The Capricorn-Rat courts risks because, as is clear to most everyone, power hungry individuals are not the most admired and sought after people on the planet. There are too many negative associations with power, including voracity, greed and rapaciousness. The Capricorn-Rat is, to be quite blunt about it, a power monger. They love power and crave it. This trait comes from both sides of the combination; the Rat wants supremacy and the Capricorn wants to influence others. The result is clear and the consequences can, unfortunately, be hazardous. They live a life of constant danger. Of course the outer appearance of this combination is perfectly reasonable. To put out aggressive waves and vibrations would not work on the road to supremacy. Rather the Capricorn-Rat must give an air of being trustworthy and helpful. None of this is to say that this combination is bad. It is only to point out the great possibility of being bad. People are aware that those who want power step on and climb over others on their way to influence. The point of life itself for the Rat is to gain power. There is no combination more aggressive than the Capricorn-Rat. There is only one goal in life and that is to be number one.

Romance: Romance is a bit of an odd word relative to the Capricorn-Rat and even the word partner has the wrong ring to it. They need a dependable mate who can be devoted to them. The Capricorn-Rat needs a partner, but it would be misleading to claim they need love. This is not a Cupid sort of person. Any sort of feelings of love is secondary to expediency or, to put it more kindly, assistance on the road to royalty. That road is, of course, filled with details and chores. Reaching the destination requires support and aid. While they do have energy, it is impossible, for example, to be in two places at once. A mate is needed to take care of the children or take them to the dentist and other such activities.

Relationships: Not especially ideal signs for compatibility in this combination are the Horse or Rat. Particularly poor choices are Aries, Cancer or Libra-Horses as are Aries or Libra-Rabbits. There is a lot going on in the love and romance category for the Capricorn-Ram. Good selections are Taurus, Leo, Virgo, Scorpio or Pisces. Monkeys
combined with these western signs are good with the exception of the Virgo-Monkey. Signs that make this combination happy are Taurus, Virgo and Pisces-Dragons.

**Family Life:** Their decorating inclinations lean toward the refined and urbane. All of this might give the impression that the Capricorn-Rat is not particularly interested in children. That is absolutely not the case at all. This combination loves and cares deeply about the young. They are highly protective and sustaining. The Capricorn-Rat has a strong need to be comfortable at home. They like chores to be easy to do. Combined with the fact that they like to tell the world how important they are, their home will be comfy, convenient and elegant. Convenience means gadgets of all sorts to make their lives easier. Elegance probably means antiques, which must be highly traditional. They are not in favor, however, of the farmhouse approach to decorating. That is too blue collar for their taste.

**Likelihood:** Human nature being what it is, this combination is not the only one on the highway to power and thus they make enemies. Some of them might be dedicated to the proposition of destroying the Capricorn-Rat. In addition they create poor losers who are often all around them in their profession. Being in charge is not for sissies. Fortunately for them, the Capricorn-Rat is hardly that. The Capricorn-Rat must win in order to be happy. Winning for them is not a one-time thing. They must win time after time as they reach each rung of the ladder to success and power. Domination is the only thing they will accept. They are huge risk takers because of this compulsion to rule and consequently live life dangerously.

**Famous Capricorn/Rats:** Pablo Casals, Rod Serling, Richard Nixon, John DeLorean, Donna Summer.