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On the day you were born, you not only gained the magic of your horoscope, you also gained the myths and meanings of a sky full of stars. Not all the stars, just those that formed links to your natal planets via what is called parans. By considering the star parans in your life you will be encountering a whole new (though very old) layer of myth and meaning to your chart. Welcome to your Stars.

Each star has a unique and wonderful pattern of visibility for any given place on earth. Some stars will be visible for a period in the night, yet later in the year they will fail to appear and be lost to the view of stargazers. Others will also rise or set at night, but instead of disappearing from view altogether, they will lose touch with the horizon and spend the whole night being visible in the starry sky. Yet both these sorts of stars will eventually return to rising or setting during the night, with each individual star doing so on a particular date of the year. However, there is also another set of stars that do not partake of this dance and are always visible, and never sink beneath the horizon, spending every night circling around the pole.

To the Egyptians the stars were deities and so these annual star patterns had strong religious significance. The never setting circumpolar stars were considered to be the Immortals for these are the deities that never died, the stars that never set. But the stars that rose or set during the course of the year were the deities who moved between the world of humans and the world of the Immortals, or the Underworld, the place the stars journeyed when they disappeared from view. These were the deities who communed with humans, the deities who were approachable and open to prayer.

Such stars would, according to their unique rhythm, reappear at set calendar dates. If they reappeared from the Underworld, they would rise just before, or with, the

rising sun and be called the Heliacal Rising Star. This star was considered the ruling deity for a period of time until the next star in the annual cycle re-emerged from the Underworld. Or, if the star came back from the realm of the Immortals and once again touched the earth, they would appear to set just before, or with, the rising sun and be called the Heliacal Setting Star. This star can also be considered the ruling deity for a period of time until the next star in the cycle appears to descend from the Immortal realm. So important were these times of the return of a star that the Egyptians based their religious calendar around such events and built temples designed to capture the returning star's light onto the altar of the deity.

Thus, there will be at least two stars that rule the period of time and place in which you were born. One star will be the most recent to have returned from the Underworld and the other would have returned from the realm of the Immortals. Both stars have significance for you. Occasionally more than one star can return on the same day so some people will have more than one Heliacal Rising Star or more than one Heliacal Setting Star. These stars, and their meanings, are guiding principles in your life.

Your Heliacal Rising Star is:



Aldebaran - The Eye of the Bull

To be guided by your principles and integrity

This is the star that has been walking the path of the underworld and has now emerged to be visible in the world of humans. This star, the Heliacal Rising Star, is the star that you were born under and it will bear gifts to you from the land of your past, your family and your genetics. It is your gift, the jewel or the treasure, which your ancestors handed you at your birth. This star is a theme in your life; helps to build your philosophies, and can at times take on a vocational pulse.

Aldebaran is one of the great stars in the sky. It is one of the Royal Stars of Persia, being the Watcher in the East, the great cornerstone marking the spring equinox. In this capacity Aldebaran was the god Mithra, or Ahura Mazda, the slayer of the Cosmic Bull. Mithra was a great military god who gave victories to his followers, but only if they followed the strictest procedure in his worship. Aldebaran's connection to Mithra, and the beliefs and customs linked to the god, enable us to derive a more three-dimensional meaning for Aldebaran, namely that success will

come but only through ethical integrity and constructive objectives. Mithra was a warrior king who also wore the title 'lord of contracts'. He considered all exchanges as sacred and therefore oversaw the business of his followers, insisting on their honesty and purity. If they failed they would be condemned to an ordeal of fire. This was usually enacted, by the worshippers of Mithra, in forcing a suspected person to run through a tunnel of fire. Their survival was Mithra's judgement of innocence.

Being one of the four Royal Stars of Persia, it is a very powerful star and offers the possibility of glory, success or happiness, but only if a particular nemesis can be overcome. The challenge for Aldebaran is one of integrity and honour. Greatness can be achieved, but you will be challenged on the integrity and purity of your thoughts and dealings. The presence of Aldebaran in a chart indicates that you will have to face moral dilemmas which challenge your integrity. Success will be presented to you. However, along the journey you will be tempted to compromise your position, to go against your own integrity. Be aware that when this star is involved, any compromise of your integrity will have negative results, and all that is gained could be lost very rapidly. With Aldebaran in such an important position on the day of your birth you will be flooded with strong principles, ethics, things about which you feel strongly. These principles are a vital part of your success, but you will be challenged on them. You will have to fight to maintain the purity of what you believe, and any wavering of your integrity could cause you to lose ground rapidly. You will be guided by your principles.

Your Heliacal Setting Star is:



Arcturus - The Hunter and the Farmer

Always seeking a new pathway

This is the star that has been living amongst the immortals of the pole, and has now, at the time of your birth, returned to earth. This star is known as the Heliacal Setting Star and is a gift or treasure given to you from your spirit, from your immortal soul, from your daemon. This star represents goals that you reach for; vocations that motivate you, and the spiritual pathways that you seek. This star represents your doorway to the immortals, or your journey towards a fulfilled life. That which gives you the greatest happiness.

This is the star in the northern skies which symbolises the transition from the nomadic hunter-gatherer to the herder-cultivator-ploughman villager. Thus Arcturus embodies the symbolism of guarding, learning, teaching, leading. Leading and protecting people as they embrace a new life style. One who can lead the way, one who has the vision or the spirit to take the first step. With Arcturus in such an important position on the day of your birth, it will indicate leadership qualities and the ability to explore or move forward into new fields. You will be known as a person with these abilities, either in your local community or on a global level. The other stars in your chart will indicate the manner in which you use these skills.

Stars that were on the Angles at the moment of your birth...

At the moment you were born the following star or stars were on your Cross of Matter. This is the cross made up of your Ascendant/Descendant axis and your MC/IC axis. Known also as the angles of a chart, these four points are your connection between the spiritual, or cosmic, world and the physical world in which you live. A star on one of the angles acts like a filter or lens between the world of your spirit and the material world, the world of form, shape and expression. Such a star will have a strong influence on your lifestyle, and the daily unfolding of your physical, emotional, and financial life.



Spica - A Gift from the Goddess

Being very talented, having a gift that can bring joy to others

As the star is seen as the wheat sheaf in the hand of the goddess, Spica was considered a symbol of her gifts to humankind. These gifts were originally of harvest and bountifulness. The wheat sheaf, therefore, symbolised human knowledge of cultivation, a gift from the goddess. In present times, the wheat sheaf is the symbol of knowledge and insights which are respected. The star is not connected with any particular field or profession, but rather shows the potential for brilliance. Spica is a gift of brilliance, an innate talent, skill or ability which is out of the ordinary. With Spica on your angles at the moment of your birth, then the skill and talent of Spica is evident in your everyday life, your physical world. You may have a natural talent in movement, sports, dance, or design. Whatever

this skill or talent, have the courage to stretch yourself, for Spica on the angles is a gift, you can trust.

Stars that are linked to your planets...

Stars form links or parans to your planets, via the angles of your chart. If a planet is at a key point of its daily movement, either Rising, Setting, Culminating or At the Bottom of the Sky, and at the same time a star is also at one of these key points in its daily movement, then the star is in paran to that planet. The angle that the star occupies also tells us the period of your life when the mythology of the star will be expressed. If the star is rising then it affects your youth, if culminating then the prime of your life, if setting the latter years, and if lower the star is a foundation, or summary statement concerning your life.

Only the visible planets are used in this report, as the outer planets are generational and do not have meaning at a personal level.

Some Stars are at a Phase of Curtailed Passage

Some of the stars that are in paran to your natal planets are in a stage of their cycle known as Curtailed Passage. These stars were visible in the night sky at sunset, and were still visible in the night sky at sunrise. These stars have therefore lost contact with the earth, as they are not seen to touch the horizon during the course of the night and are thought to be walking with the immortals, and are not open to the prayers of humans. In this situation the stars seem to express themselves in a more fated manner, and you will find it more difficult to deal with, or embrace, the themes of these stars in your life. Therefore, in this report, any star that is of Curtailed Passage should be read with these emphases in mind.

Some Stars are at a Phase of Arising and Lying Hidden

Some of the stars that are in paran to your natal planets are in a stage of their cycle known as Arising and Lying Hidden. These stars can at times be seen at the latitude of your birth, however, in this period of time they are not visible in the night sky at sunset, and will still not be visible in the night sky at sunrise. So these stars have lost contact with the earth, and have returned to the underworld, the land of the dead. In this situation the stars will express themselves in a more fated manner, as they are no longer concerned with the land of the living, and the Egyptians believed that they could no longer hear your prayers. Thus you will

struggle with these stars, as their meanings and myths will be more powerfully and bluntly expressed in your life. In this report, any star that is in a phase of Arising and Lying Hidden should be read with this emphasis in mind.

Some Stars are Circumpolar

Some of the stars which are influencing your chart are circumpolar. This means that, for your birth location, they are visible every night, for the whole night, regardless of the time of the year. They are permanently in the realm of the immortals. These stars should be read with greater emphases for they have a tendency to express themselves in a more black and white manner due to their lack of contact with the ways of humans.

Stars of Your Youth

All of these stars are rising as they form a paran to a planet. Therefore, all of these stars will express themselves in your childhood and young adulthood. Simply put, these stars influence the first third of your life. With these stars shaping your childhood, they will have an impact on your parents, schooling and social skills, and in that manner can have a large impact on your whole life. These stars are:



Alnilam - The Belt of Orion, with Saturn ♄ in Youth


To find simple practical solutions to complex problems

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This is the bright buckle of the belt of the god and the star is symbolically linked to pulling things together. Taking knowledge that is already there and improving and expanding the subject in such a way that a new foundation is laid. Alnilam is not a power star, or one for those who make a show of their work, but is concerned with the steady, reliable plod that can produce well-grounded, long lasting work. With Saturn in paran with Alnilam it takes Saturn's desire for lasting or practical achievement and links it to the originality of Alnilam. If this paran is active in your youth then you would have had a person, either a parent, teacher, or brother, or even just life circumstances, that have taught you to think outside of

the square. You would have been taught to find different ways of doing things, in a manner that is practical and reliable. If active in your later years you will be known for your ability to find different physical or practical solutions to problems, where others may not even see that a pathway is possible. You can hold things together where others fail.



Bellatrix - The Left Shoulder of the God, with Mars  in Youth

A person who takes up a proletarian fight

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With Bellatrix in paran to your Mars, then you are an old warrior, a battler. Bellatrix is the left shoulder of Orion and will give a military focus to your Mars. You are willing to enter into battle, and you are willing to take on board the type of battle where the odds are against you. For some people these may be personal battles; others may take on environmental or social battles. This is the politician for the minority party, the leader who is willing to lead from the front, the blue collar union representative who finds themselves victorious in a battle. This is a gift for your Mars and, if you focus on harder or proletarian issues, you will be victorious.




Facies - The Face of the Archer, with Sun  in Youth

A piercing focus to the point of ruthlessness, or prophetic vision

Facies, a nebula in the face of the archer, is the penetrating stare of a lethal weapon. It is one of the most difficult and possibly most violent bodies in the heavens. It gives a penetration of action that has no regard for others and can, therefore, make a great leader or a dictator. The other side of Facies is the individual who may be the victim of the archer's stare. Facies can be cruel and ruthless and its darkest shadow is the evil of war. But it also represents very

strong focus which, if balanced, can make for a highly achieving if not so diplomatic person. With Facies in paran with your Sun, you will be considered a person who is very focused. If active in your youth, then your father-figure has been a very assertive person, or someone who has been wounded by life. On the other hand, if Facies is active in your adult years, then you are seen as either the victim, or the strongly focused person who can be ruthless. Yet another, and more balanced, expression of this nebula is that you can be drawn to work with the harder, more stressful, or unseemly, side of life. Dealing with the hard and dirty issues. In addition, for a few individuals, this great piercing focus of Facies can be a prophetic vision, a clairvoyance, an inner eye both ruthless and insightful.




Pollux - One of the Twins of Gemini, with Moon  in Youth

To want to bring reform or change through knowledge

When the Moon is involved with a star, it adds to the star the qualities of caring, compassion and empathy, and expresses its stellar energy through matters concerning children, women's issues, health and welfare. Pollux is one of the twins and it, along with its "brother" Castor, represents polarity, the struggle with light and dark. If Pollux is linked with your Moon in your childhood, then your mother-figure is a person of learning who has had to struggle with gaining her knowledge, or with having her knowledge or skills accepted or respected. If Pollux is active in your adult years then you have a love of knowledge, but you use your skills either to help others who are less fortunate in some way, or to explore less popular or less mainstream styles of thinking. An educator for the disadvantaged, or a person who loves unpopular thinking.



Sualocin - The dolphin, with Venus  in Youth

An artistic eye with colour, design or performance

Curtailed Passage

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With Sualocin in paran with your Venus you have an excellent eye for colour and design. For this star is the alpha star of the Dolphin and represents a kind of intelligent playfulness, but at the same time a certain mastery, or at least confidence of mastery, of one's environment. However, this does not seem to be a strong star, so it tends to act as a supporting statement for other such indications in your chart. Curiosity or mastery in one's environment, which you can use in a positive way, or from its more shadowy side as the "trickster". In paran with your Venus, the skills of Sualocin are focused into artistic or social expression. So you may have the artist's eye for colour and design, or it may be that you are very socially skilled, with the ability to bring different groups together, and/or the diplomatic skill to pour oil on troubled waters. Use your talent both artistically and socially, as it will bring you joy.

Stars of Your Prime

All of these stars are culminating as they form a paran to a planet. These stars will be influencing you in your adulthood, or the second third of your life. These stars will therefore have an impact on your career, adult relationships, children and financial prosperity. In addition, some of these stars will be doubly emphasised as they will not only be present and active in the prime of your life but will be shown, later in this report, to be coming from a deeper source, coming from the foundation stones of your being. These stars are discussed here, as it is in this period of your life that you first encounter their impact they will, however, simply grow stronger as your life unfolds. The stars that are active in the prime of your life are:



Alpheratz - The Navel of Pegasus, with Jupiter **4** in Prime

The explorer, inventor and/or reformer

With Alpheratz in paran with your Jupiter, there is a bold nobility surrounding your actions. You are the explorer willing to enter uncharted territory, whether this is in ideas, places or even sport. You are at your best when walking a tight edge and thinking on your feet. If Alpheratz was active in your youth, then that time was filled with stories of adventure, real or fictional, which inspired you in adulthood to fulfill a quest. If Alpheratz is not active until your adulthood, then you find that as you grow older you become more inflamed with the desire for adventure, at any level, and indeed find your greatest success coming from the areas in your life where you are less conservative.



Castor - One of the Twins of Gemini, with Saturn ♄ in Prime

The Map Maker, a person who gives shape to intellectual concepts

This influence of this star comes from your foundations, the roots of the tree of your life, your family history. In this period of your life you start to experience its energy in your social and professional world, but it grows stronger as you grow older until it eventually adds to the overall meaning of your life.

This star is one of twins, its brother being Pollux. These two stars are the classic twins of the heavens and represent the essence of the universal struggle with polarity. Castor and Pollux seem, because of the constant challenge of struggling with polarities, to produce writers. Castor and Pollux are probably not about writing per se, but speak rather of the successful story-teller who has a knowledge of mixing good and evil, over-lapping them with each other until both are changed and both are whole. With Castor as the active star, then you will seek the bright side of the story or situation. You are aware of the polarity but lean towards the positive pole. You are able to explore ideas and express yourself without the constant need to examine or take into account the shadowy side of the issue. Saturn in paran with stars is always about taking a concept and putting it into a tangible, touchable, seeable form. To create a body of work. Saturn in paran with Castor thus indicates that you have a desire to take an intellectual concept, an idea or a problem, and not only solve it but display this solution as an ongoing part of what you are doing with your life. You are a map maker, laying a foundation so that others can follow. This may be expressed in your career or simply in your hobbies.




Fomalhaut - The Watcher of the South, with Mars ♀ in Prime

A idealistic warrior, mystical hero, or blind fanatic

This influence of this star comes from your foundations, the roots of the tree of your life, your family history. In this period of your life you start to experience its energy in your social and professional world, but it grows stronger as you grow older until it eventually adds to the overall meaning of your life.

This is one of the Royal Stars of Persia and all of them are quite unique, for each one seems to represent a trial or a temptation through which the individual must work before true success can be achieved. They form a rocky road with many potential pitfalls, or areas where the individual can fall from grace. They are represented in Christian mythology by the scene in the Bible where Christ is tempted by Satan. But they are not evil, they are simply the nemesis the individual must conquer. Fomalhaut contains a touch of the mystic, a sense of magic, and is based on high ideals or lofty visions. Being one of the Royal Stars, it contains charisma, and its version of this charisma is beauty or perfect harmony. With Fomalhaut in paran to your Mars, your actions and what motivates you are driven by ideals and dreams. These dreams are not fueled so much by practicality, or even potential practical outcomes, but driven rather by an ideal of achieving the magical thing. These dreams can express in political or religious fanaticism, or may manifest in a gentler, artistic or philosophical, way. Always with this star there will be success provided that you keep your feet on the ground.




Markab - The Saddle of Pegasus, with Moon  in Prime

To be emotionally consistent, to be unchanging in one's devotion

When the Moon is involved with a star, it adds to the star the qualities of caring, compassion and empathy. When in paran with Markab, the saddle of Pegasus, then the great solidness and reliability of this star is linked to the emotional world of the moon. If active in your childhood, then you saw your mother-figure as this steady, reliable and persistent figure. This may have been positively expressed in a loving, caring manner, or negatively as, a cold aloof attitude. Nevertheless, whatever her manner, she was consistent in this approach. >From this you have learnt the value of constant emotions, being steady and reliable. If active in you adulthood, then you are consistent in your love or devotion to a person or to a cause. There is a steadiness to your moon, which is expressed as loyalty and reliability. If you work with others, then they will repay your reliability with loyalty.



Ras Alhague - The Healer, with Mars  in Prime

Bringing order and wisdom to difficult problems


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With Ras Alhague in paran with your Mars you are a person who is motivated to take action in order to increase your options or opportunities for greater knowledge. Ras Alhague belongs to Ophiuchus, the great healer in the sky who holds a serpent in his hands. Ophiuchus therefore represents not only healing, but also the knowledge of healing. When in paran with Mars, it will focus your energy into all areas to do with information, knowledge, education and research. The common theme will be the desire to be of benefit to others.

Stars of Your Latter Year:

All of these stars are setting as they form a paran to a planet. These stars will be influencing you in your later years or the last third of your life. They will be influential in the nature of your reputation, the manner in which you retire, and the autumn of your life, its joys or its sorrows. These stars are:



Alphard - The Heart of the Serpent, with Sun  in Latter Years

A person of strong passions who can become angry, violent or aggressive

With Alphard in paran with your Sun your sense of identity, personal history, and even your vitality is flavoured with the passion, drama and intensity of Alphard. It is called the Heart of the Serpent. If this star is active in your chart when you were young, then authority figures or the older males in your family will have been experienced as harsh, caustic or subject to great turbulence. If however, this star is active in your adult years then you may find that either you can be harsh with others, or feel angry at injustices, or be subject to mistreatment by authority figures. Passion and intensity is the focus of this star and, linked with your Sun,


you will need to embrace its taste for intensity, and direct it into a positive expression. Large issues of human rights or the environment are best for the anger and intensity of Alphard.

 **A** Alphecca - A Garland of Flowers, with Jupiter **4** in Latter Years

The gift of endurance, mentally or physically

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This star is the concept of a woman's crown: possible achievements in a quiet, passive way. Yet this crown of flowers also contains thorns and, although there are advancements through life which are not necessarily through one's own efforts, there is always a price to pay. With Alphecca in paran with your Jupiter, fortunate events grow from hardship or difficulties. Indeed your leadership skills seem to be polished by abrasive life events. The greater the difficulties, the greater the energy or talent that you can find within yourself to meet the challenge. You may use this gift in any field, for it truly is a gift of endurance.

 **V** Vindemiatrix - The Gatherer, with Jupiter **4** in Latter Years

To gather others around an idea, a teacher

With Vindemiatrix in paran with your Jupiter you are a person who gathers others around an idea. This idea could be about sport, travel, or religion and philosophy. For the name Vindemiatrix means Grape-Gatherer, for it was said to be the heliacal rising star that indicated the harvesting of the grapes. And even when precession removed Vindemiatrix from this important calendar date, the Greeks and Romans maintained her identity as the Grape Picker. Vindemiatrix, connected with the time of harvest, thus implies a time of action; a time to pick what one has sown. It marks you as a collector, or gatherer of people, ideas or information; but also a person who is patient and will wait for the correct time to harvest. With Vindemiatrix in paran with your Jupiter, what is collected is ideas which pull

others towards you, ideas that are very popular. This can make you a teacher and a leader, a person to whom other people look for ideas.



Zubén Elgenubi - The Southern Pan of the Scale, with Saturn



in Latter Years

A designer, a person who lays down parameters, or sets standards, for others

With Zubén Elgenubi in paran with your Saturn, you create, originate and design. These creative acts are not just for your own expression but represent, or endeavour to represent, the needs of others. For this star is one of a pair of stars, its twin being Zubén Eschamali, with each star representing one of the pans of the scale of Libra. The word zuben means claw, as the pans of Libra were originally the claws of Scorpio. Both of these stars have a common theme, with Zubén Elgenubi showing us the light, brighter side. Strongly involved in social reform or social justice, this star has higher ideals than its northern partner, for its prime motive is not personal gain but rather to benefit the group. This star is involved with reform, and will resist the temptation for personal gain or power. Linked with Saturn, this desire to help is put into concrete form. So there is an ability to lay down a path for others to follow, or to set standards by which others can measure themselves. You are a designer, in practical objects or new ideas.

The Hearthstone of Your Life

All of these stars are on the Nadir, the bottom of the sky, as they form a paran to a planet. These stars will express themselves, firstly, as the foundation of your life, the roots from which you grow, and secondly, as the summation of your life. These stars can be considered your hearthstone; they are there from the beginning, influencing you from behind the scenes, but only really become visible in your life as you grow old. Some of these stars would have first expressed themselves in the prime of your life and were discussed in that section. These hearthstone stars are:




Alcyone - The Pleiades, The Third Eye, with Jupiter **4** in Foundation

Obsessional about human rights, or with inventions that improve life

This star seeks the inner eye, the third eye. There is a very strong desire to seek inner knowledge. Alcyone is also linked to the Fates and the judgement of the dead. This can manifest in an individual's life as ruthlessness when dealing with those who have not met certain standards. Thus Alcyone is a strong, powerful star indicating visions and mystical abilities, but also a potential for ruthlessness or judgemental anger. With Alcyone in paran with your Jupiter, you will seek the big solution to the problems that you see around you. Undaunted by the size of some difficulties, you will see pathways through the problems, and willingly apply yourself to their solution. With Jupiter influencing this star, then success can be expected, as long as the desire is to improve the human condition in some way, either through humanitarian work, or through inventions or innovations which will ease the life of others.



Alnilam - The Belt of Orion, with Mars  in Foundation

An individual who is an active problem-solver

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Castor - One of the Twins of Gemini, with Saturn ♄ in
Foundation

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Star Legend

Each star has a pictogram that will help you remember the nature of the star as well as give you some simple information. There are three components to each star pictogram; the star magnitude symbol, the constellation image and the letter of the alphabet giving the star's common proper name.

The star symbol will tell you the brightness of the star.

★ = A star whose magnitude is less than 2.0. This is a bright or very bright star clearly visible even within a large city.

✦ = A star whose magnitude is between 2.0 and 2.9. This is a small star, clearly visible even within a city unless there is a great deal of light pollution, but better seen away from the city lights.

◇ = A star whose magnitude greater than 3.0 This is a faint star that would possibly not be seen if you live in a city, but would be visible on a clear night in the country. The human eye can see stars up to a magnitude of 6.0 provided the viewing conditions are good.

▽ = A star whose magnitude is variable, sometimes bright at other times not bright.

● = This is a nebula, not actually a star but an interstellar cloud of dust and gas.

The constellation image will tell you the constellation to which the star belongs, for example:



This is the pictogram for Regulus the bright star in the constellation Leo. The star symbol shows that it is a bright star and the image of the Lion represents Leo. All stars in Leo will have the same lion image.



This is the pictogram for Denebola another star that is not as bright as Regulus in the constellation Leo and ...



This is the pictogram for Zosma another star of similar brightness to Denebola also in the constellation Leo.

The letter of the alphabet will give you the first letter of the stars proper name.