VENUS AND YOUR LOVE LANGUAGE

Dr Gary Chapman has a bestseller book called "The Five Love Languages" which outlines that people express and receive love in their own way, their own language. Dr Chapman goes further to say that we don't "feel" loved if we are speaking a different language to our loved one. This book has become a bestseller for good reason. There is much truth in the fact that people give and receive love differently. Chapman names five specific love languages – gift giving, affirmations, practicality, quality time and physical touch. All five can feature in a loving relationship, but his premise is that one or more take precedence, and that couples need to be aware of each other's primary love languages.

In astrology we attribute our "love language" to the planet of love, Venus. Venus in your Birth Chart can shed much light on your love language, what you need when it comes to a successful relationship with your primary partner.

Venus in Aries demands quality time. This means the freedom to be yourself in a relationship. You are attracted to someone who is independent. In fact, you may be more interested in the chase, than you are in the person. For this reason, you need to ensure that you meet your match. The relationship planet Venus is not entirely comfortable in the independent Sign of Aries. You are well able to pursue your own desires, but are you able to connect and compromise? You are well matched with someone who can communicate their own love language clearly, and understand yours. And you value anyone who truly supports your need to pursue your own interests. A shared interest in sports could be a binding influence. The initial spark that you feel needs to be fanned to keep it burning in the long term. An element of excitement is greatly appreciated in your love life.

Venus in Taurus requires practical displays of love. Someone bringing you a cup of tea, or any warm brew attracts and maintains your attention. You also appreciate security, particularly financial security. You are a practical person, and your loved one needs to add value to your life. Some may call you callous but you know that you are in for the long term. Once you have committed to a relationship, you are unlikely to alter your course. Therefore, you need to choose your potential partners carefully. You are a sensual person. So, a compatible sexual partner is important. Your acts of practical love may not match someone else's love language. You need to ascertain their relationship needs so that you can gain the security that you crave. Affection, companionship, and knowing that someone is keeping the home fires burning (and the bills paid) warms your heart. Tender hearted love is your dearest wish.

Venus in Gemini equals a focus on intellect rapport. You need to compatibility on a mental level with any potential partner. Its not that you need deep and meaningful conversations, but rather that you can connect with someone through good conversation. A shared sense of humour is also vital. You enjoy flirtatious contacts, and like to keep relationship matters lighthearted. You delight in the company of a lover who is your match. Opposites may attract some, but you prefer to be on



the same wavelength, and to keep life (and relationships) simple. You also enjoy the company of someone who knows how to keep the interest going in a relationship. Boredom is a real turn-off for you. Your love language involves having fun, keeping the communication lines open and exploring hobbies, and interests together. You are also likely to be attracted to someone who is young at heart, perhaps even a lot younger than you. Age makes no difference in your mind.

Venus in Cancer indicates that you are most comfortable when you feel emotionally secure in your primary relationship. The easy flow of feelings is important to you. You need someone who listens, who spends quality time with you. Cancer is a Water Sign and so you could be attracted to someone who needs nurturing, perhaps someone younger than yourself. However, you also need to feel that your loved one is in your corner. You are likely to show your love through nurturing acts such as drawing a nice hot bath, cooking a nourishing meal, making a cup of tea and such like. You also delight in these acts being reciprocated. You want someone who feels so comfortable with you that they can fall asleep in your arms, or vice versa. Ultimately you may be attracted to someone who values family, home life and the company of small animals as much as you do. And lots of cuddles.

Venus in Leo means that your love language is likely to be the giving and receiving of gifts, and affirmations. You enjoy appreciation to be shown with the exchange of love tokens, as well as verbal or written praise. Small notes and romantic gestures go a long way to winning your heart. You are attracted to a lover who is generous, warm-hearted and positive. You enjoy romance, and togetherness. Fashion, beauty, and the arts may feature in your courtship. And you want to keep these elements going in a long-term relationship. Fun is also an important component in any love union. You enjoy a playful, light-hearted approach to love. You appreciate an element of luxury in your togetherness – an overnight stay at a luxury hotel, a joint visit to a space and such like outings. And you are also able to generate your own fun – a picnic in a scenic location, rose petals strewn over a bed and so on. The key is amore.

Venus in Virgo depicts a person who is looking for practicality in a love relationship. The planet of love doesn't sit entirely comfortably in logical Virgo. You can be discerning in matters of the heart, but perhaps a little too critical. You need someone who understands that practical acts of devotion are your love language. You could enjoy quality time, particularly if you meet your match when it comes to the meeting of two minds. Romance, gift giving and physical affection are not high on your love agenda. You would rather ensure that you have a partner who shares the same values, can communicate clearly and avoid messy emotions. A partner who enjoys matching wits is also highly attractive. Quality time for you could be playing board, or card games, or solving puzzles, or jointly undertaking any hobby that involves strategy and challenges your mental acuity.

Venus, the planet of love, is strong in the relationship-oriented Zodiac Sign Libra meaning that sharing the same love language is important, more so than usual. You require harmony, and connection in any relationship. Your primary partner needs to be tuned into your love language. You are likely to prefer gift giving, quality time and affirmations. Practicality and physical touch may not be as important. Affirmations are high on your list because you are a born diplomat, and appreciate it when a loved one communicates in a non-confrontative manner. You enjoy social chit chat, flirtatious banter and shared interests. Quality time in activities connected to beauty, fashion and the arts could all be shared with your partner. And you appreciate receiving love tokens. These don't have to be expensive. Thoughtful gifts are more likely to capture your heart. You can see the beauty in the presence of a single rose.

Venus in Scorpio is an indicator of the need for a strong bond with any loved one. Your primary partner needs to be tuned into your relationship, and your love language. Quality time and physical touch are high on your agenda. You don't need affirmations, but you do need someone who is honest and trustworthy. You are somewhat intense in any love union. Therefore, you need to choose your partner carefully. While practical acts of love are not necessary, you do want an ethical partner, who "walks their talk". A shared set of values is also highly important if you are to avoid conflict. You want your quality time to be very valuable, not wasted on someone who does not share your standards. You would rather focus on passion, connection and a shared sense of purpose, rather than waste time on disagreements, or emotional dramas.

Venus in Sagittarius could have the theme song "Don't Fence Me In" for your love life. You are attracted to anyone who likes to share adventure but who doesn't want to cage you. Your adventures could be small or big. It doesn't matter. As long as you have some to share in your escapades. Quality time could be your love language. And by quality time, you mean someone who is going to give you their full attention, to encourage your zest for life and to share your goals. Cupid's arrow is unlikely to strike many times, but when it does you are smitten. And you want your beloved to be just as enamoured as you. You need someone who can help you keep your love alive. A shared interest in sports, spirituality, culture, world events and politics, and travel would be your ideal. You may also delight in someone from another culture, or country, a person who can expand your world view while also connecting in a way that stirs your heart.

Venus in Capricorn is linked with practical acts of love. Your love language is all about shared values, an appreciation of common sense and working towards joint ambitions. You approach love cautiously and value people who walk their talk, rather than express their emotions. You believe that actions speak louder than words. You are generally happy in your own company, and only want to link with someone who adds value to your life. When you do fall in love, it's not a light-hearted affair. You are in for a long-term commitment. Therefore, you are looking for a person of substance. Some may think that you are somewhat cold in your approach to matters of the heart, but you know that your feelings are deep and that relationships are a serious business. You want to be taken seriously, and to negotiate a solid and strong partnership. You are not a touchy, feely person. Your heart is warmed when someone is sharing your workload, and also contributing to household finances.

Venus in Aquarius indicates that you need a partner who shares your interest in the world at large. A meeting of two minds is important, very important. Gift-giving, physical touch and affirmations are unlikely to be high on your agenda. You are looking for someone who can spend quality time with you in shared interests. These interests may be somewhat unorthodox, or cutting edge. You are keen to explore different ways of viewing the world, and you are keen to do this only with someone who is on your wavelength. Practical acts of love may also appeal, although not highly. You do appreciate someone who is a "can do" person, and supports you in this manner. A loving partnership can be based on sharing the daily tasks and responsibilities. Aquarius is Zodiac Sign that often goes against the grain. Therefore, you could also add a sixth love language to your list – the giving of freedom. You value anyone who gives you the freedom to pursue your own interests and agenda.

Venus, the planet of love, is delightful when in the romantic Zodiac Sign Pisces. Romance becomes a top priority when you have this combination. You need to be sympatico with your partner. Gift giving, quality time, affirmations and physical touch could all be your love language. You are not so concerned with expensive gift giving, preferring perhaps a flower that has been picked from a garden. Nor do you value practical acts of showing love. You yearn for appreciative words, physical touch including affectionate holding of hands, foot massages and kisses. You are a good listener and love a partner who is empathetic and understanding. You may like to share acts of philanthropy, or a joint interest in music or the arts. Kind and loving words speak your language. You are sensitive and appreciate someone who understands this trait and chooses their words carefully. Love actually is one of your super powers.