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New Arcane Background

Arcane Background (The Force)

Arcane skill : The Force (Spirit) Power Points : 5 Starting Powers : Telekinesis

Obi-Wan: The Force is what gives a Jedi his power. It's an energy field created by all living things. It surrounds us and penetrates us. It binds the galaxy together.

Hero can not take any new powers or increase power points until he recieves training. Hero gains one extra benny per session which he can use to automatically succeed at one trait or soak roll without raise or to immediately gain effect of Danger Sense edge.

New Professional Edges

<u>Jedi</u>

Yoda : A Jedi uses the Force for knowledge and defense. Never for attack.

Requirements : Arcane Background (The Force), Jedi Academy Edges : New Power x 2, Power Points Skills : Knowledge (Lightsaber) d4 Special : +2 to Persuasion, Knowledge and Notice rolls Hindrances : Code of Honor, Vow (Jedi Order)

<u>Sith</u>

Palpatine : POWER!!....UNLIMITED POWER!

Requirements : Dark points, Jedi or Force Sensitive, Sith Lord Edges : New Power, Combat edge of choice , Power Points Special : Hero adds his dark points to Intimidation, Taunt and Guts rolls Hindrances : Mean, Vow (Sith Lord)

Force Sensitive

Jolee Bindo: But from now on you can just think of me as any other non-Jedi in our little group - with a light saber. And Force powers.

Requirements : Arcane Background (The Force), Master Edges : New Power , Power Points, Edge of choice Skills : Knowledge (Lightsaber) d4 Special : +2 to Notice and 2 skill rolls of choice Hindrances : Code of Honor

Dark Side

Hero falls to the dark side by using Force powers for evil or selfish purposes, using violent and disturbing power trapings and calling upon dark side for more power.

When these conditions occur a Hero who has no Code of Honor immediately gains dark point. A Hero who has Code of Honor rolls his spirit die against difficulty of 4 + his current dark points.

Calling upon dark side for more power functions exactly like Soul Drain edge, except that Hero can add his dark points to his roll.

When using Force for destructive and evil purposes, Hero adds his dark points to his arcane skill roll.

Dark side is easy and fast path to great power, but it is also a very short path. The following scales are just sugestions of dark side consumption effects on Hero's mind and his reputation.

Reputation effects :

2 - 3 dark points : Code of Honor and/or Vow (Jedi Order) are broken. Hero is expeled from the order, and some fanatical Jedi or Force Sensitives might try to hunt him down.

4-5 dark points : Wanted (Jedi) hindrance. If caught, depending on the Jedi or Force Sensitive that caught him, Hero might be killed or tried and stripped from Force.

6-7 dark points : Enemy (Jedi). There is almost no chance of trial in this case, the Hero will most likely be killed. Force Sensitives also join the hunt.

7-10 : Wanted (Galaxy).Every organisation of law and order in the Galaxy is trying to hunt down the Hero.Consequences should be quite severe.

10+ : Enemy (Galaxy). Only the utmost secrecy and manipulations of grandeur can save the Hero now.Everyone is out to get him.

Mind effects:

Depending on the way player portraits his fallen Hero, GM should give him a hindrance every few dark points.Possible hindrances would be : Arrogant, Bloodthirsty, Delusional, Greedy, Phobia, Vengeful.

Physical hindrances are also an option.

Redemption

Redemption is possible by righting done wrongs, doing good deeds or not leveling. Every time one of this conditions is met Hero looses one dark point. If GM thinks that he has bought of any of his mind effects with his moving away from dark side he looses them. Reputation effects, however, should be very hard to buy off. A Hero can change his ways, but it is very hard to change other people's opinions and suspicions. Physical effects of corruption, if any, are permanent. Also, whenever on a quest to redem himself, Hero substracts his dark points from all his rolls.

Redemption is almost immposible for a Sith, for they are always draged down further into darkness by their Lord.In a case that a Sith truly tries to redem himself, it is not likely that his Lord will be tolerant about it.

Lightsaber

Atton Rand : I thought a Jedi was supposed to be married to their lightsaber.

Only a few points :

* Anyone who is untrained in the use of lightsaber uses it with - 4 penalty on Fighting roll and Parry stat.

* Lightsaber defense is not an edge. Use the rules for lightsaber defense as written, but anyone can try it, even non-Jedi.Also, protection of allies that are in 2" radius can be tried anytime, but at -2 to fighting roll (might even be - 4 if there is many of them, not everyone is Mace Windu ;-)).Also, energy bolts are deflected back at shooter whenever his result is 1 or less after aplying all modifiers.So, if a Jedi got a raise on his roll and incured a - 4 penalty on Rodian Bounty Hunter, and Rodian rolled a 5 on his Shooting die and substracted 4, he would be left with 1 and his shot would be deflected back at him.This effect is cumulative with other penalties. Sloppy or unwise shots are more likely to end up bad for the shooter. Lightsaber defense can only be used while wielding lightsaber and against energy weapons.

* I recommend using statistics for laser sword from Savage Worlds corebook or SW SF toolkit.

Force Powers

All powers from the corebook can be used as Force Powers, with apropriate trapings, except Shapechange, Teleportation or Light. Jedi or Force Sensitives most certainly would not use Elemental manipulation or Entangle since they have Telekinesis and knowledge of the Force. But some primitive shamanic cultures that use Force through rituals might use those two since they have not mastered Telekinesis or any knowledge of Force tehniques. Shamanic cultures should be alowed Arcane Background (Miracles) or even (Magic), but they should be allowed to use power points only through rituals, since it is only way for them to shape Force. Rituals should be posible only on Force-sensitive places.

What are appropriate trapings ? Well, almost anything other than fireball and ice misile variations. When trying to describe Force power, concentrate more on the effect and less on the FX and it will probably be ok. For example, blast attack could be described as a blast of Force.It doesn't need to be canonical, just Fast, Furious and Fun!

Weird Science

In Star Wars universe everything is posible. Technology level is probably somewhere around 100.So even bizzare simbiosis between organic beings and technology is not really weird science anymore, it's just the way those "bizzare biotech" guys do it. What could be considered weird science in SW universe is simbiosis of technology and Force. Examples would be Holocrons or Force artifacts.

Arcane background (Jedi science)

Arcane skill : Jedi science Power points : Special Powers : 1 Requirements : Jedi

Jedi have scientists too. Whether they are trying to improve lightsaber design or make Forceenhanced hydrospanners, they are there. Jedi scientist must invest part of his own connection to the Force in his gizmos for them to work. Those power points are transfered to the device permanently. If engaging in questionable or outright evil experiments, or use dark side to fuel their gizmos, they roll for dark points as usual.

Arcane background (Sith Sorcery)

Arcane skill : Sith Sorcery Power points : Special Powers : 1 Requirements : Sith

Most feared discipline in all of Galaxy by those few that ever heard of it.Darkest of lores, comprised of bloody rituals and vile alchemies, it is powerful enough to transmute and corrupt anything.Combined with high technology, it is devastating.Sith Sorcerers must invest part of their own connection to the Force in their gizmos or mutations.Those power points are transfered permanently.In the case of mutated creatures or limbs, there should be a fixed price of power points for that particular mutation.Sorcerer who invests more can give that creature limited Force powers.Gizmos created by Sith sorcery almost always have coruptive and dangerous influence on others, even other Sith.

Sith sorcery should be very hard and dangerous edge to obtain. It should not be simply taken at leveling.

Some artifacts could be created without any of the above backgrounds, simply through the inner strength and purity or darkness and evil of their owner.

Important notes

Jedi Order

* Jedi edge is best taken at character creation.Many academy won't train adult.

* Vow (Jedi Order) can be broken with disobedience, arrogance,dark side corruption or voluntarily.Expeled Jedi is not necesarily dark Jedi and shouldn't be treated as such.He looses all his privileges in Jedi Order and his Jedi rank.He doesn't loose his friends in the Order or the respect, if he deserves it.He also does not loose Code of Honor if he isn't corrupted.Every disobedience to Order is not necesarily dark side behavior, but every dark side behavior definetly is disobedience and should be accounted for.

* Memebrship in Jedi Order has many obligations that can even sometimes harm the individual or group player goals, but it also has many merrits, like support of powerful Jedi, wealth of information and lore, respect of general population, etc. All this depends on the era of play, but mostly it is so.

* When Jedi reaches seasoned rank and builds his lightsaber he can ask to be tested by the Order.If sucesfull, he gains the title of Jedi Knight.He then gains all the merrits of

membership, i.e. acess to Jedi libraries, resources, etc.He also gets more dangerous and serious tasks or maybe even a padawan.

* When Jedi Knight reaches legendary rank, he is viable for the title of Jedi Master. He has to have trained atleast 2 knights. Jedi Masters usually inspire loyalty and boost morale.

<u>Sith</u>

* To be able to take Sith edge, Hero must find a Sith Lord or be sought after by one.Often, Sith Lord will demand of Hero to kill his current apprentice or undertake some vile and dangerous task before accepting to train him.Sith Lord will always try to corrupt the Hero as much as he can before training him.

* Sith Lord will, more often than not, share his resources and lore with his apprentice. The price, however, will most certainly be paid.

* Vow (Sith Lord) can be broken only if Hero kills his Lord. That is quite a feat, however. Hero will have to endlesly do all the Sith Lord's dirtiest work with ever present posibility of being killed by his Lord, a new apprentice or Jedi. If broken by simply running away and trying to hide, hindrance becomes Enemy (Sith Lord).

* If a Hero manages to kill it's Lord, he is the new Sith Lord.Sith Lords usualy instil fear and weakness in enemies and allies alike.They are masters of corruption and betrayal.

Force Sensitive

* Not all Jedi Masters and Knights have remained in the order. Some have left on their own decision, some have been expeled, some have simply dissapeared. They live out there, amongst the many places of galaxy, often training adult force sensitives on their own hand, if one can find them. They are either gray or dark Jedi.

* Being trained by a dark Jedi does not make one Sith.Nor dark Jedi for that matter.But dark Jedi often will not train one that is not on path of darkness himself.On the other hand, they may want to redem themselves. Being apprenticed to a dark Jedi can be as vile as being apprenticed to Sith Lord.

* Force Sensitive may be accepted into Jedi Order. If so, he can ask to be tested and knighted, if he meets the requirements. He is a Jedi from then on, but he does not get Jedi edge, he is already trained. He can however take Arcane background (Jedi Science).

All the info presented in this supplements is merely guidelines. I think it should be done like this, you think it should be done like that - in the end, just do it as it seems right. I just presented some ideas I thought might be useful. But what is most important is - Fast, Furious and Fun! That is the strength and beauty of Savage Worlds.

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Great resource sites : http://starwars.wikia.com/wiki/Main_Page http://theforce.net/