The New Astrology
A Unique Blend of Western and Chinese Astrology
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YOU ARE A SCORPIO/SNAKE

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The New Astrology report blends Western signs with Chinese signs and comes up with 144 "New" signs. If you are a Sagittarius and were born in the Ox year 1949, then you are a Sagittarius/Ox. Simple. Take your regular, familiar astrological sign and match it with the animal sign of the year you were born. And you have found your New astrological sign.

Everybody has a dual nature. Some people are naturally greedy and grasping about money. But surprise! These same people can be generous to a fault in emotional ways, strewing sentiment and affection on their entourage like Santa Claus on a gift binge. People are complicated. They baffle us with their contradictory behavior. We even confuse ourselves with our own haunting ambivalences. How come you get along with Jack and care so much about him when in fact he gets on your nerves? Jack has an abrasive personality. You know that. But you can't help liking the guy. He fascinates you. Why? It's a dilemma. With a solution.

The New Astrology attempts to help us understand human behavior within the universe through the "marriage" of occidental and oriental astrology.

The Chinese have divided time differently from us Westerners. Whereas we have 100-year centuries, the Chinese have periods of sixty years. We divide our centuries into ten decades. The Chinese divide their sixty-year spans into "dozencades" or twelve-year periods.
In the West, we divide our year up twelve times by its suns. Each 30 day month has its own astrological name. Every year our cycle begins anew. In the East, each year within the twelve-year dozencade has its own animal name. At the end of each twelve-year period the Chinese cycle begins anew.

The twelve occidental months have celestial sign names: Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo, Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn, Aquarius, Pisces. The twelve oriental years have animal sign names: Rat, Ox, Tiger, Cat, Dragon, Snake, Horse, Goat, Monkey, Rooster, Dog, Pig. In both cases the astrological sign name refers to the character of people born under its influence. The cycles of names always repeat in the same order.

So, in fact, everybody in the world has not just one, but two main astrological signs: a Western "month" sign and an Oriental "year" sign. One sign is complementary to the other. Taken together, they show us more about the individual than either one can on its own. In the New Astrology, if someone is born in Aries and is also born in a Horse year, that person's New Astrology sign is Aries/Horse. Aries/Horses, as you will see, are not the same as Aries/Cats or Aries/Tigers.

There are 144 New Astrology signs. Each is a combined East/West sign. Through the New Astrology we can learn to get along better with our friends, family and loved ones. We can find out why we tend not to harmonize with certain people. We can improve our knowledge of them, and of ourselves.

**Western and Chinese Astrology Ruling Elements:**

*Western astrology uses four ruling elements:*

Fire, Air, Earth, Water. Each Western astrological sign is ruled by one of these elements:

*Fire:*
* Aries, Leo, Sagittarius.
* Fire signs are characterized by Movement, Obsession, Energy.

Air:
* Gemini, Libra, Aquarius.
* Air signs are characterized by Receptiveness, Intellect, Aspiration.

Earth:
* Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn.
* Earth signs are characterized by Function, Practicality, Solidity.

Water:
* Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces;
* Water signs are characterized by Emotion, Compassion, Perception.

Chinese astrology, on the other hand, uses five ruling elements: Metal, Water, Wood, Fire, and Earth. To allow for movement to occur and bring about change, Chinese philosophy calls upon the five elements as agents of change and reaction. Change, the Chinese think, derives from the influence of the five main elements—Wood, Fire, Earth, Metal and Water—on the basic Yin or Yang energies. Like in the old rock, paper, scissors game that we played as kids, each of these five Chinese elements has the ability to control and/or destroy the previous element, and is capable of producing the element that directly follows it. In the regenerative cycle of the elements, Water engenders Wood. Wood begets Fire. Fire burns to Earth. Earth creates Metal and Metal gives way to Water.

**Planets:**

Each sign in Western astrology is ruled by one or more of ten planets or heavenly bodies. These are the "stars" astrologers are always said to be gazing at. The planets influence a sign's character. Your position in the heavens helps to predict the future.

Aries is ruled by Mars representing: Impulse, Action, Bravery.

Taurus is ruled by Venus representing: Acceptance, Vanity, Love.

Gemini is ruled by Mercury representing: the Intellect, Change, Adaptability.
Cancer is ruled by the Moon representing: Receptivity, Emotion, Viscera.

Leo is ruled by the Sun representing: Assertiveness, Will, Majesty.

Virgo is ruled by Mercury representing: Analysis, Absorption, Logic.

Libra is ruled by Venus representing: Sociability, Persuasion, Luxury.

Scorpio is ruled by Mars and Pluto representing Courage, Creation, Passion.

Sagittarius is ruled by Jupiter representing: Expansion, Vision, Justice.

Capricorn is ruled by Saturn representing: Solitude, Rigidity, Ambition.

Aquarius is ruled by Saturn and Uranus representing: Individuality, Cosmic Consciousness, Obligation.

Pisces is ruled by Neptune and Jupiter representing: Enigma, Inspiration, Compassion.

Chinese astrology does not concern itself with celestial bodies. If Chinese astrologers look to nature for influence, they consult the climatic changes on Earth, the seasons or the moon's effects on the Earth.

**Qualities:**

Western astrology uses three different qualities: Cardinal, Fixed and Mutable.

**CARDINAL:** Aries, Cancer, Libra, Capricorn-Dynamic, Authoritative, Active, Energetic.

**FIXED:** Taurus, Scorpio, Leo, Aquarius-Concrete, Limited, Purposeful, Conscientious.

**MUTABLE:** Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius, Pisces-Moving, Adaptable, Harmonizing, Versatile.

Are the Yin and the Yang Qualities Too?
Yes. In Chinese astrology, yin and yang are qualities. But yin and yang are far more powerful than our qualities because yin and yang are the two major and only forces in the Chinese philosophical universe. For them, everything present in the universe is either yin or else it is yang. Everything. Tables, chairs, light bulbs, cousins, aunts, uncles and kitchen sinks!

In a way, yin and yang can be compared, in Western culture, to the application in certain languages of the qualities of "masculine" or "feminine" to inanimate objects or intangible nouns. Though it does not seem to make sense, in French a table is feminine. A log is feminine. A shoe is also feminine. Parks are masculine. Lakes too. Feet are masculine. So are eyes and foreheads. But mouths and even teeth are feminine. Worry is masculine. So are gossip and lipstick and panty hose.

Though we may want to look for sexual significance in the application of gender to nouns, there is none. That's what makes it so difficult to remember from one language to the next whether a noun is considered masculine or feminine. Is the application of gender to nouns then perfectly arbitrary? Well, it must have come from somewhere. But nobody knows exactly how, when or why.

There are no genders in the Chinese language. But, without saying how, when or why, Chinese philosophers can feel whether a thing or a person or an idea is yin or yang. It's just there. A known fact. Yin is rooted in the sun. Its goal is darkness. Yang is rooted in the Earth. Its goal is light.

Like everything else, each Chinese animal sign is either yin or yang.

YIN: Rat, Ox, Monkey, Cat, Dog, Pig.

YANG: Horse, Goat, Tiger, Rooster, Dragon, Snake

What is Yin and What is Yang?

Yin:
The Chinese say that yin people are mainly interested in what happens in groups. They are frequently preoccupied with the organization of collective or communal events. They are attracted to politics. They are self-confident. They trust nobody. They need success to survive. They worship efficiency. They are always questing after well-being for themselves and for those they love or like. They have good health and long life but may be prone to accidents. They don't smile a lot. They dress conservatively. They are not spiritual. They love their families. They are material.

The way I see it, yin is open, civilized, interested in the good of others. Yin likes parties, feasts, holidays, sex and anything else that provides it with intense company. Yin is not feminine. But it is sometimes said to be subjective. Yin is active in the world. Other-directed. Public. It is different from and equal to yang.

Yang:

The Chinese say that yang people are loners. They are individualistic. They are meditative. They are spiritual. They smile a lot. They have no sense of groups or family. They have delicate health. They like to dress for show. They avoid chains of command. They love nature. They are nonmaterial. Their only goal in life is personal development. They are objective. They keep their own counsel.

The way I see it, yang is closed, unsociable, private. Yang likes books, music, gardening, long walks or anything that brings him closer to himself and nature. Yang is solitary. Self-directed. Yang's equilibrium comes from within.

Your Sun Sign (Western Astrology)

Your Sun sign is Scorpio.

Month: Approximately October 24 to November 22.
Ruler: Mars.
Element: Water. 
Quality: Fixed.

Scorpio is the eighth sign of the occidental zodiac.

*Characteristics of Scorpios:*

DEDICATION, INSPIRATION, SOVEREIGNTY, TENDERNESS, MAGNETISM, DISCIPLINE.

Scorpio sins may include: MERCILESSNESS, SADISM, FANATICISM, SUSPICION, REVENGE, INTRANSIGENCE.

I remember when I first saw a real live scorpion. It was smallish, about as long as half of your pinkie. The beast was blackish brown and cowering in the corner of a friend's tennis court changing room. The au pair girl stood nearby with a large broomstick and fire in her eyes, How long the scorpion would have gone on cringing I will never know. Hermione, the girl in question, squashed it dead. It did not have time to sting itself.

I had always imagined a scorpion as a sort of giant crablike combination lizard / hippopotamus / lobster spouting flames from a poisonous tail ready to strike at all times. The poor insignificant creature so readily squashed with a broom handle made me feel sorry for it, although I'm certain that had I found this same creepy-crawly in my bed or shoe, my heart would not have gone out to it.

The point here is that Scorpio people bear a very close resemblance to the scorpion in this story. At first you seem all shiny and cute and not too significant. You give the impression you could be done in with a toothpick. You are sensitive, retiring, reserved and mysterious. If you see Scorpios at a party or in public, you may hardly notice them at first. You don't appear to pose a threat. But find a Scorpio in your bed?

It is said Scorpios are self-destructive, I don't know many. Some say you are cruel. Some claim you are a dictator. Others say that you are vengeful and attack only the weakest spot in others. When people ask your sign, you may want to say, "I am an inoffensive Scorpio."

Because Scorpios have the reputation for being ultrasexy, it sounds
terrific to be a Scorpio. But let me tell you that just because you are sexy don't mean you have more fun. Recall all the tight spots being sexy gets you into. Think of all the people who end up hating or being hated by you. Being a Scorpio is not all that it's cracked up to be. It's a lot of hard work.

Scorpions are definitely vengeful. And you are domineering and self-centered and, well, colorful. You like to see inside other people's heads and then see how you can direct that person's life. You are self-confident to a fault. You love the occult and crave mystery and intrigue. You are determined and impulsive.

Your Chinese Astrology Sign

Your Chinese animal sign is SNAKE.

Snake is Yang. Snake is the sixth sign of the Chinese horoscope.

Snakes have the following characteristics:

INTUITION SAGACITY ATTRACTIVENESS CLAIRVOYANCE DISCRETION COMPASSION.

Snake sins may include: DISSIMULATION CUPIDITY EXTRAVAGANCE PRESUMPTION LAZINESS EXCLUSIVENESS.

In our Judeo-Christian society, snakes don't have a terrific image. It was, after all, the snake's body in which our charm-crazy devil chose to hide whilst tempting poor Eve with an apple. But in the Chinese culture, snakes are considered both wise and beautiful, beneficial and sensual. Therefore, my Aunt Florence's comment about her handsome neighbor who made off with his wife's hairdresser, "That snake!" don't always hold true. Snakes can be ultra-virtuous people. Except of course when you are lying.

Snakes are always beautiful. Even if you are not classically pretty, there is a quality about you that makes you lovely to look at. You dress well and even a bit ostentatiously. You apply cosmetics and drape jewelry and fix up this and
tack up that just the way it should be. You have a natural talent for elegance. You adore accessories, scarves gloves, hats, Cartier watches, and -well - money.

In China, to tell a woman that she is a "veritable snake" is the summit of all compliments. And why not? Snakes are fabulous people. No only do you look sensational, but you are wise. Ask a Snake for advice and you will sit down, ponder and consider before replying. Because you have inborn intuition about almost everything, you get a lot or hunches. You are frequently clairvoyant. What's more, you can strike with unmitigated cheek at a moment's notice, cut an adversary to the quick and slink away with impunity.

Why is it that almost all Snake people are rich? You always seem to have money coming out of your silken sleeves and yet you don't seem to have to work too hard to come by your wealth. It must be the charm and the inimitable attractiveness that causes the pennies to rise from the pockets of others and float into those elegant, decorative purses you are so famous for.

You have a dreadful streak of laziness. Indolence is your real and only enemy. You must fight every day to move up and forward, to go and to do. Inside, you have enormous ambition. But the will is not always the way. You must do daily battle with the great god gravity, get out of your cozy bed and slither out into the big cold world.

Snakes are possessive. No, not possessive. You are positively feudal about your mates. You are said to roll yourself around the loved one until the person is smothered by your enchanting beauty and charm.

You are extravagant and are known to purchase enormously expensive items without a qualm. However, much of the time you are close with your wealth and loath to spend money on day-to-day routine items. Splurging is fun but buying the milk is a chore. You like to recline and prefer cake to milk anyway.

Your Chinese and Western Astrology Sign

You are a Scorpio/Snake. The description below
applies to you.

The Attributes of Scorpio are:

DEDICATION MERCILESSNESS SOVEREIGNTY FANATICISM MAGNETISM REVENGE INSPIRATION SADISM TENDERNESS SUSPICION DISCIPLINE INTRANSIGENCE. "I create" Water, Mars, Fixed.

The Attributes of Snake are:

INTUITION DISSIMULATION ATTRACTIVENESS EXTRAVAGANCE DISCRETION LAZINESS SAGACITY CUPIDITY CLAIRVOYANCE PRESUMPTION COMPASSION EXCLUSIVENESS. "I sense" Negative Fire, Yang.

SCORPIO/SNAKE:

To a Scorpio/Snake, life without beauty, luxury, tenderness, compassion, admiration, and extravagance is not worth living. You're sensitive in the extreme and, for a cool-handed Snake, remarkably warm-hearted and loving. People appreciate you for your innate nobility, which is both unquestionable and very comforting. You are a very sensual person with a tendency to introspection and suspicion. To add the Snake characteristics of sagacity, clairvoyance and intuition certainly doesn't diminish the philosophical side of your Scorpio nature. You are deep-thinking, sometimes even tormented.

There will necessarily exist in your makeup a flamboyance and attention to wardrobe that sets you apart from the rest of us. You will never be shabbily dressed. You may be said to push personal appearance to the limit. Your manner of getting yourself up might even be called "costuming." You are invariably arrayed in finery so unusual as to be stunning, and fit only for your type of personality.

You have a native ability to intuit the needs and desires of others. You are able to understand nuances that escape even the most discerning audience. Scorpios born in Snake years have a kind of special genius for picking up hints and following hunches that takes you very far in a worldly way. It may be something as simple as guessing the direction a stock will take or foreseeing
the need for a certain market in commodities or goods. Scorpio/Snakes are not often poor.

The variety of your superior qualities is of near cosmic proportions. You cannot encounter a Scorpio/Snake and come away from said meeting without a vivid picture in your mind's eye.

Others may not impress you favorably, but you always impress them. You see, you embody a sort of arrogance that, I suppose, arises from the fact that you have easy success in life, are lucky with money, and generally suffer only from emotional pain that you inflict on yourself. You preen a lot and keep your nose in the air. The effect is not "Look at me!" the way it might be with a Dragon or even a Rat personality. Rather, Scorpio/Snakes command attention. The unspoken charisma is just there.

Your ego fares well in life. There is a very healthy sense of self here. But you don't let your ego get too far ahead of your inner logic. You strike a careful balance between reality and dreams. Oh, you are capable of lying. The famous Snake powers of dissimulation are very active in you. But you don't often lie to yourself. You like to maintain a cool head no matter what tempts you to go for a joyride.

You are a jealous person. You want to keep everything -especially power - for yourself and your loved ones. You don't like to share the spotlight and you make no bones about it. As Snakes go, the Scorpio is not too lazy, either. You're so avid for gain and attention that your ambition keeps you moving. Fact is, you don't have to make much effort to succeed. It comes naturally.

LOVE:

Everybody wants to love a Scorpio/Snake. You are so untouchably gorgeous and unutterably cool that you can literally be said to attract everyone. But don't worry. You are choosy about whom you take up with. Often you take a mate you can manipulate and even enslave. You usually outshine any partner, and you are out there among the admiring hordes whether you like it or not.

COMPATIBILITIES:

You and the Dragon are fast friends. Choose yours from out of the Virgo, Capricorn and Pisces lot. There are four Roosters who love your company:
Cancer, Virgo, Capricorn and Pisces. Accept no substitutes. And then there's a Cancer/Ox. And that's about it for affinities. Less advantageous are alliances with Taurus, Leo and Aquarius/Monkeys. Taurus and Leo/Tigers are not quite perfect for you, either. If you care about your self-respect, avoid Taurus and Gemini/Pigs.

**HOME AND FAMILY:**

Your home will be large and impressively decorated. Silks and brocades abound. The last little pickle fork will have been hand-fashioned of vermeil. Luxury isn't the right word. Posh is more like it. You reside in a decor comparable to your stature and opinion of yourself.

You are serious but you like to be quite indulgent with little ones. You will spoil children materially but demand that they act like ladies and gentlemen for company. There can be a problem of jealousy here. Scorpio/Snakes don't take kindly to competition for attention. If the kids are too charming, you might freak. The house should perhaps be outfitted with wall-to-wall spotlights.

**PROFESSION:**

You are mostly creative. You will take to any activity where the spirit of invention is useful and applicable. You might work well alone but can fit into the system, provided the system recognizes your superiority and remunerates it accordingly.

Bossing suits you best. You will be a reluctant subordinate. If you are the boss, you will be democratic and understanding of your workers. You like to have power, but are not one to wield it unless crossed or pushed. Then, watch out. You are ruthless and attack your enemies pitilessly. Competition? Never heard of it.

*Natural careers for this super Snake are:*

King, queen, movie star, pope, and so on. But in reality, if you have to actually work at jobs, you might like to try: modeling, acting, advertising, or stocks and bonds. You make terrific artists, too.

*Some famous Scorpio/Snakes:*

Pablo Picasso, Grace Kelly, Indira Gandhi, Henri Gault, Art Garfunkel,
Helen Reddy, Juliet Mills, Tom Fogerty, Fyodor Dostoevsky, Madeleine Robinson, Patrick Sébastien.