



Rising Sign in Leo

Leo was rising at your birth; a sign belonging to the element fire and of the fixed quality. This gives you an open, candid and honorable disposition, magnanimous and generous. You have dignity and self-confidence that will sustain you in trouble and difficulty, and that will bring you to the front in life if you use your opportunities wisely. You do not under-rate your own value, but are ambitious and masterful with large and far-reaching aims and schemes. You have some degree of pride and fondness for display and ostentation at times, and the sense of the dramatic is strong in you. You have a warm heart and ardent affections and make a very faithful friend, one not liable to change or vacillate. You are compassionate, tender and sympathetic, and anxious to give help to those who need it and to protect those who need protection. Your pride is rather easily touched, and anger is sometimes quick to rise, but you are a forgiving enemy and prefer peace to war. You have a firm strong will and do not readily change your course when you have once decided on it, but are capable of persistent effort extended over a long period. You are cheerful, hopeful, sociable and companionable. Your feelings and emotions are quickly roused, you are rather fond of luxury and pleasure, and may need to put some curb upon this side of your nature. The Sun is the ruler of the sign Leo.

In Astrology, the Sun rules the heart and the basic individuality. Leo ascending usually makes for a bright and shining disposition and a strong character. Often there is a magnetic personal appeal that begets admiration, just what Leo wants most! The native is normally good-natured and generous; sometimes overly so. They are inclined to speak frankly, loudly, and with a flair that stimulates listeners to buy or believe. This ascendant is demonstrative, energetic, and possessed of great energy. There is a strong desire and need to be the center of attention, to 'show off.' The individual is basically good-humored, popular, and of a rather regal disposition. There may be a tendency and desire to 'run' the lives of friends. Generally, these individuals are the 'hand shakers' and 'back slappers' of the zodiac.

Leo ascending signifies nobility of character, high ideals, and great personal magnetism. If you have Leo rising, you are big-hearted, expansive, benevolent, and kind. You consider it beneath you to stoop to pettiness, carping, stinginess, or narrow-mindedness. Because you are so magnanimous in spirit, you find it hard to believe ill of others. You are the opposite of the Irish."

Of course the world does not always live up to anyone's expectations, and Leo Ascendants are puzzled and hurt by meanness and ungenerosity. At such times you simply put on your regal air and make sure the underling knows in what contempt and low esteem he or she is held.

Rising-Leos have a great sense of showmanship. You love to put on lavish displays; whether it is decorating your house with expensive and elegant things or dressing in attention-getting clothes or throwing a splendid dinner party. To less flamboyant types you may appear ostentatious, a show-off, and extravagant. But your showy displays are not only to get

attention; you see life in larger-than-life terms and aspire to the highest and the best. This quality draws others to you and, in itself, attracts power and influence.

Leo-Rising people seem surrounded by luck in money, career, and friendship. You are not an especially hard worker but tend to achieve success through the influence and pull of others. Fame and fortune come to you when you aren't looking for it.

You are efficient at organizing groups of people and inspiring them to give their best. You are happiest in the role of leader. In fact, you feel wounded if your public doesn't put you in that position. When not given what you feel is your due, you can turn haughty, temperamental, and arrogant. Leo is the sign of pride, and Ascendant natives have this in abundance. You are self-confident and have a resolute faith in yourself.

There is a basic likeableness about you, partly because you give the distinct impression that life is fun. You have a wonderful sense of humor. (Note: Rising-Leos have a particularly soft spot for children and spoil them outrageously.)

As a Leo-Rising person, you tend to have a large, beautifully shaped head, thick shining hair, a dazzling smile with bright, even teeth, and a stately bearing. Many of you are benefited by an inheritance later in your lives. Whatever path you choose to follow, you usually emerge on the sunny side of the hill.

The Sun, which rules Leo, is very prominent in your horoscope. The influence of the Sun bestows enthusiasm, generosity, power, warmth, creative self-expression, passion, and courage. It also encourages egotism, arrogance, snobbism, conceit, pomposity, and condescension.

