HUMAN DESIGN
CIRCUITRY

INTRODUCTION

Within the channels of the Human Design body graph lie the secrets to human behavior and evolution. Much like the electrical wiring of a house, each channel in the Human Design body graph is part of a circuit, each having it’s own unique function, purpose and experience.

There are three major circuit groups, the Individual, the Collective and the Tribal. Each of these circuits has a unique function in the evolution and spreading of information, values and survival strategies.

The Individual circuitry is mutative. That means the energy expressed within that circuit varies from the norm and consequently inspires change in others. Individual circuitry is all about initiating change.

Individual circuitry deeply affects Tribal Circuitry. The mutative Individual brings change to the Tribe. Individuals find new and different ways of doing things or thinking about things.

When the Individual brings change to the Tribe, members of the Tribe then spread the change to the greater whole of humanity or the Collective. The spreading of new values, or ways of doing things, from the Tribe to the Collective is represented by the “One Hundredth Monkey” syndrome.

When a mutation is adaptive and successfully spread from the Individual to the Tribe and from the Tribe to the Collective, a critical mass of energy evolves and the mutation becomes an integral in the human experience and part of the human story.

Within the circuitry of the Human Design body graph is the journey of mutation and adaption. Each human carries a unique role in the evolution of the species. When you can understand your unique role, it allows you to relax into the beauty of your specific role and live out your destiny without resistance.
Most people will have a good mix of circuitry definition in their charts. But, occasionally a person will have definition in only one circuit. A person with only one kind of circuitry will live a life that is deeply affected by the theme of that particular circuitry.
INDIVIDUAL CIRCUITRY

Mutation and empowerment originate in the Individual Circuitry. People with a lot of individual circuitry are here to be different and in order to be happy they MUST fully express their uniqueness. They feel different from most people and may even act or dress outside the norm.

The uniqueness of individuality brings change. Because this is energetic, Individual energy doesn’t have to “do” anything to bring change. It just has to “be” and it affects others.

When someone has a lot of individual definition in their chart they may struggle with depression. It can feel hard when you think no one is like you and no one “gets” you.

The important thing to remember is that this is all energy. The Individual can be surrounded by adoring fans but may still feel alone and misunderstood and it is simply an artifact of Individual energy. It truly is not personal!

Individual circuitry brings empowerment to others when it is fully expression itself. When someone with a lot of Individual Circuitry is fully expressing their unique traits and qualities without “holding back” or shame then others around them get permission to also freely express themselves.

The Individual can not live out their destiny if they are trying to “fit in” and be like others. It isn’t correct and stops the flow of evolution and empowerment.

Parents of children with a lot of Individual definition must support the child in the full expression of their uniqueness. If Individuals are pushed down and forced to be like others, they can become lost, bitter, frustrated or angry. And the Collective misses out on the beauty of the change the Individual is here to bring.

The Individual Circuit is comprised of two sub-circuits, the Knowing Circuit and the Centering Circuit. Notice that when you see the entire Individual Circuit defined, all Centers are part of this circuit and it is an emotional Manifesting Generator.

For the Individual, knowing is not something that happens “now”. It is a knowingness that happens over time. Mutation is spontaneous. Adaption takes
place over time. It takes time to know if a change is going to benefit the Tribe and the Collective.

And Individual must simply be themselves. The Tribe and the Collective will determine if the changes brought by the Individual will work on a greater scale and will hold up over time.

(Quick note: Remember, most of us will carry bits of all the circuitry. We can all bring and be a part of growth but the nature of change is that it must be evaluated and sustained over time in order to be effective.)

Individual Circuitry is deeply acoustic. People with a lot of Individual definition, especially in the Head and Ajna will be auditory learners. They may also have their own internal auditory process. Children with Individual Definition may talk to themselves a lot and may hum or make a lot of repetitive noises. The mantra of a person with a lot of Individual definition is “I Know!” Individuals will tell you they “know” all the time and we sometimes call them “know it alls”.

Just remember that Individuals may “know” in the moment but true knowing takes place over time.

**INDIVIDUAL AFFIRMATIONS:**

I am here to be different and I celebrate my uniqueness.
I let my Inner Wisdom develop over time and share it with people who ask.
I am free to express my powerful uniqueness and I let my Light shine every where I go.
I allow myself to be who I am with confidence and grace.
TRIBAL CIRCUITRY

Tribal Circuitry is all about family, values, reproduction and caring. Your tribe is comprised of your friends, family and neighbors.

People with a lot of Tribal definition long to be a part of a group or a whole. These are the people who take care of the family or the neighborhood; the Girl Scout leader, the PTA president, the neighborhood watch coordinator.

Tribal energies are responsible for transmission of values, allocation and management of resources, contracts, agreements, birthing and raising children to adulthood. Included in these energies is cooking, educating, sexuality and business.

People with a lot of Tribal circuitry care about others. They feel deeply responsible for the people in their lives and may sometimes feel or be perceived as co-dependent. A Tribal person will do whatever it takes to take care of his people. The theme of Tribal circuitry is Support.

There are two sub-circuits in Tribal circuitry, the Defense Circuit and the Ego (Business) Circuit. Tribal energy is about the business of allocating and managing resources over time.

The Tribe survives over time because of resources. A Tribe with good access to resources over time will survive. If you store your grain and manage the allocation of the grain over the winter months then your friends, family and children will make it through the winter.

If you make good business decisions and agreements then you will have access to more resources and multiple streams of resources in case situations change. Strong Tribes have back-up plans for survival.

Contracts such as marriage, divorce, treaties and business deals are all part of Tribal energies. Agreements about rules and values are also Tribal. Religions and religious beliefs are Tribal.

Sex and sexuality are also rooted in Tribal Circuitry. A Tribe survives over time because new offspring grow into adulthood. Sexual bonds and family ties are part
of sustaining Tribal values. Agreements about raising children and educating children, as well as taking care of children are all a part of Tribal energy.

War and Peace are also in Tribal energies. The Defense Circuit will cause Tribes to go to war if resources or values are threatened. Treaties, peace and harmony are also rooted in the connection between the Solar Plexus and the Will Center in the Ego sub-circuit of Tribal energy.

**TRIBAL AFFIRMATIONS:**

I feel good when I am with my friends and family.
I feel good when I take care of others.
I set good boundaries for myself so that I can take better care of others.
I manage my money and my time well.
I honor my agreements.
I enjoy being responsible for myself and others.
COLLECTIVE CIRCUITRY

The Collective is all about the survival of humanity. The Collective Circuit has two themes, Reflection and Projection. The Collective Circuit projects what is coming next based on lessons from the past using logic. It reflects the potential and possibilities for the future and shares these with inspiration stores and ideas.

The Collective circuitry is both abstract and logical. The Collective Circuitry contains two sub-circuits, the Understanding Circuit and the Sensing Circuit.

The Understanding Circuit is logical. Logic in the Human Design System is all about understanding patterns that repeat over time. For example, we know, as humans that spring comes each year after winter and that spring is a good time to plant crops to harvest in the autumn. The left hemisphere of the brain is in the Understanding Circuit.

These understandings come from repeated experiences over time. This information is predictable and consistent and allows us to make decisions that keep us alive. Logic is about patterns that, in the purest sense, allow us to move towards the ever-evolving perfected expression of humanity and the joy of life.

The Sensing Circuit is all about the human experience. The Sensing Circuit is expressed through the Emotional Solar Plexus and has little awareness in the moment. The Sensing Circuit is all about achieving clarity over time. It is abstract and holistic energy. The Sensing Circuit is the seat of the right hemisphere of the brain.

Collective Circuitry is all about sharing. But this is not personal sharing like we see in the Tribal circuit. This is pure, human sharing…the kind of sharing that comes in situations that involve survival of the species.

We see this sharing in times of chaos and crisis. The Collective circuit is what compels us to guide others to safety or to high ground when there is trouble. Collective energy can feel critical and harsh because it is corrective in nature. The goal of the Collective is to express the perfected form of the human experience.

People with a lot of Collective energy, particularly in the Understanding Circuit will intuitively know how to fix or improve things. This understanding can feel to
others as criticism. The purpose of this energy, however, is not to criticize but to perfect the expression of patterns.

Collective energy seeks to express itself in its corrective form. Whereas the Individual seeks to express his uniqueness, the Collective human seeks to communicate perfected forms of understandings in order to improve the experience of others.

As difficult as this may be to understand, this is not personal and to a certain extent, it isn’t even about caring so much as it is about sharing the most perfect form of expression. The Collective shares because we are One and your experience is really the same as mine, even though we are differentiated as two different people. We are still having a human experience that has some common threads.

**COLLECTIVE AFFIRMATIONS:**

I wait for others to ask for my advice.
I wait to be asked before I correct.
I like to see the patterns in all things.
I wait until it feels right to try new things.
I share my ideas and stories with the people who ask for them.