

General Hints in Predictive Astrology – (for beginners)*
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1. Interpretation of horoscope is a matter of decoding divine qualities of zodiac and of planets.
2. Objective analysis is to be made with proper wording to prevent possible errors and ill effects thereto on native's psychology.
3. All efforts should be taken to see that this science of Astrology do not create wrong fears or undue confidence.
4. The duty of Astrologer is to follow a code of discipline to ensure that this divine science is useful to all.
5. Accurate and useful prediction is, in a sense, a gut feeling of a good practitioner with a divine blessing.
6. Initiate the study of any chart with respects to Guru, Ishta daivam and Science of Astrology and with a sense of utility to native.
7. No planet is isolated. All planets work in a concerted manner. At any given time native gets a package deal of all planets with a leadership of one or more planets depending on their strength in dasa system and / or in transit.
8. Base is only 27 stars, 9 planets and 12 rasis, 12 bhavas - with innumerable number of permutations and combinations anything can be proved / disproved in astrology. Predictive skills should be refined every time, to guard, against such complexities.
9. Basics like graha tatwa, bhava tatwa and rasi tatwa to be analyzed everytime . Graha tatwa to be studied in relation to bhava tatwa without ignoring the background rasi tatwa
10. Longevity, Lagna and 11th bhava strength are to be invariably considered while reading any bhava.
11. Always elicit and use properly the environmental data like - age, aptitude, medical reports, inheritances, social conditions etc,
12. Do not get hurried OR hesitant to conclude prediction.
13. Express negative OR positive predictions in a useful way.
14. Do not mix different systems of astrology.
15. Do not get biased by any attachment to the native / perturbed by events under study-

Following are some of the instances where one is likely to get into an unknown bias.

- i.study of chart of a relative / friend ,
 - ii.study of a chart dealt with earlier ,
 - iii.review of an earlier prediction ,
 - iv. Critical family affairs, financial crisis, medical condition, etc.
16. Mathematical calculations should be meticulous but not to the extent of eroding predictive skills. Calculations are for quantitative analysis while predictive part is a qualitative assessment. Both are important and are to be used in a judicious way.
 17. Disciplined way of life and detailed study of the system and careful observation of chart definitely lead to valuable readings.
 18. Intuition of astrologer plays a vital role in predictions. Intuition is described, in a way, as a sixth sense. Using all known five senses in a disciplined way is a definite base for best intuition. This is first step to reach higher levels and should be practiced by everyone.
 19. Common sense is the essential element in predictive part of astrology.

20. Astrology subject do have some limitations - like any other science - One should use this science within the limitations to draw the best results.

21. Clarify to everyone what can be known / what is to be known / how to know anything from the science of astrology - it is a divine subject - everything / anything / at any time / by anybody cannot be known without divine blessing.

22. Revelations of ‘Karma theory’ cannot be ignored in the study of astrology.

Karma theory reveal the prevailing mix of prarabdha, sanchita, agami with the aid of Sun (atmakaraka), Moon (manokaraka) and other five planets (representing human body i., flesh, blood, bones etc, Just as human body is subjected to the influence of biological inheritance, environmental effects etc., the soul is subjected to the prarabdha karma. Combined action of soul and body is the result of human actions. These actions are qualified by satwa, rajo, and thamo gunas of mind. In short, the input of human actions are qualified by satwa, rajo, thamo gunas while the output get classified into dharma, ardha, kama, moksha. The output can again be, broadly, classified into spiritual (dharma, moksha) and materialistic (ardha,kama). In Predictions –bhava results do fall into spiritual/material aspect of life. In the light of this the role of Karma theory cannot be ignored in predictive astrology.

Significance of astrology is to be seen in the light of highest level of human attainment. Astrology teaches in great detail about the controls upon us. The real value of astrology is gained when the astrologer and the client are convinced of the need for spiritual progress in their lives.

Note: List of hints cannot be concluded - anytime anybody's experience can improve the list. Hence reader is requested to improve for better use and circulate.
