

Mars in Virgo

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 Earth Signs

With Mars in an Earth sign, you connect with your ego and your “little s” self on the physical and material plane. Your sense of self is quite literally anchored in your physical body and based on your internal, unconscious, objective, and sequential experiences of reality. You define yourself based on feelings and experiences. You have a strong connection to your internal essence, but your understanding of that essence is literal, sequential, analytical, and entirely left-brained. You lack an appreciation of context, and you assume that your personal experience of reality is objective and universal.

Your desires are practical and tangible, and while they're motivated by your internal, unconscious feelings, you always have an objective, rational, impersonal justification for why you want what you want. Your anger is also impersonal and objective. You have logical, sequential, rational reasons for your anger, although you are not naturally inclined to express that anger because it's also unconscious and internal. However, when you do experience anger, you're apt to believe that it's obvious and clearly justified. You reject or deny any personal or subjective motivations behind your anger.



Mars in Virgo

Mars in Virgo takes action to perfect the material world. Mars in Virgo is motivated to be of service. Every action he takes is intended to make the world a better place for everyone. He acts quickly, and with great precision. He analyzes each situation, identifies what needs to be done, and then does it. Mars in Virgo is equally as precise and efficient whether defending or attacking. He begins by analyzing his own defenses, identifying all weaknesses and addressing them. Then he analyzes his opponent's weaknesses so he can exploit them. Mars in Virgo's weapons of choice are words and ideas. The challenge for Mars in Virgo is to discriminate between what is real and what is true. He can become attached to the world of form and obsessed with an unattainable ideal of perfection. This traps him at the level of fear because of his inability to manifest that ideal in form.

When you are in Right Relationship with Mars in Virgo, you act with precision and efficiency. You always consider your options and the context before you act. You are eager to serve because service is an expression of your Core Values and your Personal Standards of Integrity. The intention behind your actions is always to create or reveal perfection. You're comfortable interacting with the material world, but this is not always the most effective strategy. When you encounter what you perceive to be a lack of perfection, you are willing to look within and confront your own thoughts, judgments and consciousness. The flaw may not be in form, but rather in the story you tell about it. A shift in context and a change in your story can have far greater influence over your "little r" reality than any action you could take in form. You have an instinctive understanding of how things work, both in form and in spirit. You comprehend both the whole and the individual parts. Because you stay anchored in the Present Moment and within the confines of "My Business," when you notice how something could be improved, you are not compelled to fix it. You recognize this awareness for what it truly is: the inspiration to create something new.

When you are out of alignment with Mars in Virgo, you can't stop fixing things. You confuse what is real with what is true, and mistakenly believe you can perfect your "little r" reality. You step out of "My Business," and into "God's Business," and every action you take represents force, not power. You believe that if you want something done right, you have to do it yourself. Since there's *always* something that needs to be done right, you never have time to rest. No matter what the problem, you are driven to find a solution. Others marvel at how you can find solutions when they don't even see a problem. Your relentless pursuit of perfection can become compulsive. You are driven to fix your "little r" reality because you fear that you, yourself, are flawed and imperfect. This is because you have lost your connection to your "Big S" Self, and believe that you are your ego/body. You distract yourself from this pain by trying to perfect the world. The busier you are, the less you notice the pain. You tell yourself that once you have solved all of the problems in your "little r" reality, you will finally feel safe, loved, and happy.