's planetary energy falls into your chart's eastern half.

The fact that Camilla's planets fall mostly into the left-hand side of your chart suggests that, no matter what she's really like, *you* tend to put her into the role of the initiator. She may in fact have a natural tendency to take the lead (especially if most of her planets fall into the left-hand side of her own chart, or she has a lot of planets in Fire or Cardinal signs). If so, you could be delighted to have a partner who takes charge. On the other hand, if you have a strong need to do some of the initiating yourself, you could get into conflicts about who is going to lead. If this happens, try to work out some rules by which the two of you take turns being the one who takes the initiative.

Alternatively, it's possible that, despite what you expect her to be, Camilla actually tends to be a responder in most situations. (This would be true especially if her planets were mainly placed in the opposite half of her own chart, or were chiefly in Fixed or Mutable signs.) Your assumption that Camilla good at doing something that's not really one of her dominant skills may well inspire her to develop this recessive part of herself. Then, through her relationship with you, she may come to feel more rounded and complete. But if you have overly high expectations about her initiating abilities, the results may fall short of what you want. In this case, instead of feeling that it's her fault that you never do anything as a couple, it would be best if you accepted her basic character and, at least some of the time, seized the initiative yourself.

More of Camilla's planetary energy is above your horizon.

With more of Camilla's planets falling into the top half of your chart, you tend to see her as more extraverted, adjusting to the world and needing its approval. Depending on how the planets are distributed around her own horoscope wheel, she may or may not actually be that way. Simply because of your expectations or from interaction with you, she may try to be more extraverted, while deep down she looks to an inner standard and values self-approval and self-motivation more than the values of the outside world. With you, she may try to conform to what's expected, but you may have different ideas of what conforming means. Chances are, she's really trying. Remember this, and if you still wish to change the way she behaves, try a bit of flattery before you criticize.

How Camilla Affects Specific Areas of Your Life

For more detailed information, let's now look specific planets in specific houses. The houses that will probably be most important in forming your view of Camilla are those that contain her Sun and Moon.

Camilla's Sun is in your Twelfth House.

You may see Camilla as someone who prefers seclusion to interacting vigorously with the outer world. Or Camilla's goals and direction may be so subtle that you don't understand them. Or you could see her as your spiritual guide and not be sure why. You might also perceive her as a behind-the-scenes kind of person, capable of directing but not in an obvious way—possibly manipulating. If you feel manipulated, or if there's anything unclear about your partner's goals and direction, you might want to probe into personal motivations together. As you clarify matters, it will strengthen the bond between you.

Camilla's Moon is in your Twelfth House.

This is a subtle placement. You may be in close touch with each other's dreams and fantasies, and you may know intuitively that Camilla supports you emotionally. You don't need to discuss the matter, because you just feel it, and that is enough.

It could, however, be that Camilla's emotions seem to be hidden from you, or that the emotional support that you fantasized turns out not to be there. If you feel puzzled by Camilla's emotions, or actually undermined or manipulated, you might want to bring this out into the open. However, what you're experiencing is based on feelings, not facts, and so it may be hard to put into words. There's the possibility that your imagination is working overtime, or that your partner is unaware that she is manipulating you.

If direct conversations about your feelings don't seem to produce meaningful results, it's probably because one or both of you feels vulnerable and unprotected, and hence fearful. Instead of using the head-on approach, you may find it more effective to try subtler means. These could include visualizing, or sharing your fantasies and dreams. Another way is to view each other's feelings indirectly through the mirror of art. Discussing the feelings that a movie, painting or piece of music brings up in each of you can feel less threatening than direct talk about your relationship, and yet it can be a powerful way of divining each other's emotional state.

Camilla's Mercury is in your Twelfth House.

You could feel that you and Camilla have a strong telepathic connection, so that to know what she is thinking, you may not have to talk at all. Less fortunately, you could believe that your partner keeps secrets from you or manipulates you. These may not be easy matters to discuss. If you suggest that your partner has a hidden agenda, you might be accused of having a vivid imagination. It's true that your imagination could be working overtime, but you may in fact be judging the situation correctly, and your partner doesn't want to admit it or isn't her self conscious of it. One way to begin to correct the situation is to work on the potential that you share for telepathic connection. Try some meditating or visualizing on the subject, and conditions may improve.

Camilla's Venus is in your Twelfth House.

There could be an element of secrecy in your relationship, so that your connection with Camilla isn't generally known. Or, as a result of your relationship, Camilla could feel that she needs to hide her desirability from the world. This could come from a need to make you feel more secure about her fidelity. It's true that she might do this only out of a feeling of tender protectiveness, but it's also possible that she's unconsciously picking up on warning signals from you.

If so, it could be because you feel insecure about her love. Possibly you find her inconsistent in expressing affection, sometimes being demonstrative and sometimes not. Or even though her affections seem steady enough, you might suspect some hidden motivation behind them. Another possibility could be that, deep down, you feel that your love is more of a fantasy than a reality. At some level you might feel that you're only pretending that you have the perfect mate and the perfect relationship, and you may fear that someday the bubble will burst. For any of these reasons, you could feel insecure, and Camilla could feel that, in order to allay your anxiety and keep the relationship going, she needs to make herself less attractive to others.

Instead of being unconsciously pushed around by these subtle undercurrents, you might try to bring them out into the open with your partner. However, Twelfth-House problems usually call for subtler measures. Shutting out the outside world and escaping into fantasy is a typical Twelfth-House maneuver, and you can use it in your favor. By indulging in fantasies and stories together, you will automatically be mirroring your unconscious concerns, and you may be able to ease them by dealing with them in play and on the symbolic level. This will work, because your problem is at this level anyway, and is not practical or concrete.

In fact, with Camilla's Venus contact to your Twelfth House, spinning fantasies together can be one of your most enjoyable activities. You may find that she especially enjoys hearing about your dreams, fantasies, and secret self, and you may also enjoy the hidden sides of her nature. You may have many delicious secrets together that are not apparent to the outside world.

Camilla's Mars is in your Eleventh House.

Through Camilla's energies, you'll probably have more of a social life, because either her impetus or something about her spurs you to join groups and pay more attention to friends. You may see her as someone who can motivate and energize groups of people, and in fact she may find it easier to do this when she's with you. She may also spur you on to realize your hopes and wishes, or to derive extra income from your career. She could give you just the bit of extra drive that you need to attain these things.

All this can feel very good to you -- as long as the heat and impulsive quality of this planet stay properly harnessed. With a Mars in overdrive, your partner could pick fights with your friends, or get bossy, nagging or generally obnoxious in any of the above areas. If you find that this becomes a problem, you can restore some harmony in your relationship by redirecting all that hot energy toward some constructive end. Encouraging her to play sports with friends, join athletic groups, spearhead work toward a cause, or accomplish some Herculean task with others could well absorb the jagged edges of that energy so that what's left of it only adds a bit of welcome spice to your life. If you feel nagged to make more money or to make your dreams come true, letting her do some of the work toward reaching these goals can stop the nagging and harness some of that excess steam to the advantage of you both.

Camilla's Jupiter is in your Fourth House.

Camilla may either make your home environment more enjoyable and cheer you up while you're there, or be extravagant and prone to excesses in household matters. Or you may experience both sides. For example, she might decide to throw a party, but feel that in order for it to be successful, it must be lavish. You both have a wonderful time and your guests talk about it for months, but you also spend months paying for it. If you're rich, no problem, but if you aren't, you might have to consider if the pleasure was worth the expenditure. One compromise might be to entertain lavishly only occasionally, and not have a second party before you've paid for the first.

Camilla's Saturn is in your First House.

You were probably drawn to the serious, responsible side of Camilla's nature, and because she guides and takes care of you, you could feel very bonded and secure in this relationship. It's possible, however, that you could feel guided too much — that Big Brother is looking over your shoulder telling you what to do and how to do it. Chances are, you'll experience both sides. You might forestall the close scrutiny by asking for Camilla's opinion on how you should act. If you seek her advice, she may assume that you're going to follow it and not watch you so closely. Then you'd be able to do pretty much as you please and still enjoy the security of the relationship.

Camilla's Uranus is in your Eleventh House.

Even though she may not be a joiner or one who enjoys large gatherings, when you do appear together in groups Camilla will probably stand out from the crowd. At times she may be enthusiastic about going, and may have a wonderful time. There may be other times when she refuses to go to meetings or parties, or, when once there, she suddenly decides to leave. If you're unnerved by the uncertainty of her response to invitations, or you feel isolated from others because she won't socialize at all, there are ways to get cooperation. One possibility is to tempt her with the prospect of intellectually stimulating company. Another is to find a group that advocates a humanitarian cause to which she can relate. If it involves revolutionary activity, she may willingly become active in the group, and you'll have more of a social life together.

Camilla's Neptune is in your Third House.

One possibility with this placement is that you may feel that Camilla has a way with words, and is able to convince anyone of anything. Or you could find her difficult to understand, or wonder if she's always being truthful. The upside of this combination is that there's likely to be a strong telepathic connection between you. This means that you don't always have to verbalize your thoughts. If you sense what Camilla is thinking, you may understand it better than words, and your intuition should help you to determine what is truthful and what is not.

Camilla's Pluto is in your First House.

You probably see Camilla as very powerful, and this might have been a quality that initially attracted you to this person. It can be reassuring to be intimately connected with someone who has the ability to take charge when circumstances warrant it. However, you might find that she sometimes tries to wield power over you when you prefer to be your own boss. If you feel she is too controlling, don't keep these feelings inside. That could ultimately lead to volcanic eruptions between you. Instead, talk about it. If you analyze these matters together, you can come up with solutions that may make you feel better and could even transform the situation.

Camilla Parker-Bowles's Chart Positions

	Planet		Sign	Longitude			Declination		
☉	Sun	is in	♋ Cancer	23°	47'	05"	+21°	21'	00"
☾	Moon	is in	♋ Cancer	9°	56'	06"	+26°	15'	00"
☿	Mercury	is in	♋ Cancer	19°	55'	31"	+17°	05'	00"
♀	Venus	is in	♋ Cancer	10°	34'	04"	+23°	09'	00"
♂	Mars	is in	♊ Gemini	11°	16'	36"	+22°	00'	00"
♃	Jupiter	is in	♏ Scorpio		17°	41'	39"	-16°	11' 00"
♄	Saturn	is in	♌ Leo	9°	56'	51"	+18°	26'	00"
♅	Uranus	is in	♊ Gemini	23°	50'	20"	+23°	24'	00"
♆	Neptune	is in	♏ Libra	8°	13'	35"	- 1°	52'	00"
♇	Pluto	is in	♌ Leo	12°	23'	00"	+23°	35'	00"
♁	N. Node	is in	♉ Taurus	29°	42'	26"	+20°	05'	00"
A _S	Asc	is in	♌ Leo	3°	06'	25"	+19°	28'	00"
M _C	MC	is in	♈ Aries	9°	48'	50"	+ 3°	53'	00"
♄	Chiron	is in	♏ Scorpio		2°	30'	58"	-11°	08' 00"

Camilla's Style of Relating

To figure out your own personal relationship needs, Camilla, we're first going to look at your basic personality type with both its strengths and its weak points. This can show you what you have to contribute, and what you need from someone else. The better you know your own nature, the more successful you're likely to be in your relationships. You can more easily make allowances for your own blind spots, and you can more consciously select a partner who will bring you happiness.

Camilla's Basic Character

You have few or no planets in Earth signs or houses.

An overall lack of the Earth element in your horoscope suggests that you are either impractical or not very interested in the material world. Thus you may be bored by down-to-earth details, or not able to handle them. In either case, it's helpful to have someone who can take care of the details for you. A partner who is too earthbound could be tiresome, but you, with your lack of earth, may be able to add a spark of inspiration. Anyway, try to be grateful for your partner's diligence, which allows you to feel less burdened.

You have few planets in Mutable signs or houses.

You usually either want to do things your way (if you predominate in Cardinal signs) or prefer to take root where you are (if your planets are mostly in Fixed signs). Whichever is the case, you're not very adaptable. In fact, you sometimes don't even want to hear someone else's point of view. This tendency to stay mired or to move in your own direction without consultation could be upsetting to a partner. In order to create good relationships, you may have to make a special effort to be flexible and pay attention to what the other person says.

Cancer and/or Fourth-House symbolism is especially strong.

You can be highly nurturing, and may enjoy feeding or tending to the other needs of those about whom you care. Although people may rely upon your strength and feel your sensitivity toward them, they may not recognize your own vulnerability and need for emotional support. This could be because you tend to show a tough exterior and keep your problems inside. If you feel neglected or mistreated, force yourself to ask for some small favor. This may lead to a greater interchange of nurturing, which could be more satisfying to both of you.

Another trait associated with the sign Cancer is the need for a secure home base. When conditions in your home are unsatisfactory, it is difficult to operate successfully in the world. Should this happen, put your house in order. Literally clean it out and put objects in their place. You may be surprised to see what an impact this can have on both your inner and outer life.

Your Sun is in the sign Cancer.

Your Sun in Cancer reinforces the idea that you're probably quite nurturing and home-oriented – someone who wants to tend to others and make them feel at home. No matter what your sex is, you tend to take on a mothering role. Security is likely to be important to you, and you will seek emotional security by bonding with others. In furnishing security to other people, you aim to get a positive response that makes you feel needed. This gives you the feeling of security that you yourself desire.

There's also a part of you that wants to be nurtured by others. Because you protect others so well, your strength will be apparent, but your personal sensitivity and your own desire for a bit of nurturing may not be. Unaware of this, others may be blunt in dealing with you. It's not easy to ask for consideration or support, because you believe that others may interpret it as weakness. Also, your fear of rejection might keep you silent. If you asked for tender loving care, and no one responded, you would not only feel rejected, but it could also destroy your sense of security. Once you feel safe with your partner, it may become easier to ask, but if your partner is reading these words perhaps the mothering that you need will come unsolicited.

Your need for security goes beyond the emotional to the material, so that having a home is probably very important to you. You probably do, or want to, own your own home, and you may scrimp and save to get one. This attachment to the home can be an asset in your partnership. You'll work to make your house or apartment homey, and your domesticity should appeal to anyone who wants to settle down.

One thing to look out for, however. Once you've achieved the home of your dreams, your partner might want to travel, and your need for security may make you not want to leave the nice nest you've made. If you do force yourself to go, you could worry about what's going on at home, or simply be homesick and not enjoy your trip. It may help to take your home with you – either as a recreational vehicle you can eat and sleep in, or by packing your bag with some of your favorite possessions. Then, when you reach your destination, take out your belongings and place them where you'll be sleeping. You may be surprised at how quickly you feel at home in your temporary surroundings.

Your Moon is in Cancer.

At the emotional level, you are essentially a compassionate person who displays great tenderness in taking care of others. You can comfort others by listening to them talk about their problems and somehow making them believe that their situation isn't hopeless. Sometimes it's a touch or simply a kind word. You may enjoy feeding people, and sometimes give the impression that you feel that food can take care of all difficulties. You also have the ability to fiercely defend those in your charge, doing battle for them if need be.

People may praise you for being the one who holds the family together or runs the household so well. You may seem so strong and solid and perform these tasks so ably that, no matter what your sex, others may see you as Super-Mom. The downside of this is that your partner and others with whom you're intimately connected may allow, and even expect, you to take care of *all* domestic and emotional problems — not just your own, but also those you should really be handling jointly. Feeling that you do these things best, they may give you little assistance, causing you to assume undue burdens. Also, the Moon in Cancer gives you a strong need to be nurtured yourself, and so it's possible that while you busy yourself tending to the needs of others, you may feel emotionally starved.

If tending to the needs of your loved ones makes you feel happy and fulfilled, continue on. However, it's possible that your circumstances are far from perfect, and you're not consciously aware of your discontent. One symptom that something is wrong is if you tend to overeat. You may often put food in your mouth without a thought. If you stop to think about it, you may notice that you do this when you feel unloved or have hurt feelings. If you use food to show others that you care, you may also use it to supply love to yourself.

To deal with the Super-Mom complex, first affirm that that it's not your duty to nurture the entire world. Tell this to yourself ten times a day so that it starts working on your subconscious. Next, involve your partner in domestic issues. For example, you could start cooking some meals together. You'll feel more nurtured when your partner prepares food for you, and you may eat less when you're not tasting everything that's cooked. From cooking you can go on to discuss the emotional problems of those who are near and dear to you both, problems that you've been handling totally on your own. Ask your partner for opinions, and before you know it, your partner may be sharing these concerns as well. Also, invite your partner's input on how to arrange and order your home. If you start doing such things, you'll feel less burdened and more emotionally supported, and your partner will feel a greater sense of participation. All this can only deepen the intimacy between you.

Camilla's Axis of Relationship

And now we get to your "axis of relationship," which is formed by the Ascendant (or rising sign) and the Descendant, which is always directly opposite. While the zodiacal sign that was rising when you were born describes the way that you present yourself to others, the opposite sign signifies the sort of partner you'll be drawn to and who will make you feel more complete. Any discussion of your rising sign (you) implies your setting sign (the partner who will complement you).

The following description assumes that you've given your actual time of birth quite precisely. If you haven't, and the degree that your chart shows on the Ascendant is near the beginning or end of the sign (0 or 29 degrees), it's possible that the adjacent sign would describe you better.

You have Leo rising.

Most likely, you have the sign Leo rising. This means that you tend naturally to radiate warmth and outgoingness to others. For you, interacting with people can be somewhat of a stage performance. In fact, even an audience of one may be enough for you to display your acting ability. This is partly because the fuel that you run on is the applause and approval of others.

Individuals with Leo rising tend to like everyone who likes them, but they also want the whole world to like them. Therefore, when people seem to disapprove of you, you may try even harder to be impressive. This may be one reason why you're often attracted to those who are a bit cool and aloof. These individuals represent a challenge, and you'll often work hard to establish relationships with them. While they may not show it, they will most likely find that your warmth completes them and gives them the social connection that they crave.

If you feel really ignored or disliked, however, you may turn up the volume so that you'll be sure to be heard, or blow your own horn to tell others how wonderful you are. But loudness and bragging will hardly enhance your image. If you want to impress a person who seems to dislike you, it's better to find a third party who will tell that person how great you are. It's so much more believable if someone else sings your praises! A partner who genuinely admires you and finds the show that you put on entertaining can be a great asset to you. Then, you can sit back and simply radiate the warmth and lively sense of fun that are your special gifts to others.

Because you may be attracted to a rather cool and detached partner, even if you're committed to each other, you may sometimes wonder if your partner approves of you. At those times when you feel insecure, you might show the more abrasive side of your personality. Although the lapses may be short and temporary (which may help to make them more tolerable), they might not be pleasant for either your partner or you. It may help to have a backup audience – a friend who adores you and who can give your ego the temporary boost that you need to get back on course.

But let's face it. If your partner is committed to you, you're obviously appealing. Your ease in performing before the world is attractive to someone who may not be able to do this so effortlessly. You could be the social buffer for your partner, or help your partner to interact with others more easily. In return, your partner might teach you to be a little more discriminating in selecting people to be involved with.

Another way in which you can influence each other is that you may help your partner to become more enthusiastic and involved. In turn, your partner can help you to become more objective. The only difficulty is this: how do you determine when it's appropriate to become involved and when it's better to remain detached? Time and experimentation will answer that question.

Dating and Romance

To see what you specifically want and need in romance, partnership and sex, we're now going to look at these areas of your chart in detail.

The Fifth House is traditionally the house of courtship, love affairs and romance. Also associated with risk-taking, this is the area in your chart where you take the plunge and throw yourself open to chance. Will Mr./Ms. Right cross your path at the mixer dance or singles bar? Will you take the risk of asking someone out on a date? Will the blind date be a delight or a disaster? This is one of the reasons that the Fifth is the place where love relationships begin.

Once you've started to date, the Fifth House's recreational side emerges. Fifth-House activities like dinner out, plays and movies, museums and sports provide a pleasurable atmosphere to encourage a budding acquaintance to flower into something more. Called the house of self-expression, the Fifth also rules self-display, as you each put on your finest feathers to attract the other. Dating in the Fifth leads to marriage in the Seventh House and sex in the Eighth, and then the cycle begins again with children, which are also shown by the Fifth House and its association with self-expression and play.

There are a number of different signs and planets associated with your relationship houses, and each of these contributes its own symbolic themes to that area of your life. The more that you both try to express the various qualities that are symbolized in these key relationship areas of your charts, the happier and more complete your relationship is likely to feel.

Scorpio is on your Fifth-House cusp.

Your romantic relationships are neither frivolous nor superficial. In fact, when you think of romance, it is most likely in terms of a grand passion. Even from the outset, you want to connect on a deeply emotional level. To you, a satisfying romance means sharing your innermost feelings, either verbally or otherwise. If you find this difficult to do, your romantic life suffers. Sex may provide such an emotional connection, but it must be deeply involving. Sex that is merely recreational won't do. It's also possible that you'll achieve this deep rapport with your beloved by going through dramatic life experiences together.

You tend to make a heavy emotional investment in an area that is meant to be a playful try-out for the real thing. Some kinds of partner may take your relationship more lightly than you do. You may find yourself analyzing the other's deepest motives, and becoming possessive or maybe even obsessive about your romantic connection. The more secure you feel in the relationship, however, the less likely you're to hold on so tightly. You may be able to live this house on a less emotionally demanding level by delving into some subject deeply together, or making a game of pooling some of your financial or other resources.

Sagittarius is within the Fifth House.

After you have begun to feel sufficiently secure in a romance (or have become exhausted by its emotional intensity) you'll probably relax your grip and begin to lighten up. Heavy emotional encounters may give way to learning things together, or to planning a big trip. Or, if your romantic partner wanted a bit more freedom, now you become more inclined to give it, because you yourself may be a bit restless and in search of more fun or intellectual stimulation in the world at large.

Capricorn is within the Fifth House.

The casual, pal-type relationship will eventually take on a more sober and practical cast. Going beyond just having good times together, you'll evaluate your romantic partner very practically, considering his or her position in the world, what he or she has to give you, and whether the connection is in general worth while. If your partner passes your scrutiny and makes a commitment to you, in return you'll be responsible and fulfill your obligations well.

Mars, the ruler of your Fifth House, is in the Eleventh

The planet that's traditionally associated with the sign on the Fifth-House cusp brings in additional considerations. Placed in the Eleventh House, it means that you'll enjoy the company of a romantic partner who is mentally stimulating, but not too emotionally demonstrative. You need to maintain your own identity in romance, and you can be objective when viewing your romantic partner. If your partner becomes too affectionate, you could experience this as smothering, and have the urge to detach yourself. If this occurs, clear the air by discussing the matter. Or go to a party or a meeting together, because interaction with groups can help to put your relationship into better perspective.

You don't have any planets in your Fifth House. All this means is that dating and romance may take a less crucial role in your life than they might for someone else. The good thing is that your requirements are less specific, so that you can select from a wider range of potential partners.

Becoming Partners

Through the pleasures, risk-taking and self-expression signified by the Fifth House, you gain a sense of your own individuality and develop a robust identity of your own. You need this before you can have the true relationship of equals that is the essence of the Seventh House.

Traditionally the house of marriage, Seventh House signifies the way you make a serious commitment to another, and the way that that commitment is recognized in the social sphere beyond your relationship. Even when your relationship doesn't result in marriage, this is the house where you learn to blend your individualities without submerging them, and, for better or for worse, to deal as a team with the ups and downs of life. It's also the place of head-to-head confrontations, where you encounter both your similarities and your differences, and you each negotiate your fair share in disputes.

Aquarius is on your Seventh-House cusp.

You need a degree of freedom within your intimate relationships, so 24-hour-a-day togetherness is not for you. Remember that both of you need to have some personal space, and that you should be allowed to maintain your individuality within the relationship. There's also a strong possibility that your partner will be from a different background than your own, or will be non-conforming in some other way, either in appearance or ideas. If you support each other's uniqueness instead of fighting or ignoring it, and each allow your partner some freedom, you could have a satisfying and stimulating partnership.

Saturn, the ruler of your Seventh House, is in the First

In your chart the planet that is traditionally associated with the sign on your Seventh-House cusp is placed in the First House. This suggests that you want your partner to seek you out initially, and also to make the first move in proposing marriage or initiating a more permanent relationship. When married, however, you need to keep a sense of yourself as a separate, autonomous being. Only then can you enter into a relationship of true equals, in which neither partner dominates. In relating to your partner, it suits you to take an active role at least half of the time, and you want to be just as well-known to the world as your partner. Submerging your individuality or leaving it up to your mate to deal with the outside world is simply not for you. As long as you remember this, marriage can bring you great benefits.

Every planet that a person has in the Seventh House would indicate at least one additional requirement for them in a close one-to-one relationship. You have no planets here, however. For you, close partnerships may not be the all-consuming concern that they might be to someone who has a full Seventh House. This means that you could actually have an easier time finding a marriage partner. Your requirements in a partner are apt to be looser, and so you can be open to a greater variety of people.

Entwining Souls

Joined into a single entity in the Seventh House, you're ready to transform each other in the Eighth. To do this, you need to relax your grip on whatever you felt necessary to maintain yourselves as separate individuals. Then you need to take a leap of faith, and trust that the essentially benevolent forces of life will pull you through. If you emerge from this trial successfully, you will be transformed and renewed.

This, of course, is the essence of sex, which is one of the areas that the Eighth House stands for. The Eighth also depicts the other sorts of deep emotional bonds that arise in relationships, as you shed the shells of your individuality to merge into a larger whole. On a material level, the Eighth depicts the merging of property and finances, where you each need to give up what is yours and contribute it to the common pool.

With the high emotional intensity of the Eighth House and its lack of objectivity, power struggles are possible. Any impulse to do harm must always be contained. The key lies in developing compassion for your own emotional state, in letting go of tightly held positions, and then inviting powers out of your conscious control to lead you in the right direction.

Regarding your sexual self, all the signs and planets influencing your Eighth House describe possible avenues for sexual expression. Combining or alternating these themes will keep you from falling into stale and confining routines.

Aquarius is on your Eighth-House cusp.

To you, sex can mean expressing your individuality. You may feel free and uninhibited in sex, or you could declare your independence by assuring yourself that you're no one's sex object. You want to be the partner who determines when and where sex happens. You could also combine the two possibilities, feeling liberated and unrestrained in sex, but only when you yourself are in the mood for it.

Pisces is within the Eighth House.

You are probably also looking for the perfect physical union. This is hard to find, so you may sometimes fantasize about sex and your partner. Using your imagination can enhance your sex life, but don't carry this to the point where you delude yourself. Also beware of being the partner who does all the giving. Emotional experiences need to be shared with someone who cares. Pick a sex partner who returns your deep feelings, and you won't have to play "let's pretend."

Saturn, the ruler of your Eighth House, is in the First

The placement of your Eighth-House ruler in the First House suggests that although sexual gratification is important to you, you won't subjugate yourself to a sexual partner. You need to express your individuality in sexual matters, and don't want to be treated as a sex object. To you, being respected is just as important as sexual gratification. Because you play an active role in defining your sexual activity and don't just follow your partner's lead, you may feel that it's your fault if something goes wrong. This could affect your self-confidence. Remind yourself that there are two people involved, and that you share not only responsibility for the successes but also blame for the failures.

Because you have no planets in your Eighth House, your requirements for sex and deep emotional bonding are simpler than they might be. If one or more of your partner's planets falls into your Eighth, however, it can add some different themes as well as additional energy to your sex life.

How Camilla Sees Charles

To see how you experience Charles, what he means to you personally, and the biases you may have when dealing with this important person in your life, we're now going to look at the way his planets fit into the houses of your birth chart.

You could think of Charles's planets as "lighting up" your houses, bringing more energy to the areas of life that those houses deal with. His planets can activate under-active areas of your life, making you feel more complete. Or they may increase the activity in areas that are already emphasized in your own chart. They may repeat problematic themes in your own horoscope so that you're finally forced to deal with them, or give you the added push to make the most of assets that you already have. All this influences the way you feel about him, and suggests the functions that he will take on in your life.

First, however, before looking at specific houses and planets, it can be revealing just to look at the overall way Charles's planets are grouped around your chart wheel.

More of Charles's planetary energy is below your horizon.

With more of Charles's planets falling into the bottom half of your chart, you will probably tend to see him as introverted. To you, he may seem to keep a great deal inside, and not be inclined to share it with you or anyone else. You may also see him as a non-conforming person who lives by an inner standard and is not particularly interested in what society thinks. Trying to influence him by pointing to what others believe is right or wrong may not work. Whether or not Charles is really as introverted as you think, you may be more successful if you appeal to his integrity and inner ethical sense rather than to externally imposed standards.

Charles's planetary energy is balanced in your chart's eastern and western

halves. Charles's planets are quite equally distributed between the right-hand and left-hand sides of your chart. This means that you probably see him as able to be both an initiator and responder. The advantage of this is that you'll feel neither the necessity always to take charge, nor the expectation that your partner will always do so. The disadvantage is not knowing when you should initiate and when you should respond.

To deal with this, you may always follow your partner's lead, or always try to take the lead yourself. A better course is to consciously decide who's in charge of what, and have each of you doing the decision-making in a different area. It's also helpful to consult frequently, so that each of you is advised of the decisions and plans that the other has made.

How Charles Affects Specific Areas of Your Life

And now for particular planets in particular houses. Pay special attention to the houses that contain Charles's Sun and Moon, because these are likely to represent focal areas in your relationship with him.

Charles's Sun is in your Fifth House.

If you have children together, you might see Charles as being warm and generous with them and possibly taking pride in what they do. However, if he feels unappreciated, what you may see is someone who's bossy and overbearing. If this is the case, try a little romance or stroking. Then you may see his warm and generous side in regard to the kids. Since the Fifth House is also the area of creativity, you may see Charles as very creative, whether or not the issue of children is relevant. If you think that he overshadows you in terms of creativity, you may feel that you lack talent and never try to do anything creative. If this is true, try some artistic endeavor together. If you cooperate with each other, Charles's ability may stimulate you to view yourself as being creative.

Charles's Moon is in your Tenth House.

You might find that Charles is emotionally supportive of your career, or of your role in the world in general. If this is the case, you know that you can find comfort in talking to him about your problems at work, or any other difficulties that you have interacting in the outer world. If you're nurtured when you arrive home, coping with the world at large can be easy to tolerate.

However, if your partner envies or feels competitive with your professional life, you could feel undermined rather than supported, and there may be emotional outbursts. To turn this form of behavior into tenderness, try giving him some extra nurturing. When he knows that you care, he might not feel so threatened by you or your role in the world.

Charles's Mercury is in your Fourth House.

You may find it easiest to talk with Charles at home, or about matters concerning the home, real estate, your parents and family background, or the past. If you find that Charles communicates best in your home, you might enjoy entertaining there. This is a particularly good idea if he seems to be shy in the outer world.

Charles's Venus is in your Fourth House.

Charles could be pleasant to have around the house, either bringing peace and harmony to your surroundings or helping to make your home more attractive. Or there's the possibility that, although your household is peaceful, your partner doesn't actively participate in running your home. Your partner's view could be that menial tasks are for peasants, while you might think that your partner is just plain lazy. If you feel that you're doing all the work and your partner is having all the pleasure, there are at least two ways you can enlist some help around the house. One is to appeal to Charles's sense of artistry, and maybe he will then do a little interior decorating. The other is to make a game of the tasks that must be done. If you do that, you may find that your partner not only assists you, but may even begin to volunteer to help.

Charles's Mars is in your Fifth House.

Especially at the beginning of your relationship Charles is likely to take the lead, initiating the calls and making the plans for the two of you. And even after you've established a firm bond, he may well be the one who propels the two of you into enjoyable pursuits. He might get you into athletic activities, ranging from sports to bedroom gymnastics, and his ardor may greatly add to the fun. He may also be the one who most actively wants to have children.

It could be that Charles's idea of fun is a bit too rough-and-tumble for you, or that his creativity seems to be eclipsing your own. And, if he always seems to be the first to suggest something to do, your own romantic or recreational preferences might get pushed into the background. If this is so, try to do a little initiating yourself. You might get into conflicts if both of you try to make plans, but working these things out in an open and fair manner will eventually benefit your relationship. Anyway, after doing some of the initiating in this area, you might find that you've gotten it out of your system and that you actually prefer that he directs activities. And, after seeing what you proposed, he'll have a better idea of what makes you happy.

Charles's Jupiter is in your Fifth House.

Since this house represents children, creativity and romance (among other things), Charles could have a strong impact on any or all of these facets in your life. If you have children, he could either over-indulge them or help them to grow. In terms of creativity, he could give you wonderful ideas, or possibly overwhelm you with too many suggestions or plans that are too grand. Or he could court you in a lavish manner, to the point where it runs up debts. If the negative begins to outweigh the positive, remember that none of these excesses is likely to be really serious, and turn your search for a solution into a game. Start by calling a stop to what's happening, and then go out and have a good (but inexpensive) time together, or a pleasant change of scene.

Charles's Saturn is in your Second House.

Charles may seem to be more concerned and careful with your finances than with his own, telling you precisely how you should spend your money and/or admonishing you if you spend too much. If you tend to be unwise about expenditures, his caretaking may benefit you. However, whether you need the guidance or not, you could at times resent it. Should resentment occur, you might permit Charles to handle your finances, except for a sizable allowance that you alone are in charge of. Another way is to keep apart some money that is entirely your own, so that you have a nest egg in reserve in case the money isn't forthcoming from your partner. In either case, you'll feel less limited, and the burden of totally taking care of your own money will be shifted to someone who enjoys the task.

Charles's Uranus is in your Eleventh House.

Even though he may not be a joiner or one who enjoys large gatherings, when you do appear together in groups Charles will probably stand out from the crowd. At times he may be enthusiastic about going, and may have a wonderful time. There may be other times when he refuses to go to meetings or parties, or, when once there, he suddenly decides to leave. If you're unnerved by the uncertainty of his response to invitations, or you feel isolated from others because he won't socialize at all, there are ways to get cooperation. One possibility is to tempt him with the prospect of intellectually stimulating company. Another is to find a group that advocates a humanitarian cause to which he can relate. If it involves revolutionary activity, he may willingly become active in the group, and you'll have more of a social life together.

Charles's Neptune is in your Fourth House.

Charles could either bring confusion to your home environment, or help to make it a sanctuary, or do both. Whatever happens, one thing is clear: Your partner probably won't operate well under rules and regulations in the home. Instead of being defiant or consciously trying to break the rules, he may just seem to lack awareness that they exist. Your partner's talent in the home is in helping to create a haven where you can escape. So instead of fighting the chaos that may sometimes occur, join in the fantasy as often as you can, and you'll both be happier.

Charles's Pluto is in your First House.

You probably see Charles as very powerful, and this might have been a quality that initially attracted you to this person. It can be reassuring to be intimately connected with someone who has the ability to take charge when circumstances warrant it. However, you might find that he sometimes tries to wield power over you when you prefer to be your own boss. If you feel he is too controlling, don't keep these feelings inside. That could ultimately lead to volcanic eruptions between you. Instead, talk about it. If you analyze these matters together, you can come up with solutions that may make you feel better and could even transform the situation.

The Dynamics between the Two of You

Now we're ready to look at some of the dramas that are likely to play out between the two of you. These are suggested by the way the planets in one person's chart relate to those in the other.

You can think of your planets as various little characters who are interacting with each other inside your psyche, and who also interact with the same little characters inside other people. For example, Mars, the little warrior inside you, could be having a hot and heavy affair with your partner's sultry, come-hither Venus. This could take the form either of cozing up in bed together, or fighting most of the time. Or these two little characters could be constantly on each other's mind, but somehow at cross purposes or never quite on each other's wavelength. The basic quality of each planet, plus the aspect, or kind of angle, that is formed between them, determines how well those parts of the psyche will get along with each other, and what the nature of their alliance or conflict will be.

Below, the aspects between your charts are arranged roughly in order of how important they're likely to be to you personally. Take special note whenever you see aspects involving the same pairs of planets next to each other in the list. If you see, for example, not only your Venus conjunct your partner's Mars, but also your partner's Mars square your Venus, you can be sure that Venus-Mars themes such as sex, or some other sort of very creative, productive activity, will be of overriding importance in your life together.

Because we're dealing with double the number of planets here, the number of possible aspects is hugely increased. We'll therefore consider only the interaspects that are quite exact.

Meshing Your Personalities and Goals

Aspects involving your Ascendant or Midheaven make your chart different from the charts of others born the same day, and so they have a particularly personal significance.

Located at 9 o'clock on your horoscope wheel, the Ascendant is usually also the cusp of your First House. This is the place where a planet would rise from the inner realm below the horizon to the outer world above. As such, it symbolizes the interface between the inner you and the outside world. This is your personality — the face you put on, your body and manner, your habitual way of dealing with others. In a relationship, the Ascendant signifies the way you interface with your partner, and the Descendant, always directly opposite, signifies your partner himself or herself.

The Midheaven is the highest point a planet can go in your chart. It signifies the most universally visible part of you -- your career goals, your most public self and your reputation. Aspects involving the Midheaven of one or both partners can then be among the most powerful indicators of how one partner relates to the other's reputation, career and overall life direction.

The Ascendant and Midheaven move an average of one degree in every four minutes of time, and so their correct positions depend on whether you know your birth time accurately. If you've given an accurate birth time, aspects between these points and your partner's horoscope can say very important things about your relationship. If you're unsure of your birth time, however, it's best to take any interpretations of aspects from your Ascendant and Midheaven with a grain of salt. (from a particular planet.)

Charles's Moon is square Camilla's Ascendant.

Although you and your partner have a strong personal tie and are definitely attracted to each other, you might find that there's often friction between you. Camilla's personality may sometimes grate on Charles, and Charles's nurturing may sometimes feel smothering to Camilla. As you irritate each other, Camilla may become more obnoxious and Charles more emotional.

Nevertheless, your tie is so strong that you both keep coming back for more. This might actually be a behavioral pattern that you enjoy. If it isn't, there are different ways of interacting that still combine Charles's emotions and nurturing side with Camilla's personality. For example, Camilla might stimulate Charles to become more emotionally expressive in his dealings with others, and he, in turn, might provide an emotional outlet for his partner's feelings. Or Camilla's nurturing might take the form of caring for Charles's physical appearance or grooming him to interact more effectively with others. With this very energetic aspect, finding the right approach may take effort, but you know that the attraction is there, so it's possible to discover a way to capitalize on it rather than mask it.

Charles's Mercury is square Camilla's Ascendant.

Communications are very much in the foreground of your relationship, but sometimes they may cause friction. While you could love to communicate about intellectual matters, you're more likely to talk about yourselves and your immediate environment. During these rather personal conversations, Charles might sometimes get the impression that Camilla is trying to direct his manner of speaking, or Camilla might feel that Charles is telling her how to look and behave. The good thing about this aspect is that if you feel criticized by your partner, it'll be natural for you to discuss this together. With a bit of effort, you should be able to understand each other's feelings. As long you remain courteous, your urge to be in constant communication with each other will keep your relationship close.

Charles's Nodes are square Camilla's Ascendant.

Friction may develop between the two of you because there are difficulties between Camilla and people whom Camilla has brought into the relationship. Some possibilities include Camilla disliking or feeling unappreciated by these people, or these people finding that Camilla's personality grates on them. If such interactions cause problems to arise between the two of you, you have several choices. You can keep allowing the interaction to be a bone of contention between the two of you. You can accept these individuals as a challenge that you have to deal with as a couple. Or, you can find new friends.

Camilla's Saturn is conjunct Charles's Ascendant.

You and your partner may feel that it's your duty to take care of each other's practical needs. This could give you a sense of security, but you might also feel somewhat restricted. While it may be reassuring to have a partner who takes care of your every requirement without being asked, all that directing and hovering over you could make you feel controlled. Also, believing that you always need to reciprocate will certainly interfere with your freedom. You can't totally do away with watching over each other, and you probably wouldn't want to. But if you begin to feel smothered or overburdened with responsibility, let your partner know about it. You should easily be able to define acceptable boundaries and stay within them.

Camilla's Neptune is sextile Charles's Ascendant.

There's a tie between you which defies explanation in practical terms. It may be just a fascination that you feel, but it can also be a telepathic connection. There's also a potential for helping each other, such that Camilla wants to help Charles feel spiritually supported, and Charles will probably throw the force of his personality behind Camilla's belief system. You can also use this combination to join forces in an artistic endeavor in which imagination and creativity play important roles. Because you help each other and cooperate so well, you each should know that you can always count on your partner for spiritual support.

Camilla's Pluto is conjunct Charles's Ascendant.

This combination could mean that you and your partner both feel more powerful because you're together. It might also indicate that Charles believes that the personal changes he's made since the beginning of the relationship are due to Camilla's influence. In turn, Camilla could believe that she is empowered by Charles's personality. On a less positive note, there could be power struggles if Camilla uses manipulation or overt force to make Charles conform, or she feels that Charles disregards her wishes. Should either of these possibilities materialize, don't just grumble to yourselves. Openly discuss your complaints with each other. When the two of you analyze and make changes together, it will strengthen your relationship.

Charles's Ascendant and Camilla's Ascendant are conjunct.

With virtually the same degree of the zodiac rising, you and your partner are bound to share certain personality traits, and may have similar ways of viewing and dealing with most areas of your life. Obviously there's an attraction, or you wouldn't be together. However, similarity doesn't necessarily mean total approval. If you see irritating qualities in the other, it could be because your partner reflects imperfections in yourself. To do something about this, look at your own character, and work on correcting those traits. And remember to capitalize on what you find most appealing in each other instead of carping about flaws. That should improve your relationship and also make you feel better about yourselves as individuals.

Charles's Ascendant is trine Camilla's Midheaven.

Charles's personality works well with Camilla's public self. For example, Charles's personality could enhance Camilla's career, and Camilla could provide a forum in which Charles can express his personality. Either or both of you might occasionally feel that your validity as a couple is dependent on the outer world, instead of on an inner connection. Possibly the public does play an important role in your relationship, but so what? As you achieve your goals in the world and also note the favorable response you receive because of the way you blend with each other, you'll succeed as individuals and your relationship will be enriched as well.

Charles's Venus is opposite Camilla's Midheaven.

In your relationship, fun and games (Venus) may conflict with the hard work of attaining worldly success (the Midheaven). The two of you may find it difficult to blend your goals and direction, because they seem to be exact opposites. To achieve a balance between you, Charles might take the lead in seeking pleasure and sociability, while Camilla provides the venue or supports your joint enjoyments in other ways. And Charles could employ his charm and sociability to support Camilla's pursuit of worldly success. When you balance each other in this manner, Charles can have fun, Camilla can experience success, and you'll each have helped the other achieve goals without forfeiting your own.

Charles's Neptune is opposite Camilla's Midheaven.

With this aspect, Charles's spirituality is connected with Camilla's career or public image, but it could be difficult to blend the two very closely. Charles could confuse Camilla by trying to share his faith or spiritual beliefs, and Camilla could upset Charles by attempting to force her more realistic view of the world on him. Instead of wasting your time trying to convert each other, Camilla should go ahead and pursue her career goals, while Charles should feel free to develop spiritually. Camilla should remember that Charles is good at providing an occasional escape, and Charles should remember that Camilla can provide a link to the real world when necessary.

Camilla's Moon is square Charles's Midheaven.

There's a stressful, dynamic interaction between Camilla's emotions and Charles's career or public image, so that when feelings and career come up, there could be friction between you. Camilla might view Charles as a workaholic and feel personally neglected, and Charles could feel professionally undermined by an overly emotional partner. At these times if Camilla gives Charles a bit of extra nurturing, and Charles publicly announces his appreciation of Camilla's emotional support, you might be surprised at just how comforting this combination can be.

Camilla's Venus is square Charles's Midheaven.

Camilla's pleasure, love and affection are connected with Charles's career and/or worldly success in such a way that there may be friction. Camilla could self-indulgently seek pleasure in a way that could harm Charles's career, or Charles could be so focused on career that Camilla feels neglected. Showing each other a bit more consideration can keep these scenarios from becoming chronic. For example, Camilla could use her charm to help Charles achieve career goals, and Charles could take more time away from work to socialize with her. Then your complaints about each other should become fewer and you'll both be able to achieve your goals.

Camilla's Mars is sextile Charles's Midheaven.

You and your partner easily project energy in your interaction with the outer world, and you probably provide stimulation for each other as well. Camilla can spur Charles to accomplish more and more. And Charles's career or role in the world may provides a backdrop for Camilla to take the initiative and be assertive. Your enthusiasm and desire to help each other might sometimes make the two of you seem too energetic or assertive, but even if others occasionally see you as being a bit too aggressive, they will probably look to you as leaders. As you succeed in what you attempt to do, this image will be reinforced.

Camilla's Saturn is trine Charles's Midheaven.

Charles's career or public image should fit well with Camilla's concept of life structure, thus providing a strong foundation on which to build your relationship in material terms. Tangible success is what you're seeking, and for the most part you probably agree on what you're striving for. Because you believe that you have to work hard to get what you want, however, you probably don't take the easiest route. Fortunately you have the ability to work hard together, so though you may not advance quickly, your persistence will allow you to move steadily forward so that you ultimately get your rewards.

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Camilla's Pluto is trine Charles's Midheaven.

This creates a profound and important bond between you. A probable manifestation would be that Camilla cares deeply about Charles's career, calling and public image, and she has the power to alter his career aspirations and public image for the better. She may also have a deep and beneficial effect on his home life and his sense of roots. Camilla's power gives momentum to Charles's goals, and if you share a profession, you'll be a couple to be reckoned with. Even if you work separately, the outer world will probably recognize that as a couple you can be either forceful allies or formidable enemies. The goals that you attain through supporting each other will not only strengthen your relationship, they'll also make you feel more powerful as individuals.

Camilla's North Node is semisquare Charles's Midheaven.

There's a connection between Charles's career or public image and the relationships that Camilla brings to the partnership, and this could result in friction between the two of you. If Charles feels disliked or disrespected by Camilla's acquaintances, his self-esteem and career or public image could suffer. Or Camilla might think that Charles's career or public image causes her friends to feel inhibited. To make such problems less of an issue in your partnership, it would be a good idea to take occasional breaks from dealing with these individuals.

Charles's Midheaven and Camilla's Midheaven are conjunct.

With this combination there's a focus on your interaction as a couple with the outer world, either through your careers or other roles that you perform in public. Your ideas and direction are probably quite similar, so you could present a united front. However, similarity does not necessarily mean cooperation. Although you might use the same tactics, you could become competitive and use your similar modes of operating against, rather than for, each other. Should this happen, it could damage your public image, and that would not help either of you. Instead of vying with each other for the top place, you should each work on developing your own public image. As you're building your own self-confidence, you're less likely to feel threatened by your partner. Then you'll notice that it becomes easier to face the world together and make a more favorable joint impression.

Balancing Your Separate Egos

The Sun has to do with your inner life direction and also with your conscious conception of yourself. In close relationships, one of the chief issues the Sun will bring up is each person's ego, and how the other partner does or doesn't support it.

Since the Sun is such a central part of the horoscope, aspects involving the Sun of one or both partners are likely to be among the major keynotes of your relationship. Aspects between one person's Sun and the other's Moon are particularly important, as they have been proven to be one of the strongest possible attractors between two people, especially in a long-term relationship such as marriage.

Charles's Sun and Camilla's Sun are in trine.

When it comes to life direction and ego gratification, the two of you find it easy to join forces. So you'll probably have little disagreement on such issues. If problems do arise, they may come from being *too* comfortable together so that you're complacent and don't work toward any greater goals. If you're happy, you might not care, but if you feel that you're not fulfilling your potential as a couple and that something is missing in the relationship, it probably is. To find joint ego gratification, try combining your energy with your partner's. You can easily do it, and the result will be more than double your expectations.

Charles's Sun is trine Camilla's Mercury.

When it comes to ego gratification and communications, you easily complement each other. Charles can make Camilla look good when Camilla is talking, and Camilla can enhance Charles's appearance by announcing his virtues or explaining his goals. The worst scenario would be either of you taking your partner for granted and assuming that your partner will always perform the same role without consultation. Fortunately, you should have no difficulty communicating, and a few words of appreciation and direction can probably take care of any momentary discontent.

Charles's Sun is conjunct Camilla's Jupiter.

This can be an expansive combination, with Camilla having marvelous plans for Charles's life direction, and/or Charles using his personal identity to help Camilla grow. Or you might just find it pleasurable to be together. At worst, the two of you could lack will power, or have an exaggerated sense of self-importance as a couple, or sometimes be extravagant with money. You can avoid overextending yourselves physically or financially by making a game of finding ways to have fun that don't include overindulgence or great expenditure. When you go out, leave your credit cards at home, so you won't be tempted to use them. If you play the game well, you'll see that you can still think big and have a wonderful time without going into debt. This can be a challenge that you'll enjoy together.

Charles's Sun is quincunx Camilla's Uranus.

You and your partner could create problems if you try to combine Charles's need for self-satisfaction with Camilla's need for creativity and individuality. Instead of attaining his goals, Charles might be considered eccentric or unstable. Camilla might feel so overshadowed by Charles that she's unable to express her own individuality. However, if you each take turns supporting the other, it'll be possible for Charles to obtain self-satisfaction with the help of Camilla's creative side, and for Camilla to utilize her creativity and individuality without interference from Charles. Then you'll both get what you want, and your relationship need not suffer.

Charles's Sun is semisquare Camilla's Neptune.

Conflicts between ego satisfaction and spirituality may sometimes get you annoyed with each other. For example, Camilla might get upset by Charles's pursuit of self-interest, and Charles might distrust Camilla's motivations because he finds them hard to understand. As difficult as it may be, it would be best to face such issues squarely. Then Charles might discover that Camilla is essentially supportive and trustworthy, and Camilla might find that her partner is just as open to spiritual values as he is to the value of creating a self.

Charles's Sun is conjunct Camilla's South Node.

Interaction with others likely to be an important part of your relationship. Camilla will tend to be the one who brings people into the partnership, and Charles will probably play a very visible role with them. Camilla could either take pride in the impression that her partner makes and bask in it a bit herself, or be envious because she feels that her partner hogs the limelight. Charles could either enjoy the recognition or feel too exposed. Remember that you're a team, and that you can share the spotlight. You will then most likely be a very sought-after couple, and will have a good time socializing.

Dealing with Each Other's Emotions

The Moon has to do with your unconscious, receptive side, the part that reacts emotionally to life. A primary significator of the mother, it also indicates how everyone, regardless of gender, nurtures, feeds and protects both others and the self. The Moon also has a lot to do with being comfortable and feeling at home with your partner.

Charles's Moon is semisextile Camilla's North Node.

Charles may not always feel comfortable with the people Camilla brings into the relationship. This does not mean that Camilla must give up her friends, or that Charles always has to be with people with whom he finds it difficult to relate. You just need to take turns adjusting to each other. Charles should sometimes put personal feelings in the background and interact with these individuals. And Camilla should sometimes forget friends and concentrate on Charles's emotional needs. If you know that this is a temporary situation, and that ultimately your needs will be met as well, neither of you should have difficulty complying with the needs of your partner.

Camilla's Moon is trine Charles's Mercury.

You and your partner can probably communicate well with each other, both verbally and sometimes even without speaking. You can also easily blend feelings and communications. Camilla may emotionally support what Charles is saying, and Charles's words could be emotionally soothing to Camilla. Occasionally, Camilla could instill emotions that might lead to Charles making statements without considering all the implications. Or Charles could say something that would make Camilla overly emotional. But, should either of these scenarios take place, just talk to each other. This should be simple for you to do, and then everything will get back to normal.

Camilla's Moon is sextile Charles's Saturn.

You and your partner help each other to express feelings and deal with the material world. The nurturing and emotional "juice" that Camilla provides makes Charles better able to handle the practical details of life, and the material security that Charles provides gives Camilla a safe haven for emotional expression. Even so, Moon-Saturn combinations can sometimes restrict emotional expression. This can work in your favor when the situation calls for emotional self-control, but it can also create a distance and formality in a relationship that you want to be close. If either of you occasionally feels inhibited or frustrated by your partner, it may help to concentrate on making your partner feel more secure. A feeling of emotional or material security can often provide a safe space for the free expression of emotion, and this in turn can keep your partnership close and emotionally alive.

Camilla's Moon is square Charles's Neptune.

You and your partner can reach each other on a subliminal level, and may have a telepathic connection that enables you to anticipate and take care of each other's needs. The dark side of this is that either or both of you could also manipulate the other. If you feel that you experience more manipulation than support, visualization or prayer might be appropriate means of combating this. However, you might produce better results if Camilla consciously tries to support Charles's spiritual goals, and Charles uses his spiritual connection to help satisfy Camilla's emotional needs. The more you assist each other, the more your trust in each other will grow. It may take effort, but the end result will be worth the work.

Keeping Communications Open

The planet Mercury has key importance in your relationship because it signifies your own style of thinking and perceiving, and also the way you convey your thoughts and feelings to each other. When the two of you have good Mercury connections, you're able to communicate easily, and your chances of ironing out any differences between you are greatly increased.

Charles's Mercury is trine Camilla's Venus.

This combination can indicate that communications between you and your partner are creative and pleasurable. It is also possible that if you collaborate with one another in writing or speaking, you could make a favorable impression on the world, and possibly even be considered artistically talented when you communicate. Your conversations may not be philosophical or deep, and it could be easier for you to discuss matters superficially than to get to the core of any problems you might have. However, you certainly should enjoy talking to each other, and this can do much to keep your relationship lively and close.

Charles's Mercury is square Camilla's Saturn.

Either or both of you might feel that your partner does not communicate well. Charles may feel that Camilla is always instructing him or criticizing the way he communicates. And Camilla could feel that Charles always lectures her about her rigidity and conservatism. So it may become easier to keep your thoughts to yourself and complain about a lack of communication. Try sitting down together to have an honest talk about your problems. If you endeavor to get to the bottom of matters, clarify issues and determine solutions, it will open the door to better communications between you.

Charles's Mercury is sesquare Camilla's Uranus.

The conversations that you and your partner have may be exciting and stimulating, but they may not always be realistic. Charles can help bring out Camilla's creative originality, and Camilla can assist him to communicate more quickly and cleverly. But you may also encourage eccentric behavior in each other, and hatch strange and impractical ideas. If that is the case, try to focus instead on being original, creative and clever. Start by slowing down. Although the ideas and plans you share can be exciting, try to consider their practicality before you take action. The potential for effective originality is there, and if you slow down just a bit, you may discover just how creative a duo you can be.

Charles's Mercury is semisextile Camilla's Neptune.

With this combination, your communications become linked with imagination or spirituality, but if you try to influence each other too strongly in such matters, it may result in distrust and confusion. It's therefore best not to actively try to influence your partner, but rather to take turns adjusting to each other's needs. For example, Camilla could allow Charles to speak and write in a way that's comfortable for him, and refrain from trying to manipulate his thoughts or words. And Charles could permit Camilla to pursue spiritual goals, and stand by merely to translate his acts and thoughts into mundane terms when necessary. Then, instead of suspicion or confusion, you will better be able to experience the telepathic connection implicit in this combination. This is bound to enhance your faith in each other and your relationship.

Charles's Mercury is square Camilla's Pluto.

Power and communications are connected in your relationship. As a couple, you might strongly influence the outer world, and you could have a profound impact on each other in your private conversations. However, you may find that Camilla often tends to out-shout and/or verbally overpower Charles. And Charles may sometimes outtalk Camilla and/or overload her with trivia. If this happens often, you might consider that if you join forces instead of battling each other, your joint communications could have a powerful impact on the world. Think about the combined power you could unleash in speaking or writing. At least try to analyze your situation together. It may take effort, but it can be done, and then you may see it is much more gratifying and effective for the two of you to unite in communicating rather than wage war on each other.

Camilla's Mercury is square Charles's Venus.

With this combination you and your partner should have no difficulty communicating. However, with this particular aspect, Charles could find Camilla too talkative, and Camilla could feel that Charles is self-centered and only wishes to discuss himself. So instead of just enjoying the pleasure of talking together, you may frequently grate on each other. You may find your conversations more enjoyable if Charles uses his charm to enhance Camilla's discussions, and Camilla adds interesting sidelights to Charles's focus on self. If you complement each other in this way, you'll have a happier time together, and the outer world will probably see you as a very charming and sociable couple.

Camilla's Mercury is quincunx Charles's Mars.

When it comes to communicating and taking the initiative, you and your partner egg each other on, with the result that together you tend to be more active physically and verbally than either of you would be individually. If Camilla tries to prod Charles too strongly to take the initiative, however, the result could be not action, but anger. And if Charles attempts too strenuously to get Camilla to speak up, Camilla may become too loud or talk too much.

To use this aspect well, take turns being in the foreground while your partner adjusts to your needs. Sometimes let Charles take the initiative while Camilla just offers verbal support. At other times, let Camilla communicate in whatever way feels most comfortable to her, while Charles adjusts his actions to her words. In this way, you'll each be satisfying your own needs, and your joint energy will be more effective as well.

Camilla's Mercury is semisquare Charles's Saturn.

Either or both of you might feel frustrated about the way you communicate with each other. Camilla might feel that Charles criticizes or corrects the way in which she communicates. And Charles might feel that Camilla lectures him on his rigidity and conservatism. So you may be tempted to communicate less with your partner and then complain about the lack of communications between you. It will help to sit down together and openly discuss your problems. You can then get to the bottom of matters, clarify issues and come up with solutions. Getting into this habit could make it progressively easier for the two of you to communicate with each other on a regular basis.

Camilla's Mercury is square Charles's Neptune.

There could be a lack of clarity when you and your partner try to communicate. It may not be so bad if you find that you often confuse each other, or that either of you often feels misunderstood. But if you often question why you're so often misread, or, even worse, wonder whether your partner is intentionally deceiving you, you might want to try a new approach. The good thing about this combination is that it facilitates a telepathic connection between the two of you. If you develop this (say, through spiritual pursuits or by learning to meditate together), it can help you to avoid problems that verbal communications sometimes create. Then you may not have to worry so much about deception and confusion.

Encouraging Affection and Pleasure

Like a flower that attracts bees, Venus rules anything that attracts through beauty or pleasure, anything that engenders desire. She can also signify whatever you think is beautiful or valuable or attractive. In your relationship, Venus reveals the quality of affection that draws you together, the esteem you have for each other, and the beauty and pleasure that you can create around you.

Charles's Venus and Camilla's Venus are in square.

Expressing affection is important in your relationship, but your manner of showing love may be quite different from your partner's, and what you get from your partner may sometimes fall short of what you want. If the dissatisfaction becomes great, either of you could look elsewhere to receive the kind of affection you crave. Before you do anything this drastic, try a compromise. First, accept the fact that you both want to share love and affection. Next, note how your partner expresses affection and try to show your feelings in the same manner. Your partner may then follow your lead and begin to give you what you want.

Charles's Venus is trine Camilla's Mars.

This aspect indicates a strong attraction between you and your partner. Love and pleasure flow so easily with the energy sex that the two of you should be able to share your enjoyments almost without effort. Because Camilla focuses so much attention on Charles, however, Charles could occasionally appear self-centered. And because Charles stirs so much passion within Camilla, Camilla could sometimes come off as a bit too aggressive. However, a little self-absorption and aggressive behavior are easy to overlook when you obviously care about each other and find each other so appealing.

Charles's Venus is semisextile Camilla's Jupiter.

This aspect suggests that Charles wants to enjoy life and Camilla wants to grow and develop. However, if you try to blend these qualities, overindulgence and extravagance may result. To curtail the excesses, try taking turns totally supporting the other's goals without thinking of your own. For example, sometimes allow Charles to have fun while Camilla provides philosophical or educational support. Then let Camilla pursue knowledge while Charles makes sure that she's also having fun. As each of you takes turns adjusting to the goals of the other, you may discover that you're less prone to extravagance, and that you're not only growing, but also having fun doing it.

Charles's Venus is sextile Camilla's Pluto.

You and your partner are strongly drawn to each other, and easily show your affection. You also want to help each other to express that love, and the more you show your partner that you care, the more the other person will reciprocate. If the passion that you feel for each other gets to the point where it seems overwhelming, don't keep your feelings inside, because that will only compound the problem. Let your partner know what you're experiencing. He or she may be feeling the same way. By analyzing the situation together, you can clear the air, recognize that you're on the same side, and go back to enjoying the love and passion that can be such an important part of your life together.

Charles's Venus is sesquare Camilla's North Node.

When you're out socializing together, irritations may arise. Charles might not feel appreciated by the people Camilla brings to the relationship, or they might see him as too flirtatious, shallow or self-centered. This could cause Camilla to feel torn between her partner and her friends. To ease the situation, you might want to seek out other people with whom you can interact as a couple, and you might want to let Charles do most of the choosing. The same type of situation might repeat itself, but if it does, you can just keep moving from group to group. If you don't spend a lot of time with any one set of acquaintances, there may be enough contact to have a good time but not enough time to form complaints.

Camilla's Venus is square Charles's Neptune.

The love connection between you is a charismatic one that's difficult to explain in practical terms. There may also be a desire for perfect love, a love that's difficult to describe. Since human beings are far from perfect, either or both of you might find yourselves noticing the faults more often than the positive qualities of your partner. If you find yourselves doing more carping than stroking, remember the feeling of love that you can experience together. Every time you start to criticize, think of one of your partner's good points. As you focus on your partner's strengths, favorable thoughts can begin to outnumber critical ones, and you'll get closer to your dream of a perfect union.

Getting Things Done Together

Mars signifies the way you direct the life energy of the Sun. This you could use to assert yourself, go after what you want, or meet threats and defend yourself from harm or annoyance. In your relationship it can show where anger may erupt, but it also indicates your energy level and your ability to accomplish things as a couple. It also has a lot to do with your sexual assertion and desire.

Charles's Mars is opposite Camilla's Uranus.

When you're together it can be very stimulating, as you increase each other's spontaneity and spur each other to move more quickly. However, you may also cause each other to be more impatient and careless, so that the results of your joint actions fall short of expectations. To avoid this, try to recognize and support each other's needs. Charles will naturally want to be assertive and take a leadership role, while Camilla will most likely want to be creative and independent. When you use your own strengths and skills to help your partner achieve his or her goals, you both should be able to attain what you want with a minimum of interference.

Camilla's Mars is square Charles's Saturn.

You and your partner could feel limited by each other because Camilla wants to keep moving, and is slowed down by Charles's insistence on organizing. Or Charles could be uncomfortable because Camilla is trying to press him into action. The result could be a stalemate, with neither of you able to move forward and both of you experiencing frustration. If this occurs too frequently in your relationship, perhaps you should divide up the tasks that you want to accomplish and each take care of your duties before you try to combine your efforts. Charles could work out the details of your course of action, and Camilla could initiate the plan. You may still have your disagreements, but if you do get moving, they will be tempered by your accomplishments.

Camilla's Mars is trine Charles's Neptune.

With this combination Camilla could bring out Charles's spirituality or artistry, and Charles could inspire Camilla to take action. As a couple, you might utilize these energies by undertaking an artistic project together, or involving yourselves in a spiritual venture. There's a nebulous quality about this connection, and if you try to explain it in practical terms you'll probably only become confused. It works, so just accept it, and have faith that it'll continue to work.

Stretching Your Boundaries

With Jupiter you start to move out of your personal sphere to where you interact with the larger world around you. This could mean the way you relate to social institutions, religions, philosophies and ideas, or foreign cultures. In your relationship, Jupiter also has much to do with the way the two of you grow, develop and make plans for the future. Jupiter is the principle of expansion, and so it's also one of the planets (along with Uranus) that can signify the need that each of you may sometimes have for elbow room.

Charles's Jupiter is quincunx Camilla's North Node.

As a couple, you and your partner want to interact with individuals or groups who will help you to grow and develop. But you may find that you tend to adjust to their needs much more often than they adjust to yours. For example, you might see that you're always involved in activities that *they* choose, or that you end up treating them and they rarely, if ever, treat you. If you often feel taken advantage of, next time suggest something that *you'd* like to do, and don't pick up the check. Then see what happens. If you get a positive response, good. If not, you might look for other friends who will once in a while consider what you want.

Camilla's Jupiter is square Charles's Pluto.

As long as the two of you can join forces, you can generate great power together. However, with this aspect, instead of controlling the world you might just battle each other. Then neither of you will win, and each person's energy will get drained so that you both feel personally disempowered. Then you will also lose power as a couple. Instead of fighting each other, find a project or situation on which you can agree, and then assert a bit of power together, without worrying about who's in charge. You might then see yourselves gaining momentum as a couple, and starting to become a force to be reckoned with in the world.

Staying On-Track and Committed

Saturn, the principle of structure and solidity, is needed to give a relationship permanence. While it can symbolize hardship and restriction, it also shows how you handle responsibility, fulfill obligations, keep organized, and together tackle the practical aspects of life.

We've already considered Saturn in connection with the faster-moving, more personally significant planets in your charts. Saturn's aspects with the slower-moving planets Uranus, Neptune and Pluto usually have more to do with your generation and the wider social sphere. Exceptions to this are when these outer-planet-only aspects are either extremely exact, or the planets in these pairs are also being aspected by the Ascendant, Midheaven, Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus or Mars. Then these generational aspects may become more tied into your personal lives.

Charles's Saturn is square Camilla's Nodes.

With this combination, Charles could feel burdened or restricted by the people that Camilla brings to the partnership. Or perhaps these individuals feel that Charles limits them. Instead of assuming that your lot is just to suffer in your joint social life, you can start to improve things by discussing your feelings together. If you clarify the situation, you can find ways to rectify it. Charles might willingly take on the role of authority figure or teacher, or the two of you might delegate duties to others in the group. Another solution might be simply to limit your interactions with these people.

Camilla's Saturn is sextile Charles's Neptune.

Camilla provides the organization and structure in the relationship, and Charles offers a spiritual approach to life. Neither of you wants to interfere with the other's approach. In fact, each of you wants to reinforce the other's viewpoint with your own perspective. So Camilla helps to make Charles's dreams come true, and Charles gives Camilla faith and an occasional escape route from the nitty-gritty details of life. Since you view life quite differently, you may confuse each other once in a while. But because you concentrate on helping and supporting each other, the two of you can have the best of both worlds together.

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Keeping the Spark of Spontaneity

When things get too dull and locked-up under Saturn, along comes Uranus to poke holes in Saturn's structure and let in a breath of fresh air. While Uranus can signify sudden, destabilizing events or a rugged individualism that can put stress on your togetherness, it can also bring new life, zest and creativity to your life as a couple.

The more personally important Uranus interactions between you will have been discussed in the sections on the faster-moving planets and points in your charts.

Charles's Uranus is semisextile Camilla's North Node.

Interaction with others, particularly those whom Camilla brings to the relationship, could become a bone of contention between you. Charles may not enjoy being with these people, and could feel trapped if frequently forced to interact with them. If Charles does refuse to socialize with them, Camilla could feel a loss of friends. It will help to each give way a little. Sometimes Camilla should forgo the company of these individuals so that Charles won't feel trapped, and sometimes you both should socialize with them, with Charles offering exciting and creative activities as a distraction. By taking turns adjusting to each other in this way, you can both have what you want individually, and your cooperation will strengthen your bond as a couple.

Honoring the Spiritual Dimension

Neptune signifies a dimension that lies beyond ordinary reality. It has to do with dreams and fantasies, and your relationship with the ineffable world that is beyond words. While Neptune can weaken structure and dissolve your most practical plans, it can also bring an unexplainable sort of closeness and an ethereal bliss. Often it is channeled into artistry, particularly music and dance.

In preceding sections you may already have read about most or all of the Neptune contacts between your two charts.

Charles's Neptune and Camilla's Neptune are conjunct.

One of the chief associations of the planet Neptune is with spirituality. Neptune moves so slowly in the sky that this aspect is one you would share with everyone born within two or three years of your birthdate. Therefore, it is considered a transpersonal or generational aspect, one that describes the attitude of your whole age group toward spirituality. In and of itself, it does not explain the personal connection or attraction between you, but it can be an asset because it would give you a subject on which you can generally agree. In giving you a similar kind of faith to share, it can help create a foundation on which you can develop your relationship. This contact can also signal an agreement between you on artistic tastes, especially in music.

Charles's Neptune is sextile Camilla's Pluto.

Neptune and Pluto have been roughly in sextile since the early 1940s, and so you both probably have this aspect in your own natal charts as well. Having this aspect between each other's charts just reinforces a combination with which you're already comfortable. It's likely that your concepts of spirituality and power are compatible, and that you want to help each other to develop these factors further in your lives. Although you could easily manipulate each other, it's more likely that Charles would enhance Camilla's power, and Camilla would add power to Charles's spiritual beliefs. Together you could create a powerful belief system.

Charles's Neptune is sesquare Camilla's North Node.

The relationships that you and your partner have jointly with others are colored by the nebulous quality of Neptune. It's possible that Charles mesmerizes Camilla's friends and acquaintances, but it's more likely that he simply confuses them. Alternatively, Charles might feel that Camilla's friends misunderstand or take advantage of him. To avoid such problems or at least alleviate them, seek people who are spiritual or artistically inclined. If they're highly evolved, neither misunderstanding nor victimization should be an issue. And if they're artistic, you can join together in creative endeavors and not worry about confusion.

Coping with Power and Change

Pluto is an inexorable force that works slowly in the background to create what you eventually realize are profound and all-encompassing changes. It's also the energy that sweeps away what's dying or outmoded so that new life can begin. In relationships, Pluto usually signifies power, also known as the ability to create change. This could be the balance of power between you, or the power that you as a couple exert on the outside world. Because Pluto deals with mysterious natural forces such as sex and death, there can be a certain smoky charisma and sexiness about it.

Because there are no slower planets for Pluto to make aspects to, you may find most or all of the Pluto interactions between you discussed at the ends of the sections on other points in the chart.

Charles's Pluto and Camilla's Pluto are conjunct.

Pluto moves so slowly (taking about 245 years to go around the zodiac) that all people born within a few years of each other will have Plutos that are conjunct. When this aspect is very exact and/or Pluto is also aspected by other planets, however, your mutual Pluto conjunction may have a more personal significance. Then, power could become a focal point in your relationship. Although your views on the subject may be similar, neither of you wants your power usurped by the other nor, for that matter, by anyone else. Because you look at power in a similar way, however, it is easier for you to join forces and protect yourselves as a couple from outside invasion.

In your dealings with each other, you have to be careful that power does not become a weapon. If either of you tries to control the other, you can expect retaliation. And with this kind of challenge, ultimately you may both feel weakened. You'll both be strongest when you're cooperating on power issues. If you feel threatened by your partner, analyze your feelings together. Once you get to the bottom of the matter, you can transform the situation.

Relating to Others as a Couple

No couple functions in isolation, and the contacts that you have with the rest of the world can have a lot to do with the happiness that you experience together. The way that you as a couple relate to other people is in large part shown by the lunar Nodes -- the two moving points in the zodiac where the Moon's orbital path crosses the Sun's apparent path through the sky. Being themselves a sort of Sun-Moon connection, the Nodes signify connections in general, particularly with other people. The North and South Nodes are always 180 degrees apart, so when we talk about aspects to the North Node, we're implying aspects to the South Node as well. NOMC.

Using This Comparison of Your Charts

We've now taken a brief look at the birth charts of you both, and a closer look at how your individual charts relate to each other. Perhaps now you have a little more clarity about what you personally need in a relationship, how you see each other, and how your partner's needs relate to yours. And perhaps you better understand some of the main themes and dynamics that you've been given to deal with in your life together.

Hopefully, your relationship has many islands of bliss and comfort where you can relax and just be yourselves. But hopefully there are also enough challenges to keep your life together dynamic and ever-evolving.

Remember that it's not realistic to expect perfection in each other. It's true that it may be easier to be happy and to function well with some partners than it would be with others. However, we tend to attract partners that provoke the crises we need to grow. When there's an unresolved issue that we need to work on, the relevant partner magically appears. A partner's foibles can teach us much, for they are mirrors of what we have within ourselves and may not otherwise be able to see. When we solve a problem and learn what it has to teach us, we are then permitted to move on – in most cases to a more fulfilling relationship with the same person, although sometimes we may need to strike out on our own. Usually, it's better to work with what we're given. But either way, when we step up to any challenge with open eyes, we grow in wisdom and power.

The important thing is to own up to our own responsibility in a situation, and to refrain from hiding behind a protective wall of blame. When we open ourselves to the truth, we see that both we and our partner are human and lovably imperfect. Then our hearts become free, and we have space in which to expand. We're no longer confined within our own being. When you let down your boundaries and merge with another, the two of you become one larger being with more than double the wisdom and humanity.

To complete this relationship analysis, we're now going to move on to the new entity that is formed when the two of you stay together for any length of time. This is not either one of you, but a new "being" that you create together, and which is greater than the sum of its parts. This is the relationship itself.