

## THE PROGRESSED MOON

It is essential that you grasp the significance of the progressed Moon if you want to accurately predict the future. The ancients conceived the Moon to be a collector of planetary influences — the forces necessary to assist other aspects to activate. They observed that without a progressed aspect from the Moon to nurture and feed it, other planetary influences would not manifest as intensely. This led them to understand progressed lunar aspects as channels or paths through which other planetary forces are directed and given expression. Despite this wisdom that has been gathered by observation over the millenniums, many modern astrologers still think of the Moon only as another timing mechanism.

The ancients observed that lunar progressions by themselves had a rather minimal effect on human life. They actually found this to be true of most progressions. They noted, however, that when a progressed aspect involving the Sun or another planet had a lunar progression linked to it, the energy released by the aspect was significantly stronger. They discovered that most progressed aspects symbolized potential events, particularly the progressed parallel of declination. But it was only when a solar or planetary progression coincided with a lunar progression that significant or important events manifested or were revealed. This is one of the reasons progressed lunar aspects are so important in determining the future.

Another reason it is vital to study lunar progressions is that the Moon regulates the development of changing circumstances and conditions. It acts as a time marker for significant events in life that manifest through progressions and symbolically sensitive points in the chart. The Moon's natal and progressed positions indicate the all-important environment or background against which the events of your life are given form. This is because the Moon is the Mother from which all "things" spring forth and are given birth.

### **The Moon is a Subjective Amplifier**

The Moon represents orderly and predictable change. It symbolizes women, children, the general public, and your emotions, especially those related to security and the mystical assumption that you will be able to feed yourself and others through your universe. It is crucial to understand the progressed moon because it both symbolizes and signals changes in the psyche and soul.



This leads us to another vital astrological principle: No external change can manifest in a person's life unless it first manifests in that person's internal world. Some mystics would say it differently. They would say: No change can manifest in the external world unless it first manifests in a being's internal world.

The Moon is a subjective amplifier. This means that anything the Moon comes into contact with in the chart is amplified internally; it is experienced most often as a mental and emotional force. The Sun is an objective amplifier. What the Sun contacts, it most often amplifies as an event in the external world. It is true that internal forces affect external events and external events affect internal attitudes. But knowing what type of amplifier is activating a progression, and thus where the primary manifestation is most likely to occur, helps you to control or balance the karma contained in an aspect.

Any progressed aspect involving the Sun or Moon can produce external events. However, in the case of the Moon, the central theme and meaning will be the internal subjective experience, not the external event. What happens in your life is one thing, but your response to life situations can be quite another. Sometimes they are very different, though society conditions us to act as though they are the same. For example, a person may become very ill and finally die. One person will respond with grief whereas another will see the passing as a blessing because the deceased is no longer suffering. When interpreting progressed lunar aspects, it is always important to question how they will affect the mind and emotions of the person whose chart you are reading.

### **The Window of Activity for Lunar Progressions**

With the exception of a parallel of declination, progressions of the Moon are active for about four to six weeks on either side of a partile, so the window of activity is approximately two or three months. A progressed parallel involving the Moon can be active for as little as a year on either side of the partile, or it can be active for up to forty years or more on either side. Obviously this means that the force of some progressed parallels will last for an entire lifetime. This once again highlights why it is so important that you understand and use parallels when seeking to perceive and interpret the future.

If there are no active lunar progressions during a given cycle when other progressions are active, those progressions are definitely weakened. But I can assure you from personal experience, they still manifest and can be quite strong.

## PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE HOUSES

When a planet passes through a house, think of it as making a conjunction to that house and releasing its energy there. When the Moon moves through a house, it stimulates the subconscious mind, focusing it on the area of life governed by that house in a way that often leads to change. In accord with their own nature, the same is true of all planets by progression or transit. For example, when Saturn transits a house, it causes everything linked to that house to slow down, meet resistance, and become delayed. Mars causes things symbolized by a house to speed up, become energized, be a source of irritability, etc. In other words, the energy or quality of a planetary force moving through a house strongly influences the people, circumstances, and things symbolized by that house in proportion to the intensity and nature of the planet involved.

### The Primary Difference Between Transits and Progressions

The primary difference between a transit and progression is the intensity and duration of the effect it produces. Most progressions last longer than most transits. By applying the formula ( $I \times D = F$ ), you can see that because progressions have a longer duration, they tend to be more intense and exert a greater force than most transits.

For example, the average speed of the progressed Moon is one degree per month. Thus it takes about two and a half years for the Moon to travel through a sign or house by progression. The transiting Moon passes through a sign or house in just over two days. When the Moon passes through the first house, changes take place in one's personality. During the transit cycle, which takes place every month, these changes are very subtle and transient. However, by progression, which only occurs once every thirty years, these changes are usually quite significant and permanent. What distinguishes these two lunar cycles from one another is not the effect they have on you, but the intensity and duration of that effect — and that is a big difference.

Mercury, which is the fastest moving planet after the Moon, progresses at an average speed of two degrees per year, causing it to stay in a house by progression for about fifteen years. The transiting Mercury usually passes through a house in less than a month. Thus its transit through a house is much less intense than its progression. Pluto, the slowest moving planet, progresses at an average speed of fourteen seconds per year or fourteen years per degree. If a house contains approximately thirty degrees, the progressed Pluto will be in that house for at least 420 years, assuming it never goes retrograde, which of course it does quite often. Thus the progression of Pluto into a new house or sign is quite significant.



If you really want to learn astrology, observe your life and watch the Moon as it progresses through your natal chart by sign, house, and aspect. Purchase a new notebook and write something in it every day. Ask yourself, "What was the most critical thing I did today? What was the most critical thing that came into my life today? What was the most vital thought I had today? Where did I go? What did I do? How did I feel? Did anything unusual happen?" Along with this write the date, the city you are in, and the Moon's position by transit and progression. Do this each night just before going to bed and continue doing it for a year.

Every three months, read or re-read your journal. Reflect on the relationships between your journal entries and the Moon's position by sign, house, and aspect. This is a very valuable exercise. It reveals how the Moon activates your soul. You will find very significant linkages between what you experienced and the Moon. It would be even more educational if you could also have a family member keep a journal and share it with you. If not, you can at least record the external events in that person's life. You will be amazed to see that we are all doing exactly what the Moon impels us to do. If you do not feel you have time to keep a journal, just mentally compare each day's lunar position with the daily events of your life.

Remember a progressed planet can be thought of as conjuncting the house it is in and releasing its energy force there. When that progressed planet forms an aspect, the nature of the aspect produces an even greater planetary force. This then shifts from the house itself to the planets involved in the aspect, and from there to the houses ruled by those planets. When interpreting progressed aspects, greater emphasis is generally placed first on the faster moving planet, then the house it rules, and finally the house it is in.

### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE FIRST HOUSE**

The Moon's progression through the first house causes your personality to change. It also brings changes into your life, particularly in the house area ruled by the Moon. The most significant changes, both internally and externally, will manifest when the Moon crosses over the ascendant. This often causes increased popularity, financial gain, and journeys on or near water. In a woman's chart, it can symbolize the birth of a child, most often a daughter.

The sign the progressed Moon is in while passing through the first house, together with its natal aspects, symbolize the changes your personality will go through. If your natal Moon is afflicted, you should avoid making changes, if at all possible. If they must

be made, they should be done very skillfully. The changes that occur within you or your life during this period will be experienced as positive or negative according to the nature of the natal Moon by sign and aspect, and by any lunar progressions it makes while in the first house.

Many of the present circumstances in your life will come to an end or change during this period. You will start new ventures, which should be fortunate unless the natal Moon is afflicted at birth or forms hard aspects by progression. If the natal Moon is afflicted, especially if it rules the sixth house, this cycle can cause health problems such as fluid imbalances, stomach discomfort, and digestive problems. Changes and circumstances that arise while the progressed Moon is in the first house will last between three months and two and a half years.

### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE SECOND HOUSE**

This cycle indicates a period of change or fluctuation related to financial matters. Whether this change is for better or worse will depend on the natal and progressed aspects of the Moon. There is often impatience or emotional concern regarding money, though it is generally a positive time in which you see ways to improve your finances. On the other hand, there is a tendency to constantly spend money, either by choice or necessity. During this period, there can also be a propensity toward extravagance. The second house is the house of your wealth — and your greatest wealth is ideas and memories. Thus this is a fruitful period for creative and inspirational thoughts. The same influences occur when the Moon transits the second house, but the effect is much weaker and only lasts for a day or two.

### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE THIRD HOUSE**

The Moon in the third house makes the mind active and restless. There is an urge to communicate and interact with people both mentally and physically. This causes people to travel or take short journeys. Traveling will be more satisfying and beneficial, emotionally and financially, if the progressed Moon makes a positive aspect at the time. When the third house is activated, the mind and mouth become activated. This leads people to be more talkative than usual and feel they need to read, write, and study more.

You will have more interactions with brothers, sisters, and neighbors during this cycle. If the Moon makes hard aspects while progressing through the third house, there can be problems or disruptive changes that relate to these people, and also to aunts or uncles. Again, the difference between the transiting Moon and the progressed Moon is a question of intensity and duration.



### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE FOURTH HOUSE**

The Moon's movement through the fourth house stimulates changes in your domestic environment. The mind focuses on familial relationships. You need or want to put more time into your home and family. You have the motivation and energy to move, redecorate, or make major renovations. There is an increased appreciation of your home, and you want to entertain more. This aspect can also symbolize moving in with your mother, mother-in-law, or another woman.

Mystically, the fourth house is the end of things. Thus this cycle tends to balance out conditions that have been a problem for some time. This can be difficult if the Moon is natively afflicted or makes difficult aspects by progression. In one sense it is the beginning of a new you, a new cycle, and a new period of life, for better or worse, depending on the natal and progressed aspects of the Moon. If the natal Moon is afflicted and the progressed Moon forms hard aspects while in the first house, you need to be careful.

### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE FIFTH HOUSE**

The fifth house is the house of creativity and joy. This progression produces a desire for pleasure and love. Mystically speaking, it is a quest for the joy and delight of cosmic consciousness. All other pleasures are simply an attempt to experience that supreme joy. However, for the average person, this aspect manifests as a desire to seek pleasure through power, food, sex, artistic expression, or entertainment. The fifth house also rules the physiological creations we call babies. When the Moon is in the fifth house, one feels creative or desires to create. Some actually choose to become mothers or fathers, but for most it is a subconscious drive that results in pregnancy.

When the fifth house is activated, people tend to feel lucky, whether or not they are. This is one of the reasons the fifth house is associated with gambling, love affairs, and risky business ventures. If there is a negative lunar progression while the Moon moves through the fifth, beware of these types of activities, as they tend to end badly.

With the Moon in the fifth, it is not unusual to feel you want to buy something that is beautiful, such as art, music, furniture, or a painting. You will seek out entertainment, go to the theater, relax more, and be drawn toward a lifestyle that is more sociable and pleasant. This can be an exquisitely creative period if the aspects are favorable. You can create babies, works of art, or spiritual states of consciousness. The choice is yours. Just be sure it is a conscious decision motivated by present life wisdom and not by past life karmic pressures.

## PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE SIXTH HOUSE

The sixth house rules work and health. This cycle emphasizes employment, and you will probably think seriously about changing jobs or employers during this two-and-a-half-year period. Try not to make changes if the natal Moon is afflicted or if there are any hard progressed aspects. However, if the natal Moon is well aspected and there are positive progressions, this could be a great time to change jobs, improve your work environment, or make changes in the house area ruled by the Moon. It would also be a good time to focus on improving your health. There is a deeper sensitivity to the concept of hygiene and the relationship between health, nutrition, and food.

When the Moon passes through the sixth house, people become more sensitive to the needs of others and they often seek to help directly or indirectly. This can be a good thing, and it is often expressed by becoming involved with issues related to public health. However, if the natal Moon is afflicted and there are hard lunar progressions, people become sensitive in a negative way. They become thin skinned, which makes working with them difficult for everyone involved. Negative lunar forces, wherever they manifest, seem to affect the health, both physically and emotionally. This is especially true for women. If the natal Moon is afflicted, watch your job and guard your health when the moon passes through the sixth house.

## PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE SEVENTH HOUSE

The seventh house rules marriage and partnerships, romantic and professional. This cycle produces a desire to share things, such as knowledge, skill, money, bedrooms, and lifestyles. The seventh house also symbolizes the general public. Thus this is a period of increased social activity. When the Moon sweeps up through the seventh house, you become more popular because you are coming out of the shell of the first six houses, toward which you have been inwardly focused for the last fifteen years. There is a desire to be more popular or social in whatever circle is meaningful to you. Thus this is a time of increased cooperative activity.

It is not wise to form any kind of new relationships, romantic or otherwise, if the progressed Moon is afflicted while in the seventh house, especially if the natal Moon is also afflicted. If you do, it will cause far more trouble and pain than happiness. If there are afflictions and you are married or involved in a business or romantic partnership, you need to pay more attention to your partner during this cycle. The seventh house symbolizes open enemies — those people you know to be your adversary, rival, or competitor. They tend to have the advantage if the Moon is afflicted in the seventh house.



### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE EIGHTH HOUSE**

The eighth house is the house of joint finances, or other people's money. This includes banks, insurance companies, taxing entities, and communal assets. It is also the house of death and departures, which dissolve the circumstances of our lives that are no longer spiritually pertinent. If the natal Moon is afflicted and there are negative lunar progressions out of the eighth, this can be a difficult period in your life.

The Moon in the eighth house, like the sixth, produces a difficult attitude. It is this attitude that is most often the cause of problems that arise at this time. The moon in the sixth causes a person to be temperamental, whereas in the eighth it causes a person to be skillfully hostile. Watch for this attitude while the Moon is in the eighth. It may be subtle, but it can cause you serious problems.

This is a time to re-examine your financial obligations and pay your debts. You should probably review your insurance policies. But be careful of entering contractual agreements at this time. Deals often fall through or people just do not live up to their end of the bargain. However, if the Moon and ruler of the eighth house are natively well aspected, this progression can indicate financial gain. Remember, the eighth house has to do with the occult, dreams, visions, the astral world, and things related to death. Thus gains often come in the form of an inheritance, bequeath, or insurance benefit. If the natal Moon and the ruler of the natal eighth house are heavily afflicted, it is likely that there will be a death or separation from someone who is close to you.

### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE NINTH HOUSE**

The ninth house relates to higher education, philosophy, theology, law, medicine, distant travel, and foreign cultures. During this cycle, it is likely you will travel quite extensively or continue with your education, though it may not be formal education. You tend to become more philosophical and reflect deeply on life's mysteries. If the natal Moon and the ruler of the ninth are well aspected, this is a good time for settling legal issues. Though the seventh house symbolizes open enemies and the general public, the ninth indicates whether there will be legal battles between you. If the Moon is afflicted natively and by progression, be cautious of anything that can lead to legal problems or litigation. Be cautious when traveling, and be cautious of religious people.

### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE TENTH HOUSE**

The tenth house rules events and conditions related to your career. If the natal Moon and the ruler of the tenth house are well aspected, changes that occur will most likely be



favorable. They should bring advancement and added responsibility. Changes, whether you consider them to be favorable or unfavorable, will involve people in positions of influence and authority. People usually become more ambitious and concerned about their future at this time. Remember, the Moon is a symbol of change. As it moves through the house of career and ambition, expect that changes and adjustments will need to be made. If you can do this skillfully and harmoniously, it will prove to your boss that you have what it takes to move on to a higher and more rewarding position.

The tenth house is also the house of destiny and reputation. The Moon is not very comfortable here because it is 180 degrees away from its natural rulership of the fourth house. You should protect your business reputation when the Moon is in the tenth, particularly if the Moon is afflicted. If you were born with the Moon afflicted in the tenth house, it indicates that your career will go through many changes or difficulties. You need to watch your business affairs very closely during the two and a half years when the Moon moves through the tenth by progression, especially when it forms negative aspects.

If you are a businessperson or you are interested in building a career, you also need to watch the two and a half days each month when the transiting Moon passes through your tenth house. Be mindful that you do not make changes externally or attitudinally that will hurt your career. The transiting Moon may only trigger small events, but remember that it will happen over 144 times during any twelve-year period. Small grains of sand do make a mountain.

### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE ELEVENTH HOUSE**

If the natal Moon is favorable, this is a great cycle to explore new friendships. It is also a good period for expanding your involvement with organizations, clubs, or community groups. This would be a perfect time to reflect deeply on your life goals and whether they need to be refined or changed. If the natal Moon is afflicted or makes hard aspects while moving through the eleventh house, this can indicate difficulties with friends and organizations or an inability to be clear about your life goals.

### **PROGRESSED MOON THROUGH THE TWELFTH HOUSE**

The Moon in the twelfth house manifests as a karmic rush — a series of events that seek to resolve the unresolved karma from the last thirty years of your life. Any planet passing through the twelfth symbolizes the end of a major cycle, and thus a period when there will be a temporary intensification of karmic activity. This is why planets in



the twelfth house often bring disagreeable conditions or events that are experienced as being unpleasant from a subjective point of view.

The twelfth house is called the house of self-undoing, self-confinement, and hidden sorrows. However, I would emphasize that it is also the house of self-help and self-liberation. You have confined yourself — mentally, emotionally, or physically — and only you can free yourself from that self-imposed bondage. But this cannot happen until that bondage or limitation becomes apparent to you. The Moon's movement through the twelfth offers you an opportunity to see the karmic pattern of your subconscious mind and to change it. The Moon's progression through this house brings you into contact with a deeper and more meaningful part of your inner life — a facet of your being that measures experience from a very different standard than your conscious mind.

The Moon in the twelfth indicates that it is time for you to stop daydreaming. You need to break free of the self-centered emotions of your childhood and reestablish contact with the nature of the Earth and the nature of the inner Reality of your being. This happens through your own conscious efforts, either while the Moon is in the twelfth or when the Moon crosses the ascendant and enters the first house. When the Moon crosses the ascendant, external events and changes in your personality occur that make it easier to perceive and thus liberate yourself from self-imposed confinement. However, if you can break free while the Moon is in the twelfth, the change in the karmic pattern of your subconscious will be permanent and much more profound.

Finally, the twelfth house symbolizes your hidden enemies — those souls who you do not know but who consciously or unconsciously wish to harm you. The significance of this can be understood on a much subtler level when you reflect on the truth that we are each our own worst enemy, and that the goal of life is to know thy self...and thus free thy self.

## PROGRESSED MOON IN ASPECT TO MERCURY

### PROGRESSED MOON HARMONIOUS TO MERCURY

These cycles indicate periods of change. The changes, subtle or apparent, tend to produce general prosperity. They improve your social position and career. Your emotions become more stable, and communications are quite good. There is an inclination to study and learn. You feel resourceful. The force of the Moon's influence on Mercury activates the mind in a way that encourages inventiveness and openness to new methods that make your social and business lives more successful and enjoyable.

Because of their rulership of thought and emotion, Mercury and the Moon are very significant factors when it comes to sustaining your psychological health. When the progressed Moon and Mercury form harmonious aspects, the intellect and emotions are joined in a way that brings success into life and permits changes to manifest in a healthy and productive way. Mercury rules all forms of communication and transportation, and the Moon relates to the general public. Thus these aspects produce social pleasures that incline you toward travel, study, and entertainment.

### PROGRESSED MOON INHARMONIOUS TO MERCURY

When the progressed Moon is inharmonious to Mercury, communications become difficult and stressful. There is conflict between the logic and emotions that can cause psychological or physiological problems — especially in the stomach, neck, or throat. You and other people do not see eye to eye during these aspects. Conflicts and difficulties are usually caused by misunderstandings due to miscommunication. Problems generally produce emotional tension. You need to be cautious when writing, signing documents, engaging in conversation, or traveling. All of these Mercurial activities can affect both your personal and business lives in a negative way.

Hard aspects between the Moon and Mercury make the mind very active, which can produce insomnia, particularly if one of the planets rules the 8<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> house or is located in one of these houses. Problems can arise with women, children, and babies. Mercury rules siblings, neighbors, and business matters. If afflicted by the Moon, it produces difficulties with family, neighbors, or career that are linked to women and children, the general public, or good old everyday emotionality.



### **PROGRESSED MOON PARALLEL MERCURY**

This progression can last for many years. Its influence enhances your life and surroundings. You become more ambitious and seek to improve yourself and the circumstances of your life. The energy of this aspect seems to affect the people around you, as opposed to affecting you directly. It strengthens any other aspects that partile at the same time. It tends to be a positive force, especially if Mercury and the Moon are natally well aspected to other planets.

### **PROGRESSED MOON CONJUNCT MERCURY**

This conjunction brings positive changes and social advancement. But it can also reveal health problems, which are most commonly related to the circulatory system, lungs, heart, or stomach. This aspect usually makes you move and/or undertake major renovations of your inner and outer environment. Your life experiences new beginnings, usually with new relationships, new projects, and new responsibilities. Great benefits manifest if you are prudent.

### **PROGRESSED MOON SEXTILE MERCURY**

This sextile makes you feel more hopeful, inspired, and confident in the pursuit of your goals. The changes that occur at this time will be very beneficial. Traveling will offer new opportunities. It is an excellent time for making new friends and establishing new relationships. Your social standing will improve. You will be drawn toward a circle of people who strengthen your soul and have a deeper interest in culture and literary creativity.

### **PROGRESSED MOON SQUARE MERCURY**

This will be a very difficult period, especially in your domestic life and relationships with women. It is a bad time for making changes, traveling, beginning relationships, or starting a new venture of any kind, especially business or financial ventures. If there is a negative solar progression firing at the same time, it indicates the potential for a grave ordeal. Your health and the health of those around you need to be protected. Problems that arise seem to affect the circulatory system and stomach.

### **PROGRESSED MOON TRINED MERCURY**

This is an excellent cycle for success. It is also a very favorable time for matters related to the house areas ruled by the Moon and Mercury. Your life should improve during this aspect, and many of your lifelong ambitions or desires may be fulfilled. New friendships and pleasant environments will make your life more peaceful and enjoyable. Favor is gained from your boss, business associates, and people in general, especially women and young people.

### **PROGRESSED MOON OPPOSITION MERCURY**

This progression indicates a critical period that brings trying and unpleasant events into your life. It is a negative period that often causes anxiety and sorrow. There is a separation from those you love or need because they move away or become emotionally lost in other things. There can be disappointments and a loss of dignity. Your honor can be tainted, so be careful. Like all progressions between the luminaries and a planet, this aspect brings change and transformation. Major problems that cause you to become unpopular can manifest between you and people linked to Mercury and the Moon. Be extra careful when dealing with your boss, the public, neighbors, siblings, your mother, and women in general.

### **PROGRESSED MOON INCONJUNCT MERCURY**

This aspect produces a period of emotional anxiety that can be so strong it affects your health. Stress from conflicts and disputes between you and a family member or business associate often results in headaches and stomach problems. The underlying basis of this stress and anxiety is some form of guilt.

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## PROGRESSED MOON IN ASPECT TO VENUS

### PROGRESSED MOON HARMONIOUS TO VENUS

Venus is the heart and higher emotions. It is also the symbol of love and what we value, which for most people is money. These aspects bring changes that are favorable for romantic relationships, financial dealings, and social advancement. They tend to activate greater social and romantic energy, which produces love, camaraderie, friendship, and pleasant social interactions. They make the personality more cheerful and pleasant. They also stimulate artistic creativity, particularly if either planet rules the fifth house or is located there. In a women's chart, these aspects often indicate pregnancy or romance. In a man's chart, they imply career opportunities, romance, or a general improvement in economic conditions.

### PROGRESSED MOON INHARMONIOUS TO VENUS

When the progressed Moon afflicts Venus, it can cause real problems in your personal life. It brings difficulties with friends, financial matters, and romance. When Venus is afflicted, you need to guard against extravagance and overindulgence. There are often misunderstandings with lovers, friends, and people you know socially. These misunderstandings can be costly or result in financial loss. The difficulties that arise on an emotional level are usually due to lack of insight. This, in turn, produces a lack of self-confidence that affects romantic, social, and business relationships. The difficulties, misunderstandings, and excesses that arise are usually related to the sign the progressed Venus is in, and even more so the house Venus rules in the natal chart. These aspects can also produce health problems in and around the genitals and more personal parts of the body.

### PROGRESSED MOON PARALLEL VENUS

This is a very auspicious aspect. It brings success and affluence while it is active. Under its influence, your mind becomes cheerful, content, and predisposed toward peaceful pleasures. You will not take yourself or life as seriously as you normally do. Your life becomes more comfortable, your social circle expands, and the people who come into your life elevate your social standing. This powerful period brings new relationships and opportunities that will be beneficial both personally and professionally. There will be romance, and your finances will improve. You will take more pleasure in art and beauty. Life should go smoothly for a while.



### **PROGRESSED MOON CONJUNCT VENUS**

This is a very favorable cycle for social and business affairs. It brings more pleasure into your life and relationships that are quite satisfying. You will readily respond to beauty and affection, and your soul will be linked to warmth and friendship. This aspect is a key symbol of engagement, marriage, or a long-term and meaningful live-in relationship. You will be happy and peaceful. Everything should go easily during this period. If you are artistic by nature, this will be a creative and productive period for you.

### **PROGRESSED MOON SEXTILE VENUS**

The progressed sextile opens up doors of opportunity. If you are ready and aware, wonderful things will manifest in your life. This aspect is a very positive and fortunate period, but you must be ready to take advantage of what manifests. Your emotions will be strongly inclined toward romance and affection. This will bring new acquaintances into your life that will help you to achieve success. Your life will be more pleasurable, and your financial affairs will improve.

### **PROGRESSED MOON SQUARE VENUS**

A progressed square between the Moon and Venus can cause real problems. Beware of romantic relationships and financial dealings. If you are not careful, there can be romantic, emotional, and financial losses. This is a time when it will be difficult to deal with other people, which can lead to disappointment, anxiety, and sadness. Your romantic and domestic life will not be peaceful or harmonious. Your home may look as if it was hit by a storm. This aspect makes you very sensitive. Thus you can be easily hurt romantically or emotionally. It is a very inauspicious time to begin new projects, partnerships, or intimate relationships.

### **PROGRESSED MOON TRINE VENUS**

This is an outstandingly positive cycle in your life, especially if other harmonious aspects are active at the same time. Events, people, and circumstances manifest in your life that offer wonderful venues to express your inner nature and higher emotions. People who come into your life will be pleasant, bring benefits, and add greater meaning to your life. There is advancement at work and happiness at home. Your personal life will be peaceful and content. Your financial condition will improve, though you will tend to



spend money as quickly as it comes in. This is a successful period in your life, but the degree of success you experience depends on your surroundings and environment. Understand this, and find the right environment to attain your goals.

### **PROGRESSED MOON OPPOSITION VENUS**

This progressed opposition is a negative period that brings loss and disappointment related to romance and money. There is often sadness because of events that manifest in your family or home life. It is an unfavorable time for investing, starting a new venture, or beginning an intimate relationship. This will be a demanding and trying period for you. Thus you must be vigilant, especially when dealing with lovers. It is a dangerous time for relationships with the opposite sex. The most important thing to remember about this progression is to refrain from mixing love and money. It can lead to liability and disgrace. If nothing else, it will bring sorrow, disappointment, and separation.

### **PROGRESSED MOON INCONJUNCT VENUS**

Under this aspect, watch out for your sweet tooth and a tendency toward overindulgence and extravagance. Overindulgence is generally a sign of frustration. Gain control of your emotions. This will help to keep your body and mind healthy. This progression indicates that there is a danger of guilt related to romance and money, which can affect your health if you are not careful. Find the source of the guilt, and neutralize it.

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### STUDY QUESTIONS — LESSON FOUR

1. What did the ancients conceive the Moon to be?
2. What is the relationship between lunar progressions and other planetary forces?
3. What did the ancients understand lunar progressions to be?
4. Why are lunar progressions so important in determining the future?
5. What does the Moon represent and symbolize?
6. What vital astrological principle is linked to the significance of the Moon?
7. What are the Moon's natal and progressed positions in relationship to events in your life?
8. What is the window of activity for a lunar progression?
9. What does it mean to say the Moon is a subjective amplifier?
10. What does it mean to say the Sun is an objective amplifier?
11. How does knowing where an aspect is amplified help to balance the karma it contains?
12. Where will the central theme or meaning of a lunar progression be experienced?
13. In what way can you conceive or think about a planet that is passing through a house?
14. How does the Moon's presence in a house affect that area of life?
15. What is the primary difference between a transit and progression?
16. What is the average speed of the progressed Moon?



17. How long does it take the progressed Moon to move through a house or sign?
18. What is the difference between the Moon's transit and progression through a house?
19. Why is Pluto's progression into a new house or sign significant?
20. What valuable exercise can reveal how the Moon activates your soul?
21. In what way is the energy release of a progressed planet affected when it forms an aspect?
22. In what way does the energy release of a progressed planet shift when it makes an aspect?
23. Where is greater emphasis generally placed when interpreting a progressed aspect?
24. What is the consistent theme of the Moon's progression through the twelve houses?
25. What symbolizes the changes a personality goes through with the Moon in the first?
26. What is your greatest wealth?
27. What does the fourth house symbolize mystically?
28. Why do you become more popular when the Moon sweeps into the seventh house?
29. What difficult attitude is associated with the sixth house?
30. What attitude can bring problems with the Moon in the eighth house?
31. How does the progressed Moon manifest in the twelfth house?
32. What does a planet passing through the twelfth house symbolize?
33. Why do planets in the twelfth house often bring disagreeable conditions or events?
34. What opportunity does the Moon's movement through the twelfth house offer?

35. Who is your worst hidden enemy?
36. Why are Mercury and the Moon significant factors in sustaining psychological health?
37. Why do afflictions between Mercury and the Moon cause psychological problems?
38. What underlies the stress and anxiety of progressed Moon inconjunct Mercury?
39. What do you need to guard against when Venus is afflicted?
40. Why is the right environment necessary for attaining your goal?
41. What is the most important thing to remember when progressed Moon opposes Venus?
42. What does overindulgence generally indicate?

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