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2017 Dynamic Exam

18 September – 23 October 2017

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTION SHEET BEFORE PROCEEDING

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**Each question is worth equal marks
and should not exceed a 2,500 word limit.**

- There are FIVE questions in the Dynamic Examination.
You are required to answer a total of **THREE** questions:
- Your **CANDIDATE NUMBER** must be placed on **the top right corner of each page**.
Do not show your name on ANY of your papers, charts or computer printouts.
If using Solar Fire Charts, ensure Solar Fire “Chart Page Compliments Text” does not contain your name, or is turned off.
- Each answer should have the question stated at the beginning of the essay.
- The word length should be stated at the end of each essay (introduction, body, conclusion, footnotes, references and appendices).
- Each question must be presented as a complete unit.
A digital format of each essay must be sent as one whole document.
The document must include all the supporting material, ie charts, transit graphs, etc.
PDF format is preferable.
- Your answers must be returned to the Exam Board Director by email (exams@faainc.org.au) **no later than Monday 24 October**.
- If your circumstances change once the exam has commenced and you are not able to complete the exam, please advise the Exam Board Director ASAP.

OTHER INFORMATION

This is an unsupervised examination. You may use a computer program to generate any or all of your data, however, please include details of your software in your bibliography. **All** sources of information used in your research must be included in your bibliography, including quotations. Quotations should also be referenced within the text of your essay. Plagiarism will result in failure of the exam, so all sources must be acknowledged.

Examiners will be marking on the validity of your argument, not right or wrong answers. You must also demonstrate the use of counselling skills which support the client. All statements made in your answers need to be supported with Astrological reasoning.

You may use any form or chart style or 90 degree dial.

Each essay must comply with a maximum word limit of up to 2,500 words with a +/- 10% tolerance. You will be assessed on your astrological knowledge with consideration given to your ability to write a properly structured, succinct and academic work which may (with consent) later be published in the FAA Journal. The 2,500 word limit applies to the essay's Introduction, Body and Conclusion. This includes any footnotes, references or appendices. Any title page, charts, tables and bibliography are not included in the word limit.

Essays should be double line spaced using a font such as Times New Roman, Arial or Trebuchet.

Be sure to state your astrological reasoning throughout your answers. Ensure you include all charts generated with your answers and **ensure you have cast the correct chart from the data supplied.**

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Exam Results will be emailed within six weeks of the exam closing date. If you have not received your results within six weeks, please contact the Exam Board Director.

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Question 1

Niomi: 7 December 1997 10:10am Kiama NSW (34S41 150E51)
Ascendant is close to 14 degrees Aquarius

Niomi's parents divorced when she was quite young and until recently she has had no contact with her birth father. Her mother remarried when she was 4 years old to a man she now identifies with as her father. Unbeknown to her parents, over the past 18 months, Niomi has forged a relationship with her natural father and step family. A month ago, without warning or discussion Niomi packed her bags from the home she was raised in and moved into a flat with a friend. This left her mother and step father devastated and even more so when they discovered what she had tried to keep hidden.

Although Niomi is aware of the hurt she has inadvertently caused, she has no real understanding of her behaviour and why she was not more open and honest. This concerns her because she has always had a good line of communication with her mother and step-father.

*Using the major transits, progressions and the lunar phase for the past 18 months from **February 2016 to August 2017**, how can you assist this young woman to understand the core issues being triggered for her, so that she can more effectively live and grow through the experience.*

Question 2

Jack: 11 August 1993 8.55 am Gundagai NSW (35S04 148E07)
Ascendant is close to 2 degrees Libra

Jack has a Bachelor's Degree in Music and is now in his final year of a Masters in Secondary Teaching. He hopes to find full time employment in the education system next year. There have been stages in his life where he has struggled with depression and lately has obsessively been checking that doors and windows are locked before he departs (from home). He has recently started seeing a psychologist and was diagnosed with Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD). Although this is in its initial phase he is not finding it particularly helpful and is seeking alternatives.

Jack has noticed that there have always been periods that are worse than others and is wondering if astrology can shed some light on his behaviour; and perhaps give him some insights, especially with regard to the timing of these episodes. In this way, he thinks he will be better able to understand and perhaps prepare for or even alleviate the symptoms.

Whilst encouraging Jack to continue his sessions with the psychologist, explore the possibility of the Natal Sun/Chiron (using up to a 10 degree orb) and the Grand Cross's influence as well as the Yod pattern, on his life's struggles and eventual diagnosis of OCD.

*Use a combination of major Transits, Progressions plus Eclipses for **2017 and 2018** that highlight those times that have or may become particularly challenging for Jack. How can these times be positively transformed to generate better patterns of behaviour for the future?*

Question 3.

Kate: 24 May 1977 11.47 pm Sydney NSW (33S52 151E13)
Ascendant is close to 5 degrees Pisces

A few years ago Kate separated from her husband of 10 years and they have two children aged 7 years and 5 years old. They live with Kate and her partner of two years and she has recently discovered she is pregnant with his child, due to be born just before Christmas in 2017. They are ecstatic, particularly as Kate has had fertility problems in the past. She is wondering what changes are in store for her and the effect this third child will have on her current family.

Using her Solar Returns for 2017 and 2018, plus referring to the major Transits for the same years, what guidance can you provide in supporting her through the changes and challenges ahead? How can you assist her to integrate this new life dynamic into her existing family? Kate currently resides in Sydney.

Question 4

Rita: 14 June 1970 4:05pm London, UK (51N30 00W10)
Ascendant is close to 27 degrees Libra.

Rita resides in Brisbane with her husband Sam and two children, a son aged 18 (recently left home) and daughter aged 14. Rita and Sam have had a rocky couple of years trying to rebuild their marriage after Rita discovered Sam was emotionally involved with another woman. They have received counselling together and separately over the past two years. However, now Sam has refused to continue therapy and feels Rita just needs to “get over it” so they can move on with their marriage or separate.

Rita has continued with therapy and feels she is prepared to work on herself and make changes to heal their marriage. In contrast, she feels her husband is unwilling to take responsibility for his actions. She says Sam does not listen to her needs and blames her for their issues. She is mindful of the effects their relationship issues have on their children and wants to model good decision-making. Rita is wondering how long she can stay in the marriage if Sam is not willing to make the necessary changes required to regain trust, mutual respect, and to meet each other’s needs.

*Using the major Transits, Secondary Progressions and Solar Arc directions between **June 2017 and December 2018** (exact hits only - focus on 7th house and ruler, 7th house planet and ruler; Sun and Moon), provide insights into the core issues being triggered and the guidance you would provide Rita regarding her marriage. Focus on psychological patterns in the natal chart related to the marriage and key timings when these are activated during this 18-month period, to assist Rita in her decision-making.*

Question 5

Matthew: 29 March 1974 6:30am Sydney Australia (33S52 151E13)
Ascendant is close to 12 degrees Aries.

Matthew is a graphic designer who is questioning his career choice. He is wondering whether he should stay in the industry or completely reinvent himself. In June 2017, his boss had financial troubles and reduced his hours to 2 days of work a week. This is putting a financial strain on his family (pregnant wife and 2-year-old son).

Matthew is searching for a full-time job as he finds it difficult to promote himself for freelance graphic design work. He is prepared to do anything, although his passion is music and artwork. However, he worries this will not pay the bills. Matthew would like to understand why this is happening to him, whether he should stay with what he knows or try a new career, and when it is likely that he will get a new job.

*Focus on the **Progressed Lunar Phase cycle and Progressed Moon (pr Moon house ingress and aspects to natal and progressed planets) and generic cycles (Saturn cycle, Uranus cycle) during **June 2017 to December 2018.** Explain the psychological process Matthew is experiencing to guide him in making decisions that support his career potential and include astrological key times to assist Matthew in his pursuit.***

End of Exam