

Your birth chart — the eight things it needs

A chart cannot be drawn without these. Gather them once, on paper, and you never hunt for them again. Four of the eight are on a US certificate of live birth: the time of birth, the date, the city or town, and the county.

Calendar date of birth

Month, day, year — as the certificate writes it

Clock time, to the minute

As it was written down at the time, not as it is remembered

Standard or daylight time

Which one the clock was showing. This is the one most often lost

Town or city of birth

County, and state or country

Latitude, to a degree

And longitude if you have it

Where the time came from

Certificate, a parent, a hospital record — and how precise it is

Zodiac and house method used

Tropical or sidereal; Placidus, whole sign, equal, Koch

THE BIG THREE

The sun is the part most people already know; the moon and the rising sign are the two that need the time and the place, which is why the boxes above matter.

SUN 	MOON 	RISING
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WHAT YOU COULD NOT FIND

Write down what is missing and where you looked. A gap you have recorded is worth more than a number somebody guessed for you.

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