Life Path Report

Putting Yourself to Good Use



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Welcome to Life Paths



Welcome to 'Life Path' astrology, a personal report about finding Barack's vocation, the right path for him to succeed in life. Making a living, making our way through life, is something that each of us has to do and we don't always know what we really want to do until we find it. Many of us end up working at a job we did not really choose and for which we might not be all that well suited for or that will not make us all that happy.

Perhaps we have been educated, learned this or that particular skill, and already have some idea what we are good for and can do. We may or may not have had this or that kind of schooling or training, but that does not automatically mean that what we are doing for a living now is the only thing we can do or that we will be all that fulfilled doing it. What is Barack really good for? How might he be best put to use in this life? What would Barack be actually happy doing? These are the kind of questions that this report can be helpful at answering.

Astrology provides another look at Barack's vocational options, regardless of what he already thinks of himself or is doing for work, a second opinion and fresh take. The Life Path Report is designed to describe the basic role Barack tends to take on in life, his overall approach to work in this world, and how he might be most useful to himself and others. Being useful, being used in a way that is satisfying is one of the main keys to happiness. This report is designed to help put Barack in touch with his own core abilities and to sketch out an approach to work that should be natural for him.

You might ask: how can astrology, which links what is happening out there in the heavens with what is happening down here on earth possibly be useful in vocational matters? The answer to that question might well take an entire book, but let me try to give you some understanding of the approach taken in this report.

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The Heavenly Kaleidoscope



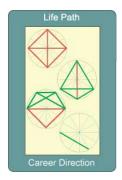
The orderly movement of the planets around our Sun create an ever-changing, almost kaleidoscopic, series of patterns in the heavens which are actually quite beautiful. It is not that these patterns dictate or influence what takes place in our lives down here on Earth, but rather that the entire cosmos, the heavens and our Earth, are part of one time and space, one great cosmic dance. When some major planetary pattern forms out there in the heavens, something similar is happening down here in our lives as well. We are part of whatever is going on out there. We are inside it. It is all one universe we share, and somehow we are in synch here on earth with what is taking place out there. We all are dancing to the same tune.

This is even clearer if we look at an astrological chart of the patterns in the heavens at the moment of Barack's birth. We see that all of the heavenly patterns taking place up there can be boiled down to form a few general archetypes (I call them StarTypes) that we can recognize. These StarTypes are associated with certain qualities that individuals here on earth have and act out in day-to-day life. The "Life Path Report" is based on interpreting these patterns for a particular birth, patterns which can help describe how to approach life. It is Barack's StarType patterns that are being interpreted here.

But this report may also require an effort to read between the lines and take what can be general observations and apply them to Barack's particular situation.

Note: At the very end of this report is a section on understanding the different types of StarType patterns. In some sections of this report, they will be referred to by name of the configuration (i.e. The Grand Trine), and also by their colored borders: green, red, blue, and rose. So please refer to that section for more details.

Barack's chart has what is called a "Mental" StarType, one that excels at using the mind and actually enjoys responsibility. For example, Barack might currently be working in the general workforce, with little actual mental or decision-making responsibilities. This can be read in more than one way. It might suggest that he would be happier working in a position that required more responsibility on his part or it could also suggest that he might be already be doing managerial-like activities as part of the job that he now has. In other words, while the Life Path report will show inclinations, it is up to each of us to see how those inclinations can be applied.



This is primarily a vocational report rather than a personal profile, but a brief natal description is included later on, so you may want to consult that. Here we will be describing Barack's overall approach to life and work.

Next, let's take a look at the general or overall approach that Barack takes to life. Here we are not trying to get down to specifics as much as we want to give a broad sketch of the role he might take in life as regards making a living.

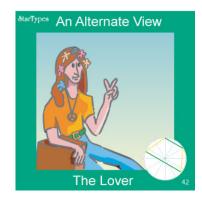
With vocational analysis, a lot depends on the role we play in the workplace, and today's work environment traditionally has been divided roughly into several types. The most common division in the modern workplace is between the manager or supervisor types (organizational, mental, managerial, etc.) and the workforce (hands-on, take-directions, production) types.

And in between management and the workforce, there is a third type, what has been called the mid-level manager or independent type. These are the mediators or go-betweens for both the Manager and Hands-On types, and they often serve as the mouthpiece for either the workers or for management. Using this traditional division, first let's see what general work type is for Barack's chart:

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This Vocational StarType





Barack is an example of the "Mental Type," and represent the planners and thinkers, those who direct and care for the overall work responsibilities. We call this StarType "The Caretaker," the responsible one, the one who cares the most, and thus (for all practical concerns) the caretakers of the project, office, or whatever requires simple responsibility. These StarTypes endlessly care for (and worry about!) almost everything, running here and there to provide for the well-being of whatever is the current object of concern. They are the eternal hosts, seldom the guests, of any relationship. They are the ones who jump up and get you a glass of water, who happily do any organizational work - and all the planning.

Not at home in a crowd, Barack can usually be found around the edges of a group, watching, perhaps criticizing, but always taking it all in. He runs cool, when others run warm (or hot). He thinks and plans, when others do. He serves, while others are served. He cares when care is needed. In the East (places like Tibet and China), Barack could be said to represent the Bodhisattva path, living to serve others.

Here in the West, the concept of serving others is considered a lesser position. In America it is considered much "more cool" to be served, than to serve. But this concept is slowly changing.

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In fact, this Barack is born for service, to be responsible, and to care for others and his type always reach for the mind before they reach to press the flesh. At heart Barack is shy, eager for experience, and glad to be included. Not much into hugs, he secretly loves to be hugged, and physical contact is an exciting event for him. Sounds like E.T., eh?

Well, not quite from outer space, but Barack is very at home in the great space of the mind, and he tends to make his living using his wits and mental capabilities rather than his charisma and warm presence. Barack can think, is clear minded, and he really gets the big picture and can see the forest as well as the trees. Barack's type make great providers of advice to the rest of us. He is also a wicked critic and is as sharp with the mind as others are physically adept.

And, as a rule, Barack is very compassionate, always appreciating a situation for what it is, making room for others, making allowances, and being kind.

So what is there to be known when meeting one of these managerial types like Barack? Expect a sharp mind, perhaps very broad in scope, but also facile and detail oriented. If allowed, that is, if one can assume the role of an object (someone to be cared for), he will probably assume the role of protector and caretaker. If met with criticism and mental arguments, one is in for a tussle, because this is his. He owns it.

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Vocational StarType Barack

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In these next two sections, we will first consider how Barack fits into the workplace and then some more personal observations. What we will point out here is something about Barack's talents and how they might relate to various career approaches.

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An Alternate View

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Cons: Barack's management talent can leave other's feeling a bit cool, since he is not a touchy-feely type of person. He is probably NOT the best person to take the visiting boss out to dinner, because he runs to matters of the mind and is not much fun in the warm and cuddly sense. Barack's broad mind and dependence on operating from a fairly abstract place can make him impractical, due to a lack of experience and common sense.

With Co-workers:

Barack makes a wonderful friend, is naturally of a compassionate nature, and very forward looking. He is more at home with words and the mind in general, than with a lot of glad-handing and group peer pressure. Barack is, for the most part, kind, thoughtful, and naturally cares for others. He is looking for a long-term friendship, and values his friendships very highly. His agility with concepts and ideas is marvelous and he would often rather talk or read more about something than actually do it. Barack's view on things always seems to be coming from another angle than what is popular; he always takes a different slant on things. He is shy and somewhat insecure and likes encouragement.

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What About Money?





A question all of us want and need to know is just how are we going to come by success and will we have any money? What follows consists of simple answers to a few basic questions and then a kind of quick summary of Barack's money making opportunities. "Dumb Luck" means you are just plain lucky and things fall into your lap. "Social Money" indicates that you can or will get money through your people connections and social skills. "Hands-on-Money" suggests that you make your money the old-fashioned way, by hard work, practical effort and ideas, and "Mind Money" points to making money and being successful by using your mind and intellectual gifts. None of this is written in stone, but in general, these factors points to how you may best be able to be successful and generate income.

Dumb Luck:

No.

Social Money:

No.

Hands-on Money:

No.

Mind Money:

Yes, much.

Barack will be making money using his very original mind and intellectual capacity. He will for sure have to work to earn things and will neither fall into money or make it through wheeling and dealing the social scene. Mental and analytical work is how Barack will get ahead, but he is very gifted in this area. Barack has an almost unique, and highly original, different take on things. This can be key to his success.

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The Natal Chart



Now, putting career and workplace to the side, let's look at Barack's personal makeup, how he might approach friendships and romantic relationships, plus something about his overall approach to life.

Marching to a different drummer, you've heard the phrase. Well, that fits Barack and this StarType to a 'tee'. Here we have extra-ordinary intellect, a real talent for sizing up a situation at a glance. There is only one caveat and that is that he always has an alternate view of almost everything, not that this is in any way a defect. He is usually spot on with his observations, but, again, always coming from a new or alternate way of looking at things.

Barack's mind is all encompassing and his opinion is considered essential, albeit unique.

When it comes to relationships, Barack needs them, which suggests that a partner will be pretty much always present, and mostly with the RED StarTypes, those who are more touchy-feely and practical than himself. These types will not cease to provide him with a steady stream of real experience, so that he can at least know what he talks about so well. They cause him to ground his thoughts and observation in experience and fact, and to work out thoughts on the practical plane.

A StarType very thirsty for relationships, most important being to seek out any of the red-bordered cards, which will help to ground and make you more practical. On the other hand, the green-bordered cards with the large green triangles in them, like StarTypes #60, #5, #18, and so on will bring good advice and guidance. You can enjoy both types of relationships.

As for the blue-bordered cards, not shown here, keep in mind that they have the qualities of both the red-bordered and the green-bordered cards within their makeup. When relating to them, Barack will want to invoke the attention-demanding part of them, having them take on the role of the loved one - someone for him to look after

KEYWORDS

Alternative Viewpoint. Conceptual. Psychological. Introspective.

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There is no use in just offering a list of professions, like: butcher, baker, candlestick maker, because even each of those professions has all kinds of levels and functions. For example, I could say to you that the 'baking' industry would be a good bet for a person. But in that industry, there are all kinds of job functions aside from just kneading the bread. Aside from the bread makers, there are the fine pastry makers, the oven experts, wholesalers, retailers, salespersons, and so on all connected to the baking profession.

Instead, in here we will concentrate on some general skills Barack has that can be applied to any industry or profession. For example, is Barack better at using his mind or would he rather be physically involved working closely with people and things? Is Barack analytically inclined or more creative and intuitive? Does he prefer to let other people supervise and have those responsibilities or does he enjoy the responsibilities management brings? It is these kinds of questions I will try to sum up here and they can relate to almost any kind of work or business.

SKILLS:

Analytical, Conceptual Ability, Organizational, Management, Supervisory, Mental, Appraising

LACKS:

People Skills, Sales Ability, Group Leadership, Glad-Handing, Intuition

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Social Skills



Social Being:

Barack is not comfortable as a social being, although he may think so. Intellectually social? Yes, and perhaps eager, but rubbing shoulders and the give and take of at a cocktail party? Probably not.

entities after

Meet & Greet:

Barack does not naturally enjoy meeting & greeting, the usual social glad-handing that is expected of one when business calls for it. He likes the intellectual banter, but essentially is shy.

Sensitivity:

Barack is (or can be) very sensitive, perhaps often somewhat shy, and even self-effacing at times.

Wallflower:

Yes.

Private:

Barack is not private, but rather open, at least mentally and psychologically. No secrets.

Direct/Indirect:

Barack is naturally direct and straightforward. What you see is what you get.

Collegial:

Barack is always formally (and intellectually) friendly and collegial, but is not naturally warm or very social, probably won't offer you the fraternity handshake.

Self-Confidence:

Barack is intellectually confident, but may be socially less so.

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Relationships:

Barack needs relationships.

Romantic Role:

Barack likes to take on the role of "lover" or caretaker in a relationship.

Office Role:

In an office environment, Barack prefers the role of supervisor or manager of some kind.

Independent:

No.

Interdependent:

Yes.

Needy:

Yes, in relationships.

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Business type: Conceptual.

Responsible:

Yes, very.

Management Skills:

Excellent.

Salesperson:

No.

Teamwork Skills:

Intellectual teamwork, yes.

Advisor:

Barack makes a good advisor.

Supervising:

Yes, the best.

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Business Skills



Communication Skills:

Yes, at mental communication.

Intuitively Creative:

Not naturally good.

Work Ethic:

Very responsible.

Anayltical Skills:

Excellent.

Organizational Skills:

Good organizational skills.

Detail Work:

Good at detail work.

Thoughtful:

Very.

Smart:

Yes, very smart.

Intellect:

Excellent.

Interpersonal Skills:

Best at verbal and written.

Problem Solving:

Good.

Group Leader:

Probably not, or if so, then intellectually only.

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Polarities





The following is a simple list of polarities (many traditional) as they relate to Barack and his particular StarType. These are included on the case that the earlier material is not sufficiently clear on. Perhaps looking at Barack through this list of polar opposites may help make things more clear and provide a better feeling for this person. Here is the list:

Host or Guest:

Prefers the role of host.

Impress/Express:

Likes to impress.

Watcher/Watched:

Watcher.

Reason/Intuition:

Reason rather than intuition.

Careful/Careless:

Careful.

In/Out:

Out and wants in.

Evolve/Involve:

Wants to be more involved.

Subject/Object

: Assumes the role of subject.

Lover/Loved One:

Likes the role of the 'Lover'.

Mental/Physical:

More mental than physical.

Self-Conscious?:

Yes.

Sensitivity or Lack-of?:

Sensitive.

Awareness Factor:

Very aware.

Vertigo/Claustrophobia:

Vertigo.

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Foresight/Hindsight:

Foresight.

Seeing/Feeling: Seeing.

Reasonable/Unreasonable:

Reasonable.

Yin/Yang:

Yin.

Subtle/Dense:

Subtle.

Spirit/Flesh:

Spirit.

Service Factor:

Born to serve.

In/Out:

Outside looking in.

Active/Passive:

Passive, like Aikido.

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Getting the Most Out of Your Life Path Report





This report is designed to offer a second opinion, an alternate look at the talents Barack has and what kind of approach to work and career might be most natural for him regardless of what he may have trained for or currently be doing.

What he reads here may provide a somewhat different approach to career than Barack has envisioned for himself, so take time to let it all sink in. Keep in mind that a career is more than just a job. A career is a life-path, literally the path or way each of us goes through our life, and it can make all the difference if we are doing something that resonates with our natural talent, that uses us as we like to be used, as opposed to working at a job that goes against our natural grain.

Sometimes a simple adjustment in approach can make the difference between the happiness of a successful and happy career and a job for which we are not suited and was never meant for us in the first place. It is my sincere hope that this Life Path Report may provide information that is helpful in evaluating and making career decisions.

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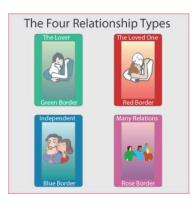
Learn more about StarType Families











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GREEN: The green-bordered cards represent "The Lover" StarType family. They take on the role of the lover, the observer and annotators, and the caretaker of the relationship.

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StarType Families Barack

Examples of classic green-bordered StarType patterns include the Grand Trine (#60), Kite (#5), Basket (#21), Wedge (#2), Mystic Rectangle (#4), and others.

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Blue: Independent



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BLUE: Some chart patterns have both roles in a single natal chart, the role of the Lover and the Loved One. When both qualities ("Loved One" and "Lover") appear in the same chart, these are the "Independent" StarTypes, and their borders are blue. They can go both ways. In some relationships they take on the role of the Lover, but in others they assume the role of the Loved One. They are somewhat self-contained.

Examples of classic blue-bordered cards include T-Cross & Grand Trine (#7), Grand Cross & Grand Trine (#12), T-Cross & Wedge (#10), and others.

Rose: Multi-relationship



ROSE: And last, there is a small group of StarTypes that demand a lot of contact and relations, called appropriately the "Multi-" or Many-Relationships" StarTypes, which have rose colored borders.

Examples of classic rose-bordered cards include Within-a-Trine (#36) and Within-180 (#38).

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