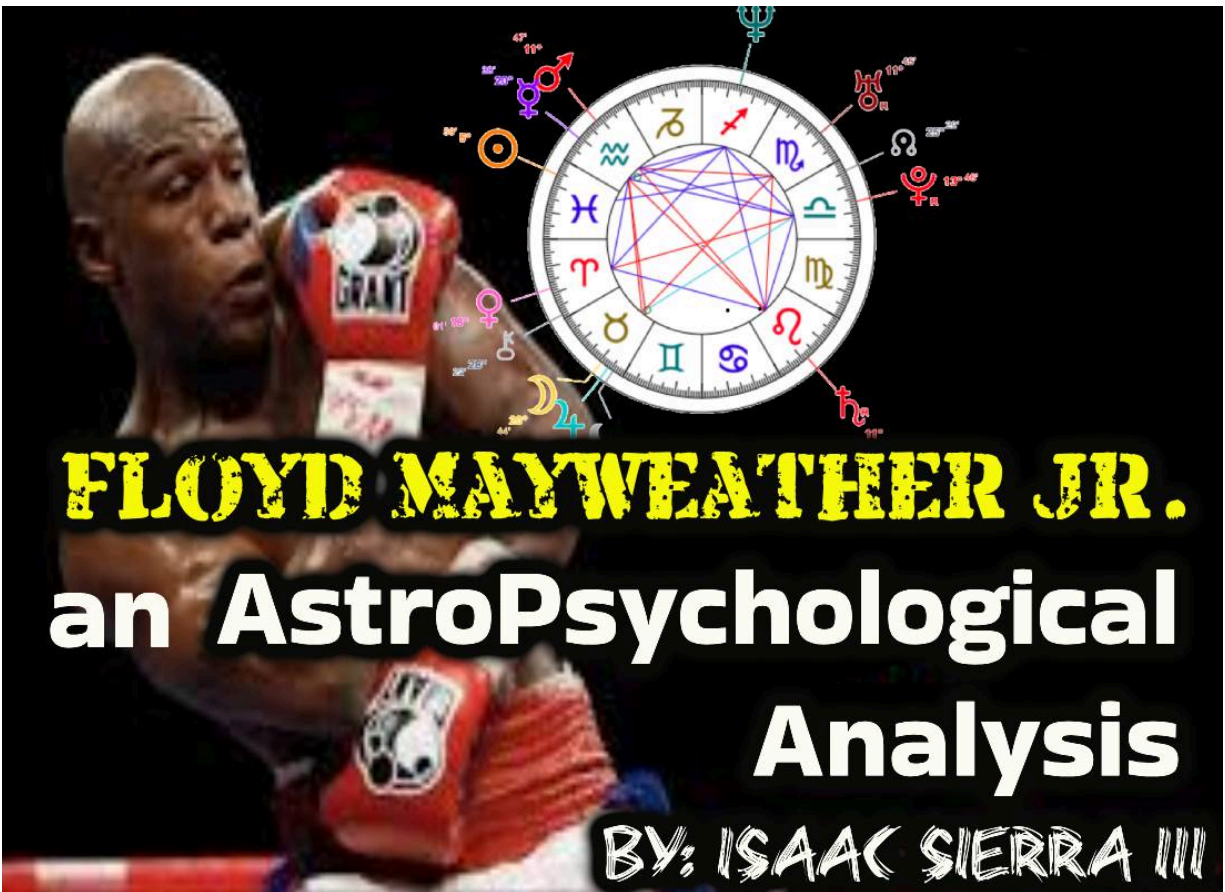


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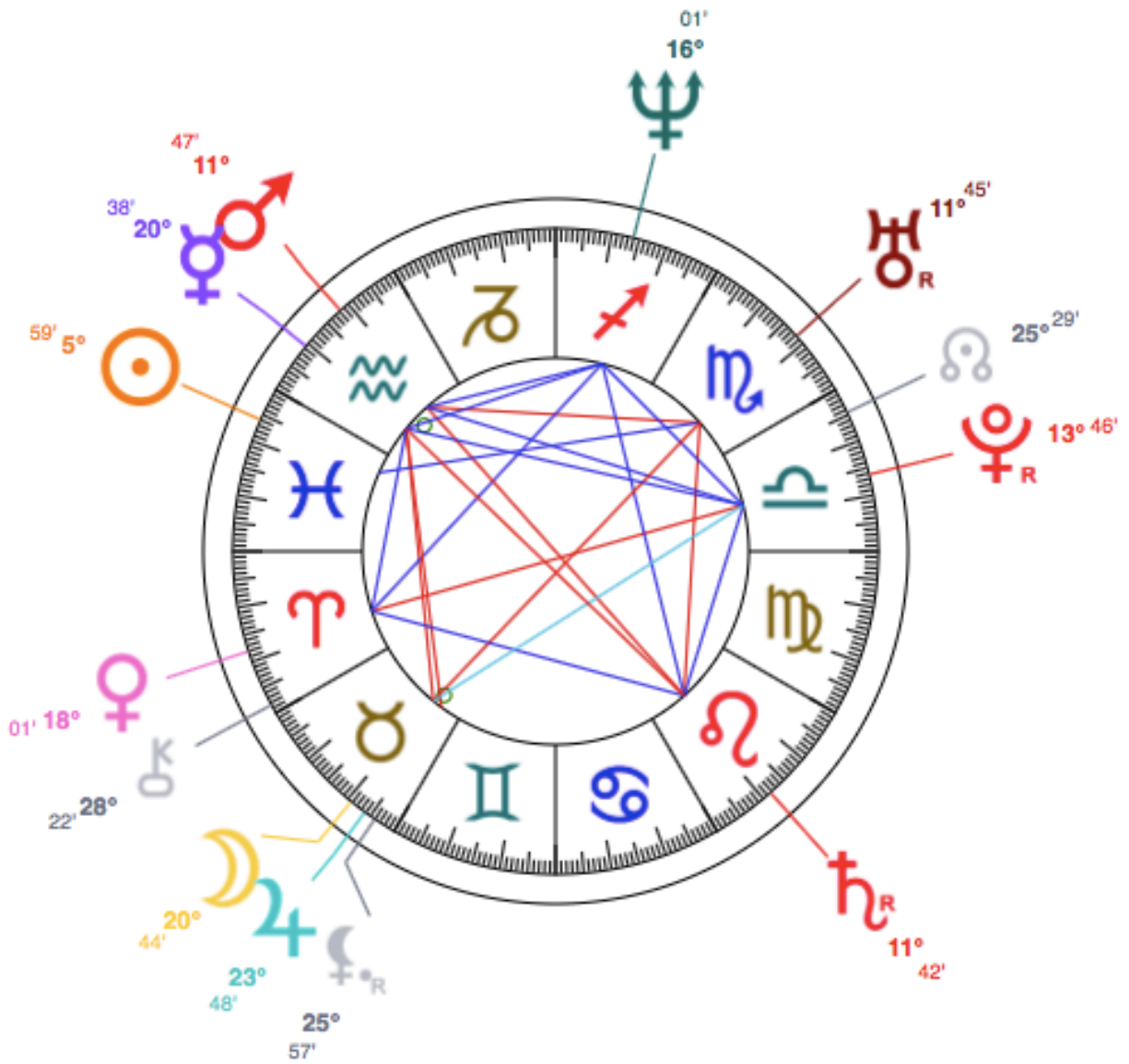
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AP105 Essay 5, Reading Response/Analysis



NARCISSISTIC PERSONALITY DISORDER:

FLOYD MAYWEATHER JR.



Floyd Mayweather Jr.  
 February 24, 1977, 12:00pm (unknown)  
 Grand Rapids, MI.

Floyd Mayweather Jr. is a living boxing legend to some, and to others he is nothing but a flashy, loud mouthed coward that is not as good as he happily will tell you he is at his sport.

Zeroing in on Floyd's Saturn in Leo, we will notice that this planet forms an opposition to two planets, is part of a T-square, AND is part of a Grand-Trine of fire signs. As we will discuss later, these configurations clearly point towards an explanation of, or even an insight into, one of the most intriguing American superstars in sports today who amazingly embodies ALL of the Diagnostic Criteria traits listed in the DSM-4 for a person with Narcissistic Personality Disorder:

- 1.He displays a grandiose sense of self importance, always being the first to tell you that he is the best ever.
- 2.He literally lives in a fantasy of unlimited success.
- 3.He believes that he is special and of high status and will gladly prove it to anyone who will listen.
- 4.He seems to require excessive admiration, always talking to the cameras and being followed by his large entourage of "privileged" admirers.
- 5.He has a sense of entitlement, such as when he dictates that all of his boxing matches and public interviews be strictly under his terms only.
- 6.He is interpersonally exploitive, such as when he takes advantage of the media to promote his agendas.
- 7.He lacks empathy, quickly discarding and replacing anyone in his entourage who does not appease him.
- 8.He will quickly proclaim that anyone who does not like him is envious of him.

9. Arrogance is usually the first word that comes to most people's minds when it comes to him.

But perhaps to better understand Mr. Mayweather Jr., and to try to comprehend just how and why he got to the point of being inflicted with Narcissistic Personality Disorder, it would be wise to examine his early life first...

Born in 1977 in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Floyd was born into a family of boxers. His father had been a respected professional, and his uncle had been a two time champion. But by the time Floyd was born, his father was no longer fighting; he was a big time drug hustler instead. When Floyd was merely one year old, his father was shot in the leg during a drug related shootout while he was holding Floyd in his arms.

His mother was no better, if not worse. He lived with her in New Jersey when he was about eight years old and had to bear the pain of realizing that she was a drug addict. He even witnessed his own father selling drugs to his mother. It was not uncommon for Floyd to find used heroin needles throughout his front yard when coming home from school. At times, they did not even have any electricity in their home and would have as many as seven people in a bedroom.

When he was old enough, he thought of getting a job, but was advised by his Grandmother to stick to learning how to box instead. This represented the expectation that he was born into... he would continue the family tradition of boxing. In fact, through this sport was the only real relationship that he had with his Dad, who would rigidly begin training him since the age of two. All of their time together was spent training

harshly for hours each day. Floyd to this day maintains that his father never actually had a normal relationship with him; he never did simple things like taking him out for ice cream. Instead, he was a militant coach who embedded in his son a fear of failure because if Floyd even thought of quitting or doing something else, he would get severely beaten and abused.

Despite this somewhat sad and odd harsh parent-child relationship, Floyd learned to view his father as a real hero and he really wanted to be like him. After all, being a big drug dealer, he was well liked by the neighborhood residents and he always had fancy clothes and material possessions.

However, in 1993, when Floyd was sixteen years old, and reaching maturity with his boxing talents, his father was suddenly arrested, convicted, and incarcerated for cocaine trafficking for what would be a four year term.

This devastated Floyd. His father's unexpected departure and detour warped the focus of his prodigy. Floyd reportedly became severely depressed. But, now living with his Grandmother and frequently visiting his mother, he began to feel responsible and he used boxing as his outlet for dealing with his Father's absence. He became so focused on the sport that he actually ended up dropping out of high school, stating that school was not important anymore because he knew that he was going to have to box to make a living.

He quickly rose to the top, defeating much older opponents. He was selected to represent the United States in the 1996 World Olympics, but he lost in a very controversial split decision. According to Floyd, this was a message from God, to let him know that he needed to work and push harder and not have time to play (which is

probably similar to what his absent father would have told him).

Floyd quickly became a successful professional that same year under the nickname of “Pretty Boy Floyd”. But when his father was released from prison, he did not accept him back as his trainer. He believed that he was now his own man that did not need the nit-picking that his father always tried to impose upon him. He kept his champion uncle as his trainer instead, along with other people who treated him only the way that he wanted to be treated.

Only two years later, in 1998, Floyd had become a champion. He would go on to win more titles and become well known and respected in his sport. By 2007, Floyd had had enough of his promoters, who constantly would “shelf” him for other more known boxers who, to him, did not want to promote an African American boxer. So what he did was that he bought out his promotional contract, and founded HIS OWN promotion company. This was a giant step that transformed his career and took it to another level. He now was in control of his own promotions, and he began a campaign under the new nickname of “Money Mayweather”. This newfound persona revolved around the newly attained power that Floyd had attained; and more importantly, around the need to flaunt it.

Suddenly, Floyd became a villain who would laugh in everybody’s face and throw money in their face. Somehow he was as flashy and bad as his father was during his childhood.

But as much as he was a champion in boxing, he now was a champion promoter too.

His fights began to sell more and more, until he became the richest man in boxing.

There have been many claims that he manipulates the high demand that he commands

with cunning tactics and propaganda. For example, it is said that he will not grant any interviews to anyone who does not ask only the questions that he approves, which makes him not unlike a communist dictator. In the same manner, he even commands that all of the fights be strictly under his terms only, down to the last detail. In his most recent fight, Floyd had it put in the contract that only he could announce the fight first, and that it would be where he wanted it to be, that his name always had to be mentioned first regarding the fight in any way, that the referee that he picked would be used, that if he won there would be no rematch and if he lost he would be guaranteed a rematch, and so on and so on.

It has been heralded that Floyd never fights a worthy opponent in his prime; he always waits for him to be in his demise in age or talent first. People who have been close to him claim that this is because he simply does not want to lose. A USA TODAY reporter once stated that the fear of failure (for Mayweather) is the fear of losing the stature that he has. Apparently, this fear is an obsession that is a passion for others to recognize what he claims is superiority. In his mind, he is the best to ever live; or at least that is the legacy that he wants to build.

It has also been well documented that he has been arrested and served time for physical spousal abuse. His ex's have accused him of being an overly jealous and insecure person. But Floyd consistently has refused to acknowledge or comment on these issues; after all, if you want to gain access to him and talk to him; it can only be done on his terms. In fact, some female reporters who publicly pressed this issue, were actually banned, per his personal demand, from his last prize fight against Manny Paquiao.

He also is a well known big time gambler. But his associates say that perhaps the attention that he receives for his outrageous bets and their amounts is well worth the money to him.

Through it all, “Money Floyd” just wants everybody to know that he is the best, the most powerful, the smartest, the most talented and the richest; and he does not want us, or the history books, to forget it.

### **ASTROLOGICAL ANALYSIS**

After learning about his life, perhaps it would be considered a no-brainer that the most influential person when it comes to Floyd Mayweather Jr.’s psyche may have indeed been his father. This being the case, I would first like to focus in on his Saturn in Leo. This shows a father that could be viewed as a hero and a very popular but strict, rigid, and controlling man (as Floyd did in fact see him). With the opposition to Mars, this might hint at the fact that his father was a competitive fighter (Mars), and that he even used physical abuse (Mars) to pump fear of failure (Saturn) into Floyd’s Saturn energy. Floyd had to never give up and succeed (Saturn), or else he would have to be punished (Mars) as a consequence. The fact that Mars is in Aquarius might show that Floyd felt a need to revolt (Aquarius) and liberate (Mars) himself from his father’s reins (Saturn) [This may have been the feeling with the promoter that he bought out also]. This opposition is part of a T-Square in which the middle planet of the T-Square is Mar’s dispositor, Uranus, which is in the sign of Scorpio. This may point at the fact that Floyd seems to have a profound understanding (Scorpio) that in the big picture (Uranus), it is



his power (Scorpio), be it in the ring or financially, that can bring him freedom (Mars) and success (Saturn); even at the expense of being outcasted (Uranus) by the mainstream population (Uranus) as an unorthodox rebel (Uranus) or at the expense of having to resort to subversive tactics (Scorpio) and controversies (Uranus) to attain and maintain such power (Scorpio).

Also, the Uranus in Scorpio square to Saturn may have been represented in his father's (Saturn) sudden and unexpected (Uranus) imprisonment due to his being an underworld drug pin (Scorpio).

Saturn is also opposite Mercury in Aquarius, which without a doubt points at the way that he plans (Saturn) his outrageous (Aquarius) words (Mercury) that he puts out in the media (Mercury) as he strategically (Saturn) talks fast (Mercury) into the cameras (Aquarius) while taking full advantage of all of the newest forms of communication (Mercury) that technology (Aquarius) provides to simply promote his "Money Mayweather" persona.

Coincidentally, Saturn also sextiles Pluto in Libra and its opposition, Mars in Aquarius, trines it. Perhaps this represents that the violence of Mars and need for control of Saturn which his father once represented, got projected to his lovers and sexual partners (Pluto-Libra) and he feels the need to keep that subject hidden in secret (Pluto).

The last aspect that Saturn has is perhaps a huge factor in his Narcissistic Disorder. He has Saturn in a Grand (fire) Trine of Venus in Aries, Neptune in Sagittarius, and back to Saturn in Leo. With this Grand Trine, one might consider that perhaps his fear (Saturn) of the shame (Leo) of failure (Saturn) uses that Neptune in Sagittarius energy to see or

present himself as the ideal (Neptune) successful (Saturn) and unlimited (Sagittarius) person in an extremely bloated (Sagittarius) manner. And the Venus in Aries might explain how he aggressively (Aries) pursues material items and comforts (Venus) to prove to himself just how successful (back to Saturn) he is and just exactly why he should feel proud (Leo) of himself.

So much more could easily be said about Floyd Mayweather Jr. to prove that he is afflicted with Narcissistic Personality Disorder, and even more could be said about the aspects to Saturn in his chart (let alone the whole chart!) But one thing is for certain, and that is that he surely would love the fact that we are investing the time to give him attention and even speak of him.

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