

Mars in Gemini

The sign that Mars occupies shows the language you speak to experience and express anger, and also to define and express your “little s” self. The element of the sign is the dominant language and gives specific guidance about how and why you take action. The sign itself is a dialect of that language and provides additional, more specific information about what you desire, why you take action, and how you encounter anger.

JOURNAL QUESTIONS & INSTRUCTIONS

Read the descriptions below, and then go back and revisit each of the earlier journal questions. Review your answers, and then expand on them, incorporating the new information about the language you speak. Focus on how and why you express Mars.

Mars in Air Signs

With Mars in an Air sign, you connect with your ego and your “little s” self on the mental, social, and intellectual plane. Your personal sense of self is a collection of ideas, abstract concepts, and stories, and these guide how you take action and expend energy in the world. Because the language of Air is so concerned with outer appearances and conscious reality, words are extremely important to you. You define yourself through labels, and you behave accordingly. Your ego relies on the world being objective and rational, presenting you with clear, unambiguous choices. You care about content but not context, and this can be challenging.

Without context the objective reality is that there are always multiple options. And the moment you choose option A, you have to relinquish option B. This wouldn't be an issue if you truly desired either option A or option B, but most of the time what you desire is having options. You prefer having options to making choices. But Mars needs to focus to function. There's a limit to how long you can keep your options open before you're forced to make a choice.

Your anger is also abstract and intellectual. You will be triggered by ideas and ideals rather than by emotions or experiences. In part because your ego identity is comprised of abstract concepts and definitions, you will defend your perceptions. Your battles will be on the mental,



social, and intellectual plane, and words are your weapons. You need to prove that you are right, that your perceptions and observations are correct, and that other people's are wrong.

Mars in Gemini

Mars in Gemini wants to take action that resolves the illusions of duality. Because choosing one path means not exploring the other, Mars in Gemini acts quickly, dexterously, and often in tandem, maintaining parallel courses of action until he discovers how to connect and unify both ends of the spectrum. What matters to Mars in Gemini is speed; more than anything, he wants to keep moving. Mars in Gemini dislikes confrontation—it takes too much time and requires that he focus on a single course of action. Mars in Gemini prefers to evade rather than to confront, and always chooses brains over brawn. There's no need to defeat an opponent when it's just as easy (and considerably more fun) to confuse and distract him until he's no longer a threat. The challenge for Mars in Gemini is not to confuse innocence with ignorance. When Mars in Gemini feels ignorant, it brings up shame. Mars defends against this pain becoming trapped at the level of pride, taking extreme action to prove that he is right.

When you are in Right Relationship with Mars in Gemini, you are as good as your word. When you express a thought, it's never hypothetical. The instant the words are out of your mouth, you take action. Other people might wonder, "What happens if I do this...?" but you've already done it and know the answer. It's a good thing that you're completely anchored in the Present Moment, because that gives you the dexterity and agility to respond to the sudden, and often unexpected consequences of your actions. Your curiosity may get you in trouble, but your ingenuity and skill gets you out of it again. As playful and even reckless as you may appear to others, you are fully accountable for your actions and their consequences. This accountability is how you learn from your experiences and develop new skills. As you interact with and explore your "little r" reality, you learn how the world works. You draw connections and expand your context, first mastering the Law of Cause and Effect, and then mastering the Law of Attraction. You are eager for the next challenge because each challenge leads you to a greater experience of truth.

When you are out of alignment with Mars in Gemini, you do not know nearly as much as you think you do. You know *about* things, but you don't *know* things. All of your information is based on appearance (reality) and not essence (truth). You are limited by the consciousness of pride, and therefore when you act, you use force, not power. You take on multiple projects at once, and put on an impressive show of energy and skill. However, keeping as many balls in the air as you do requires precision and focus that are only available in the Present Moment. You spend all of your time anticipating the future. You act based on where things should be, rather on where they are. The smallest error disrupts the system and the dominos begin to fall. Each time you correct a mistake, you create two new ones. You become overwhelmed, distracted and irritated. You step out of integrity and rely on excuses and stories to avoid being held accountable for your actions. You rationalize your behavior and move farther from any semblance of truth. Eventually, everything falls apart and you descend into shame and humiliation. From here, you pick up the pieces and start over again.