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Nobility is a government title, often denoting privilege, usually issued for a lifetime or hereditary entitlement. Most nobles during the feudal age held a fief under some term of vassalage with a higher, more notable lord. However, other landless nobles might perform a service or duty, such as household knights, for a privileged opportunity to increase their social status.

The noble class, in the right campaign setting, offers unique opportunities for characters wishing to carry the mantle of nobility. It adds character and role-playing depth, as well as numerous starting points for adventure. You might choose to expand your ancestral lands, fight off rebellion, do a favor for the king or queen, or even try to vie for the crown yourself. Whichever you choose, be careful for there are lesser family members wishing to advance themselves with your death, paranoid royalty always fearing shifty usurpers, and never forget the discontented peasantry.

ARISTOCRATIC FRAILTY

To meet the prerequisites of the Nobility multiclass feat, allowing access to swap feats into the noble class, you must first choose to possess Aristocratic Frailty. It is a choice you can make during the character creation process or later, after discussing the matter with your Game Master.

Aristocratic Frailty: Minions have a +1 bonus to all attacks rolls against you the round after you use a bloodline power.

NOBILITY [MULTICLASS NOBLE]

Prerequisite: Cha 13, you have Aristocratic Frailty

Benefit: You gain training in either the Diplomacy or Intimidate skill. You meet the criteria for the power swap feats found in the D&D 4E PLAYER'S HANDBOOK, considering noble as a multiclass character. In addition, choose one feature from the following list.

Aristocratic Action: When you spend an action point to take an extra action, you gain a +1 bonus to attack rolls when using a bloodline power during the extra action.









 Noble Temperament: You gain resist 2 psychic and a +2 bonus to Diplomacy checks.

Your resistance improves to 5 at 11th level, and to 10 at 21st level.

 Self-Control: Once per encounter, you can reroll a failed saving throw against a charm or fear effect.

BLOODLINE POWER SOURCE

Bloodline powers, called endeavors, draw energy from a prominent ancestral heritage within a person to help accentuate their destiny. Bloodline characters use their strength of will and cult of personality, as well as deeds of their ancestors, to overcome their foes.

LEVEL ONE ENCOUNTER ENDEAVORS

Command of Nobility Noble Attack I

You instruct those you deem lesser in station to go away or answer your summons.

Encounter † Bloodline, Charm Immediate Interrupt Ranged 5

Trigger: A creature starting their move, and with a lower Diplomacy modifier

Target: Triggering creature

Attack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: You can either push or pull the target a number of squares equal to your Charisma modifier. Special: The target must hear you.

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Tongue Lashing

Noble Attack I

You berate opponents into submission. Encounter † Bloodline, Psychic Standard Action Ranged 10 Target: One creature Attack: Charisma vs. Will Hit: 1d6 + Charisma modifier psychic damage. For each attack the target makes on its next turn, it takes 5 psychic damage. Special: The target must hear you. LEVEL ONE DAILY ENDEAVORS

Aristocratic Strike Noble Attack |

The strike of your weapon prostrates your foes before you and forces them to recognize your greatness.

Daily † Bloodline, Fear, Psychic, WeaponStandard ActionMelee weaponTarget: One creature

Attack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: 2[W] + Charisma modifier psychic damage and target is prone. If the target stands on its next turn, it takes 5 psychic damage.

Miss: No damage, but target is prone. If the target stands on its next turn, it takes 5 psychic damage.

Courtier's Retort Noble Attack I

A foe quickly regrets its attempt to strike you after an angry commanding reply.

Daily † Bloodline, Fear, Psychic

Immediate Reaction Close burst 2 Trigger: A creature misses you with a melee attack Target: Triggering creature in burst

Attack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: 2d10 + Charisma psychic damage, and push the target a number of squares equal to your Charisma modifier.

Miss: Half damage, and the target is not pushed.

LEVEL TWO UTILITY ENDEAVORS

Bodyguard	Noble Utility 2		
An ally leaps in the way of a hazardous	blow.		
Encounter † Bloodline, Charm			
Immediate Interrupt Clo	se burst l		
Trigger: A melee attack targets you			
Target: One willing ally in burst			
Effect: You and the target swap p	laces, and ally is		
now the target of the triggering attack. The target			
gains a +4 power bonus to all defens	ses until the start		
of their next turn.			







Restoring Taunt

Noble Utility 2

Your vicious sneer distracts a foe and bolsters you or an ally.

Encounter † Bloodline, Fear, Healing **Standard Action** Ranged 5

Target: One creature

Effect: Target suffers a -2 penalty to attack rolls until the end of your next turn or until it misses with an attack, whichever happens first. If an attack from the target misses, you or an ally within 5 squares can spend a healing surge.

Sustain Minor: You may sustain this power until the end of your next turn or until the target misses, whichever happens first.

Special: The target must hear you.

LEVEL THREE ENCOUNTER ENDEAVORS

Mark of the Blue Blood Noble Attack 3

You mark and belittle your rival and inspire others to do the same.

Encounter † Bloodline, Psychic, Weapon **Standard Action** Melee weapon

Target: One creature

Attack: Strength vs. AC

Hit: I[W] + Strength damage. Until the end of your next turn, each successful attack against the target by all of your allies causes an extra 5 psychic damage.

High-born Flourish

Noble Attack 3

A deadly strike flaunts your illustrious lineage. Encounter † Bloodline, Weapon **Standard Action** Melee weapon Target: One creature Attack: Charisma vs. AC Hit: 2[W] + 2[Charisma modifier] damage.

LEVEL FIVE DAILY ENDEAVORS

Noble Stance

Noble Attack 5

Your grand presence strikes an uneasy feeling of anxiety to all who attempt to harm you with a melee attack. Daily † Bloodline, Fear, Stance **Minor Action** Personal Effect: An enemy that starts its turn adjacent to you grants you combat advantage (save ends).

Wallop the Knave	Noble Attack 5				
You use your weapon to hamp	er your adversary as it				
tries to rid itself of you.					
Daily † Bloodline, Weapon					
Immediate Interrupt Melee weapon					
Trigger: A creature shifts or moves from a square					
adjacent to you					
Target: Triggering creature					
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Target: Triggering creature	~				
Target: Triggering creature Attack: Charisma +2 vs. Refle	r damage, and the				

LEVEL SIX UTILITY ENDEAVORS

Trail by Combat	Noble Utility 6
You challenge a rival to personal combat	t.
Daily † Bloodline	
Minor Action Personal	
Effect: Mark one enemy adjacent marked enemy starts its turn adjace immobilized (save ends or an a adjacent enemy). Furthermore, yo power bonus to attack rolls against each other enemy adjacent to you.	ent to you, it is lly targets the u receive a +1

Equanimity Noble Utility 6
You take a moment to compose yourself or help an ally
regain their dignity.
Encounter † Bloodline
Standard Action Ranged 5
Target: You or an ally
Effect: Target ends one charm, psychic, or fear
effect that currently affects them.
Special: The target must hear you.







LEVEL SEVEN ENCOUNTER ENDEAVORS

Undermine Morale

Noble Attack 7

A dauntless assault against an adversary provides hope for your allies as it snatches any immediate victory from your foe.

Encounter † Bloodline, Healing, Psychic, Weapon

Standard Action Melee weapon

Target: One creature

Primary Attack: Charisma vs. AC

Hit: I[W] + Charisma damage, and you may spend a healing surge and make a secondary attack against the target.

Close burst I

Secondary Attack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: 2d10 psychic damage and you or target adjacent ally gains temporary hit points equal to the psychic damage dealt.

Sweep Away the Inferior Noble Attack 7

Meager minions offer no resistance as you move toward a more significant rival worthy of your greatness.

Encounter † Bloodline, Weapon

Standard ActionClose burst ITarget: Each enemy you can see in burstAttack: Strength vs. AC

Hit: I[W] + Strength damage.

Effect: Move a number of squares equivalent to your Dexterity modifier (minimum I).

LEVEL NINE DAILY ENDEAVORS

Treacherous Assault Noble Attack 9

Taking your rival by surprise, you slip through his armor to deliver a deadly wound while regaining your composure.

Daily † Bloodline, Poison, Reliable, WeaponStandard ActionMelee weaponPrerequisite: You must be trained in BluffTarget: One creature

Attack: Charisma vs. Reflex

Hit: 3[W] + Charisma modifier damage, and 5 ongoing poison damage (save ends).

Effect: Each time the target fails a saving throw against this ongoing damage, you regain hit points equal to the ongoing damage.

Artful Dodger: The ongoing poison damage is 10.

Belittling Barrage

Noble Attack 9

Noble Utility 10

Your first attack upon your rival unleashes a volley of verbal abuse as you strike with the blunt of your weapon bruising his ego more than his skin.

Daily † Bloodline, Reliable, Psychic, WeaponStandard ActionMelee weaponTarget: One creatureAttack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: 2[W] + Charisma modifier damage.

Sustain Minor: You belittle your target with verbal abuse (save ends). Until the target saves, you can make another melee attack against it each time you sustain the power.

Sustained Attack: Charisma vs. Will Hit: 1d10 psychic damage.

LEVEL TEN UTILITY ENDEAVORS

Bloodline Blade

You infuse your great lineage into the weapon you wield to ensure a critical wound.

Daily † Bloodline

Minor Action Personal

Effect: Choose one melee weapon you wield. For a number of melee attack rolls equal to you Charisma modifier, your chosen weapon scores a critical hit on a roll of 18-20.

Resistant to Rebellion Noble Utility 10

Your deep-rooted ancestry gives you strength and protection during the most trying times.

Daily † Bloodline, Psychic, Stance

Minor Action Personal

Effect: Any creature striking you with a melee attack takes 1d6 psychic damage. When bloodied, the stance ends.

LEVEL THIR TEEN ENCOUNTER ENDEAVORS

Backhanded SlapNoble Encounter 13You send your opponent reeling with a backhanded strike
across the face after he dares to harm you and fails.Encounter † Bloodline
Immediate ReactionMelee ITrigger: A creature misses you with a melee attack
Target: Triggering creature
Attack: Strength +2 vs. ReflexHit: 2d6 + Strength modifier damage, and the target
is stunned until the end of your next turn.







Strike Down the Leader Noble Attack 13

You stand up to the leader and his followers crumble. Encounter † Bloodline, Psychic, Weapon Standard Action Melee weapon Target: One creature

Attack: Charisma vs. AC

Hit: 2[W] + Charisma modifier damage, and enemies adjacent to the target take 1d6 + Charisma modifier psychic damage.

LEVEL FIFTEEN DAILY ENDEAVORS

Death to Assassins

Noble Attack 15

Paranoid or complete aware of your surroundings,

assassins have trouble striking you first.

Daily † Bloodline, Reliable, Weapon

Immediate Interrupt Melee weapon Prerequisite: You must be trained in Perception **Trigger:** A creature targets you with a melee attack and has combat advantage against you

Target: Triggering creature

Attack: Charisma vs. Reflex

Hit: 2[W] + Charisma modifier damage, and +3d6 extra damage. Increase extra damage to +5d6 at 21st level.

Down to One Knee Noble Attack 15

With commanding authority, you beckon a creature forward forcing them to bow before you and your splendor.

Daily † Bloodline, Reliable, Psychic **Standard Action** Ranged 10 Target: One creature

Attack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: Pull target a number of squares equal to your Charisma modifier, target becomes prone, and immobilized until the end of your next turn.

Sustain Minor: You can sustain this power until the end of your next turn. The target can end this power by taking 6d6 + Charisma modifier psychic damage as a minor action.

LEVEL SIXTEEN UTILITY ENDEAVORS

Castling Move	Noble Utility 16
A rival launches an attack only to find	d it is not you but a
disguised ally in your place ready to st	
Daily † Bloodline, Teleportation	on
Immediate Interrupt Pe	rsonal
Trigger: A creature targets you w	vith an attack
Target: One willing ally	
Effect: You swap places with a number of squares equal to your (The target can make a basic a triggering creature as an immediate	Charisma modifier. Ittack against the

Come to My Ai	d Noble Utility 16			
Allies rally around you t	to offer support.			
Daily † Bloodline, Stance, Zone				
Minor Action	Close burst I			

Effect: The burst creates a zone that lasts until the end of your next turn or until you leave the zone. Allies that start their turn in the zone receive a +2 bonus to attack and damage rolls. While you remain in the zone, you receive a +1 bonus to AC for each ally in the zone.

Sustain Minor: The zone persists.

LEVEL SEVENTEEN ENCOUNTER **ENDEAVORS**

Striking Surge of	Morale	Noble Attack 17
Your victorious blow revito	lizes others	to stay and fight.
Encounter † Bloodline, Healing, Psychic,		
Weapon		
Standard Action	Melee v	weapon
Target: One creature		
Primary Attack: Char	risma vs. A0	C
Hit $2[\sqrt{1} + Charisma]$	damago an	d you may spond a

Hit: 2[W] + Charisma damage, and you may spend a healing surge and make a secondary attack against the target.

Close burst |

Secondary Attack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: 2d10 psychic damage and you or target adjacent ally gain temporary hit points equal to twice the psychic damage dealt.







Bewildering Scowl

Noble Attack 17

Melee weapon

Your unyielding glare abates the resolve of an adversary. Encounter † Bloodline, Fear, Psychic Standard Action Close blast 2 Target: Each creature in blast you can see Attack: Charisma vs. Will Hit: Id10 psychic damage, and target is dazed until the end of your next turn.

LEVEL NINETEEN DAILY ENDEAVORS

Curse of the Blue Blood Noble Attack 19

Your attack bites hard delivering an ancestral curse.

Daily † Bloodline, Weapon

Standard Action

Target: One creature

Attack: Constitution vs. AC

Hit: 2[W] + Constitution modifier damage, and the target is dazed and weakened (save ends both).

Miss: Half damage, and the target is not dazed or weakened.

Might Makes Right Noble Attack 19

Your strength of conviction influences allies toward your cause against a rival.

Daily + Bloodline, Weapon

Standard Action Melee weapon Target: One creature

Attack: Strength vs. AC

Hit: 3[W] + Strength modifier damage.

Effect: Until the end of your next turn, all your allies gain an attack bonus equal to your Charisma modifier against the target.

Sustain Minor: Sustain the bonus for another round.

LEVEL TWENTY-TWO UTILITY ENDEAVORS

Dying	Brea	th		Nobl	e Utility	22
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With your dying breath, you pass sentence upon your killer.

Daily † Bloodline

Immediate Reaction Personal

Trigger: An attack dropping you to 0 or fewer hit points.

Target: Triggering creature

Effect: The target takes 15 ongoing damage (save ends). If the target saves, it takes 10 ongoing damage (save ends). If the target saves, it takes 5 ongoing damage (save ends).

Diplomatic Negotiations Noble Utility 22

Profound phrases resound to all listening as a silvertongue and a hereditary skill in diplomacy wanes the staunchest opposition.

Encounter † Bloodline Standard Action

Personal

Prerequisite: You must be trained in Diplomacy **Effect:** Make two consecutive Diplomacy checks with a +5 power bonus to each.

During a skill challenge, each success counts toward the number of success needed to overcome the challenge. Furthermore, any failed result does not tally against you.

LEVEL TWENTY-THREE ENCOUNTER ENDEAVORS

Glowering Grimace	Noble Attack 23
You exude extreme anger upor	n your foes through a
glaring scowl.	
Encounter † Bloodline, Fea	r, Psychic
Standard Action	Close blast 4
Target: Each creature in blast	you can see
Attack: Charisma vs. Will	
Hit: 2d6 psychic damage, and	target is dazed until
the end of your next turn.	

Guardians of the Ancestral Bloodline Noble Attack 23

Ghostly, ancestral entities emanate from your body becoming guardians wielding deadly blades and wearing armament bearing your family crest. Encounter † Bloodline, Fear, Psychic

Standard Action Close blast I Target: Each creature in blast

Attack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: 2d6 psychic damage, pushed I square, and weakened until the end of your next turn. Furthermore, all creatures take psychic damage equal to your Charisma modifier for each successful ranged or melee attack against you until the end of your next turn.







LEVEL TWENTY-FIVE DAILY ENDEAVORS

Mercenary's Betrayal

Everyone has a price and once someone treks down the path of betrayal, it is hard to return.

Daily † Bloodline, Charm

Standard Action Target: One enemy Ranged 10

Noble Attack 25

Attack: Charisma vs. Will

Hit: Target is dominated (save ends). The target receives a -1 penalty to saving throws for each previously failed saving throw. Furthermore, the dominated target gains a power bonus to attack rolls equal to your Charisma modifier.

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Miss: Target is dazed (save ends).

Warriors of the Ancestral Bloodline Noble Attack 25

Your attack marks a foe for ancestral vengeance as vaporous, wraithlike knights radiate from your body to

assail your enemy. Daily † Bloodline, Weapon Standard Action Ranged weapon

Target: One enemy

Attack: Dexterity vs. AC

Hit: 6[W] + Dexterity modifier damage. Furthermore, make a number of additional ranged basic attacks against the target equal to your Charisma modifier.

Miss: You make a number of additional ranged basic attacks against the target equal to your Charisma modifier.

LEVEL TWENTY-SEVEN ENCOUNTER ENDEAVORS

Kneel Before Your Lord Noble Attack 27

A strong, compelling wave of admiration exudes from your person forcing enemies to kneel before you. Encounter † Bloodline, Charm, Psychic Standard Action Close blast 10 Target: Each enemy in blast you can see Attack: Charisma vs. Will Hit: 1d6 + Charisma modifier psychic damage, and target is prone.

Blood of my Ancestors	Noble Attack 27			
By sacrificing the blood of your end	emy, you invoke the			
power of the diminished bloodline of	your allies.			
Encounter † Bloodline, Weapon				
Standard Action Melee weapon				
Target: One creature				
Attack: Strength vs. AC				
Hit: 3[W] + Strength modifier da	mage, and you and			
each ally within 10 squares gain	a power bonus to			
attack and damage rolls equal	to your Charisma			

LEVEL TWENTY-NINE DAILY ENDEAVORS

Intrinsic Renewing Strike Noble Attack 29

You call upon your ancestors to renew your strength with each successful attack.

Daily † Bloodline, Weapon

Standard Action Melee weapon Target: One creature

Attack: Strength vs. AC

Mark of the Heir

Hit: 5[W] + Strength modifier damage.

modifier until the end of your next turn.

Special: If you hit with your attack, you do not expend the use of this power.

Noble Attack 29

Summoning forth all of your bloodline strength, you etch your crest upon your rival and bestow him his fate with your ancestral might.

Daily † Bloodline, Weapon

Standard Action Melee weapon

Target: One creature

Attack: Strength vs. AC

Hit: 6[W] + Strength modifier damage, and the target is marked (save ends).

Miss: No damage, and the target is marked (save ends).

Sustain Standard: You may repeat this attack against the target. You can sustain this power as long as the target remains marked by this power.



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Noble Class Template

The following class template allows the Game Master to give a specific class to a monster. You can find out more about class templates in the D&D 4E DUNGEON MASTER'S GUIDE.

NOBLE

Noble

Power Source: Bloodline.

Elite Controller (leader)

Defenses +2 Will Saving Throws +2 Action Point 1 Hit Points +8 per level + Constitution score Weapon Proficiency Simple melee, military melee, simple ranged Armor Training Cloth, leather, hide, chainmail, scale mail, plate, light shield Trained Skills Diplomacy, and one other from the following list: Bluff, History, or Intimidate Class Features Aristocratic Action, Noble Temperament, Self-Control

NOBLE AT-WILL POWERS

When making a NPC noble, choose either command of nobility or tongue lashing as an atwill power. The other power not chosen remains an encounter power.

MAKING ADJUSTMENTS

Feel free to make slight adjustments to this class template. For example, a noble lady or courtier might have armor training only in cloth or leather. On the other hand, noble outlaw, like Robin Hood, who relies on hunting or thievery for survival might train with military ranged weapons.

DESIGN NOTES

For some, it might seem odd most bloodline powers deliver psychic damage. We determined of all the damage sources presently in the rule system, it seemed the most appropriate. More often than not, nobles locked in a battle of wills to suppress the lower class or other rivals.









Roble Adversaries

Human knights reserve their *crushing pummel* attack against bloodied or dazed foes.

Typical human knights are noble lords in their own right often earning coin through pillaging, ransoming other knights, and warfare. Most often, they have their own agenda on the battlefield thus rarely follow orders as a soldier would. They usually interpret any battlefield instruction as a guideline rather than a command.

Med	bical Human Knight Level 5 Elite Brute lium natural humanoid XP 400	
HP AC	iative +3 Senses Perception +4 150; Bloodied 75 18; Fortitude 18, Reflex 16, Will 20 eed 5	
\bigotimes	Bastard sword (standard; at-will) † Weapon +8 vs. AC; 1d10 + 4 damage.	
\bigotimes	Restraining Bash (immediate reaction; when target shifts or moves from an adjacent square; at-will) † Weapon	
	Ranged 10; +6 vs. Reflex; 2d8 + 4 damage and the target is immobilized until the end of typical human knight's next turn.	
Ж	Shield Smash (minor action; recharge ∴, ∴, ∴) † Weapon	
	+6 vs. Fortitude; the target is dazed until the end of typical human knight's next turn	
Ж	Crushing Pummel (standard action; recharge ::) † Weapon +8 vs. AC; 3d8 + 4 damage, 3d10 + 4 damage	
	against dazed targets.	
Alignment Unaligned Languages Common Skills Diplomacy +11, Intimidate +11		
Str Cor	I6 (+5) Dex 10 (+2) Wis 14 (+4) n 15 (+4) Int 12 (+3) Cha 18 (+6) ipment chainmail, heavy shield, tabard	

TYPICAL HUMAN KNIGHT TACTICS

They rarely move about the battlefield usually preferring to defend a strategic location. They quickly use their *restraining bash* to keep swift or injured opponents close while controlling their immediate area with their shield *smash attack*.















