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Pluto, Uranus  
and the Lunar Nodes

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## Introduction

### Consciousness and the Zodiac

This book explores astrology from the starting point that all 12 signs of the Zodiac represent archetypes that are symbolic of the complete range of experience of human consciousness. The totality of consciousness can be likened to a field that contains every possible state of being, action or experience. This is the ultimate context from which all content emerges, and in which humans find their place as co-creative aspects of the Cosmos.

In their highest expression, the 12 archetypes of the Zodiac represent a symbolic correspondence between the infinite potential of the total field and all possible ranges of human experience within that field. The critical fashion in which the 12 archetypes manifest within the individual natal chart corresponds to the nature of the particular “charge” that an individual emanates: the expression of the creative and spiritual will of the individual. Emanating the energetic of this charge, the individual then aligns with the multiplicity of potential realities.

When explored in depth, the birth chart is a powerful asset for understanding the nature of the charge and therefore the reality of the individual as experienced on both a conscious and unconscious level. We enter the doorway for this exploration through Pluto, Uranus and the nodal axis of the Moon. The central purpose of this book is to illustrate how this analysis can be achieved and how the innermost concerns of the individual life can be contextualized through this understanding.

### Connecting With the Deep Self

Conventional medicine and therapy all too often fail the client by not acknowledging the meaning of their suffering, the potential

insight behind the apparent struggle in the ordinary world. It is far too common for over-extended medical professionals these days to hand out unnecessary medication or simplistic diagnoses. In an effort to ameliorate our symptoms in the easiest way possible, we have turned away from the language of soul, the true meaning of psychotherapy, towards a confused marketplace filled with promised cures for our ills.

The deep self is the true nature of psyche or soul. By focusing on the deep self within the individual the astrological approach I outline here serves as a corrective to this collective imbalance. From the reality of the deep self we can see that our depression, anxiety, existential confusion and despair can be linked to a loss of soul perspective – a loss of the capacity to see through to the *nature of the field*, the underlying reality from which we can never be truly separate (though we may experience the suffering of seeming to be so). The reality of the deep self is multi-dimensional. It includes all of our past experience as well as our potential for the future. From this perspective the soul is viewed through the lens of Pluto, in all its incarnational history, with its stored potential and wounding, without taboo, without judgment, but with absolute honesty, necessity and intensity. The idea of intensity is of central importance: the innermost psyche measures prior experience by impact not by duration.

Time itself is not just a quantitative phenomenon. It also has a qualitative dimension, measurable in terms of intensity. An experience that only last a few seconds might be of sufficient intensity to vibrate through space and time for millennia whereas an event that took centuries to unfold can be easily forgotten. This paradoxical language of intensity is the domain of Pluto, Uranus and the nodes of the Moon. They speak to us of what has mattered most to the deep self of the individual into whose natal chart we are gazing.

The focal point of the psyche may include events, memories or feelings from early childhood, from life in the womb and from events in prior lives or in-between lifetimes. For the deep self does not seem to hold to the boundaries of the body, mind or specific arc of just one lifetime. Events may be of such importance or high impact that they echo throughout the psyche without limit.