



Federation of Australian Astrologers Inc

2022 Dynamic Exam

16th September – 21st October 2022

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTION SHEET BEFORE PROCEEDING

2022 Dynamic Exam

**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 PLACIDUS HOUSE system must be used to help maintain consistency in marking.
- Orbs: Please only use a 1-degree orb for both applying and separating aspects for transits, progressions and solar arcs unless specified otherwise.
- Under FAA examination conditions, it is not appropriate to discuss past-life chart interpretations as these interpretations are not falsifiable/verifiable and open to speculation. In responding to exam questions, answers need to focus on a counselling perspective that supports and empowers the client in a positive manner
- The word length should be stated at the end of each essay (introduction, body, conclusion, footnotes, references and appendices).
- Your answers must be returned to the Exam Board Coordinator by return email no later than Friday 21st October.
- If your circumstances change once the exam has commenced and you are not able to complete the exam, please advise the Exam Board Coordinator ASAP.

OTHER INFORMATION

All essays must be based on contemporary western style astrology using the outer modern planets of Uranus, Neptune and Pluto. You must also demonstrate the use of counselling skills that support the client. **All statements made in your answers need to be supported with Astrological reasoning.** You will be assessed on your astrological knowledge with consideration given to your ability to write a properly structured, succinct written essay which may (with consent) later be published in the FAA Journal.

Restrict your answers to the specific components asked for in each question.

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. A digital PDF format of each essay must be sent as one whole document, including all supporting material i.e., charts, transit graphs, etc.

Examiners will be marking the validity of your argument, not right or wrong answers. Please refer to the Essay Marking Guide criteria sheet included with this exam.

Each essay must comply with a maximum word limit of up to 2,500 words with a +/- 10% tolerance. 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.

Ensure you include all charts generated with each of your answers and **check that you have cast the correct chart from the data supplied using the PLACIDUS house system.**

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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 Coordinator.

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Question 1

Leah: Born 16 April 1984 8.30 pm in LONDON, ENGLAND

Ascendant: close to 3 degrees Scorpio

Leah books an astrological consultation with you to understand why she is experiencing a testing time in many areas of her life. She is, especially, having challenges with her 'sense of self' as well as her relationships both personally and at work. In her own words, "relationships feel like a battlefield". Leah is in a committed partnership, which she describes as controlling and cannot see any long-term prospects for the future. She feels that throughout her life relationships have always been painful and challenging. She can feel that changes are looming on the horizon and wants to know how to positively approach them without fear and trepidation.

Using a combination of her major Uranus, Neptune and Pluto Transits plus Progressed Lunation Phase and Eclipses from July 2022 to December 2023, how can you support Leah in understanding any unconscious limiting patterns that are being activated in her chart during this time? Considering that Leah is approaching her Midlife Cycle, what empowering guidance could you offer her to positively move forward in her life?

Question 2

William: Born 31 December 1976 11.35 pm in SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

Ascendant: close to 15 Virgo

William is a coaching consultant for an international organisation whose goal is to empower individuals to live to their fullest potential. He has been through a couple of years of inner metamorphosis and is now on the brink of taking on more responsibilities within this organisation. However, he is fearful that he will not achieve the ideals set out for him.

He wants to know whether the timing is right to 'step up' to these responsibilities. He is seeking astrological guidance regarding whether he is ready and capable of taking on a higher role with so much more responsibility for the world community at large.

Utilising the major Transits; the Progressed Lunation phase and Solar Arcs for the period of July 2022 through to December 2023, what core patterns in his chart are being activated which reflect this hesitancy and self-doubt? How can you assist and guide William to move forward in maximising his own natal chart's potential?

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Question 3

**Rachel: Born 21st December 1998 8:43 am in KIAMA NSW, AUSTRALIA 34S41 150E51
ASC close to 7 Aquarius**

Rachel is at a very low point in her life and is suffering anxiety and depression after a long-term relationship breakup. Childhood sweethearts, they had only just bought a house together when Rachel discovered her partner had been unfaithful to her on a boy's weekend away. After splitting up and then getting back together again, Rachel has found she cannot forgive and forget and has dissolved the relationship, split the proceeds of selling the house and is now living with her brother.

The siblings had a difficult childhood as their parents divorced when they were young and were raised by a mother who abdicated all motherly duties, with the siblings not only raising themselves but also looking after their mother. This of course has left Rachel with a lot of emotional scarring. She admits to finding it difficult to trust and tends to be a people pleaser with a fear of confrontation.

Still maintaining high function in the work place she finds herself isolating and lethargic on her days off, unmotivated and apathetic. Rachel is seeking a way forward as she realises that her life as she is currently living it, is destroying her.

Using the major Transits, Progressed Lunar Phase and Secondary Progressions for the 18-month period from June 2022 to December 2023, how can you assist Rachel in not only understanding her childhood patterning and its impact on her current life but also how she can move forward to a more fulfilling and rewarding future.

Question 4

**Kiki: Born 2 October 2015 11.12am in MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA
ASC close to 11 Capricorn 34**

Kiki's mother has come to see you to discuss how her daughter may cope with a major move as the family [both parents and an older sister] will be relocating to another country for two years.

Kiki is a quiet but strong-willed child and after 2 years of Covid disruptions to her schooling is just starting to make friends. She is very close to her grandparents, particularly a grandmother, and the concern is how she will cope with missing them.

With reference to Kiki's natal chart, transits for 2022 and her current progressed lunation phase, what guidance can you provide in assisting her mother in understanding and supporting Kiki's needs, to enable a less stressful move for her daughter?

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Question 5

**Marla: Born 15 Dec 1971 at 3pm in GLENELG, SOUTH AUSTRALIA
ASC close to 16 Aries**

Relocated to Zagreb, Croatia 45.80721° N, 15.96757° E

Marla's family moved to Croatia from Melbourne just before Covid closed Australia's borders. The country is the birthplace of her husband and one of the main reasons for the move was to further her husband's career, however, it is not working out as planned. This is creating anxiety for Marla as she can't work in the specialized field she is trained in as she is not fluent in the new language and a small inheritance that she had received is dwindling fast.

Marla also has other concerns. She finds the country much more conservative than Australia and she is missing her extended family, particularly her father, who is battling terminal cancer. She missed being present for her mother's death [also due to cancer] because of Australia's lockdown last year. This year she experienced severe gastric issues in May, around the anniversary of her mother's death, which extensive medical tests suggest may be psychosomatic in origin.

Marla would like to understand what astrology has to say about her soul's journey and how she can best navigate her current challenges. She is very open to a transpersonal perspective but is also looking for some practical guidance and hope for the future. With reference to her key transits from mid-2022 through 2023 as well as her 2021 and 2022 Solar Returns, how can you address her concerns and empower her to move forward?

End of Exam