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Astrological Report for:

**Robert Downey Jr.**

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\*\*\*\*\* INTRODUCTION \*\*\*\*\*

The Solar Return is a chart calculated for the time that the Sun arrives at the exact position of the Sun in your natal chart. That happens once every year around your birthday, but at a different time each year. This chart is calculated for the time of the Sun's return this year and marks the principal events for the year from birthday to birthday. This report also gives the location of your Solar Return. From this, it can be determined that some places are more favorable than others. With the aid of more than one report you could analyze the changes that are produced in the Solar Return Reports, choosing from different locations where you would want to spend the day.

This report essentially is divided into two parts. The first part analyzes the general external conditions of the year: opportunities and problems that could occur in different areas. For the benefit of students of astrology, the influence of the Ascendant and Midheaven of the return are described as well as that of the Sun and Moon.

The second part analyzes the twelve astrological houses, marking specifically in what area of your life the various astral influences will be manifested, emphasizing your probable responses and inner changes. This section analyzes the position of the solar houses on the natal houses, the planetary conjunctions, and the location of the planets in the houses. You will be given a description of the most important matters derived from the placement of the planets in the houses, which are outlined in the text for each of them.

In some cases you will find contradictions. A planet may be beneficial in a certain area, while others may indicate the opposite situation. This means that you could have two types of possible situations during the year. For example: a lover's quarrel and a following reconciliation. To get the most out of this report, it will be necessary to use your own logic and intuition, fitting the descriptions outlined here to your own particular case.

The objective of this report is to offer you a practical guide that helps you to analyze this year's prospects and to learn from them using your free will.

### \*\*\* Astrological Data of Birth \*\*\*

The birth chart is a map of the positions of the planets at the time and place of birth. For the benefit of students of astrology, these positions and other technical information is listed below:

Sun	14 Ari 45	Neptune	19 Sco 31
Moon	19 Tau 12	Pluto	14 Vir 17
Mercury	21 Ari 12	Asc.	13 Leo 51
Venus	12 Ari 51	MC	3 Tau 36
Mars	10 Vir 12	2nd cusp	5 Vir 08
Jupiter	26 Tau 12	3rd cusp	1 Lib 19
Saturn	11 Pis 59	5th cusp	9 Sag 47
Uranus	11 Vir 30	6th cusp	14 Cap 13

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Lat. and Long. of birth place: 40 N 46 73 W 59

### Astrological Data of Solar Return:

Sun	14 Ari 45	Neptune	15 Pis 04
Moon	3 Sag 49	Pluto	21 Cap 12

Mercury	9 Ari 36	Asc.	27 Ari 19
Venus	5 Tau 24	MC	16 Cap 44
Mars	10 Cap 01	2nd cusp	29 Tau 53
Jupiter	22 Sco 09	3rd cusp	24 Gem 18
Saturn	9 Cap 00	5th cusp	11 Leo 39
Uranus	27 Ari 41	6th cusp	14 Vir 03

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#### Aspects and orbs:

Conjunction	:	7 Deg.	00 Min
Opposition	:	6 Deg.	00 Min
Square	:	6 Deg.	00 Min
Trine	:	6 Deg.	00 Min
Sextile	:	5 Deg.	00 Min
Semisextile	:	2 Deg.	00 Min
Semisquare	:	2 Deg.	00 Min
Sesquiquadrate	:	2 Deg.	00 Min
Quincunx	:	3 Deg.	00 Min

### \*\*\*\*\* FIRST PART \*\*\*\*\*

#### Chapter 1: General characteristics of the year. The external conditions.

##### *Solar Return Ascendant Aries :*

This year will bring new initiatives and projects. You will feel the desire to undertake new enterprises and take a new path. You will also feel impatient with your usual daily routine. If you are calm and slow by nature, this influence will make you more energetic, but if you are already a very active person, you will become more aggressive, perhaps even explosive and argumentative. You will definitely be energized this year. It is up to you to find ways to utilize this energy and drive in the best way.

If you would like to make a radical change in your life, or just want to assert your individuality more, this is the year to do it. The Mars energy will give you more courage and the will to take action, but you can also be more prone to accidents because you act hastily or impulsively, not thinking before you leap. Your own personal needs are more important to you at this time than the needs of others. You will also feel the desire to impose your opinions and will on others to a greater degree than usual, even to the point of strongly opposing them.

Under this influence you will feel stronger and more energetic. It would be a good time to

take care of any health problem that arises. However, it is not a good year to have surgery if it can be put off to a later date. It would be advisable to engage in some physical activity or sport during this year in order to keep you more emotionally and physically balanced. You may suffer from fevers or headaches more frequently than you are accustomed to.

During this period you may find yourself wanting to spend time with Libra friends and associates as they can be a calming influence on you. It is possible for you to get involved in a new romantic relationship or better your relationships with business associates. If you are involved in some legal matter, it would be to your advantage to settle out of court, coming to some mutual agreement rather than exposing yourself to a law suit.

### *Solar Return MC Capricorn:*

This is a very good year for competing in the work place and achieving your objectives. You will be very determined and will show much insistence in sharing your ideas with others. You will feel very ambitious and sure of yourself in your work, and you won't be given to fears or insecurity. However, take care not to move too quickly or hastily because that could bring some opposition from the others you work with.

If you are involved in science, administration, mathematics, or some sort of business enterprise, you will be very successful. You could be offered a position of more authority in your work, one that would give you the opportunity to direct and organize others, thereby leading to a promotion and/or raise. Although everything seems to indicate progress in the business world, you could also be drawn to pursue spiritual studies, making your personal growth more complete.

In selecting your goals it will be important to distinguish between principal and secondary ones, and choose them accordingly. Organization and constant work are the key words for becoming successful this year. On the other hand, you may be challenged with problems that need to be resolved, opponents who present a challenge to you, or disagreements with bosses or people who are in authority, which could hinder your growth. You are being tested this year to find your courage and trust in yourself. Don't give way to doubts or fears, but be firm and act on your own ideas. Your success this year will be thanks to your perseverance and hard work and not due to luck.

On the home front, you will find those around you acting in a caring way giving you the emotional support you need. It is important that you don't sacrifice your personal life and loved ones for your ambitions and material matters. Be generous with your love and you will receive the answers and help you need from the people around you. It would be a good time to beautify your home, making necessary repairs and proceeding with improvements you previously may have planned.

## **Chapter 2: Astrological influence of your personality.**

### *Sun in 12th house:*

During this solar influence you will be more quiet and withdrawn. You will look for intimate encounters and retreat from hectic social schedules. If your attitude and your inner thoughts are harmonious, you can use periods of solitude to recharge your energies and to clear any doubts you have about yourself. But if you concentrate only on negativity and you retreat only because you feel depressed or broken-hearted, you will find that your problems grow larger and seem impossible to resolve.

This influence forces you to confront the debts of your past, or your karmic debts, showing you the errors you have made that still need to be resolved. The positive and creative way to do this is to maintain a positive mental attitude in spite of all your adversaries, give yourself credit for the things that you have accomplished, accept responsibility for your own actions, and get involved in some activity that serves others.

This influence could bring some loss or complications in business matters. Also, some friendships you counted on could come to an end, and the help that others get may not come your way. You are definitely being guided to become mature and to confront any issues or truths that you have denied, or wanted to avoid, heretofore.

There also is a possibility of getting involved in some type of secret or clandestine business or an activity that involves a degree of risk and even proves to be an unlawful act. Maintain your integrity and your common sense. What comes easy today could be your downfall tomorrow.

It is also important to take care of your health. Don't hesitate to see a specialist if you have a serious problem. You may be hospitalized or restricted in some way in your daily activity. If you enjoy good health, make sure that you get proper rest and nourishment to avoid physical complications.

You will be more sensitive than usual, which could cause you to magnify your problems, making them worse than they really are, especially if you don't have a strong, spiritual foundation that helps you see your difficulties merely as tests that strengthen you in your personal evolution. Meditation and going within will help you renew your faith and intuition.

### *Sun conjunction Mercury:*

Your ideas will be on the right track this year. You will be able to understand situations better and put things in their proper place. Communication will be important to you and this influence will prompt you to keep your correspondence up to date and to stay in contact with your friends. You probably will take one or several short trips, especially if other astrological factors in this report indicate the same.

### *Sun square Mars:*

You will demonstrate more aggressiveness, rashness and lack of patience during this period. It will more difficult to control your anger when crossed or frustrated. Try to keep a lid on this so that you don't do or say anything which you will later regret. The practice of some type of sport or gymnastics would be very beneficial to maintain your balance. You will get bored with routine, especially if it is sedentary or slow. You could also be impatient with people who don't share your way of thinking or even those who just cross your path. This aspect could bring fights, confrontations, conflicts and ruptures in relationships in general. In your personal life, there could be jealousy and the possibility of some kind of scandal because of it. You will be the most aggressive and intense in that area of your life represented by the house your Sun is in this year (described in the previous paragraph) and in the house occupied by Mars (described later on).

You also should be very cautious, because you could be prone to accidents, blows, falls, or burns. The main reason for that could be your impulsive haste, your lack of control over your reactions, and your excessive rashness.

#### *Sun square Saturn:*

During this year you could experience obstacles that will be difficult to overcome. The duties and responsibilities of your daily life will seem to choke you. On the other hand, you won't be so willing to gratify your every wish. You will be inclined to take things too seriously and to limit yourself unduly. Try to keep your good humor in spite of the problems you may have and maintain a positive and optimistic attitude.

You will find that other people will interfere in your life and those in authority over you will be difficult. The relationship with your father, or with some paternal figure in your life, could be very disturbing during this time. You could feel isolated and alone, generating inner feelings of bitterness and frustration. The opposition of others won't be easy to deal with and will require much patience and perseverance on your part.

During this period your physical energy will diminish and you will discover your own weaknesses and faults. It is important to become aware of them and work on overcoming them. Don't expect immediate results from your efforts because under this influence success in any enterprise is delayed, sometimes for a long period of time. Feelings of frustration could discourage you and lead you to abandon your objectives. Your consistency and perseverance is being tested.

#### *Sun square MC:*

You could meet with obstacles or oppositions in your profession during this year. You will have to work and sacrifice more in order to achieve the position that you desire. Don't get too obsessed with blaming others though because it could be due, in part, to the fact that you reject the ideas and opinions of others. Due to your negative attitude, your social life could also be affected. You will feel that your objectives are not in tune with others and will insist on doing

things your own way. You will probably prefer working alone as much as possible this year so you will not have to deal with opposition from others.

Situations not related to your profession could also be problematical for you. These could be things like disagreements with your partner or business associates, problems in your home life, or your own lack of enthusiasm for and trust in your own projects. It is important that you define your goals and that you work with perseverance to achieve them without letting anything get in your way.

*Sun semisextile Neptune:*

Your intuition, imagination, and inspiration will increase. Your idealism will be balanced and you will feel in harmony with yourself. Trust your perceptions and your intuition. Your interest in the occult sciences will be renewed and it would be good time to practice meditation exercises or those that help to develop your spirituality.

### **Chapter 3: The emotional world.**

*Solar Return Moon in Sagittarius :*

You will have a happy year and will express your emotions with happiness and enthusiasm. You will display a spirit of adventure and will want to get involved in activities such as sports, travel, or physical competition that involved some risk and adventure. You will feel like being more physically active than you normally do.

The relationship with your mother and other women will be positive. Although there could be some disagreements, in general your relationships will be happy and you will take each suggestion with enthusiasm.

This would be an ideal year to take one or more long-distance trips. Due to your desire to learn and expand your knowledge, you will want to travel and visit new places. Because you will have an extra dose of enthusiasm and optimism, you will undertake enterprises that you never before have dared. One of the most important aspects this influence generates is a mentally positive attitude. You will be very willing to try almost everything and will be confident that you will achieve good results.

You might also develop an interest in exploring your spiritual and religious beliefs, searching for a deeper understanding of yourself.

It could be very difficult for you to remain still for any length of time or to stay in the same place during this year. Therefore, it is important for you to find an outlet for your excess energy.

*Solar Return Moon in 8th house:*

Your emotions will be very profound and intense. It may be difficult to control your reactions to situations that come up in your life at this time. If you are hurt by someone, you should guard against jealousy, bitterness, and the desire for revenge. On the other hand, you will develop your physical strength and health, and your intuition will be very sharp during this year. So you can trust your hunches. You will probably be attracted to the world of the occult and paranormal activity that can't be explained by the traditional sciences.

This influence also could bring income from sources different from your usual work. This could come from judgments awarded in your favor, inheritances, legacies, or a divorce settlement. On the negative side, you could experience emotional losses or separations which could be disturbing to you. These losses could somehow involve women in your life.

*Moon trine Mercury:*

Your emotions and your rational mind will be in balance. Your thinking will be influenced by your emotions, but at the same time, you will have the ability to make logical conclusions. Your mind will be very keen and alert. Therefore, any type of study or language learning would be very favorable. You will also be able to listen to the problems of others with sensitivity and understanding and be willing to offer them very valuable help.

If you have any interest in writing professionally, you will find this to be a good year for it. Or, if you are not a writer, you will at least be able to keep your personal and business correspondence up to date. Communication in general will be favored and you will be able to speak your mind easily.

This influence increases your romantic inclinations and would be a good time to tell your partner and other loved ones in your home how much you care for them.

This astrological aspect is extremely favorable for business relationships. You could sign very lucrative contracts or gain benefit from some type of investment or new business. It also could indicate frequent travel.

On the other hand, you could become interested in exploring your roots, searching for information about your family tree or stories about your family history. Communication with your mother or with women in general will be very positive.

*Moon quincunx Venus:*

You will search for endless pleasure during this time which could bring you into contact with people of questionable character. It's important to select your friends and associates carefully so that you don't waste your time or your money. There is a risk of becoming involved in a public scandal.

You probably will be very sensitive and emotional, but your demonstration of affection could be misunderstood. You could become possessive and jealous, thereby restricting the freedom of your loved ones.

It is advisable to think long and seriously about changes you want to make because you will be inclined to act on a whim.

\*\*\*\*\* **SECOND PART** \*\*\*\*\*

**ANALYSIS OF THE 12 ASTROLOGICAL HOUSES. INNER RESPONSES.**

**HOUSE 1: Personality. Principal interest of the year.**

*Solar Return Asc in or within 3 degrees of natal 9th house:*

Your principal interest will be travel, particularly making a long journey to another country in order to increase your knowledge of the world. You will want to expand your consciousness and will become interested in subjects such as religion, philosophy, metaphysics or sciences in general. Your capacity to understand abstract ideas will be increased.

You probably will begin higher studies during this period, especially if your profession or personal interest is related to the law. However, don't allow yourself to fall into ideological fanaticism. It is important to remain flexible and be open to new ideas and information.

*Solar Return Asc Conjunct natal Mercury:*

Your intellectual capacity and your principal ideals will be tested during this period. It is important to use your intelligence and your rational mind in making your decisions. Your oral and written communication skills will be very good. Your mind will be very active and you will be inclined to begin a new study program or to search for information on different subjects.

*Venus in 1st house of Solar Return:*

You will become agreeable, pleasant, sociable, and charming, which will allow you to improve your social and romantic relationships. This is a year in which you will concentrate on enjoying your life and will be devoted to pleasant tasks. You won't feel like arguing or competing with anyone.

You will also be interested in improving your personal image, including your presentation of

yourself, your clothing, and your diet. You will concentrate your efforts on acquiring beautiful things and will be attracted to luxuries.

This astrological influence softens and calms your attitude. If you tend to be detached or overly nervous, you will be more relaxed this year and will be able to express your feelings more freely. Due to your charming attitude, many people will be attracted to you.

*Uranus in 1st house of Solar Return:*

You will need more freedom and independence during this year. You may be acting differently and strangely, which will surprise and confuse the people who know you. You will be more tense and keyed up and will resent too much routine or obligation or any limitation to your freedom. Don't expect to receive too much understanding from others because they will not know how to respond to the new you.

You should be more careful than usual because this influence will make you more unpredictable and risk taking, thereby becoming more prone to accidents or speaking out too bluntly. You won't be as interested in or willing to listen to the opinions of others. You will feel the need to make changes in your life, becoming more open and willing to reach out more. You will be attracted to everything new, strange, or unknown, and to risky situations.

Your health could be affected due to the great degree of stress that you may suffer during this year. You must try to get enough rest and practice some relaxation exercises.

*Solar Return Uranus Conjunct natal Mercury:*

Your thinking will be very much influenced by the unconventional, freedom-loving people that you meet. This new way of thinking will change your attitude toward life and its purpose. You will become very curious about many things, especially the unusual or forbidden. You will want to communicate and exchange your new ideas with many creative people.

## **HOUSE 2: Financial situation.**

*Solar Return 2nd house cusp in or within 3 degrees of natal 10th house:*

This is a very favorable year to earn money pursuing your own profession. Your current activity will be profitable and you will feel satisfied with the financial benefit that you will achieve. It will allow you to re-establish your professional goals and also to elevate your social status. Be persevering and confident in your own decisions.

*Solar Return 2nd cusp Conjunct natal Jupiter:*

You will enjoy spending money this year and will have a great desire to increase your

financial situation. You could easily spend more than you can afford. You will be much more generous than you usually are and will be confident that money will come to you with little effort on your part. Clearly, there is a real danger of your becoming irresponsible in the handling of your funds during this time.

### **HOUSE 3: The conscious mind. Study, communication, and short trips.**

*Solar Return 3rd house cusp in or within 3 degrees of natal 11th house:*

Written, as well as verbal, communications with your friends will increase. You also could take some short trips to visit friends or go on trips with them. There is a possibility for beginning a new relationship during one of these journeys.

You will have new yearnings and hopes for your future. You will also have new ideas and goals.

### **HOUSE 4: The home.**

*Solar Return 4th house cusp in or within 3 degrees of natal 12th house:*

There may be serious problems in your home life and you could have arguments and confrontations with some of your loved ones. You will probably feel a certain degree of anxiety and distress and a general dissatisfaction with your home life, and will search for more solitude and quiet. You will feel the need to have a secret place where you can rest and feel more comfortable. There is some danger of security problems regarding mortgages or debts, especially in the final months of this solar year.

### **HOUSE 5: Romance & amusement. Relationship with children.**

*Solar Return 5th cusp Conjunct natal 1st cusp:*

You will be most interested in pursuing pleasures and amusements during this year. If you are not involved in a relationship, you will probably have at least one exciting romantic adventure. If you are involved with someone, your relationship will be very pleasurable. However, there is the possibility that you will get restless if you don't receive the affection you feel you need.

This influence brings success and general luck in speculative deals and games of chance. But you also could spend more than you earn so be cautious.

## **HOUSE 6: Health and illness. Employment. Service.**

*Solar Return 6th house cusp in or within 3 degrees of natal 2nd house:*

Your state of health will strongly reflect your financial situation. You could incur some expenses due to a illness or you might have an illness which prevents you from working for a while. This will affect your earning abilities. If you work in the health field, you should do well.

You could get a pay raise or you may have the opportunity to increase your earnings through some kind of service work.

*Solar Return 6th cusp Conjunct natal Mars:*

There is a tendency toward accidents, falls, blows and burns during this year. It would be advisable to be careful to curb your impulsive reactions and be more cautious. You also could have a tendency toward running a high fever or letting your anger affect your health. You would benefit a lot by avoiding red meat and very strongly seasoned foods during this period.

In the work place, there could be tension and fighting with your co-workers. You could become more impatient with the ignorance of others and not be very willing to follow anybody's orders. There also is the possibility for accidents to occur in your place of work.

*Solar Return 6th cusp Conjunct natal Uranus:*

You could be subject to a lot of problems brought on by stress during this year. It will be important for you to get involved in activities that will help you to relax and to discharge negative energies.

In the work place, you could become very impatient with the routine and will resist any work that you believe is boring. Your heightened creativity and the desire to do something new could result in your making unexpected and sudden changes in your occupation.

*Solar Return 6th cusp Conjunct natal Pluto:*

Deep, hidden, and repressed emotions could bring on disorders in your physical body. You should try to bring these feelings to the surface so that you can work with them. If you don't, you may have problems later on. During this year, you could very well be able to heal any recurring problems, and with proper treatment, bring about a total cure.

This influence could bring such profound and permanent changes in your work environment that it will seem like a different place. You will have more authority but you will tend to be less flexible in your dealings with others.

## **HOUSE 7: Associations. Marriage and partnerships.**

*Solar Return 7th house cusp in or within 3 degrees of natal 3rd house:*

Your spouse, partner, or business associate will influence your ideas a lot during this year. Communication will become easier and there is a possibility of taking short trips together. However, you could have different opinions on certain things which could lead to disagreements but these can be resolved due to your improved level of communication. Your relationship with siblings and other relatives will also influence your way of thinking. There is the possibility of making repeated trips to somewhere during the course of your work schedule.

*Jupiter in 7th house of Solar Return:*

You will enjoy your intimate and personal relationships a great deal, especially if you are with a partner. This year will be very favorable for companionship and for all types of relationships. You will have a positive response from others and will feel the protection and help from those around you. If you are not involved with anyone, you could begin a very positive relationship during this year that will be very beneficial for you. You will have contacts with influential and powerful people, probably people from other countries. The important relationships could be personal as well as professional. If you are planning marriage during this year, you will have a very happy union that will permit you to expand your own horizons.

Legal matters will also be favorable as well as contacts with the public in general. However, try not to be so confident and outspoken that you invite deception or other problems in the future.

*Solar Return Jupiter Conjunct natal Neptune:*

You will be surrounded by people with whom you can share and develop your ideals and spiritual beliefs. You will feel protected and safe to just let your imagination flow, to day dream, and to increase your creativity.

## **HOUSE 8: Life and death issues, inheritances, and mysteries.**

*Solar Return 8th house cusp in or within 3 degrees of natal 4th house:*

You could receive some real estate through an inheritance or legacy. There also is the possibility for buying and selling goods that will result in certain financial profit.

You may become concerned about an illness of a close relative.

## **HOUSE 9: Religion and spirituality. Long-distance travel.**

*Solar Return 9th house cusp in or within 3 degrees of natal 5th house:*

You will develop a more philosophical and spiritual attitude toward the subject of love. You may take a cruise or a long pleasure trip. If you have children, you will take them with you. This travel will also include cultural and educational exploration.

*Mars in 9th house of Solar Return:*

You will feel the desire to investigate certain subjects or philosophical ideas, but could proceed in an impulsive or superficial manner. Although you are really very interested in this exploration, you could lose patience very easily with subjects that are very complex or abstract. This influence could cause you to have disagreements with others over your religious or spiritual beliefs. You may want to defend and impose your beliefs upon others while, at the same time, refusing to consider theirs.

On the other hand, your spirit of adventure will be accentuated and you will want to take long journeys to unknown places. However, your enthusiasm and confidence could lead you into dangerous situations or make you prone to accidents. Be cautious. This influence could bring problems and tension when visiting foreign countries.

If you should begin a law suit at this time, justice won't necessarily be on your side.

*Saturn in 9th house of Solar Return:*

You will become more interested in higher studies such as religion, metaphysics, philosophy or one of the sciences. Your thinking will be more profound and you will be interested in exploring the more philosophical questions of life. You will become more mature in your way of reasoning and understanding the meaning of your existence. You will want to explore your spirituality in a deeper way and, if you are not truly satisfied with the religious or spiritual teachings you have been following, you may decide to go in another direction.

Long journeys will bring delays or frustration. Plans for trips that you may want to take should be made very carefully without leaving any questions unanswered. Otherwise, you could experience obstacles and difficulties. It would not be wise to go on any unplanned, spur of the moment trips because you will run into unexpected problems. Visits to foreign countries especially are likely to be unsuccessful and unpleasant as you could encounter even more serious problems.

## **HOUSE 10: Your profession, success, and status.**

*Solar Return MC in or within 3 degrees of natal 6th house:*

This astrological influence brings success in all types of service that you may offer and in accomplishing small but important tasks. On the other hand, it won't be very favorable for independent activities which you initiate on your own because you could experience problems and delays. Activities related to health care and personal hygiene will be productive. Success and accomplishment in your work will depend very much on the state of your health.

*Pluto in 10th house of Solar Return:*

There could be drastic changes in your profession or occupation during this year. You will feel more ambitious and will begin to notice the areas of your work where there is no room to grow or improve yourself. The changes you will want to make may be radical, not only changing the place where you work, but also the job itself. You will be more sensitive to authority figures and will not feel like taking orders from anyone. This could cause tension and disagreements in the work place, especially if you work for other people.

You will have the opportunity to become successful with your projects during this year. You will have the necessary strength to overcome any obstacle and to make any changes that you need to make. You need to be realistic though, and not raise your expectations so high that they are out of your reach.

This period will mark an important turnaround in your life, changing your goals and principal objectives to new, long-range ones.

### **HOUSE 11: Friendships and social life.**

*Solar Return 11th cusp Conjunct natal 7th cusp:*

Your desire and hopes for getting into a committed partnership or forming an association with people you trust will be accentuated. You will appreciate your friends and receive a favorable response and loyalty from them. Don't neglect those relationships that are not so close as they are also important.

### **HOUSE 12: Limitations, enmities and hidden things.**

*Solar Return 12th house cusp in or within 3 degrees of natal 8th house:*

You could become concerned about the illness and possible death of a loved one. Take care not to become too obsessive or involved in your concern. Try to keep a positive outlook on this situation. This influence also could bring difficulties or annoyances due to legal problems over

litigation or the receiving of an inheritance.

You could also have experiences related to black magic or other occult sciences. Be very cautious, especially if you are an easily suggestible person.

*Solar Return 12th cusp Conjunct natal Saturn:*

You will feel burdened down with problems and will tend to be more pessimistic than usual. Solutions will seem unattainable to you, and you won't believe that you have the necessary strength to fight. You should avoid falling into a state of defeat. You will have to work patiently and persistently to achieve your goals. You will want to act in a responsible and faithful manner. However, you will need to fight off the tendency toward isolation and depression.

*Mercury in 12th house of Solar Return:*

You will become more quiet and secretive and will want to keep your life on a more intimate basis. You will privately question your ideas and will keep your opinions to yourself. You could have problems communicating with people because you are shy and distrustful of others. You may begin thinking that what you say will be used against you.

On the professional level, there could be danger of deceit, swindling, or theft. The hostile actions of others will have more power and effect on you now. Take care not to neglect your business and to use good judgment in signing contracts or agreements.

On the other hand, your intuitive power will develop more and it would be a good year to start practices such as meditation, prayer, or connecting more closely with your own spiritual beliefs.

*Solar Return Mercury Conjunct natal Sun:*

The ideas and comments of others will be very beneficial to you this year, and they will increase your personal pride. On the other hand, they could also be critical or full of gossip. You will feel more sure of yourself and better established in your current position and will be less influenced by the ideas of others.

*Solar Return Mercury Conjunct natal Venus:*

You will enjoy the exchange of ideas and opinions with other people. You will be looking for contact with intellectual people or those who stimulate your mind, which will help you to enlarge your social circle and also to develop your artistic abilities.

In addition, you could be very much attracted to an interesting, intelligent person and might even fall in love.

*Neptune in 12th house of Solar Return:*

Your compassion and the desire to help needy people will be accentuated. You probably will participate in some charitable activity that you have never been interested in before which will enrich your inner being. You will be more willing to make sacrifices for others. Your intuitive powers and your psychic ability will also increase.

On the material side, you should take care not to fall prey to the harmful intentions and actions of unknown, secret enemies because you could be betrayed or deceived by these people. It is advisable to stay clear of any doubtful situations or shady businesses which might not be legal.

Your health could suffer from depression or hard-to-diagnose illnesses stemming from emotional distress. For mild problems such as fatigue, indigestion, or headaches, avoid, if at all possible, taking drugs or medication because they could harm your body. For serious health problems, it is likely that you will need to consult with several health care practitioners before you are clear about the cause and best treatment for the problem. Avoid taking on any new bad habits this year and use moderation at all times.

*Solar Return Neptune Conjunct natal Saturn:*

You will be very firm when dealing with other people who are confused or indecisive. Because of your coolness and detachment, you may be the cause of resentment or criticism from others. You won't feel comfortable with people who are too idealistic, dreamy, or noncommittal because you will be looking at things in a more responsible and realistic way.