



## *Rising Sign in Gemini*

Gemini was rising at your birth; a sign belonging to the element air and to the common or mutable quality. You have good mental abilities and an active and flexible mind. This is one of the intellectual signs, and those who are born under it usually have abilities for writing, studying, speaking or thinking. You are fond of books and reading, you can learn easily from books or lectures, you can apply your mind to a variety of subjects and are ingenious and inventive. You are suitable for receiving a good education and are adapted for almost any literary pursuit or clerical work. You have good reasoning powers, a thoughtful mind, and are fluent either of speech or pen. You have ability for languages and science and are also fond of travel. You have comprehensiveness of mind and a quick adaptability to various pursuits and studies, but you are somewhat lacking in concentration and perseverance. You are rather irresolute, uncertain, and changeable at times, do not feel sure of yourself and may even hold or express contradictory opinions. You are liable to worry and irritation and are easily upset by little annoyances. You are kind, humane and sympathetic, but you know what it is to have fits of shyness, nervousness, and reserve, when you withdraw into yourself. Reason and understanding are your strong faculties, but you are liable to lack continuity and strength of will. Mercury is the ruling planet of the sign Gemini.

Gemini is ruled by Mercury, the god of speed. Consequently, Gemini ascending tends to make the native quick and quick-witted. Gemini controls the hands, arms, and nervous system generally; so the individual is likely to be interested in using the hands, as well as the mind. This ascendant gives a probing, curious mind which is constantly on the alert for anything new or different. There is a desire to acquire knowledge and to experiment. The person feels a great need to communicate with others both verbally and with the written word. The native is of a 'dual' nature and may have income from more than one source or pursue two careers at the same time. Gemini ascending should guard against being a "jack-of-all-trades" only and develop more persistence.

The first impression others receive of you is of someone in constant motion: your hands resemble sign language; your eyes dart here and there, your body does not sit still in a chair. Restlessness underlies your personality; it is the symptom of your yearning for something that is just beyond your reach. You need change and variety and are often discontent with your present lot. Gemini is the sign of duality and this is evident in the lives of Gemini Ascendants. You can be happy and unhappy at the same time, satisfied yet dissatisfied. Of course, this can be said of many people, but in your case you are discontent for a specific reason: You feel you have not lived up to your potential. You sense that there is an experience just over the horizon that will make you feel truly fulfilled, and you resent the strictures that you may think keep you from venturing out to find it. A striking characteristic of Gemini-Rising people is their ability to use words to say exactly what is meant. To you, clarity is a tribute that words pay to ideas. You

are well informed, witty, and mentally quick. Gemini-Rising people tend to move into positions of prominence not by force of will but by their facile way of handling people. You adore having an audience. Many of you become actors and writers and are successful in the entertainment industry, TV, journalism, and the literary world.

As a Gemini-Rising person you have an excitable nature that is quick to react to any stimulus, to come up with an answer to any question; and also to get upset easily. You throw yourself into a project with nerve and enthusiasm, then worry and fret (usually quite audibly) about this thing going wrong or that person not liking you, about how long everything is taking. However, you have a marvelous mercurial quality, and your high spirits and interest are quickly revived. You go out of your way to keep busy, if not at your vocation then at your avocation. You love puzzles, games, books, and the computer; or anything that will amuse and occupy the mind.

There is a basic coolness to the Gemini-Rising personality. Even though you love to be with people and appear to have charming warmth, yours is a mental rather than emotional outlook. You deal with feelings and relationships exactly as you do with facts and figures; as things that can be analyzed. There is also a tendency to be egotistical, for fundamentally you know that you know better than others.

You like to encounter many different situations and people. You travel, change residences and occupations, and often marry more than once. Blessed with a natural sense of drama, you know how to heighten and brighten any experience.

As a Gemini Ascendant, you tend to have small sharp features, twinkling eyes that are filled with humor, a friendly smile, and graceful arms and hands that you use to great effect. You move with quickness and agility and hold on to your youthful looks well into old age.

The planet Mercury, which rules Gemini, is very prominent in your horoscope. The influence of Mercury bestows a high intellect, acute perceptions, cleverness, adroitness in speaking and writing, and a flair for foreign languages. It also encourages arrogance, sarcasm, snobbishness, cynicism, and disorganization.

