



Federation of Australian Astrologers Inc

2022 Interpretation Exam

Friday 11th Feb 2022 – Friday 18th March 2022

PLEASE READ ALL THE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE PROCEEDING

Section One

- There are **FIVE** questions on delineation techniques presented in this section. You are required to answer a total of **THREE** questions:
- The focus is on the knowledge of the interpretative components within a chart.
- Three answers of 1,000 words ea. (+/- 10%) based on one chart.
- Each question is worth equal marks and should not exceed a 1,000 (+/- 10%) word limit.
- Contributes to 40% of the overall mark

Section Two

- There are **THREE** questions presented in this section. You are required to answer a total of **TWO** questions:
- The focus is on the synthesis of the chart as a whole, clarity of expression and the ability to answer the consultation style essay question constructively.
- Each question is worth equal marks and should not exceed a 2,500 (+/- 10%) word limit.
- Contributes to 60% of the overall mark

Orbs

- The minimum orbs required for natal analysis in both Section 1 & 2 (both applying and separating) throughout this exam are:
 - Conjunction, Opposition, Square, Trine - 8 degrees
 - Sextile - 6 degrees
 - Quincunx - 5 degrees.

Note: It is acceptable [but not essential] to allow a wider orb of 10 degrees for a conjunction, opposition and square to the Sun and Moon.

- 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).
- One (1) digital copy of each essay must be emailed to the Exam Board Coordinator **no later than Friday 18th March, 2022**.

- Each essay must be presented as a complete unit and must include all the supporting material. PDF format is preferable.
- Each essay must be saved in the following format: Candidate number–section number–question number. For example: *216101-section1-question2.doc*
- Once the examination commences and you then decide that due to personal circumstances you will not be completing 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.

To ensure consistency in marking the exams are based on the Placidus House system

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.

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. They should also be referenced within the text of your essay. Plagiarism will result in failure in the exam so all sources must be acknowledged. Examiners will be marking on the validity of your argument, not right or wrong answers.

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Each answer must comply with the stated maximum word limit with a +/- 10% tolerance. In Section TWO 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 typed and double line spaced using a font such as Times New Roman, Arial or Trebuchet.

Ensure you include all charts generated with your answers and **ensure you have cast the correct chart from the data supplied.**

RETURN EMAIL ADDRESS FOR EXAM PAPERS

All examination papers are to be emailed to: exams@faainc.org.au no later than **Friday 18th March, 2022.**

Enquiries should be directed to:

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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.

2022 Interpretation Exam SECTION ONE

1,000 words for each question (+/- 10%)

This section is designed to examine delineation techniques and your knowledge of interpretation components, a full natal delineation is not required.

Answer only THREE (3) questions in this section.

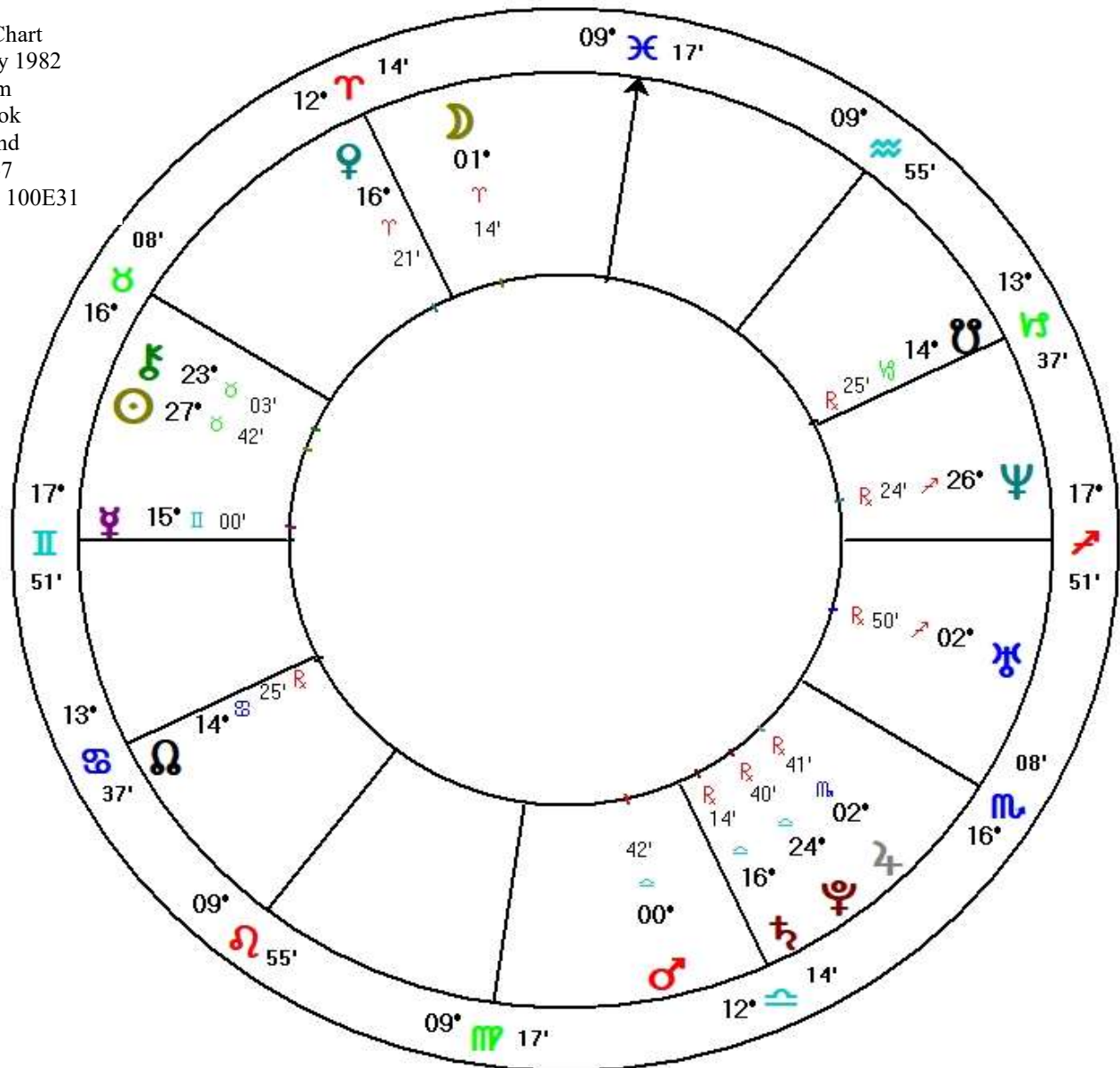
Be sure to state your Astrological reasoning throughout your answer.

Use the specified orbs.

Section 1 questions relate to the following chart.

MALE: 19 May 1982, 7:16am, Bangkok – Thailand
Asc: close to 18 degrees Gemini

Male Chart
 19 May 1982
 7.16 am
 Bangkok
 Thailand
 SSUT-7
 13N45 100E31



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SECTION ONE Cont.

Question 1

Discuss the Yod planetary pattern (Sun conjunct Chiron 12th quincunx Neptune 7th and Pluto 5th) and its influence on this male's core sense of identity (include signs, aspects, houses, and dispositorships/rulerships).

Question 2

With the Nodal axis across the 2nd and 8th houses forming a Grand Cross with the Venus/Saturn opposition, concisely discuss the challenges this male may experience in the pursuit of his soul purpose and destiny (include signs, aspects, houses, and dispositorships/rulerships).

Question 3

The Moon in the 10th house is involved in a T-square with Mars and Neptune. Discuss this planetary pattern to identify the traits, skills, and archetypal themes this male may utilise in the pursuit of a fulfilling career (include signs, aspects, houses, and dispositorships/rulerships).

Question 4

Explain the style of communication and possible challenges this male may experience with the easy-opposition pattern involving Mercury, Venus, and Saturn (include signs, aspects, houses, and dispositorships/rulerships).

Question 5

Explain how the mutual reception of Venus and Mars may reflect in this male's experience of intimate, family, and platonic relationships (include signs, houses, and dispositorships/rulerships).

End of Section One

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SECTION TWO

2,500 words for each section (+/- 10%)

Answer only TWO (2) questions in this section.

Be sure to state your Astrological reasoning throughout your answer.

The focus is on the synthesis of the chart as a whole, clarity of expression and the ability to answer the psychological/consultation style essay question constructively

Question 1

David: born 21 May, 1953, 10:30am, Sydney, NSW AEST -10 Hours

Asc: close to 20 Cancer

David has been married to a Chinese woman for a number of years now whom he met whilst she was holidaying in Australia. A musician in her own country, she went back periodically to perform and has been unable to return to Australia since 2020 due to the COVID-19 shutdowns. She is due to arrive back in Australia, hopefully, in early 2022.

Having relocated to country Victoria from Sydney 4 years ago, David has found the enforced isolation particularly difficult. He has been unable to visit family or his sons from a previous marriage due to state border closures.

Since his retirement, David has been a keen gardener and bought a boat to go fishing. However, recent health issues have forced him to stop these activities and even though he still shops and cooks for himself, he finds himself alone and without purpose. Although he has daily Skype calls with his wife and his neighbours visit regularly, he finds himself particularly unmotivated and is drinking far more than is good for him. David admits he seems to be in a bit of a rut and is unable to move forward with any direction or enthusiasm. He is concerned that his lethargy will be with him long term.

What constructive insights can you give David to help him understand the core themes in his natal chart that reflect his current challenges? By raising his self-awareness how can you support him in becoming more proactive in making any necessary adjustments needed to sustain him during this later stage of his life?

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Question 2

Jane born 18 March, 1964: 1:45pm: Sydney, NSW AEST -10 hours

Asc: close to 6 Cancer

Jane grew up in a stable and secure environment with loving and caring parents. She divorced many years ago and as a professional woman (now semi-retired) raised her son, now in his 30's, on her own, except for a period of around 6 years when she was in a stable relationship. During this time, she gained and helped raise two stepdaughters who still maintain contact as do both her ex-husband and ex-partner. Painfully, however, Jane has been estranged from her son for a number of years.

As a child, Jane struggled with being in a female body and in 2020 sought the advice of medical professionals on transgender transition. After referral and assessment by a Psychiatrist and Psychotherapist, Jane changed her name to James and began the process of masculinising hormone treatment. He is trialing testosterone to address his long and consistent Gender Dysphoria.

James continues with weekly therapy sessions and has regular group sessions with individuals who also identify with Gender Dysphoria. Although his parents do not totally understand and may need more time to adjust, James' friends and co-workers have been very supportive.

After struggling for so many years of his life trying to conform to society's expectations James has reconciled with the need to change to achieve life satisfaction. He knows the path ahead will be rocky at times and comes to see you, not for confirmation of his decision, but rather seeking astrological guidance and support on how he can best re-invent himself and move forward through this transition phase. What core themes may have played out throughout James' life? How can James build on his strengths and limit any potential challenge or weakness that may hinder his movement towards a more authentic self-expression?

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Question 3

Born 15 Dec 2017: 11:57am: Sydney, NSW AEDT -11 hours

Asc: close to 13 Pisces

Zac is a bright and bubbly little boy full of life and charm. He goes to preschool twice a week and the other days goes to work with his Mum and Dad who own a small business. His parents have noticed that when playing with other children he tends to try and dominate often leaving the other children in tears. He seems oblivious to their distress and continues playing.

This is the second marriage for both of his parents and Zac has two stepsisters 9 years and 12 years old from his mother's first marriage. They all agree it is hard not to spoil him. Zac doesn't seem to have an off button, being either full on or asleep. His parents are seeking guidance as to how to encourage their son to reach his full potential whilst being mindful of his effect on others.

Share information about Zac's natural talents and discuss the areas of life in which he may need more assistance and encouragement. How as a family may they support him in channeling his energy in a more constructive manner without dampening his natural enthusiasm?

END OF SECTION TWO

END OF EXAM