Gemini the Twins is an air sign in the mutable mode. The Sun is in Gemini from May 20th until June 21st at the transition from Spring into Summer and the increasing length of days and more sunlight.

As a mutable (transforming, changeable) air sign, Gemini is characterized by a lightness, both in the sense of less weight and less darkness, as well as intelligence, quickness of thought, and a general fast pace both physically and mentally.

As the zodiac unfolds from the first spark of fire in Aries, to the stabilization and embodiment of earthy Taurus, it doubles in Gemini so that communication can occur. Communication is a keyword for Gemini, as it rules mental faculties, data processing, and discernment.

The body parts associated with Gemini are the lungs, arms and hands. The lungs are related to the quickness and lightness of air, and to speech, as Gemini is a talkative sign, and the arms are related with activity, action, expression. Sign language interpretation is an excellent illustration of Gemini at work: communicating in two languages with extreme mental agility, and using the arms and hands to express.

Gemini’s strongest characteristic is its dual nature, shown in its astrological symbol of two columns. A person with a Gemini influence has a quickness of mental thought allow them to see both sides of everything. This may seem to others like complete contradictions or even lies, but the Gemini does not see contradictions, they really can hold two opposing thoughts.

Gemini is governed by the planet Mercury, which also rules the earth sign Virgo. Mercury gives Gemini the “mercurial” nature of wit, cleverness, quick movement, changeability. Gemini is related with the aspects of life that include the immediate environment, siblings, neighbors, classmates, early schooling, data, journalism, and short trips.

Gemini is opposed by Sagittarius, which is related with long journeys to foreign lands, higher education, philosophy, large scale dissemination of information such as publishing, and a general expansion of horizons. Sagittarius is like a politician or religions leader who has big ideas of how things should be. Gemini is like a journalist using logical questioning to refine and clarify the big ideas.
“Gemini natives love traveling a great deal. They commit the error of ignoring the wise voice of the heart. They want to resolve everything with the mind. They become angry easily. They are very dynamic, versatile, voluble, irritable, intelligent; their lives are full of successes and failures and they possess a mad courage. Gemini natives are problematic due to their rare dualism, due to that double personality that characterizes them and which is symbolized among the Greeks by those mysterious brothers called Castor and Pollux. One never knows how the Gemini native will proceed in this or that case due precisely to their dual personality.

At any given moment, the Gemini native is a very sincere friend, capable of sacrificing even his own life out of friendship for the person to whom he has offered his love; but at another given moment, he is capable of the worst infamies against that same beloved person. The inferior type of Gemini is very dangerous and that is why his friendship is not advisable. The most serious defect of the Gemini natives is the tendency of falsely judging other people.

The twins Castor and Pollux invite us to reflect. It is in fact known that in nature, manifested matter and the occult energy symbolized in the heat, light, electricity, chemical energies, and other superior energies (which are still unknown to us), always process themselves in an inverse manner, and the appearance of one presupposes the entropy or disappearance of the other; no less and no more than the mysterious brothers Castor and Pollux, a symbol of such a phenomenon among the Greeks. They alternately lived and died in the same manner that matter and energy everywhere alternately is born and dies, appears and disappears.”

-Samael Aun Weor, Esoteric Treatise of Hermetic Astrology