## Torch \& Sword

Rules inspired by Gary Gygax and Dave Arneson's original 1974 fantasy roleplaying game

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## Preface

## Goals of Torch $\mathcal{E}$ Sword

Why re-write the rules for this game? Why write them like this?

- The original out-of-print rule booklets are increasingly scarce and expensive.
- More people will play a 30+ year old game if they can download a free version of the rules.
- The existing clone rules (search the internet for "retro-clones" if you don't know about them) have different design priorities. They include some rules from the post-1974 supplements, for example, and exclude most of the wilderness design rules.

What are the design priorities of Torch $\mathcal{E}$ Sword? Minimalism and fidelity.

By establishing a minimalistic framework, give referees a scaffold around which to build. It's easier to add complexities you want than to simplify the complexities you don't.

The ambiguities and omissions in the original three booklets are important. What is not written or unclear is a feature of the rules. Those gaps give referees room to make their own creative rulings.

As to fidelity, Torch $\mathcal{E}$ Sword hews as closely to the 1974 rules as necessary to make the play experience true to the original.

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## Introduction

Play the original 1974 fantasy roleplaying game, in which doughty fighting-men, zealous clerics, and sly magic-users seek treasure in a fantastic underworld populated by monsters!

One player acts as the referee, who creates a dungeon map populated by tricks, traps, monsters, and treasures. The other players take the role of player characters, who form a party to explore and remove treasure from the dungeon. Although the referee acts the part of the monsters and non-player characters, he is not the adversary of the players but an impartial judge.

As characters find treasure and kill monsters, they gain experience-experience that eventually leads to greater capabilities.

Many game actions are resolved with the throw of dice-dice with $4,6,8,12,10$, and 20 sides. Abbreviations tell you which dice to roll. For example, $3 d 6$ means to roll 3 six-sided dice, and add them together.


## Requirements

You need this rule book. It provides a framework upon which the referee builds the game. The rules written here are only guidelines, and the referee is the final authority.

You will need pencils, paper (both lined and graph paper), and dice. Some players enjoy using miniature figures to represent their player characters and the monsters.

The most expensive requirement is time. The referee, in particular, spends considerable time on preparation. He should begin simply, and add complexity slowly.

## Recommended Reading

Since the beginning of the hobby, swords and sorcery literature has been a key inspiration for fantasy roleplaying games. Read or reread some of Robert E. Howard's Conan stories, Fritz Leiber's tales of Fafhrd and the Gray Mouser. Jack Vance's Dying Earth stories, and the John Carter of Mars saga by Edgar Rice Burroughs.

Matthew Finch's free PDF, A Quick Primer for Old School Gaming. describes one way to play games like Torch $\mathcal{E}$ Sword.

## Player Characters

## Character Creation Quick Steps

1. Roll 3d6 in order for strength, intelligence, wisdom, constitution, dexterity, and charisma.
2. Decide on a class (cleric, fighting-man, magic-user)
3. Boost prime requisite if desired/possible.
4. Roll hit points according to class.
5. Note saving throws.
6. Determine Fighting Capability (FC).
7. Decide on an alignment: law, neutrality, or chaos.
8. Note languages spoken, and number of languages that can be learned.
9. Roll 3d6 $\times 10$ for starting GP. Buy equipment. All weapons do 1d6 damage.
10. Note Armor Class (AC).
11. Calculate encumbrance and movement rate.
12. Choose spells if appropriate.
13. Add any flavor text desired.
14. Solicit hirelings, finances and charisma permitting.

## Abilities

Player characters have six ability scores: strength, intelligence, wisdom, constitution, dexterity, and charisma. Roll 3d6 for each ability to generate a score between 3-18.

Each character class has once ability of particular importance. This is called a prime requisite. The prime requisite of fightingmen is strength. The prime requisite of magic-users is intelligence. The prime requisite of clerics is wisdom. Players may wish to use points from other abilities to increase their prime requisite score, as shown in the Prime Requisite Boosting table ( p .11 ).

Very high or low ability scores provide certain advantages or disadvantages. See the Ability Score Bonuses and Penalties table ( p 11).

## Classes

## Fighting-Men

Fighting-men can use all magical weapons and armor. They do not cast magic spells. High-level fighters (Lords and above) may become barons, and build income-generating castles.

## Magic-Users

Magic-users learn to cast spells magic-user spells from wizened teachers or dusty scrolls, and may even research new spells of their own. They can use any type of magic item, except for armor and weapons (arming themselves only with daggers). High-level magic-users (Wizards and above) can manufacture magic items.

## Clerics

Clerics pray to cast cleric spells, and have a unique facility to turn away undead creatures. They can use any magic armor, although they may only use non-edged weapons. High-level clerics (Patriarchs and above) may build strongholds, and attract tithe-paying followers. By level 7, clerics must declare their allegiance to either Law or Chaos (see Alignment, p.10).

## Dwarves

Dwarves may only be fighters, and never advance above level 6. When checking saving throws, dwarves add four levels to their actual level because of natural resilience. Dwarves speak their own dwarven tongue, and also the languages of gnomes, goblins, and kobolds. In dungeons, dwarves recognize fresh construction, traps, and sloping or shifting passages.

## Elves

Elves act as both magic-users and fighters, but not at the same time. They must choose to adventure as one class or the other at the start of a game. Elves never advance beyond level 4 as fighting-men, and level 8 as magic-users. While acting as magic-users, they may continue to wear any magic armor they possess. In addition to their own tongue, elves speak the languages of gnolls, hobgoblins, and orcs. They have a better chance than other races to spot secret doors.

## Halflings

Halflings may only be fighters, and never advance above level 4. They check saving throws like dwarves. Their skill gives halflings +1 to hit with missile weapons.

## Other Types

At the discretion of the referee, characters can be other types. All characters should start weak, and become more capable through experience. Using a dragon as a player character, for example, works so long as it begins as a vulnerable hatchling.

## Changing Character Class

Characters (other than elves) should stick with one class. Characters who insist on changing class must have an un-boosted score of
$16+$ in the prime requisite of the new class. Magic-users may never become clerics, and clerics may never become magic-users.

## Hit Points

Hit points represent how much damage a character can sustain before dying. A character's hit points depend upon his class and level of experience. Level 1 magic-users have a single hit die (HD), which means they have 1d6 hit points. First level fighting-men have $1+1 \mathrm{HD}$, which means they have $2-7$ hit points. Level 5 clerics have $4+1 \mathrm{HD}$, which means they have $5-25$ hit points. See the Class Advancement table (p 12).

## Saving Throws

Because of their fortitude or reflexes, characters sometimes have a chance to halve or entirely avoid damage or other undesirable effects such as death by poison or being turned to stone by a medusa. Their ability to do so depends upon their class and level. To save, the player must roll over the appropriate saving throw on a d20. See the Saving Throws table (p.13).

## Alignment

The characters and monsters living in your game world stand with either the forces of Law or Chaos, though some embrace Neutrality. For example, unicorns stand with Law, while vampires stand with Chaos. Many races-men among them-have members divided amongst Law, Chaos, and Neutrality. Creatures of animal or lower intelligence are not aligned.

Table 1: Prime Requisite Boosting

| Clerics | 3 strength $\Rightarrow 1$ wisdom <br> 2 intelligence $\Rightarrow 1$ wisdom |
| ---: | :--- |
| Fighting-men | 2 intelligence $\Rightarrow 1$ strength <br> 3 wisdom $\Rightarrow 1$ strength |
| Magic-users | 2 wisdom $\Rightarrow 1$ intelligence |

No score may be reduced below 9 by boosting.

Table 2: Ability Score Bonuses and Penalties

| Score | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Prime Req. | -20\% XP |  |  |  | -10\% XP |  |  |  |  |  | +5\% XP |  | +10\% XP |  |  |  |
| Intelligence | Languages: Common and alignment tongue |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | +1 additional language for each point above 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Constitution | -1 HP per HD |  |  |  |  | -50\% <br> vival | 60-90\% <br> survival |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & \text { survival } \end{aligned}$ |  | +1 HP per HD |  |  |  |
| Dexterity | -1 missile attacks |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | +1 missile attacks |  |  |  |  |  |
| Charisma | 1 max. hireling, -2 loyalty |  |  | max. <br> elings, oyalty | 3 max. hirelings |  |  | 4 max. hirelings |  |  | 5 max. hirelings, +1 loyalty |  |  | 6 max. hirelings, +2 loyalty |  | 12 max. hirelings, +4 loyalty |

Table 3: Class Advancement

| Clerics |  |  |  | Figting-Men |  |  | Magic-Users |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | :---: |
| Level | XP | HD | Spells | XP | HD | XP | HD | Spells |  |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | - | 0 | $1+1$ | 0 | 1 | 1 |  |
| 2 | 1,500 | 2 | 1 | 2,000 | 2 | 2,500 | $1+1$ | 2 |  |
| 3 | 3,000 | 3 | 2 | 4,000 | 3 | 5,000 | 2 | 31 |  |
| 4 | 6,000 | 4 | 21 | 8,000 | 4 | 10,000 | $2+1$ | 42 |  |
| 5 | 12,000 | $4+1$ | 22 | 16,000 | $5+1$ | 20,000 | 3 | 421 |  |
| 6 | 25,000 | 5 | 2211 | 32,000 | 6 | 35,000 | $3+1$ | 422 |  |
| 7 | 50,000 | 6 | 22211 | 64,000 | $7+1$ | 50,000 | 4 | 4321 |  |
| 8 | $* 100,00$ | 7 | 22222 | 120,000 | $8+2$ | 75,000 | 5 | 4332 |  |
| 9 | 200,000 | $7+1$ | 33322 | $* * 240,000$ | $9+3$ | 100,000 | $6+1$ | 43321 |  |
| 10 | 300,000 | $7+2$ | 33333 | 360,000 | $10+1$ | 200,000 | 7 | 44332 |  |
| 11 | 400,000 | $7+3$ | 44433 | 480,000 | $10+3$ | $* * * 300,000$ | $8+1$ | 44433 |  |
| 12 | 500,000 | $8+1$ | 44444 | 600,000 | $11+1$ | 450,000 | $8+2$ | 444441 |  |
| 13 | 600,000 | $8+2$ | 55544 | 720,000 | $11+3$ | 600,000 | $8+3$ | 555442 |  |
| 14 | 700,000 | $8+3$ | 55555 | 840,000 | $12+1$ | 750,000 | $8+4$ | 554443 |  |
| 15 | 800,000 | $8+4$ | 66655 | 960,000 | $12+3$ | 900,000 | $9+1$ | 555444 |  |
| 16 | 900,000 | $9+1$ | 66666 | $1,080,000$ | $13+1$ | $1,050,000$ | $9+2$ | 555555 |  |
| 17 | $1,000,000$ | $9+2$ | 77766 | $1,200,000$ | $13+3$ | $1,200,000$ | $9+3$ | 666555 |  |
| 18 | $1,100,000$ | $9+3$ | 77777 | $1,320,000$ | $14+1$ | $1,350,000$ | $10+1$ | 666666 |  |

* At level 8, clerics earn the title of Patriarch.
* At level 9, fighting-men earn the title of Lord.
** At level 11, magic-users earn the title of Wizard.
The referee may wish to assign titles to all earlier levels for each of the classes.
The Spells column indicates the number of spells a character of that level may memorize and cast per day. For example, a level 5 magic-user may memorize and cast four 1st level spells, two 2 nd level spell, and one 3 rd level spell per day.

Table 4: Saving Throws

|  | Death | Wands | Petrification | Breath Attack | Magic Spell |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fighting-man level 1-3 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| level 4-6 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| level 7-9 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 12 |
| level 10-12 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 10 |
| level 13+ | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 8 |
| Cleric level 1-4 | 11 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 15 |
| level 5-8 | 9 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 12 |
| level 9-12 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 11 | 9 |
| level 13+ | 3 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 7 |
| Magic-user level 1-5 | 13 | 14 | 13 | 16 | 15 |
| level 6-10 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 14 | 12 |
| level 11-15 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 11 | 8 |
| level 16+ | 5 | 6 | 5 | 8 | 3 |

Death includes both death magic (rays, curses, etc.) and mundane poisons. Magic Spell includes spellcasting devices with effects not covered by a previous category of saving throw. Most monsters save like a fighter of a level equal to their HD. Those few monsters with a principally magical nature save as magic-users.

## Equipment

Each character starts with $3 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 10$ gold pieces (GP), which can be used to buy equipment and pay hirelings. One GP is equal to 10 silver pieces (SP), and 1 SP is equal to 50 copper pieces (CP).

## Encumbrance

Characters encumbered by heavy or bulky loads move more slowly and must rest more often. Encumbrance weight is measured in coins (the more gear the character carries, the less treasure they can haul from the dungeon).

No weights are specified for miscellaneous and consumable items. Assume that a reasonable quantity of such items-about as much as would fit in a backpack-weigh 80 coins in total.

The Movement section (p.43) describes the effect of encumbrance on movement.

## Equipment Costs

## Weapons

| Battle axe | p (weight 100) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Bow (composite) | 50gp (weight 50) |
| Bow (long) | 40gp (weight 50) |
| Bow (short) | 25gp (weight 50) |
| Crossbow (light) | 15gp (weight 50) |
| Crossbow (heavy) | 25gp (weight 100) |
| Dagger | 3 gp (weight 20) |
| Flail | 8gp (weight 100) |
| Halberd | 7gp (weight 150) |
| Hand axe | . 3gp (weight 50) |
| Lance | 4gp (weight 150) |
| Mace | 5gp (weight 50) |
| Morning star | 6gp (weight 100) |
| Pike | 5gp (weight 150) |
| Pole arm | . 7 gp (weight 150) |

Spear ..... 1gp (weight 50)
Sword ..... 10gp (weight 50)
Two-handed Sword ..... 15gp (weight 150)
Armor
Barding ..... 150gp (weight 750)
Chain-type mail ..... 30gp (weight 500)
Helmet ..... 10 gp (weight 50)
Leather armor ..... 15gp (weight 250)
Plate mail ..... 50gp (weight 750)
Shield ..... 10gp (weight 150)

| Armor | AC |
| ---: | :--- |
| Without armor | 9 |
| Shield only | 8 |
| Leather | 7 |
| Leather w/ shield | 6 |
| Chainmail | 5 |
| Chainmail w/ shield | 4 |
| Plate | 3 |
| Plate with shield | 2 |

## Consumables

Arrows (20) ..... $5 g p$ (quiver $+5 g p$ )
Arrow (silver tipped) ..... 5gp
Belladona (bunch) ..... 10gp
Flask of oil ..... 2gp
Garlic (bud) ..... 5gp
Holy water (1 vial) ..... 25gp
Iron spikes (12) ..... 1gp
Quarrels (30) ..... gp)
Rations (iron, 1 week's) ..... $15 g p$
Rations (standard, 1 week's) ..... 5gp
Stakes (3) \& mallet ..... 3gp
Torches (6) ..... 1gp
Wine (quart) ..... 1gp
Wolvesbane (bunch) ..... 10 gp
Transportation
Boat (small) ..... 100gp
Cart ..... 100gp
Galley (small) ..... 10000gp
Galley (large) ..... 30000gp
Horse (draft) ..... 30gp
Horse (light) ..... 40gp
Horse (warhorse, heavy) ..... 200gp
Horse (warhorse
medium) ..... 100gp
Mule ..... 20gp
Raft ..... 40gp
Saddle ..... 25gp
Saddle bags ..... 10gp
Ship (small merchant) ..... 5000gp
Ship (large merchant) ..... 20000
Wagon ..... 200gp
Miscellaneous
Cross (silver) ..... 25gp
Cross (wood) ..... 2gp
Lantern ..... 10gp
Leather backpack ..... 5gp
Mirror (small silver) ..... 15gp
Mirror (steel) ..... 5gp
Pole (10ft) ..... 1gp
Rope (50ft) ..... 1gp
Sack (large) ..... 2gp
Sack (small) ..... 1gp
Water/wine skin ..... 1gp

## Hirelings

Assuming they have sufficient money and charisma, player characters may hire mercenaries or auxiliary personnel. At the time a character offers employment to a potential hireling, the referee secretly rolls 2d6 and adds any bonus or penalty based on the hiring character's charisma. The referee notes the result as both the hireling's reaction to the offer of employment and the hireling's ongoing loyalty.

| Loyalty: $2 \mathrm{~d} 6+$ CHR Mod. | Potential Hireling Reaction |
| :---: | :--- |
| 1 or less | Violently refuses offer |
| $2-4$ | Declines offer |
| $5-7$ | Negotiates for better offer |
| $8-10$ | Accepts offer |
| $11+$ | Enthusiastically accepts |

Fairly treated hirelings usually perform the job for which they are paid. If asked to take unusual risks or if events turn against the party, the referee may check the morale of hirelings (p.25). Poorly treated hirelings will abandon the player characters, and may even warn other potential hirelings against working for them.

From time to time, or after extraordinary rewards or extraordinary hazards, the referee will adjust up or down the loyalty of hirelings.

## Captured Monsters

Some monsters that fail morale checks may surrender to the player characters. If the characters make an offer of service to such a monster, the referee checks the acceptability of the offer and the loyalty of the monster as described for hirelings.

## Inheritance

Players can declare a next of kin-another character who will inherit their character's possessions in case of disappearance or death. The inheriting character starts at first level, and pays a $10 \%$ inheritance tax.

## Baronies

## Magic

## Spells

Magic-users cast magic-user spells, and clerics cast cleric spells. The number and power of spells magic-users and clerics can cast depends upon their character level. Note that character level and spell level are not the same thing. A third level magic-user, for example, may only cast spells of spell level 1 and spell level 2. The Class Advancement table ( p .12 ) shows how many spells from each spell level a character may cast per day based on their character level.

## Turning Undead

Although clerics do not cast spells until second level, they do begin with the special ability to turn undead. Low level clerics cause some undead to flee. A high level cleric dissolves many undead where they stand. Evil clerics can not turn undead. See the Turning Undead by Cleric Level table (p.18).

## Spell Books

## Magical Research

## Magic-User Spells

## Level 1 Magic-User Spells

1. Charm Person brings one creature within $120^{\prime}$ under total control of the caster. Lasts until dispel magic is cast on target. No effect on undead.
2. Detect Magic reveals for a short time the presence of magical effects on nearby things.
3. Hold Portal locks a door, gate, etc. for 2d6 turns. Dispel magic removes the hold. Knock opens the held portal, and dispel magic entirely removes the hold.
4. Light illuminates a $30^{\prime}$ diameter circle less brightly than full daylight for 6 turns.
5. Protection from Evil prevents magic creatures from entering a circle around the caster for 6 turns. During that time, evil attacks against the caster are at -1 .
6. Read Languages allows the caster to understand a small corpus of otherwise unknown writing.
7. Read Magic allows the caster to understand magical writing on one or two scrolls or other incantatory items.
8. Sleep causes target(s) within $240^{\prime}$ to fall into a deep magical sleep. See chart below.

| HD of Target(s) | Number put to sleep |
| :---: | :--- |
| up to $1+1 \mathrm{HD}$ | 2 d 8 creatures |
| up to $2+1 \mathrm{HD}$ | 2 d 6 creatures |
| up to $3+1 \mathrm{HD}$ | 1 d 6 creatures |
| up to $4+1 \mathrm{HD}$ | 1 creature |

Table 5: Turn Undead by Cleric Level

| Level | Skeletons | Zombies | Ghouls | Wights | Wraiths | Mummies | Specters | Vampires |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 7 | 9 | 11 | No effect | No effect | No effect | No effect | No effect |
| 2 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 11 | No effect | No effect | No effect | No effect |
| 3 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 11 | No effect | No effect | No effect |
| 4 | Vaporized | 2 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 11 | No effect | No effect |
| 5 | Vaporized | Vaporized | 2 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 11 | No effect |
| 6 | Vaporized | Vaporized | Vaporized | 2 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 11 |
| 7 | Vaporized | Vaporized | Vaporized | Vaporized | 2 | 2 | 7 | 9 |
| 8 | Vaporized | Vaporized | Vaporized | Vaporized | Vaporized | 2 | 2 | 7 |

A 2 d 6 roll $\geq$ the number in the table means up to 2 d 6 undead were forced to flee.
"Vaporized" means up to 2d6 undead were dissolved.
"No effect" means the cleric is unable to turn that type of undead.

## Level 2 Magic-User Spells

1. Arcane Lock works like a permanent hold portal. Knock opens an arcanely locked portal once, but doesn't dispel the lock. A magic-user at least three levels higher than the arcane lock caster can pass through the portal at will.
2. Continual Light lights a $240^{\prime}$ diameter circle around the caster, and lasts until dispelled. It's dimmer than daylight.
3. Detect Evil, for 2 turns after it's cast, identifies evilly enchanted objects or individuals with evil intents within $60^{\prime}$. Merely harmful objects, like vials of poison or spiked pits, are not detected.
4. Detect Invisibility reveals to the caster invisible objects or creatures within range ( $10^{\prime} \times$ caster level) for 6 turns.
5. ESP makes the caster aware of the thoughts of creatures within $240^{\prime}$, including those concealed by shadows or behind doors, although the spell can't penetrate stone thicker than $2^{\prime}$ or lead barriers.
6. Invisibility makes a target within $240^{\prime}$ completely invisible until either the caster ends the spell or the target attacks something.
7. Knock opens any locked (magically or otherwise) portal within $60^{\prime}$ of the caster.
8. Levitate floats the caster vertically ( $20^{\prime}$ per caster level) at a rate of $60^{\prime}$ per turn. Levitation lasts 6 turns plus a number turns equal to caster level. The spell provides no horizontal thrust, although the caster might achieve such movement by, for example, pushing away from walls.
9. Locate Object gives the caster a sense of the direction (though not distance) of a known (in terms of color, size, shape, etc.) object, if that object is within range ( $60^{\prime}$ plus caster level $\times 10^{\prime}$ ).
10. Phantasmal Force visibly manifests the caster's mental image up to $240^{\prime}$ away. The image persists so long as the caster concentrates and no one touches the image.

## Level 3 Magic-User Spells

1. Clairaudience lets the caster hear creatures within $240^{\prime}$, including those concealed by shadows or behind doors, although the spell can't penetrate stone thicker than $2^{\prime}$ or lead barriers.
2. Clairvoyance lets the caster see creatures within 240 ', including those concealed by shadows or behind doors, although the spell can't penetrate stone thicker than $2^{\prime}$ or lead barriers. Clairvoyance may be cast through a crystal ball.
3. Dispel Magic, if successful, ends magical effects, except permanent enchantments such as those on magic items. The percentage chance to dispel is the caster's level, divided by the level of the magic-user who created the original effect, multiplied by 100 . For example, a level 3 magic-user has a $50 \%$ chance to dispel magic created by a level 6 magic-user.
4. Fire Ball shoots a flaming sphere from the caster's fingertip up to $240^{\prime}$. The fire ball causes 1 d 6 damage per caster level to anything (friend or foe) within $20^{\prime}$ of the impact point.
5. Fly propels the caster through the air at $120^{\prime}$ per turn for a number of turns equal to his level plus 1d6 (rolled secretly by the referee).
6. Haste allows up to two dozen creatures within a $45^{\prime}$ radius circle originating up to $240^{\prime}$ from the caster to move $50 \%$ faster for 3 turns. It cancels slow.
7. Hold Person works like charm person, but controls up to four individuals within $120^{\prime}$ for 6 turns plus 1 turn per caster level. When cast against a single target, that target suffers a -2 penalty to save.
8. Infravision enables the target to perceive infrared light for 24 hours, and thereby see up to $60^{\prime}$ without a visible light source.
9. Invisibility $\mathbf{1 0}^{\prime}$ Radius works like invisibility, but the effect extends for $10^{\prime}$ in all directions around the caster.
10. Lightning Bolt acts like fire ball, except when cast in a confined environment that does not allow the bolt to reach its full 60' range, it will rebound striking a random target (perhaps the caster).
11. Protection from Evil 10' Radius works like protection from evil, but extends around the caster 10' in all directions and lasts for 12 turns.
12. Protection from Normal Missiles protects a target within $30^{\prime}$ from small, non-magical missile weapons for 12 turns.
13. Slow forces up to two dozen creatures within a $45^{\prime}$ radius circle originating up to $240^{\prime}$ from the caster to move $50 \%$ slower for 2 turns. It cancels haste.
14. Water Breathing enables a target within $30^{\prime}$ to breath under water for 12 turns.

## Level 4 Magic-User Spells

1. Arcane Eye lets the caster project an invisible magic eye capable of relaying images from up to $240^{\prime}$ away. The eye lasts 6 turns, and the caster can move it at a rate of $120^{\prime}$ per turn.
2. Charm Monster brings any creature (or up to 3 d 6 creatures of three or fewer hit dice) within $120^{\prime}$ under total control of the caster. Control lasts until dispel magic is cast on target(s).
3. Confusion has a $120^{\prime}$ range, and lasts for 12 turns. It affects a number of creatures equal to 2 d 6 plus the caster's level minus 8. Creatures with less than four hit dice are automatically confused; all other creatures must save against Magic

Spell every turn, or be confused for that turn. The actions of confused creatures depends upon a 2d6 roll:

| 2 d 6 | Confused Action |
| :---: | :--- |
| $2-5$ | Attack caster's party |
| $6-8$ | Do nothing |
| $9-12$ | Attack each other |

4. Dimension Door instantly transports an object or individual within $10^{\prime}$ of the caster up to $360^{\prime}$ in any direction.
5. Hallucinatory Terrain makes one area of terrain withing $240^{\prime}$ look like another type of terrain.
6. Massmorph makes a marching contingent of up to 100 mansized creatures within $240^{\prime}$ appear to observers as a natural copse of trees until ended by the caster or dispel magic.
7. Plant Growth makes up to 300 square feet of forest or fields within $120^{\prime}$ so overgrown as to be impassable. Dispel magic returns the terrain to normal.
8. Polymorph Other changes a target within $60^{\prime}$ into another type of creature of the caster's choosing. The target assumes the abilities and statistics of its new form, though it retains its own mind. Dispel magic restores the target's original form.
9. Polymorph Self lets the caster transform himself into any physical form for a period of 6 turns plus 1 turn per level. The magic-users does not gain the special abilities or hit dice of his new form.
10. Remove Curse ends the effects of a curse on an individual or object when touched by the caster.
11. Wall of Fire ignites within $60^{\prime}$ of the caster a $20^{\prime}$ high curtain of flames, which he can arrange as either a $60^{\prime}$ long wall or a circle with a 30' diameter. Creatures with less than four hit
dice can't pass the wall, while other creates can pass by taking 1d6 damage. Undead take an additional d6 damage. The wall of fire lasts as long as the caster concentrates.
12. Wall of Ice creates within $120^{\prime}$ of the caster a $6^{\prime \prime}$ thick, $20^{\prime}$ high sheet of ice, which he can arrange as either a $60^{\prime}$ long wall or a circle with a $30^{\prime}$ diameter. The wall blocks fire-based spells and powers. Creatures with more than four hit dice can break through the wall, sustaining 1d6 damage in the process. Firebased creatures take an extra d6 damage.

## Level 5 Magic-User Spells

1. Animal Growth enlarges 1 d 6 normal beasts within $120^{\prime}$ to gigantic proportions for a period of 12 turns. The animals' hit dice and fighting capabilities also increase.
2. Animate Dead enables a magic-user to turn 1 d 6 corpses (plus an additional 1d6 dead for each of the caster level above 9) into skeletons or zombies. They remain animated until dispelled or reduced to zero hit points.
3. Cloudkill creates a $30^{\prime}$ diameter cloud of poisonous gas, which kills any creates with fewer than five hit dice. The cloud moves away from the caster 60' per turn, downwind if there is any wind. It dissipates after 6 turns (more quickly in windy conditions).
4. Contact Other Plane lets the caster ask an otherworldly power 3d4 yes/no questions. The higher the roll, the more powerful and alien is the otherworldly power contacted. Multiplying the number of questions rolled by 8 gives the percentage chance that:

- the otherworldly power knows the answer to each question
- the power answers each question truthfully
- the caster goes insane for a number of weeks equal to the number of questions if he fails to save versus Petrification.

For example, the 3 d 4 result of 7 means that the otherworldly power considers 7 questions, that there is a $56 \%$ chance it knows the answer to each question, that there is a $56 \%$ chance it answers each question truthfully, and that there is a $56 \%$ chance the caster goes insane for 7 weeks after the spell ends if he fails to save versus Petrification.
Only the referee knows which answers are lies.
5. Feeblemind forces a rival spell-caster within $240^{\prime}$ to save against Magic Spell with a -4 penalty, or lose his mental faculties until restored by dispel magic.
6. Hold Monster completely controls 1d4 creatures within 120' for 6 turns plus a number of turns equal to the caster's level. If cast at one monster, it suffers a -2 penalty to save versus Magic Spell.
7. Magic Jar allows the caster to hide his essence in a nearby inanimate object in order to possess the body of another creature within 120'. Upon the death of the possessed body, the magic user's consciousness returns to the magic jar, where it may re-inhabit the caster's original body (if available) or another creature within range of the jar. If the jar is destroyed, so is the caster.
8. Passwall opens a doorway in a stone wall within $30^{\prime}$ for a period of 3 turns.
9. Conjure Elemental calls an air, earth, fire, or water elemental ( p .28 ), which obeys the magic-user as long as he maintains concentration (and attacks him if he loses concentration).
10. Telekenesis mentally moves objects up to $120^{\prime}$ away for 6 turns, lifting as much weight as the caster's level $\times 200$ in gold pieces.
11. Teleport instantly transports the caster to any location. Whether the caster arrives safely at the desired location, materialized $100^{\prime}$ in the air, or teleports into solid rock depends upon his familiarity with the destination.

| Knowledge of Destination | Arrive |
| :---: | :--- |
| Personally familiar | Safely |
| Extensive research | $1 \%$ inside solid object |
|  | $4 \% 10-40^{\prime}$ in air |
| Supposition or rumor | $10 \%$ inside solid object |
| No knowledge | $70 \%$ 10-100' in air |
| Norribly dead |  |

12. Transmute Rock to Mud turns up to 300 square feet of rocks or soil within 120 ' into mud. Very heavy creatures may sink entirely in the mud; others will move at one-tenth their normal rate.
13. Wall of Iron creates within $60^{\prime}$ of the caster a $3^{\prime \prime}$ thick iron wall with a maximum length and width totaling $50^{\prime}$ square. The wall exists for 12 turns, or until removed with dispel magic.
14. Wall of Stone creates within $60^{\prime}$ of the caster a $2^{\prime}$ thick wall with a maximum length and width totaling 100' square. The wall lasts until broken apart like a mundane stone wall or removed with dispel magic.

## Level 6 Magic-User Spells

1. Anti-magic Shell creates a barrier around the caster impermeable to spells-no spells can pass in or out for 12 turns.
2. Control Weather makes the sky rainy, sunny, or full of tornadoes as the caster chooses.
3. Death kills 2 d 8 creatures of fewer than seven hit dice grouped in a 60 square foot area no more than $240^{\prime}$ from the caster.
4. Disintegrate makes any living or inanimate target within $60^{\prime}$ cease to exist.
5. Geas forces a target within $30^{\prime}$ to complete a task of the caster's choosing, or else suffer weakness and eventually death.
6. Invisible Stalker allows the caster to assign a task to an Invisible Stalker (p.29).
7. Move Earth shifts terrain features like small hills within $240^{\prime}$ at a rate of $60^{\prime}$ per turn for up to 6 turns.
8. Project Image projects an illusion up to $240^{\prime}$. It lasts as long as the caster concentrates and no one touches it. The image can harm those who believe it to be real.
9. Part Water creates a dry channel up to $10^{\prime}$ deep and $120^{\prime}$ long in a body of water for 6 turns.
10. Reincarnation brings the mind of a character back from the dead in the body of a random creature of the same alignment. If the random creature happens to be a man, elf, or dwarf, randomly determine the new body's class and level.
11. Stone to Flesh transforms target stone within $120^{\prime}$ into flesh, or flesh into stone. It can, for example, reverse the effect of a medusa's gaze.

## Cleric Spells

## Level 1 Cleric Spells

1. Cure Light Wounds instantly heals 1d6+1 hit points of damage. Evil clerics cause light wounds.
2. Detect Evil, for 6 turns after it's cast, identifies evilly enchanted objects or individuals with evil intents within $120^{\prime}$. Merely harmful objects, like vials of poison or spiked pits, are not detected. Evil clerics detect good.
3. Detect Magic reveals for a short time the presence of magical effects on nearby things.
4. Light illuminates less brightly than daylight a $30^{\prime}$ circle around the cleric for 12 turns. Evil clerics cause darkness.
5. Protection from Evil bars magic creatures from approaching the cleric for 12 turns, during which the cleric makes saving throws from evil attacks at +1 , and evil opponents are treated as having one fewer hit die. Evil clerics are protected from good.
6. Purify Food and Drink makes spoiled or poisoned food and beverages (enough to serve twelve people) safe to consume. Evil clerics spoil food and drink.

## Level 2 Cleric Spells

1. Bless gives the target(s) +1 to hit and +1 morale for 6 turns, although the target(s) must not be engaged in combat at the time of cleric. Evil clerics curse for -1 to hit and -1 morale.
2. Find Traps reveals to the cleric any magical or mundane traps within $30^{\prime}$ for 2 turns.
3. Hold Person completely controls 1 d 4 living humanoids within $120^{\prime}$ for 6 turns plus a number of turns equal to the cleric's level. If cast at a single target, that individuals suffers a -2 penalty to save versus Magic Spell.
4. Speak with Animals lets the cleric communicate with any animal within $30^{\prime}$ for a period of 6 turns. The animal will not attack the cleric's party, and may be willing to help the them.

## Level 3 Cleric Spells

1. Continual Light lights as brightly as daylight a $240^{\prime}$ diameter circle around the cleric, and lasts until dispelled.
2. Cure Disease cures one target of any disease, magical or otherwise.
3. Locate Object gives the cleric a sense of the direction (though not distance) of a known (in terms of color, size, shape, etc.) object, if that object is within range ( $60^{\prime}$ plus cleric level $\times$ $10^{\prime}$ ).
4. Remove Curse ends the effects of a curse on an individual or object when touched by the cleric.

## Level 4 Cleric Spells

1. Create Water produces a day's worth of drinkable water for a dozen men and their mounts. For every cleric level above 8 , the quantity of water doubles.
2. Cure Serious Wounds instantly heals $2 \mathrm{~d} 6+2$ hit points of damage. Evil clerics cause serious wounds.
3. Neutralize Poison stops further damage by poison to one individual, but can not revive the dead.
4. Protection from Evil 10' Radius works like protection from evil, but extends around the caster $10^{\prime}$ in all directions and lasts for 12 turns.
5. Speak with Plants lets the cleric communicate with any plants within $30^{\prime}$ for a period of 6 turns. The plants obey the cleric as best they can.
6. Sticks to Snakes turns 2 d 6 sticks within $120^{\prime}$ into snakes for 6 turns. The snakes (half of whom will be poisonous) obey the cleric's orders.

## Level 5 Cleric Spells

1. Commune lets the cleric ask three questions of his deity, and provides three answers. Clerics may only commune with their deity once per week, though the referee may rarely allow more frequent communication or a greater number of questions per casting.
2. Create Food produces a day's worth of edible food for a dozen men and their mounts. For every cleric level above 8 , the quantity of food doubles.
3. Dispel Evil, if successful, ends evil effects within 30', except permanent evil enchantments such as those on magic items. The percentage chance to dispel is the cleric's level, divided by the level or hit dice of the evil being who created the original effect, multiplied by 100. For example, a level 3 cleric has a $50 \%$ chance to dispel an effect created by a level 6 evil high priest.
4. Insect Plague brings a 360 cubic foot blinding swarm of insects, which (under control of the cleric) routes creatures with fewer than three hit dice. The swarm persists for up to a day.
5. Quest forces a target within $30^{\prime}$ to complete a task of the cleric's choosing, or else be subject to a curse of the cleric's devising.
6. Raise Dead brings to life one man, elf, or dwarf touched by the cleric, so long as the target died less than a day ago, plus four days for each of the cleric's levels beyond 7. Instead of raising the dead, evil high priests cast Finger of Death, which kills one creature within $120^{\prime}$.

## Combat

## Attacks \& Damage

Each combatant has a fighting capability score (FC). The fighting capability score used by players characters depends upon their class and level. The fighting capability score for monsters depends upon their hit dice. See the Fighting Capability table (p.26).

A hit occurs when the attacker's fighting capability score + the target's armor class +1 d 20 is greater than or equal to 20 . Successful hits cause 1d6 points of damage to the target, which is subtracted from the target's hit points.

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { A hit? } \\
\begin{aligned}
\text { d } 20+\text { attacker FC }+ \text { target AC }+ \text { any modifiers } \\
>=20 ?
\end{aligned}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Death

When a combatant's hit points are reduced to zero or fewer, the combatant dies.

## Morale

The referee makes morale checks for monsters or hirelings if events go poorly in combat or stressful non-combat situations. Circumstances that might trigger a morale check include the first wound, the first death, the death of half of allied combatants, a spectacular/unexpected death, seeing allies flee from combat, or weird happenings.

During a morale check, the referee rolls 2d6. A result less than the combatant's loyalty score means that they passed the morale check.

Combatants who fail a morale check either break ranks and flee in a disorderly fashion, freeze-up, or attempt to surrender.

## Healing

Wounds naturally heal at a rate of one hit point every other day. Magical healing typically takes effect instantly.

## Experience

Though most experience points are earned by finding treasure, player characters also receive experience for defeating monsters. (Defeating may not mean killing.) The description for each monster specifies how many experience points are split between characters who defeat it.

Table 6: Fighting Capability

| Fighting Capability | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 13 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fighting-man level | $1-3$ | - | $4-6$ | - | $7-9$ | - | $10-12$ | - | $13-15$ | - | $16-18$ |
| Cleric level | $1-4$ | - | $5-8$ | - | $9-12$ | - | $13-16$ | - | $17-20$ | - | $21-24$ |
| Magic-user level | $1-5$ | - | $6-10$ | - | $11-15$ | - | $16-20$ | - | $21-25$ | - | $26-30$ |
| Monster hit dice | $0-1$ | $1+1$ | $2-3$ | $3-4$ | $4-6$ | $6-8$ | - | $9-10$ | - | $11+$ | - |

A hit occurs when $1 \mathrm{~d} 20+$ fighting capability + target $A C+$ any other modifiers $>=20$.

## Monsters

The monsters described below are not intended to limit possible adversaries. The referee can deploy other mythical creatures like golems, or even robots and androids.

Basilisks can turn adversaries to stone with a glance or touch, and petrify themselves if they see their own reflection. Basilisks are flightless. 6+1 HD, FC 7, AC 4, move 60', 617 XP, vampire-like treasure.

Black Pudding is an amorphous scavenger capable of squeezing through small openings and traversing walls and ceilings. Cutting black pudding does not harm it-a pudding cut in half is two smaller puddings. It is immune to cold but susceptible to fire. Black pudding dissolves wood and metal, penetrating plate armor in two turns. It causes 3d6 damage to exposed flesh. $10 \mathrm{HD}, \mathrm{FC} 9$, AC 6, move 60', 1000 XP, no treasure.

Centaurs attack twice each turn-once as a man (with a club, spear, or bow) and once as a medium horse. Centaurs are Lawful or Neutral. 4 HD, FC 5, AC 5, move 180', 400 XP, centaur-like treasure.

Chimeras have legs like lions and goats, dragon wings, and three different heads: a lion head, a goat head, and a dragon head. All three heads attack-the dragon head with 3d6 fire breath damage at up to 50'. Chimeras are Neutral or Chaotic. 9 HD, FC 9, AC 4, move $120^{\prime}$ ( $180^{\prime}$ flying), 900 XP , vampire-like treasure.

Cockatrices are flying beasts who turn prey to stone with a touch. 5 HD, FC 6, AC 6, move 90' (180' flying), 500 XP, manticore-

## like treasure.

Djinni are giant ethereal creatures, who can become invisible or insubstantial at will. They can create food, water, and other items, although djinni-created gold and other metal items evaporate after 24 hours. They also make illusions (see project image, p.22), and can create a $30^{\prime}$ high whirlwind like an air elemental. Djinni attacks cause 2d6-1 damage. 7+1 HD, FC 7, AC 5, move 90' ( $240^{\prime}$ flying), 717 XP, no treasure.

Dragons vary by the color of their scales. Dragons with low hit points should be considered young; young dragons have a fraction of the suggested treasure values. Dragons with high hit points are ancient, and have more than the suggested treasure amount. When not breathing fire, dragons attack by biting.

Black dragons inhabit wetlands. Up to three times per day, they breath a 5' x $60^{\prime}$ stream of acid, which causes 8 d 6 damage. Attacks against black dragons involving earth are -1 to hit, while waterbased attacks are +1 to hit. Black dragons are Chaotic or Neutral. 8 HD, FC 7, AC 2, move 90' ( $240^{\prime}$ flying), dragon-like treasure.

Blue dragons live in arid regions. Up to three times per day, they breath a $5^{\prime} \times 100^{\prime}$ stream of lighting, which causes 10d6 damage. Attacks against blue dragons involving water or lighting are -1 to hit, while fire-based attacks are +1 to hit. Blue dragons are Chaotic or Neutral. 10 HD, FC 9, AC 2, move 90' (240' flying), dragon-like treasure.

Golden dragons may reside in any environment, and sometimes magically disguise themselves as men. Up to three times per day, they breath either fire or gas like red or green dragon, respectively. Golden dragons are Lawful. 12 HD, FC 11, AC 2, move 90' (240' flying), dragon-like treasure.

Green dragons live in forests. Up to three times per day, they breath a $40^{\prime} \times 50^{\prime}$ cloud of chlorine gas, which causes 9d6 damage. Green dragons are Chaotic or Neutral. 9 HD, FC 9, AC 2, move 90' ( $240^{\prime}$ flying), dragon-like treasure.

Red dragons inhabit mountainous regions. Up to three times per day, they breath a $30^{\prime} \times 90^{\prime}$ cone of flames, which causes 11d6 damage. Attacks against red dragons involving fire, air, or earth
are -1 to hit, while water-based attacks are +1 to hit. Red dragons dragons are Chaotic or Neutral. 11 HD, FC 11, AC 2, move 90' (240' flying), dragon-like treasure.

White dragons live in cold areas. Up to three times per day, they breath an $30^{\prime} \times 80^{\prime}$ cone of frigid air, which causes 7 d 6 damage. Attacks against white dragons involving water or earth are -1 to hit, while fire and lighting based attacks are +1 to hit. White dragons are Chaotic or Neutral. 7 HD, FC 7, AC 2, move 90' ( $240^{\prime}$ flying), dragon-like treasure.

Dryads are nature spirits bound to stay within $240^{\prime}$ of their particular tree. They cast charm person ( p 17) at intruders, against which their targets suffer a -2 penalty to save. Dryads are Neutral. 2 HD, FC 3, AC 5, move 120', 100 XP, manticore-like treasure.

Dwarves fight at +2 FC in their lair, and sometimes use beasts for defense. Dwarves are Lawful or Neutral. 1 HD, FC 1, AC 4, move $60^{\prime}, 100 \mathrm{XP}$, dwarf-like treasure.

Efreeti are fire creatures, and the natural enemies of Dnjinni. Efreeti attacks cause 2d6 damage. They can cast Wall of Fire. Efreeti are Chaotic. 10 HD, FC 9, AC 3, move 90' (240' flying), 1000 XP, no treasure.

Elementals are beings associated with one of the four elements. They have AC 2 and no treasure. Their other attributes depend upon whether they were called into being by a spell ( $16 \mathrm{HD}, \mathrm{FC}$ 11), summoned by a magic staff ( $8 \mathrm{HD}, \mathrm{FC} 7$ ), or caused by a miscellaneous magical device ( 12 HD, FC 11). Whoever calls forth an elemental must concentrate to maintain control of it; the elemental will attack its master if he loses concentration.

Air elemental attacks cause 1d6+1 damage. They fly up to $360^{\prime}$ per turn. Over the course of one turn, air elementals can transform into a tornado with a 30' diameter base capable of scattering creatures of 2 HD or fewer.

Earth elemental attacks cause 3d6 damage to any earth-bound target, and 2d6 damage to other targets. They move 60' per turn, although they are unable to move across water.

Fire elemental attacks cause 2 d 6 damage, but only $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+1$ damage versus fire-wielding opponents. They cause flammable materi-
als to ignite, which may cause additional damage. Fire elementals are unable to cross water. Creation of a fire elemental requires an intense heat source like a bonfire, furnace, or volcano.

Water elemental attacks cause 2 d 6 damage in the water, and 1 d 6 damage out of water. They move at 180' per turn in the water, $60^{\prime}$ per turn out of water, and they can never stray more than $60^{\prime}$ from a body of fluid. Creation of a water elemental requires a stream, pond, or larger body of water.

Elves are found in woodlands and meadows. Large groups of elves typically contain an exceptional leader with several levels of experience as a fighting-man and magic-user. Elves are Lawful or Neutral. 1+1 HD, FC 2, AC 5, move 120', 117 XP, gorgon-like treasure.

Fauna, Large includes beasts such as elephants, giant insects, and dinosaurs. The referee must decide the statistics for such creatures, though they usually have an AC 2-8, 2-20 HD, and cause 2-4d6 damage.

Fauna, Small includes animals like wolves, snakes, and badgers. Very small animals like raccoons or rabbits have a single hit point, while larger animals like wolves and gorillas have 1 HD . Most are AC 8.

Gargoyles are bipedal winged, horned reptiles with stone-like hides. They attack without regard for alignment or provocation, and are immune to damage non-magical sources. Gargoyles are Chaotic. 4 HD, FC 5, AC 5, move 90' (150' flying), 400 XP , minotaurlike treasure.

Ghouls paralyze with their touch (save vs. Petrification) on a successful hit. The touch of an elf removes ghoul paralysis. Any character killed by a ghoul become one. Ghouls are Chaotic. 2 HD, FC 3, AC 6, move 90', 200 XP, hydra-like treasure.

Giants live either in caves or castles. The castles are often guarded by wolves, bears, or a hydra. All giants are capable of hurling large projectiles (boulders, fallen trees, etc.) up to 200', which cause 2 d 6 damage to anyone struck. Even when wandering, giants carry $1 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000$ GP. Hill giants are the most common type, though there may exists other types of giants than those listed be-
low. Giants are Chaotic or Neutral.
Cloud giants live in castles. They average 200' tall, doing 3d6 damage in melee. They have a very good senses of smell. $12+2$ HD, FC 11, AC 4, move $120^{\prime}, 1233$ XP, treasure.

Fire giants live in castles. They average $120^{\prime}$ tall, doing $2 \mathrm{~d} 6+2$ damage in melee. They are impervious to fire-based damage. $11+3$ HD, FC 11, AC 4, move $120^{\prime}, 1150$ XP, gorgon-like treasure.

Frost giants live in castles. They average $180^{\prime}$ tall, doing 2d6+1 damage in melee. They are impervious to cold-based damage. 10+1 HD, FC 9, AC 4, move 120', 1017 XP, gorgon-like treasure.

Hill giants live in caves. They average 120' tall, doing 2d6 damage in melee. $8 \mathrm{HD}, \mathrm{FC} 7, \mathrm{AC} 4$, move $120^{\prime}, 800 \mathrm{XP}$, gorgon-like treasure.

Stone giants live in caves. They average $150^{\prime}$ tall, doing 2 d 6 damage in melee. 9 HD, FC 9, AC 4, move 120', 900 XP, gorgonlike treasure.

Gnolls fight with +2 morale. Gnolls are Chaotic. $1 \frac{1}{2}$ HD, FC 2, AC 5, move 90', 150 XP , manticore-like treasure.

Goblins are small monsters, who abhor full daylight. They attack dwarves on sight. Goblins are Chaotic. 1 HD, FC 1 (FC 0 in daylight), AC 6, move 60', $100 \mathrm{XP}, 1 \mathrm{~d} 6$ GP treasure each.

Gorgons are monstrous bovines with scaly, metallic hides. Their breath petrifies anyone within $60^{\prime}$. Gorgons are Chaotic. 8 HD, FC 7, AC 2, move 120', 800 XP, gorgon-like treasure.

Gray Ooze camouflages well with wet stone. It corrodes metal, and is not damaged by fire. Skin exposed to gray ooze suffers 2d6 damage per turn of contact. $3 \mathrm{HD}, \mathrm{FC} 3, \mathrm{AC} 8,300 \mathrm{XP}$, no treasure.

Green Slime grows on dungeon floors, wall, and ceilings. It doesn't move of it's own accord, but often drips onto the heads of unwary adventurers. Green slime transforms exposed flesh into more green slime after 1 turn, unless that flesh is burned off. Cure disease ( p 23) also gets rid of it. Green slime sticks to and dissolves wood and metal, and is only harmed by fire or cold. 2 HD, FC 3, no treasure.

Griffons are prized as tamed mounts, although they tend to attack and eat any horse within $360^{\prime}$. Wild griffons are aggressively
territorial. Griffons are Neutral. 7 HD, FC 7, AC 3, move 120' (300' flying), 700 XP , gorgon-like treasure.

Hippogriffs attack with both their beaks and hooves. They are naturally antagonistic towards pegasai. Hippogriffs are Lawful. $3+1$ HD, FC 5, AC 5, move 180' (360' flying), 317 XP, no treasure.

Hobgoblins are huge goblins that fight at +1 morale. Hobgoblins are Chaotic. $1 \frac{1}{2}$ HD, FC 2, AC 5, 150 XP. $20 \%$ have a magic potion or treasure map.

Horse, Draft 2+1 HD, FC 3, AC 7, move 120', 217 XP, no treasure.

Horse, Heavy 3 HD, FC 3, AC 7, move 120', 300 XP, no treasure.
Horse, Light 2 HD, FC 3, AC 7, move 240', 200 XP, no treasure.
Horse, Medium 2+1 HD, FC 3, AC 7, move 180', 217 XP, no treasure. indexHorse

Hydras are large saurians with 5-12 heads. They get one attack with each head. Hydras are Neutral. 5-12 HD (one per head), FC 6-11 (see FC chart), AC 5, move 120', 100 XP per head, hydra-like treasure.

Invisible Stalkers are extra-dimensional entities summoned by the spell of the same name. They relentlessly pursue their mandate until they either accomplish their goal, are reduced to zero HP , or are banished to their home dimension by dispel magic. $8 \mathrm{HD}, \mathrm{FC} 7$, AC 3, move 120', 800 XP, no treasure.

Kobolds are small Chaotic humanoids. $\frac{1}{2}$ HD, FC 2, AC 7, 50 XP, 1d6 GP treasure each.

Manticores have the body of a line, dragon wings, and the face of a man. Manticores can fire the quills from their tail up to $180^{\prime}$. They have a total of 24 quills, and can fire six per turn. Manticores are Chaotic. $6+1$ HD, FC 7, AC 4, move 120' (180' flying), 617 XP, manticore-like treasure.

Medusae have the tail of a giant snake instead of legs, and a head full of poisonous vipers instead of hair. Any who look into the eyes of a medusa are turned to stone (and its own reflection will turn the medusa to stone). Medusae are Chaotic. 4 HD, FC 5, AC 8, move $90^{\prime}, 400 \mathrm{XP}$, vampire-like treasure.

Men are also suitable adversaries. Their abilities are as vari-
able as those of the player characters. They might be bandits, pirates, cavemen, dervishes, evil high priests, etc. Men may be of any alignment.

Minotaurs have the bodies of men and the heads of bulls. Minotaurs attack without provocation, relentlessly pursue their prey, and never fail morale checks. Minotaurs are Chaotic or Neutral. 6 HD, FC 6, AC 6, move 120', 600 XP, minotaur-like treasure.

Mules $2+1$ HD, FC 3, AC 7, move 120', 217 XP, no treasure.
Mummies are immune to non-magical damage, with the exception of fire. Magic weapons/spells harm mummies, but cause half damage. Wounds caused by Mummies heal at half the usual rate, unless cure disease ( p .23 ) is cast on the wound within an hour. Mummies are Chaotic. 5+1 HD, FC 6, AC 3, move 60', 517 XP, manticore-like treasure.

Nixies are water spirits, who cast charm person (p.17) at interlopers venturing within $30^{\prime}$ of their underwater homes. They can command nearby sea creatures. Nixies are Neutral. 1 HD, FC 1, AC 7, move $120^{\prime}, 100$ XP, hydra-like treasure.

Ocher Jelly is only harmed by cold or fire. It destroys wooden objects, and burns exposed skin. 5 HD, FC 6, AC 8, move $30^{\prime}, 500$ XP, no treasure.

Ogres do 1d6+2 damage because of their large size. Ogres are Chaotic or Neutral. $4+1$ HD, FC 6, AC 5, move 90', 417 XP, minotaur-like treasure + 1000 GP.

Orcs are tribal creatures, who dislike bright sunlight. Orcs are Chaotic or Neutral. 1 HD, FC 1 (FC 0 in daylight), AC 6, move 90', 100 XP, manticore-like treasure.

Pegasi are winged horses, which may be subdued and used as mounts by Lawful characters. Pegasai are Lawful. $2+2$ HD, FC 3, AC 6, move 240' (480' flying), 233 XP, no treasure.

Pixies are invisible, except when they choose to be seen. Dragons and high-level fighters may be aware of the presence of invisible pixies. Pixies are Neutral. 1 HD, FC 1, AC 6, move 90' (180' flying), 100 XP , minotaur-like treasure.

Purple Worms are so large that they can swallow ogres whole. They swallow their target on an attack roll of 19-20. Swallowed
creatures die after 6 turns, and their bodies are completely digested (can not be raised from the dead) in 6 more turns. Opponents who get past its fearsome maw must contend with the purple worm's poisonous tail. Purple worms attack without provocation, and never fail morale checks. They burrow large tunnels, and may erupt from the earth anywhere. $15 \mathrm{HD}, \mathrm{FC} 11, \mathrm{AC} 6$, move $60^{\prime}$, 1500 XP, manticore-like treasure.

Rocs are enormous birds of prey, capable of carrying off elephants. Fledglings liberated from their mother's nest may be trainable as mounts. Rocs are Lawful or Neutral. The following statistics represent an average roc, though some varieties may be even more fearsome. 6 HD, FC 6, AC 4, move 60' (480' flying), 600 XP, roc-like treasure.

Sea Monsters vary in appearance, often resembling aquatic dinosaurs. They have the abilities and statistics of purple worms, but large sea monsters may be 2-3 times more formidable. Sea monsters are Neutral.

Skeletons act under orders from an evil magic-user or priest, and never make morale checks. $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{HD}, \mathrm{FC} 1, \mathrm{AC} 7$, move $60^{\prime}, 50 \mathrm{XP}$, no treasure.

Specters are non-corporeal undead, who can only be damaged by spells or magic/silver weapons. Opponents hit by specters lose 2 levels, and become specters themselves if killed. Specters are Chaotic. 6 HD, FC 6, AC 2, move 150' (300' flying), 600 XP, gorgonlike treasure.

Treants are tree-like creatures who live in forests. Each treant can animate (move $30^{\prime}$ ) and control up to two normal trees within $60^{\prime}$. Treants are Lawful. 8 HD, FC 7, AC 2, move $60^{\prime}, 800 \mathrm{XP}$, no treasure.

Trolls are tall, thin creatures with rubbery flesh capable of regeneration. They regain 3 HP per turn, but the regeneration does not begin until the third turn after the troll is wounded. Unless incinerated or dissolved (by acid, for example) even a troll reduced below 0 HP will eventually regenerate. They shun weapons, attacking with their claws and teeth. Trolls are Chaotic. 6+3 HD, FC 7, AC 4, move 120', 650 XP, manticore-like treasure.

Unicorns Unicorns are Lawful. 4 HD, FC 5, AC 2, move 240', 400 XP, no treasure.

Vampires are only damaged by spells or magic/silver weapons; if reduced to zero hit points by such weapons, a vampire transforms into vapor and flees. Vampires can turn to vapor or assume the form of a giant bat at will. They regenerate 3 HP per turn. Only three methods permanently kill a vampire: direct exposure to daylight, immersion in running water, or a wood stake through the heart. They recoil from mirrors, garlic, and holy symbols. Vampires drain levels like specters, and opponents killed by vampires become vampires. Vampires can summon the aide of $1 \mathrm{~d} 10 \times 10$ rats or bats, or 3d6 wolves. Their hypnotic gaze acts like charm person (targets save vs Magic Spell at a -2 penalty). During the daylight, vampires must rest in a coffin lined by their native soil. Vampires are Chaotic. 7-9 HD, FC 7/9, AC 2, move 120' (180' flying), 700-900 XP, vampire-like treasure.

Werebears are only harmed by silver or magical weapons. Anyone reduced below half than their total hit points by a werebear will themselves become a werebear in 2d12 days unless they are subject to a cure disease spell ( p .23 ). Werebears are Lawful or Neutral. 6 HD, FC 6, AC 2, move 90', 600 XP, minotaur-like treasure.

Wereboars are only harmed by silver or magical weapons. Anyone reduced below half than their total hit points by a wereboar will themselves become a wereboar in 2d12 days unless they are subject to a cure disease spell (p.23). Wereboars are Neutral or Chaotic. $4+1$ HD, FC 6, AC 4, move 120', 417 XP, minotaur-like treasure.

Weretigers are only harmed by silver or magical weapons. Anyone reduced below half than their total hit points by a weretiger will themselves become a weretiger in 2 d 12 days unless they are subject to a cure disease spell ( p .23 ). Weretigers are Neutral or Chaotic. 5 HD, FC 6, AC 3, move 120', 500 XP, minotaur-like treasure.

Werewolves are only harmed by silver or magical weapons. Anyone reduced below half than their total hit points by a were-
wolf will themselves become a werewolf in 2d12 days unless they are subject to a cure disease spell ( p 23 ). Werewolves are Neutral or Chaotic. 4 HD, FC 5, AC 5, move 150 ', 400 XP, minotaur-like treasure.

Wights are only damaged by magic or silver weapons. The damage they cause is permanent; it never heals. Characters killed by wights become wights. Wights are Chaotic. 3 HD, FC 3, AC 5, move 90', 300 XP, hydra-like treasure.

Wraiths are only damaged by magic or silver weapons. Silver arrows cause only 1d3 damage to wraiths, and magic arrows cause no more than 1d6 damage. The damage they cause is permanent; it never heals. Characters killed by wraiths become wraiths. Wights are Chaotic. 4 HD, FC 5, AC 3, move 120' (240' flying), 400 XP, hydra-like treasure.

Wyverns Wyverns are Neutral. 7 HD, FC 7, AC 3, move 90' ( $240^{\prime}$ flying), 700 XP , gorgon-like treasure.

Yellow Mold is an immobile fungus only harmed by fire. Touching it with exposed skill causes d6 damage. Cutting, stabbing, kicking, or otherwise manhandling yellow mold has 3 in 6 chance to cause release of a 10 cubic foot spoor cloud. Any creature within the spore cloud must save versus poison or die.

Zombies act under orders from an evil magic-user or priest, and never make morale checks. 1 HD, FC 1, AC 8, move 60', 100 XP, no treasure.

## Treasure

Treasure is usually well hidden or guarded by monsters. The type and amount of treasure horded by various kinds of monsters is shown in the Treasure Types table ( p 34).

## Coins

Coins are the most common form of treasure, and are typically found in mixed denominations. For example, a monster with hydra-like treasure has about 633 GP worth of coins, although the specific horde might be comprised of 223 GP, 2340 SP, and 8800 CP . The players must decide how and if their characters remove such a tremendous load of loot from the dungeon.


## Experience

For each gold piece worth of coins recovered from a dungeon, the referees awards 1 experience point to the player characters. No experience is awarded for magic items.

## Gems or Jewelry

Roll 3d6 for each gem (uncut diamond, scarab-carved jade, etc.) or piece of jewelry (bejeweled silver snake armband, gem-encrusted golden funeral mask, etc.) indicated for the monster treasure type.

| 3d6 | Gem or Jewelry |
| ---: | :--- |
| 3 | Gem worth 100,000 GP |
| 4 | Jewelry worth $25,000 \mathrm{GP}$ |
| 5 | Gem worth $5,000 \mathrm{GP}$ |
| 6 | Jewelry worth $2,000 \mathrm{GP}$ |
| 7 | Gem worth 1,000 GP |
| 8 | Jewelry worth 500 GP |
| 9 | Gem worth 250 GP |
| 10 | Gem worth 50 GP |
| 11 | Gem worth 100 GP |
| 12 | Gem worth 250 GP |
| 13 | Jewelry worth 500 GP |
| 14 | Gem worth 1,000 GP |
| 15 | Jewelry worth $2,500 \mathrm{GP}$ |
| 16 | Gem worth 10,000 GP |
| 17 | Jewelry worth $50,000 \mathrm{GP}$ |
| 18 | Gem worth $500,000 \mathrm{GP}$ |

Table 7: Treasure Types

| Treasure Type | Total Assorted Coin Value | Gems or Jewelry | Maps or Magic Items | Scrolls or Potions |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Roc-like | 0 GP | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Minotaur-like | 101 GP | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Hydra-like | 633 GP | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Gorgon-like | $1,326 \mathrm{GP}$ | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Manticore-like | $2,207 \mathrm{GP}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Centaur-like | $2,573 \mathrm{GP}$ | 10 | 1 | 1 |
| Vampire-like | $3,035 \mathrm{GP}$ | 3 | 2 (non-weapons) | 1 |
| Dwarf-like | $18,750 \mathrm{GP}$ | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| Dragon-like | $28,825 \mathrm{GP}$ | 2 | 2 | 1 |

The treasure values above are averages, which the referee may adjust to suit the circumstances of the adventure. Individual monsters might have two or three times the suggested values, and some will have no treasure.
A referee wishing to randomly determine variance of the treasure amount could roll a multiplier on a d6 where a roll of one is $\times 0$ treasure, two is $\times 0.5$ treasure, three is $\times 1$ treasure, four is $\times 1.5$ treasure, five is $\times 2$ treasure, and a roll of six is $\times 2.5$ treasure. For example, a roll of five ( $\times 2$ multiplier) for a monster with minotaur-like treasure indicates 202 GP worth of assorted coins and two gems.

Monsters encountered outside their lairs have either no treasure or a small fraction of the total indicated on the Treasure table.

## Scrolls \& Potions

Some treasures contain minor magic items like scrolls or potions, which the referee determines by rolling 1d12 on the Scroll or Potion table, then d100 on the table indicated:

| 1 d 12 | Scroll or Potion |
| ---: | :--- |
| $1-7$ | Scroll |
| $8-12$ | Potion |

## Scrolls

Scrolls contain spells determined randomly by the referee. Magicusers of any level can cast any spell found on a scroll by reading that scroll (e.g.-a level 1 magic-user can read a scroll containing a sixth level spell). After they are read, scrolls become ordinary blank pieces of paper.

Protection scrolls and cursed scroll may be used by characters of any class.

1 Cursed scroll sends the reader to a different planet.
2-4 Cursed scroll polymorphs the reader into an insect.
5-6 Cursed scroll infects the reader with a disease, which will be fatal in 3 turns unless cure disease is cast.
7-9 Cursed scroll summons a monster of the referee's choice.
10 Cursed scroll teleports the reader 1000 miles in a random direction.
11-20 Protection from Elementals scrolls prevent one elemental approaching within 10 ' of the reader for 4 turns.
21-30 Protection from Lycanthropes scrolls prevent 2d6 lycanthropes approaching within 10' of the reader for 6 turns.
31-40 Protection from Magic scrolls create a protective 10' radius sphere around the reader for 8 turns, as per antimagic field ( p 22).
41-50 Protection from Undead scrolls prevent up to 9d6 hit dice worth of undead approaching within $10^{\prime}$ of the reader for 6 turns.

51-55 One cleric spell randomly selected by the referee.
56-70 One magic-user spell randomly selected by the referee.
71-74 Two cleric spells randomly selected by the referee.
75-85 Two magic-user spells randomly selected by the referee.
86-88 Three cleric spells randomly selected by the referee.
89-95 Three magic-user spells randomly selected by the referee.
96 Seven cleric spells randomly selected by the referee.
97-100 Seven magic-user spells randomly selected by the referee.

## Potions

A small taste of a potions may give characters a clue to its purpose.

01-05 Animal Control gives the drinker control over 3d6 small animals, 2 d 8 medium animals, and 1d6 large animals for 1d6+6 turns.
06-09 Clairaudience gives the drinker the abilities described for the spell clairaudience ( p 19) for 1d6+6 turns.
10-12 Clairvoyance acts on the drinker like the spell clairvoyance (p.19). The ability fades after $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+6$ turns.

13-16 Healing potions instantly heal 1d6+1 hit points of damage.
17-18 Delusion potions look and taste in all respects like the potion the drinker desires, but do nothing.
19-22 Diminution shrinks the drinker for 1d6+6 turns to as little as 6" tall if drank in its entirety.
23-26 Dragon Control lets the drinker control 1d3 dragons for $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+6$ turns, as per charm monster ( p 20) but with no saving throw.
27-30 Growth enlarges the drink for 1d6+6 turns up to $30^{\prime}$ tall, depending upon how much of the potion is drank.
31-32 ESP gives the drinker perception as per the spell ESP for 1d6+6 turns.
33-36 Fire Resistance makes the drinker resistant to damage from normal fires or wall of fire for $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+6$ turns. The drinker also saves versus fire-based attacks such as dragon's breath with a +2 bonus, and sustains 1 fewer damage from such attacks.

37-40 Flying sends the drinker aloft as per the spell fly (p.19) for 1d6+6 turns.
41-44 Gaseous Form transforms the drinker's body into mist for $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+6$ turns, though the drinker's equipment is left behind unchanged. The gaseous form can fit through minuscule openings.
45-48 Giant Control lets the drinker control 1d4 dragons for 1d6+6 turns, as per charm monster ( p 20) but with no saving throw.
49-52 Giant Strength gives the drinker FC 9 and 2d6 damage rolls for 1d6+6 turns.
53-56 Heroism boosts the drinker's class level by 2 for 1d6+6 turns, temporarily conferring all attendant increases in hit points, fighting capability, saving throws, and morale.
57-60 Human Control gives the drinker the abilities of the charm person spell ( p 17) over up to 12 individuals with as many as 32 total hit dice for 1d6+6 turns.
61-64 Invisibility affects the drinker like the spell (p.19) for 1d6+6 turns.
65-68 Invulnerability gives a bonus of +2 to the drinker's AC and saving throws for $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+6$ turns. Use of more than one invulnerability potion in the save week instead confers a -2 penalty.
69-72 Longevity makes the drinker ten years younger, reversing even magically-induced aging.
73-76 Levitation affects the drinker like the spell levitate (p.19) for 1d6+6 turns.
77-80 Treasure Finding makes the drinker aware of the direction and distance of any sizable treasure hordes (5000+ coins or $50+$ gems) within 360' for 1d6+6 turns.
81-84 Plant Control gives the drinker control over 1d6 plants or fungi within a $60^{\prime}$ radius for $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+6$ turns.
85-88 Poison looks, smells, and tastes like a magic potion, but even a test taste causes death unless the drinker saves versus poison.
89-92 Polymorph affects the drinker like the spell (p.20) for 1d6+6 turns.

93-96 Speed doubles the drinker's movement rate for 1d6+6 turns.
97-100 Undead Control gives the drinker control over 2d4 undead of less than 4 HD , or 1d4 undead with 4 or more hit dice, for 1d6+6 turns.

## Maps \& Magic Items

Rarely, treasure hordes contain one or more magic items or treasure maps, which the referee chooses by rolling 1d12 on the Map or Magic Item table:

| 1d12 | Map or Magic Item |
| ---: | :--- |
| $1-2$ | Armor |
| $3-5$ | Map |
| 6 | Miscellaneous magic item |
| 7 | Ring |
| $8-10$ | Sword |
| 11 | Wand or Staff |
| 12 | Weapon |

The referee will not immediately identify magic items to the players. The characters must determine the nature of items through experimentation.

## Armor

For the purposes of attacks, the referee should treat magic armor bonuses as a reduction in the attacker's hit dice. For example, a chimera ( 9 HD ) normally has a FC of 9 . When attacking an opponent wearing armor +2 , the referee treats the chimera as having 7 HD, which makes its fighting capability 7.

[^0]52-58 Armor \& Shield +2
59-89 Shield +1
90-97 Shield +2
98-100 Shield +3

## Maps

Treasure maps are an excellent way for a referee to direct the party to new adventures, perhaps far from the current dungeon or dungeon level. When found, the treasures are always guarded by appropriate monsters, typically those of six or more hit dice.

1-8 Map to coins worth $1 \mathrm{~d} 4 \times 100 \mathrm{gp}$ (mostly silver).
9-16 Map to coins worth $5 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000 \mathrm{gp}$ (mostly gold).
17-24 Map to assorted coins worth $6 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000 \mathrm{gp}$.
25-31 Map to assorted coins worth $6 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000 \mathrm{gp}$, and 2 d 10 gems or jewelry.
32-38 Map to coins worth $5 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000$ gp (mostly gold), and 5d6 gems or jewelry.
39-45 Map to assorted coins worth $6 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000 \mathrm{gp}$, and 1 d 100 gems or jewelry.
46-53 Map to $2 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 5$ gems or jewelry.
54-60 Map to assorted coins worth $6 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000$ gp, and $2 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 5$ gems or jewelry.
61-71 Map to one magic item.
72-78 Map to two magic items.
79-82 Map to three magic items (but no swords).
83-86 Map to four magic items, and one scroll or potion.
87-90 Map to five magic items, and one scroll or potion.
91 Map to one magic item, and coins worth $1 \mathrm{~d} 4 \times 100 \mathrm{gp}$ (mostly silver).
92 Map to one magic item, and coins worth $5 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000 \mathrm{gp}$ (mostly gold).
93 Map to two magic items, and coins worth $6 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000 \mathrm{gp}$ (mostly gold).

96 Map to three magic items (but no swords), and a map to a second location with $2 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 5$ gems or jewelry.
97 Map to two magic items, and coins worth $5 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000 \mathrm{gp}$ (mostly gold).
98 Map to one magic item, and a map to a second location with coins worth $1 \mathrm{~d} 4 \times 100 \mathrm{gp}$ (mostly silver).
99 Map to five magic items, one potion or scroll, assorted coins worth $6 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000$ gp (mostly gold), and 1 d 100 gems or jewelry.
100 Map to four magic items, one potion or scroll, assorted coins worth $6 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 1000 \mathrm{gp}$ (mostly gold), and $2 \mathrm{~d} 6 \times 5$ gems or jewelry.

## Miscellaneous Magic Items

1-3 Amulet against Crystal Balls \& ESP hides the wearer from ESP or crystal balls.
4-8 Bag of Holding appears on the outside to be a medium size sack, but it can carry objects up to $3^{\prime} \times 5^{\prime} \times 10^{\prime}$ large weighing up to 10,000 coins. Regardless of the objects inside, the bag never weighs more than 600 coins.
9-13 Boots of Levitation act on the wearer like the spell levitate (p.19). They keep the user aloft as long as they are worn.

14-17 Boots of Speed let the wearer move at $240^{\prime}$ per turn. For each hour moving at that rate, the wearer must later spend an equal number of hours resting.
18-22 Boot of Traveling and Springing enables the wearer to leap up to $10^{\prime}$ high and $30^{\prime}$ long, and to traverse one extra wilderness hex per day.
23 Bowl of Commanding Water Elementals summons a 12 hit die water elemental. It requires one turn to set up the bowl, and another turn to summon the elemental.
24 Brazier of Commanding Fire Elementals summons a 12 hit die fire elemental. It requires one turn to set up the brazier, and another turn to summon the elemental.

25-29 Broom of Flying can fly at $240^{\prime}$ per turn with one rider, or $120^{\prime}$ per turn with two riders. It comes to the owner's hand when called (from up to $240^{\prime}$ away). The broom does not function unless a magic command word is spoken.
30 Censer of Controlling Air Elementals summons a 12 hit die air elemental. It requires one turn to set up the censer, and another turn to summon the elemental.
31-34 Crystal Ball shows the operator an image of a remote target. The closer and better known the target, the clearer the picture. Long sessions exhaust the user, who must rest during the following day. Anyone who uses the crystal ball more than three times per day is likely to go insane.
35-36 Crystal Ball with Clairaudience acts like the crystal ball described above, but also allows the operator the hear the target.
37 Crystal Ball with ESP acts like the crystal ball described above, but also allows the operator the detect the thoughts of those viewed.
38-40 Displacer Cloak makes the wearer seem to be $10^{\prime}$ from his actual location, granting a +2 bonus to saving throws and armor class.
41 Drums of Panic make any creatures hearing the drums (excluding those in the $10^{\prime}$ zone immediately around the drums themselves) flee in panic unless they save versus Magic Spell. Non-intelligent animals with 4 or fewer hit dice are automatically panicked.
42-43 Efreeti Bottle contains an efreet (p.28), who must serve the first person to open the bottle for 1001 days.
44-48 Elven Boots let the wearer move completely silently.
49-53 Elven Cloak makes the wearer nearly invisible.
54 Flying Carpet flies at up to $300^{\prime}$ per turn with one rider, or $180^{\prime}$ per turn with up to three riders. It comes to its owner when called (from up to $240^{\prime}$ away). The carpet functions only if a magic command word is spoken.
55-61 Gauntlets of Ogre Power give the wearer the strength of an ogre, resulting in a +2 damage bonus.

62-63 Girdle of Giant Strength gives the wearer FC 7 (if their FC is not already better), and lets them do 2d6 damage in melee combat.
64-74 Helm of Alignment Changing makes lawful characters chaotic and vise versa. Roll to determine whether neutral characters become lawful or chaotic. The helm can not be removed except by dispel magic (which the wearer will resist).
75-79 Helm of Comprehend Languages and Read Magic lets the wearer read any magical or mundane writing. If an adversary hits the wearer in combat by rolling a natural 20 , the helm is shattered.
80-82 Helm of Telepathy lets the wearer hear the thoughts of any creature withing $90^{\prime}$, to whom the wearer can also broadcast mental suggestions. If the wearer has a higher intelligence score than the target of the suggestion, the suggestion is likely to be carried out, although suggestions of self-harm will never be effective. If an adversary hits the wearer in combat by rolling a natural 20 , the helm is shattered.
83 Helm of Teleportation lets any magic-user with teleportation memorized teleport at will without expending the memorized spell. Teleporting with another person or large object, however, will expend the memorized spell. If an adversary hits the wearer in combat by rolling a natural 20, the helm is shattered.
84 Horn of Blasting sounds a bombastic 100' long cone (20' at its wide end), deafening for 1 turn any creature caught in it path, and causing them each 2d6 damage. The player may choose to form the blasting cone into a catapult-like arch capable of striking targets beyond a castle wall.
85-89 Medallion of Thoughts allow a wearer of any class to detect the thoughts of creatures within $30^{\prime}$, although it fails to work on a roll of 1 in 6 .
90-92 Medallion of Thoughts ( $\mathbf{9 0}^{\prime}$ ) allow a wearer of any class to detect the thoughts of creatures within $90^{\prime}$, although it fails to work on a roll of 1 in 6 .
93 Mirror of Life Trapping imprisons within its glassy depths
any creature (up to 20 individuals at a time) that gazes into the mirror. Prisoners of the mirror remain trapped (although the owner can communicate with them) until either the mirror is broken or the owner chooses to release them. Any unwary creature within $10^{\prime}$ of the mirror is $90 \%$ likely to be trapped, though the probability drops to $10 \%$ for creatures aware of the device.
94-99 Scarab of Protection absorbs up to one dozen castings of finger of death before it shatters.
100 Stone of Controlling Earth Elementals summons a 12 hit die earth elemental. It requires one turn to set up the stone, and another turn to summon the elemental.

## Rings

Rings take effect when worn, and only one magic ring may be worn on each hand.

1-5 Animal Control rings give the wearer total control of of 3d6 small animals or 1d8 large animals within $60^{\prime}$. However, the ring curses the wearer's FC and AC with a $50 \%$ penalty, and may only be removed from the finger by remove curse ( p 23 ).
6-17 Delusion rings make the wearer believe that he wears the ring he desires most.
18-19 Djinn Summoning rings contain a djinn (p.27) who will serve the wearer whenever he calls.

## 20-29 Fire Resistance

30-35 Human Control rings give the wearer the abilities of the charm person spell ( p .17) while worn.
36-44 Invisibility rings give the wearer the abilities of the invisibility spell (p.19) while worn.
45 Many Wishes rings let the wearer make wishes. The more ambitious the wish, the more likely it is to be twisted into an undesirable outcome for the wearer.
46-60 Protection rings bestow a +1 bonus to the wearer's AC and saving throws.

61-65 Regeneration rings restore 1 HP of per turn to a wounded wearer, even after the wearer dies.
66 Spell Storing rings contain 1d6 spells (randomly predetermined by the referee), which may be cast by a character of any class. The wearer knows which spells the ring contains. Clerics or magic-users can recharge the spells in the ring.
67-68 Spell Turning rings make 1d100 percent of the effect of any dragon or cleric spell (except finger of death) rebound upon the caster.
69-70 Telekenesis rings give the wearer the abilities of the spell ( p .21 ) as if it was cast by a level 10 magic-user.
71-80 Water Walking rings allow the wearer to proceed at their normal movement rate across a body of liquid without sinking below the surface.
81-89 Weakness rings cause the wearer's FC and AC to suffer a $50 \%$ penalty. The penalty remains until remove curse is cast.
90-98 Wishes rings grant three limited wishes to the wearer. The more ambitious the wish, the more likely it is to be twisted into an undesirable outcome for the wearer.
99-100 X-Ray Vision rings let the wearer see $30^{\prime}$ beyond a solid barrier-through up to $60^{\prime}$ of iron, or $10^{\prime}$ or stone, though lead and gold block the ability completely. The ring reveals traps and secret doors, although only a 10 square foot section of wall can be scrutinized per turn.

## Swords

Magic swords are the most rarefied of all magic items, possessing (in addition to their many wondrous powers) wills of their own.

1-32 Lawful sword, without special powers or the ability to communicate.
33-44 Neutral sword, without special powers or the ability to communicate.
45-50 Chaotic sword, without special powers or the ability to communicate.

51-55 Lawful sword, with one special power, and empathic communication.
56-57 Neutral sword, with one special power, and empathic communication.
58 Chaotic sword, with one special power, and empathic communication.
59-63 Lawful sword, with two special powers, and empathic communication.
64-65 Neutral sword, with two special powers, and empathic communication.
66 Chaotic sword, with two special powers, and empathic communication.
67-71 Lawful sword, with three special powers, and empathic communication.
72-73 Neutral sword, with three special powers, and empathic communication.
74 Chaotic sword, with three special powers, and empathic communication.
75-79 Lawful sword, with three special powers, and speaks 1d6 languages.
80-81 Neutral sword, with three special powers, and speaks 1d6 languages.
82 Chaotic sword, with three special powers, and speaks 1d6 languages.
83-87 Lawful sword, with three special powers, speaks 1d6 languages, and reads magic.
88-89 Neutral sword, with three special powers, speaks 1d6 languages, and reads magic.
90 Chaotic sword, with three special powers, speaks 1d6 languages, and reads magic.
91-96 Lawful sword, with three special powers, speaks 1d6 languages, reads magic, telepathic communication, and one extraordinary power.
97-98 Neutral sword, with three special powers, speaks 1d6 languages, reads magic, telepathic communication, and one extraordinary power.

99-100 Chaotic sword, with three special powers, speaks 1d6 languages, reads magic, telepathic communication, and one extraordinary power.

## Wands and Staves

Wands and staves have a limited number of uses: wands have 100 charges, staves have 200. When duplicating spell effects, wands act as a level 6 caster, and staves as level 8 .

1-5 Staff of Commanding provides animal control, human control, and plant control (as per the potions).
6-15 Staff of Healing heals 1d6+1 damage. Only one charge may be used on the same target on the same day.
16-17 Staff of Power can cast cold (as per the wand), continual light (p.19), fire ball (p.19), lightning bolt (p.20), striking (as per the staff), and telekenesis (p.21). If broken, the staff deals damage equal to its remaining charges $\times 8$, divided between all creatures within $30^{\prime}$.
18-22 Staff of the Serpent is usable only by clerics. It is +1 to hit, and causes $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+1$ damage. The cleric may order the staff to entwine any opponent struck by it, incapacitating them for 1d4 turns, after which it slithers back to the cleric's hand.
23-27 Staff of Striking causes 2d6 damage on a successful hit.
28-29 Staff of Withering causes normal damage on a successful hit, but also ages the target 10 years.
30 Staff of Wizardry gives +1 to hit, and can cast invisibility ( p .19 ), passwall ( p .21 ), wall of fire ( p .20 ), create a whirlwind (like djinni, p 27 ), and paralyze (as per the wand). The staff can also produce a $10^{\prime} \times 10^{\prime} \times 2^{\prime}$ sticky web capable of detaining creatures for several turns. Finally, the staff can summon 1 d 4 elementals of a random type. If broken, the staff deals
damage equal to its remaining charges $\times 8$, divided between all creatures within $30^{\prime}$.
31-35 Wand of Cold projects a freezing cone $60^{\prime}$ long and $30^{\prime}$ at its wide end. Creatures hit by the cone take half damage if they make a save throw.
36-40 Wand of Detecting Enemies alerts the wielder if any enemies within 60' become aware of him.
41-45 Wand of Detecting Magic reveals the presence and something of the character of any magic within 20 ' when activated.
46-60 Wand of Detecting Metals tells the user the direction, distance, and type (gold, lead, etc.) of the nearest collection of metal with a mass around 1000 coins or more when activated.
61-65 Wand of Detecting Secret Doors \& Traps alerts the holder to any trap or secret door within $20^{\prime}$.
66-70 Wand of Fear projects a $60^{\prime}$ long cone ( $30^{\prime}$ at its wide end) causing any creature in its path to flee unless they make their saving throw.
71-75 Wand of Fire Balls shoots fire balls like the spell (p.19).
76-80 Wand of Illusion acts like phantasmal force (p.19, though the user need not maintain concentration.
81-85 Wand of Lightning Bolts shoot lightning bolts like the spell ( p 20).
86-90 Wand of Negation cancels the effects of any other wand, or $75 \%$ of the effects of a staff.
91-95 Wand of Paralyzation projects a 60' long cone (30' at its wide end) paralyzes any creature in its path. If they make their saving throw, the targets take 1d3 damage instead.
96-100 Wand of Polymorph casts either polymorph self or polymorph other ( p .20 ).

## Weapons

Unless otherwise noted, the bonuses below $(+1 /+2 /+3)$ apply to hit rolls and to damage rolls.

01-15 Arrows +1 (qty. 2d6)

16-25 Arrows +1 (qty. 3d10)
26-35 Arrows +2 (qty. 1d6)
36-40 Arrows +3 (qty. 1d6)
41-45 Axe +1 can be used in melee combat, or thrown up to $30^{\prime}$.
46-50 Bow +1 provides a bonus to hit, but no damage bonus.
51-65 Dagger +1 (+2 vs. goblins \& kobolds)
66-70 Dagger +2 (+3 vs. goblins, kobolds \& orcs)
71-80 Mace +2
81-86 Spear $+\mathbf{1}$ does $1 \mathrm{~d} 6+1$ damage when hurled.
87-89 Spear +2 does 1d6+2 damage when hurled.
90 Spear +3 does 1d6+3 damage when hurled.
91-95 War Hammer +1 may be hurled up to $30^{\prime}$.
96-99 War Hammer +2 may be hurled up to $30^{\prime}$.
100 War Hammer +3 may be hurled up to $30^{\prime}$. If wielded by a dwarf, it does 2 d 6 damage (with an additional +3 damage versus giants), may be hurled up to $60^{\prime}$, and magically returns to dwarf's hand.

## Magic Item Saving Throws

## Artifacts

Artifacts are unique items designed by the referee, such as inscrutable alien machines or prehistoric magics of a type long lost to the world. Vastly more powerful and rare than magic items, artifacts are strongly aligned with either Law or Chaos. Neutral characters or characters of the opposite alignment who touch an artifact suffer one of the following:

1. Paralyzed until some particular criteria fulfilled
2. Suffer 10d6 damage
3. Killed instantly
4. Permanently lose 4 levels
5. Permanently lose 6 levels
6. Driven insane for a month and a day

## Dungeons

## Time

Time exploring is measures in 10 minute blocks called turns. In combat, that turn is subdivided into 10 rounds, during which each combatant has an opportunity to act.

| 10 minutes |
| :---: |
| $=$ |
| 1 turn |
| $=$ |
| 10 rounds |

The referee should mark-off weeks of game time on a calendar in order to track the change of season, important festivals, and so forth. It is useful to assume that each excursion into the dungeon (each of your weekly play sessions) corresponds to one week of game time.

## Movement

The movement rates listed below assume careful exploration while mapping, measuring, and being mindful for traps or enemies. A
character can run for a short time at twice the rate listed, though in his haste he might become lost or blunder into danger.

| Coin Weight Carried | Movement Per Turn |
| ---: | :--- |
| $0-250$ | $480^{\prime}$ |
| $251-750$ | $240^{\prime}$ |
| $751-1,000$ | $180^{\prime}$ |
| $1,001-1,500$ | $120^{\prime}$ |

One in every six turns must be spent resting. After running, two turns must be spent resting.

Characters can elect to move only a fraction of their full movement in a turn, which may give them time during that turn to complete some other action. For example, a character carrying 800 coins worth of weight with a normal movement rate of 180' might choose, during one particular turn, to move only $90^{\prime}$ and then listen at a door for 5 minutes.

## Light

All monsters can see in complete darkness, but player characters need a light source to see. The referee tracks the duration of light sources during play. Forgetful characters might be plunged into darkness at an inopportune moment.

| Light source | Duration | Area Illuminated |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Torch | 6 turns | $30^{\prime}$ radius |
| Lantern | 24 turns | $30^{\prime}$ radius |
| Light (magic-user spell) | 6 turns | $30^{\prime}$ diameter |
| Light (cleric spell) | 12 turns | $30^{\prime}$ diameter |
| Continual Light (m-u spell) | till dispelled | $240^{\prime}$ diameter |
| Continual Light (clr. spell) | till dispelled | $240^{\prime}$ diameter |

## Wandering Monsters

Wandering monsters, because they are encountered outside their lairs, never have treasure.

## Surprise

Traps, Listening \& Secret Doors

## Wilderness

Travel
Cities
Castles

## Angry Villagers

Mass Combat
Naval Combat
Aerial Combat
Other Planes

## Appendices

## Optional Rules \& Ideas

## Experience by Spending

Gold flowed like water through Conan's mighty hands. In order to capture a swords and sorcery flavor, some referees prefer to award experience for gold spent (preferably on debauchery) instead of awarding experience for simply removing the gold from a dungeon. Other referees award a percentage of experience for both.

## Initiative

Who acts first in a combat round? In many cases, the referee sets the order of action using common sense, but various options might be used to determine the order of initiative in less obvious cases:

- All combatants act in order from highest dexterity to lowest. The referee rolls dexterity for each monster.
- At the start of a combat, each combatant rolls 1d6, and acts in order from highest roll to lowest. Optionally, give a bonus for high dexterity.
- Each round, a player rolls once (1d6) for the party, and the referee rolls once for all monsters. The side with the highest roll acts first on that round.
- Characters act in the order that the players sit at the table, with all the monsters acting on the referee's turn.
- Combatants act in order or their weapon speeds/lengths:

1. Gaze attacks
2. Breath weapons
3. Spells levels 1-2
4. Missile weapons
5. Long weapons (polearms, pikes)
6. Spells level 3-4
7. Medium weapons (swords, maces)
8. Short weapons (daggers, saps)
9. Spells levels 5-6
10. Read scrolls, other actions

## Monster Appearance

The monster descriptions are intentionally vague. What do orcs look like in your campaign? Are they pig-faced humanoids? Ape men? Something else entirely? Are kobolds furry dog-men, or dragon worshiping lizard-men? Are gnolls tall and hyena-headed, or do they more resemble Jerusalem artichokes with red gem eyes and tentacles?

## Number Appearing (and Balance)

How many monsters of a given type appear in a given encounter? The referee will decide.

Often the answer is one monster or 1d6 monsters, depending in part on the dungeon level. Deeper dungeon levels are more dangerous; that constant should act as a signpost to player characters. On the first dungeon level, 1 HD orcs will tend to appear in groups of 1d6. On the tenth dungeon level, orcs might appear in groups of 30 or even 300.

Some encounters will only deplete party resources, and stand little chance of killing characters. One or two encounters on a level will be so deadly that the only sensible choice for the party is to
circumvent those monsters. That's OK. As a baseline, the referee can stock a dungeon level with small groups of monsters with hit dice equal to the dungeon level.

## The Thief Class

In some sense, all player characters are thieves-raiders of ancient and dusty tombs. However, the referee may give players the option to create a character who is a professional burglar (or cutpurse, robber, etc.) with specialized skills.

## Unconsciousness Before Death

Some referees may rule that at zero hit points a combatant falls unconscious, and death occurs at -1 or fewer hit points. Other ref-
erees rule that a combatant survives until damage totals negative hit points greater than character level or monster hit dice (e.g.-a level 4 character dies at -5 hit points).

## Upkeep Costs

How often are upkeep costs paid? Some referees assess upkeep fees at the time experience is earned (e.g.-at the time the referee awards 300 XP to a character, that character pays 3 GP in upkeep). That simplifies bookkeeping for food, lodging, maintenance, etc. If, on the other hand, the referee wants to use upkeep costs as a stick to drive characters toward play focused on establishing and maintaining baronies, upkeep fees should be assessed more frequently-at the end of every adventure session, or once every week or month of game time.

| Monsters by Hit Dice | 10. Werewolves | 11. Sea Monster |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 11. Wight | 12. Treants |
|  | 12. Wraith | 13. Trolls |
| 0 to 2 HD Monsters |  | 14. White Dragon |
| 1. Dryads | 4+ to 6 HD Monsters | 15. Wyvern |
| 2. Dwarves | 1. Fauna, Large | Vampire |
| 3. Elves | 2. Hill Giant |  |
| 4. Fauna, Small | 3. Hydra (5-6 heads) | 8+ to 10 HD Monsters |
| 5. Ghouls | 4. Men | 1. Black Pudding |
| 6. Gnolls | 5. Minotaur | 2. Blue Dragon |
| 7. Goblins | 6. Mummies | 3. Chimera |
| 8. Green Slime | 7. Ocher Jelly | 4. Efreet |
| 9. Hobgoblins | 8. Ogres | 5. Fauna, Large |
| 10. Kobolds | 9. Rocs | 6. Green Dragon |
| 11. Men | 10. Sea Monster | 7. Hydra (9-10 heads) |
| 12. Nixies | 11. Specter | 8. Sea Monster |
| 13. Orcs | 12. Werebear | 9. Stone Giant |
| 14. Pixies | 13. Wereboars | 10. Vampire |
| 15. Skeletons | 14. Weretiger |  |
| 16. Zombies |  | 10+ HD Monsters |
|  | 6+ to 8 HD Monsters |  |
| 2+ to 4 HD Monsters | 1. Basilisk | 1. Cloud Giant <br> 2. Elemental (by spell) |
| 1. Centaurs | 2. Black Dragon | 3. Elemental (by device) |
| 2. Fauna, Large | 3. Djinn | 4. Fauna, Large |
| 3. Gargoyle | 4. Elemental (by staff) | 5. Fire Giant |
| 4. Gray Ooze | 5. Fauna, Large | 6. Frost Giant |
| 5. Hippogriff | 6. Gorgon | 7. Golden Dragon |
| 6. Medusa | 7. Griffon | 8. Hydra (11-12 heads) |
| 7. Men | 8. Hydra (7-8 heads) | 9. Purple Worm |
| 8. Pegasi | 9. Invisible Stalker | 10. Red Dragon |
| 9. Unicorn | 10. Manticore | 11. Sea Monster |

Monsters by Hit Dice

## 0 to 2 HD Monsters

1. Dryads

Elve
. Fauna, Small
5. Ghouls
6. Gnolls

Goblins
8.
10. Kobold
11. Men
12. Nixie
14. Pixi
15. Skeletons

Zombies

## 2+ to 4 HD Monsters

1. Centaurs

Fauna, Large
3.
5.
, Med
.
9. Unicorn

4+ to 6 HD Monsters
. Fauna, Large
3. Hydra (5-6 heads)
,
6. Mummies
7. Ocher Jelly
9. Rocs
10. Sea Monster
11. Specter
erebear
14. Weretiger

1. Basilisk
. Black Dragon
Djinn
2. Fauna, Large
3. Gorgon
4. Griffon
5. Hydra (7-8 heads)
6. Manticore
7. Sea Monster

Treant
14. White Dragon
. Wyvern
16. Vampire

## 8+ to 10 HD Monsters

. Black Pudding
3. Chimera
4. Efreet
5. Fauna, Large

Green Dragon
8. Sea Monster
9. Stone Giant
10. Vampire
. Cloud Giant
2. Elemental (by spell)

Elemental (by device)
5. Fir Gi

Frost Giant
7. Golden Dragon
8. Hydra (11-12 heads)
9. Purple Worm
11. Sea Monste


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[^0]:    1-30 Armor +1
    31-36 Armor +2
    37-51 Armor \& Shield +1

