

Mercury in Libra

The sign that Mercury occupies shows the language you speak to understand, communicate, and narrate the story of your “little r” reality. The element of the sign is the dominant language and gives specific guidance about how and why you tell your story. The sign itself is a dialect of that language and provides additional, more specific information about how you attempt to understand and communicate.

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 Mercury.

Mercury in Air Signs

With Mercury in an Air sign, you understand and process information through the mental, social, intellectual, and abstract realms. You rely heavily on your perceptions and observations, and you are almost exclusively concerned with the outer appearance of reality. Your story is filled with precise, specific details and nuanced language. You fully embrace the power of words, thoughts, and ideas. Your story is sequential, objective, conscious, and external.

Communication is all about words and language. You care about the content rather than the context, and you may fail to notice or decode important information contained in the subtext or conveyed through tone of voice or body language. You tend to dismiss the emotional context because it's subjective and irrational. You process information in a linear, sequential, rational, conscious manner, although at times your mind operates so swiftly that the individual steps may become a blur.

Mercury in Libra

Mercury in Libra tells a story about relationships. The story is still the story of your Hero's Journey; however, it's told from multiple points of view, incorporating not only your perspective, but the perspective of the other characters as well. You see the themes and the Core Values of



your story reflected in your interactions with others. The interplay of these multiple perspectives creates an intricate and harmonious tapestry. The major themes of your story involve balance, beauty, and justice. Through relationships, you explore the limits and boundaries of individual identity. The challenge for Mercury in Libra is to incorporate other points of view without stepping into “Other People’s Business.” This can create patterns of shame and pride, creating conflict and imbalance in your relationships.

When you are in Right Relationship with Mercury in Libra, you are fully aligned with the truth of your “Big S” Self. You understand that everyone and everything you encounter in your “little r” reality is an aspect of your “Big S” Self. Each person in your life is a mirror. This allows you to see yourself from other people’s perspectives without ever leaving the confines of “My Business.” You communicate with absolute authenticity because you stay connected to your Personal Standards of Integrity and your Core Values. You know that however things may appear in your “little r” reality that love is the ultimate truth of every relationship and every story. You strive for balance and harmony in all of your interactions, but your understanding of balance is connected to an inherent sense of justice. More importantly, you understand that justice is not the same thing as fairness. For example, it’s not fair that in some situations you will have to set aside your own desires to accommodate the needs and wishes of others; however, it is just. You may compromise your desires on occasion, but you never compromise your integrity.

When you are out of alignment with Mercury in Libra, you identify with your “little s” self rather than with your “Big S” Self. You tell a story that keeps you small, where you must be constantly vigilant and avoid crossing any boundaries or upsetting anyone else. You are acutely aware of other people, and obsessed with what you believe other people think of you. You spend almost all of your time in “Other People’s Business.” You have an intense dislike of conflict. You believe the best way to resolve conflict is to anticipate it and avoid it entirely, even if this means compromising your integrity. You create a fake persona, a mask that you wear that shows others what you think they want to see. You use your considerable intelligence, charm, wit, and guile to make sure that whatever the situation, you always come out on top. Because you lack a connection to your “Big S” Self, you are unable to tell the difference between what is real and what is true. You see nothing wrong with manipulating your story and creatively altering your “little r” reality to suit your needs. You rely on the fact that you can fool all of the people some of the time. Eventually, your lack of integrity and accountability will cause your stories to come crashing down around you. The people you fooled into liking you will turn on you, abandoning you to your “little s” story.