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SHORT & SWEET

HELLO:...and How are you Fantasy Role Players and War gamers doing lately? Snuff out some Half-Orcs or take over a city with your troops perhaps? Well, I thought I should tell you a bit about this magazine which some friends and myself have put together. This magazine was not put together to cut up other magazines like The Dragon, White Dwarf, Sorcer's Apprentice etc, but rather to work around some of their ideas, to better assist you in your gaming. Now, although this first issue is primarly about ADVANCED DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS, as we progress in issues, we will have more and more articles, storylines etc., on War gaming (Civil War, Napoleonics etc).

A special note I thought, I should let you people know about, is the fact that I am in constant search for Good Art work, Storylines, Ideas, and suggestions so please do not hesitate to send in your work to our office.

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> Kelly P. Villemaire First Encounter-Editor

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Pole Arm Weapons

by Kelly Villemaire

OK, so why are we doing an article on Pole arms when I know everything about them, right!! But, do YOU. I DM at many clubs and one thing that always gets to me, is that people are constantly saying "My player will have a Ranseur for a weapon, they deliver pretty good damage, by the way-What's a Ranseur" Another reason we are doing this is because of unanswered questions in the Players Handbook, like "Why is a Ranseur capable of disarming an opponent on a score required to hit AC 8" Well here are your answers and illustrations.

NOTE: Although on the following pages, certain weapons, will be put under a different name category for damage vs. opponent, weight, A.C. adjustments etc., they are physically different example; Lochaber Axe listed under in most cases, or are just the same weapon under a different name. Guisarme on Page 37 of TSR's Players Handbook.

DEFINITION OF A POLE ARM: a weapon on the end of a stick.

Actually it is a bit more complicated than that, as certain Pole Arms are not just a weapon on the end of a stick, but rather a strategic weapon used mostly by infantry men to give them an advantage of striking the opponent or holding the opponent at a distance, before he or she themself can be struck. To be a Pole Arm Weapon, the length of the shaft must be no less than five feet in length

What was one of the first Pole Arms to be used?

A SPEAR

What is the difference in a spear from a Pike, besides the obvious length differences in these weapons?

AS MOST PEOPLE PLAYING D & D KNOW, ANY SPEAR WITH A SHAFT OF 15' OR LONGER IS CONSIDERED TO BE A PIKE. NOW THE DIFFERENCE-IN WEAPONS BESIDES LENGTH, IS THE WAY THEY WERE EMPLOYED-IN MASSES. IN OTHER WORDS A SPEAR CAN BE THROWN OR THRUST, BUT A PIKE IS AND WAS USED PRIMARILY TO DELIVER A THRUSTING ATTACK AT AN OPPONENT AT LONG RANGE AND TO KEEP HIM, HER OR IT THERE. A LANCE HOWEVER IS A LONG SPEAR CARRIED BY A MOUNTED MAN OR WOMEN, AND IS EMPLOYED, NOT TO KEEP THE OPPONENT AT BAY, WHILE THRUSTING, BUT TO GET THE FIRST ATTACK IN WHILE CHARGING, SO AS A RULE IT IS NOT CATEGORIZED AS A POLE ARM WEAPON.

Why can a Ranseur disarm an opponent?

AS SHOWN; WITH THE ARROW; WITH THE DESIGN OF THIS WEAPON, THE OPPONENT'S WEAPON CAN BE STUCK OR LODGED IN THIS SECTION, AND WITH THE TWIST OF THE SHAFT, YOUR OPPONENT'S WEAPON COULD BE TAKEN OR BROKE RIGHT AWAY.



Spears



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What does a Spetum and Partisan look like? AS NOTED, UPON FIRST GLANCE-A SPETUM LOOKS LIKE A RANSEUR, EXCEPT FOR THE ANGLE OF THE TWO BLADES, JUTTING OUT FROM THE SIDE OF THE HEAD.A PARTISAN HOWEVER, IS BASICALLY A POLE WITH, (IN MOST CASES) AN OX TONGUE BLADE ON TOP, AND TWO SIDE BLADES, LIKE THE SPETUM.

Is a halberd the same as a Pole axe?





Is a Fauchard a Sickle blade on the End of a Pole?

THIS WEAPON IS MUCH LIKE WHAT YOU HAVE DESCRIBED IN YOUR QUESTION, EXCEPT FOR, AS YOU CAN SEE IN THE ILLUSTRATION ON THE RIGHT, THAT THE BLADE IS NOT SO CURVED LIKE A SICKLE OR SCYTHE. THIS WEAPON COULD BE USED IN CUTTING OR THRUSTING ATTACKS AND THAT IS ABOUT IT, AS IT OFFERED NO OTHER OFFENSIVE OR DEFENSIVE ADVANTAGES MUCH LIKE THE LATER DEVEL-OPED FAUCHARD-FORK, WHICH AS YOU CAN SEE IS MUCH DIFFERENT IN DESIGN, DOES MORE DAMAGE (IN ADVANCED D & D PLAYING), PLUS IT IS ALSO CAPABLE OF DISMOUNT-ING A RIDER....TRY THIS WEAPON ON YOUR NEXT OUTDOOR ADVENTURE, AS THE FAUCHARD FORK OFFERS MANY ADVANTAGES IN COMBATING.

What is a Glaive?

A GLAIVE IS A KNIFE BLADED SPEAR THAT OFFERS A THRUSTING AND CLEAVING TYPE OF ATTACK BUT NO DISARMING OR DISMOUNTING CAPABILITIES.



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What is a Guisarme and Why are there so many Guisarme combination type weapons?

A GUISARME IS A WIDE-BLADED WEAPON WITH A SHARP CUTTING EDGE ALONG ITS CONVEX SIDE, WITH A SPIKE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE BLADE WHICH COULD BE USED TO PENETRATE ARMOUR WHEN THE WEAPON WAS SWUNG. THE SHARP CURVED HOOK WAS PRIMARILY USED FOR PULLING HORSEMEN TO THE GROUND. PROJECTING FROM THE IDEA OF THE GUISARME, CAME MANY COMBINATIONS, LIKE THE FAUCHARD-GUISARME WHICH IS BASICALLY A FAUCHARD WITH GUISARME FEATURES BUILT IN IT.ALL OF THE GUISARME COMBINATION WEAPONS, CAN DISMOUNT A RIDER, AND THEN BE USED TO SLASH, CLEAVE OR PUNCTURE THE FALLEN VICTOM. NOT BAD EH! THE ENGLISH BILL HOOK, WHICH SOME SAY IS THE SAME AS THE FRENCH GUISARME (AS IN THE PLAYERS HANDBOOK BY TSR, PAGE 37), BUT I TOTALLY DISAGREE, FOR YOU CAN SEE THE ONLY FEATURE VERY MUCH LIKE THE GUISARME IS THE SHARP BLADE, PLUS CAN YOU SEE HOW THIS WEAPON CAN DISMOUNT A MOUNTED OPPONENT BESIDES A DIRECT HIT FROM THE SHARP POINT ON TOP?...IT HAS NO HOOKING DEVISE! REMEMBER THIS POINT IF', YOU DECIDE TO USE THIS WEAPON.

ANOTHER NOTATION-YOU MAY USE A LOCHABER AXE(IT IS TREATED AS A GUISARME VOULGE IN PLAYERS HANDBOOK BY TSR), BUT ONCE AGAIN, THERE IS A DIFFERENCE, FOR THE HOOK ON CERTAIN LOCHABER AXES ARE NOT FORMED WITH THE AXE BLADE, SOOOOO IF YOUR AXE BLADE BREAKS IN COMBAT, YOU STILL DO HAVE THE HOOK.-(NOT BAD, IF USED FOR TRIPPING OPPONENT)



Is a Lucern Hammer, the same as a sledge hammer?

NO, THE LUCERN HAMMER HAS FOR ONE THING, A LONG SPIKE ON THE END OF THE POLE, PLUS IT HAS A HAMMER-LIKE HEAD WITH THREE PRONGS.IT WAS USED VERY MUCH LIKE THE HALBERDS WERE USED EXCEPT IT WASN'T AS EFFICIENT AGAINST ARMOUR, AS THE AXE BLADE WAS.STILL IT IS A VERY GOOD WEAPON FOR DELIVERING DAMAGE ON AN OPPONENT.

Is it True that not all fighters can use a Bec de Corbin?

THIS WEAPON, WAS USED BY KNIGHTS AND NOBLES ONLY, IN THE LATE MIDDLE AGES AND INTO THE RENAISSANCE ERA. FOR FANTASY PLAYING, I WOULD SUGGEST THIS BE USED IN THE SAME MANNER, HAVING ROYAL DEFENDERS OR CHIEFTAN GUARDS USING SUCH WEAPON. THIS WEAPON IS VERY EFFECTIVE AGAINST PLATE MAIL OPPONENTS, FOR THE WEAPON'S HEAVY CROW BEAK, WAS DESIGNED TO PUNCTURE THIS TYPE OF ARMOUR IN PARTICULAR. ALTHOUGH THE BEAK IS THE MAIN FEATURE OF THIS WEAPON, IT IS NOT THE ONLY ONE, AS IT IS BACKED BY A FLAT HAMMER HEAD OR BY A CLAWED HEAD, MUCH LIKE THE LUCERN HAMMER HAS. THIS WEAPON HAS A THIRD FEATURE, IN HAVING A SPEAR HEAD FOR THRUSTING. WITH ALL THESE GREAT FEATURES FOR FIGHT-ING OPPONENTS IN PLATE MAIL, THE WEAPON WAS NICKNAMED, "THE CAN OPENER".

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by Larry Jeselon

Terra's mammoth Empire Arts Center was filled to capacity.All eyes are fixed on the lithe, graceful bodies of the gravity dancers. Through intricate spiralings, their weightless bodies re-define the scope of human movement. The women are beautiful, clothed in diaphanous synthetics and beams of light. But it is the patternings in space of the male danseur that quickens the pace of the Center and Home-Holovoid audience.... for there is something about him that is....different.

Two men sitting in the front row, watching the ballet are whispering between themselves, "I came to Terra for help, Stanhope--for an agent unkown on Luna--not to sit through some boring ballet." "Ah yes" stated Stanhope, "the case of our dead ambassador, A nasty business that. But I did have these tickets, Esterhause, and my wife being off-word, I thought...." "That I'd like to watch some bleeding Fairy twist in zero gravity" interjected Esterhause. "Don't be so provincial. You'll come to like the lad once you get to know him. He's your new agent, you see. Come backstage and I'll introduce you."

Backstage is, in reality, a landing pad below the huge ampitheater. The dancer float about, and out of the antigravity field in which they performed, to resume their normal weight. "Don't let this upset you, Esterhause...it makes for a great cover." "HRRMPH!" was all that could be heard coming from Esterhause. Just then, Paradox lands and all the dancers rush over to greet him.

"Paradox, you were wonderful!"

"The crowd is giving you a standing ovation."

"Paradox?" asks Bureau Chief Esterhause.

"His stage--and I.S.A. name,Old Man" replies Stanhope. "Paradox.I'm assigning you to Luna Bureau Chief Esterhause here."

"A mission?" answered Paradox. "THANK YOU, Sir!"

Paradox comes over and gives Stanhope a kiss on the cheek. "Disgusting" cries Esterhause,"I need a good man for this job,not a...." Just then Paradox, this quiet,meak fellow interjects stating "Excuse me,sir, but you must be in serious trouble--trouble no ordinary agent can get you out of, or the I.S.A. wouldn't dream of using me! Now, let's get down to the tawdry details of my mission, shall we?"

Less than an our later, an I.S.A. shuttle leaves Terra for the moon.Aboard the shuttle, Esterhause briefs Paradox on the death of the Terran Ambassador to Luna." A bloody mess, literally and diplomatically.So far we've held off the press with the story that he suffered a heart attack..." "But the Ambassador had no history of heart trouble, so why did he carry this pillbox?" asked Paradox. "I.S.A. Luna thinks it has the answer to that. But first.let me show you this holovoid."

Feeding a wafer-thin micro-engraved disc into a slot in his collapsible briefcase, Esterhause activates the portable three-dimensional hologram unit. The Holovoid speaks: <u>Subject</u>:Vincent DeLys, late Terran Embassador to Luna.Nearly at retirement age after a long and distinguished career in the diplomatic service. <u>His mission</u>: At the behest of the Emperor, to resolve lonstanding differences between Full-Terrans and genineered Lunan colonials. A widower when he arrived on Luna, Ambassador DeLys soon met and married Catherine Worth. "She is the only daughter of a wealthy Terran Family whose mining interest keeps them on Luna.She seemed to put some new life into the old boy. But let's move on....",said Esterhause.

Esterhause then slips another disc into the Holovoid projector slot. "Following the wedding, DeLys settled into embassy routine, making contacts with prominent Terrans on Luna at the many parties arranged by his vivacious young bride. That's when embassy intelligence reports he first met..."

Esterhause pushes the button on the Hologram unit. "Subject: Sebastion Seasons--interplanetary spice smuggler, unindicated, suspected of also trafficking in narcotics."

Esterhause then turned off the machine and turned to Paradox. "Swason's money makes him socially acceptable, despite I.S.A.'s file on him, so it wasn't too shindig. We probably wouldn't have



thought too much about it, if a few months later, embassy robo police hadn't caught an aide passing official secrets. Small stuff, but still a treasonable offense. We questioned him, standard interrogation. Promised him immunity if he'd reveal his contacts. He seemed terrified of something. Shook like a leaf, he did--when suddenly, he began to--smoke. What happened next was our first exposure to the hellish effects of fireflite!" "FIREFLITE" said Paradox. "My, we have got a problem haven't we?"

Bureau Chief Esterhause again inwardly curses I.S.A. Central for assigning him Paradox. Then he feeds another disc into the Holovoid."<u>Subject</u>:Fireflite; First synthesized from pyrophenol-2 and gelignite in the high temperature laboratories on Mercury. Smuggled off-world--it soon spread from the servant species to become a "thrill drug" used by full-Terrans".

Esterhause turns off the Holovoid and turns to Paradox. "You can see the importance of this case, then? Missing embassy secrets. Diplomatic staff found to have fatal Fireflite habits, and then the Ambassador himself going inferno...." "You seem to be having a hot time on the old, cold moon these days." Paradox cut in. Esterhause almost instantly snaps back "Blast it, were talking about a scandal that could set back Terran-Lunan relationships for a decade! We've got to discover who was supplying the Ambassador and his staff with fireflite because the same pusher obviously upped the price for the fireflite antidote from money to embassy information! My theory is that the Ambassador, nurturing a secret addiction, balked at betraying Terra and chose the only honourable way out of his dilemna. He refused to co-operate in exchange for the antidote, and allowed himself to go 'Ferno',"

The Chief looks up and sees Paradox kissing the lovely flight attendant and yells, "PARADOX!". Paradox looks up and says, "oh sorry, Sir. You were saying?"

When they landed on the moon, they got a warm reception at the space Terminal by a bunch of newsdrones. "Please sir, an interview...!"

"A Holovoid for my station!"

"Will you be performing here on Luna?"

Paradox looks toward one of the drones and answers;"Oh yes, you'll get to see me in action." "You idiot, get away from those cameras! Are you trying to blow your cover?" whispered Esterhause. "Why are you being accompanied by an I.S.A. Bureau Chief, Sir?" asked one of the news drones. "I guess the I.S.A. decided that an artist of my stature needed personal protection" replied Paradox. "Paradox, where are you going?" yelled Esterhause, "PARADOX!!"

"But.I've learned in my travels to every outpost of the empire that the best protection any entertainer can have is the love of his fans" said Parado "I've lost sight of him in the crowd,sir!" "Why, so have I" replied the news drone. "Find him!" screamed Esterhause, "He's not exactly hard to recognize!" "I--I think I saw him last over that way,sir!" one of the aides said.

Confusion reigns, but one non-descript Lunan, in rather uncharacteristic garb, escapes it and the Space Terminal by descending a rampway leading down from Ptolemaeus Dome's upper levels. He soon leaves the clean glow of the stars and the fibre-filament illumination of the great all-enclosing overhead Dome itself as he enters the grey environs of the first Subterranean Sector. There are still Terrans here--civil servants, merchants, mechanics--but their ranks thin out as the twists and turns of the rampway lead the Lunan ever downward. Metalmine: This is the working-class district of the Fifth Subterranean Sector. Kids play on narrow stone streets in front of grim housing hewn from the crust of Luna itself. Finally the Ninth and final Subterranean Sector -- SIN CITY -- a mining town thriving on the labour of Lunans whose work carries them ever deeper into Luna's core where they tear their livelihood from the hellish mineral mines of this long-dead world. The illicit attraction of Sin City are as perverse as they are plentiful, and to them throng the scum of the Empire to buy and sell anything ... at any price. The only Terrans here are those who have forgotten what it is to be human. The Lunan walks towards a door with a sign on it, Carl Yaz Tremski, Weaponsmith. He opens the door and goes in, sitting at a bench is a part man-part machine. "Hello, Yaz" says the Lunan. "I don't recall being on a first name basis with no Lunan! State yer business or get out!" replied Yaz. "I guess the bionic eye they gave you after you lost your own in that duel on the Betelgeuse Asteroid hasn't improved your sight any, Yaz, otherwise, you might have recognized an old friend!" The only reply coming from Yaz, was "Mark, you scurvy son of a space dog" "Not mark" hushed Paradox, "The Code-name is Paradox.Got a priva-seal? Lunan walls have more ears than a Saturian spicestalk." "This way" replied Yaz "The privascreen I developed neutralizes any listening device within fifty meters. But how in seven hells did you make me think ya looked Lunan? Telapathics? Ya "No.not telepathics, Yaz. This is the real thing. I'm a play with my mind?" shape-shifter-genineered to alter my physiology into that of any race I please wherever I please ... although my control gets a little sloppy if I don't rest, between changes. See?"

"Ya've gone from Lunan to Terran to Mercurian to me an back in the blink of an eye! Can ya do a Neptunian, too?" "If you'd like," replied Paradox. "Heh-Heh, never mind! Some things are better left alone! But how in the ... ?!" " Remember our days at the I.S.A. Academy, Yaz? You were one hell of a weaponry teacher but there was nothing in your lectures about what an agent should do when he's pinned down on a lonely asteroid by a gang of spice smugglers. Oh, maybe I could have held them off until help arrived, if the asteroid itself hadn't been radioactive, that is! I know there's no sound in the vacuum of space, but I swear I can still hear the high of the laser burst, that tore apart the cliffside behind which I'd taken shelter, bringing it down on top of me! I can still see the leering face of the smuggler, I'd come to capture and the words he said as he looked down at my body. 'We'll leave him and let this radioactive rock we're on, boil his blood'. The smugglers left me. I was no longer conscious when the I.S.A. Roborescue squad finally arrived. My dad being a bigshot in the I.S.A., they figured they'd better take me straight to I.S.A. Central on Terra. There, without even telling my family that I was still alive, they placed me inside an isolation chamber and got to work, picking and probing. You see, Ind set a new record for the amount of radiation a man can absorb and still be alive. I.S.A. Chief Stanhope was called in and informed of my condition." "Is there any hope of saving the boy" asked Stanhope.

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Have You Ever Played a Half-Orc Cleric Assasin in an Underwater Adventure?

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The HAVE YOU which will appear in almost every issue of this magazine, is designed to test your skill as a dungeoneer and your knowledge of AD & D Rules, Monsters etc, as per the T.S.R. Handbooks. This mini-test or Quiz offers adventure in various caverns, rooms or whatever, where you are to choose what seems to be the best reaction to what you are encountering. It is not possible in some areas of this module, to enter a room, and pick what seems the best choice and still sustain damage-just pick the best choice. In other words, in certain cases, the best choice may be one, which will minimize the damage taken. but cannot prevent damage altogether. Let Us See if YOU can succeed in your Mission.

CHARACTER DESCRIPTION

Name:Groff SlimeTong Race:Half-Orc S-18 (60%) I-11 W-15 Ch-14 C-14 D-16 Race:Half-Orc Class:Cleric/Assasin Level:4/5 Armour:Leather Clothes: Green Shirt, Brown Pants, Green Cloak & hood, H & S Weapons:+3 Bastard Sword, light crossbow, Flail of swift moving, dagger*boots Spells taken:1 LEVEL; Create Water/Destroy Water Cure Light Wounds/Cause Light Wounds Remove Fear/Cause Fear Detect Evil/Good 2 LEVEL: Know Alignment Silence 15' Radius Hold Person Snake Charm Spells from Scrolls: Speak with Animals Remove Curse/Curse Continual Light/Continual Darkness Miscellaneous equipment: 2 days rations, Quiver & 1 score bolts, small sack, Ring of Warmth, Waxed spell book, backpack, 50' Magic Rope, wraps around victom** Hit Points:11 *Dagger has poison injector in tip **Magic Rope can only be used Once NOTE: You can only pick or use a spell once

You've been travelling through an endless maze of tunnells, searching for this one cavern, which has a large rectangular pond inside it. Well, this pond no lies before you in this vast cavern with the ceiling covered with stalectites. Yes, the type of cavern and pond described to you, by the loud talking idiot at the Green Grass Inn.It was quite easy to talk him into the alleyway, and You being one of the best Assasins in Town, it was quite easy to slit his throat. Before the body had hit the ground, a voice came from behind you, and along with it came a tall, cloaked recognizable town official. He had been sitting at the bar, listening to the old fool, just like you had. He was indeed not a member of the Assasin Guild, so you once more drew your dagger and asked what he wanted. When you were mere inches away he produced a large sack, which he said was for you, IF you could succeed in your mission.But what mission? The MISSION to go down to the underwater cavern where the rectangular

The MISSION to go down to the underwater cavern where the rectangular pond can be found, for there also can be found the famous potion for underwater breathing, an item much needed to Assasinate King Glib; leader of a nearby Aquatic Elven tribe.

Now in front of you, lies the pond that will lead you to the Aquatic Elven lair, where the King dwells. He doesn't know it yet, but he could very well be dead by the morning, and you could be very rich. 6,000 gold pieces seems like nothing for all the trouble you've gone to and for what might lie ahead, But after all MONEY IS MONEY....

ROOM 1-There is what seems like and endless supply of sand surrounding this pool which is in the direct centre of this cavern. You find this odd, since the ceiling has stalectites, so you definitely try to avoid being under them. As you go down to the edge of the pool, you notice that this is indeed not a pool, but an underwater tunnel leading downwards, but how can you go down, when

you still do not see the bottle or flask that is supposed to contain the underwater breathing potion? You ponder to yourself, if the fool you killed by the Inn,was just a barggard. Just then you notice a flask with a blue liquid inside, lying in a puddle. You wonder if something is amiss, you then decide to:

A-Boot around the puddle, with your boots to check for traps, then pick up flask and drink it.

B-Just Bend down, pick it up, examine the flask, then drink it.

C-Cast a Destroy water spell, then pick up flask from the ground and drink it.

D-Take out your dagger (poison tipped), and gently pick up flask and drink from it

E-Cast continual light spell on end of Sword and dip it in the water to see what might lie in it

F-Drop magic rope around it and pull it up.

G-Cast remove Curse spell, then pick up the flask and drink it.

ROOM 2-Before you enter the water, you decide to put on a human disguise, then you slowly procede in the water and amazingly enough, brething it. At the bottom of the pond you notice a 15' Come in and See Ross at The Newest Franchise Store Of



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wide exit going downward, on both sides of the exit tunnelway is lots of shell. 11 ed fish (like mussels, clams-small sized, oysters etc), seaweed, sand, but swimming in the middle of the exit is an Eel.Will You

A-Swim to Seaweed, hide in it, till eel goes by, then attack with your +3 bastard sword

B-Try to swim by it and if it attacks you, stab it with your +3 bastard sword.

C-Cast Cause light wounds on it, then swim by it

D-Cast a Snake Charm spell On it, then swim by it.

E-Cast a Speak with animals spell, then bribe it with food

F-Cast a Cause Fear spell, then swim through

G-Cast Hold Person, then attack it.

H-Swim to seaweed, hide in it, till eel goes by, then use magical rope to hold it, then swim by it.

ROOM 3-As you enter the tunnelway, you expect it to get dark, but it doesn't, for you notice the rocks on the side of the wall illuminate the underwater tunnel. After travelling downward through the tunnel for quite a while, the tunnel suddenly starts to travel upward steeply. You find yourself surfaced in an underwater chamber, where the chamber is half filled with air and half filled with water. You notice an exit on the opposite wall and procede to swim towards it, on top of the water, when you notice something coming

from the direction you were headed in, just then a dorsel fin breaks the water. Will You:A-Cast Cause Light Wounds on oncoming creature, then attack with your +3 sword in hand

B-Cast Know Alignment, then talk to it, if you know it.

C-When the creature comes out of the exit tunnel, attack it, as to surprise it.

D-Cock crossbow and fire it the second it comes in the cavern. E-Wait until it comes in all the way, then attack it with dagger. F-Cast Cause Blindness spell on it then attack

ROOM 4-After leaving this half filled cavern, you proceed down the 20' wide water filled corridor and travel about 80 feet, when you come across another cavern except this one is larger and is completely filled with water. You proceed ahead about 20 feet when you notice to freshly killed bodies. You move up a bit closer and notice the one body to be an Aquatic Elf with a Trident thrust in it's chest. About two feet beside the elf, is the body of a creature that looks like a Hobgoblin except it has green skin, webbed hands and feet and gills. You stand there checking out the rest of the cavern when you feel something grab your legs. You turn around and see that the severely wounded hobgoblin type creature is indeed alive and kicking. You draw your sword and is about to hack this creatures hands off, when you see three dolphins charging towards you at full speed. Will You:A-Cut off creatures'hands,grab trident and swim towards

the small exit from this cavern

B-Cast fear spell on Dolphins, then cut the creature's

hands off.

C-Cast Speak with animal spell on Dolphins, and quickly tell them about what is happening.

D-Cast Cause light wounds spell on green skinned creature, grab trident out of Elves Body and attack Dolphins

E-Cast Hold Person Spell on Creature, kill it then attack dolphins, using +3 sword F-Cast Fear Spell on Creature and then try to outswim dolphins. G-Cast Cause light wounds on dolphins, then kill the green skinned creature with your Flail of Swift Moving. H-Pull out Holy Symbol and attempt to turn the creature, then cast Speak to Animals

spell on Dolphins to explain what happened.



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ROOM 5

After getting out of the last predicament, you decide to be more careful and move more slowly. After leaving the chamber you proceed through the cavern underwater hallway. You travel about 200 feet when you come to a dead end, although there is an old rusted iron grate on the floor. You easily lift it, toss it aside and proceed downward into a yet larger cavern probably 450! in diameter. As you slowly swim downward you notice this cavern to be not as bright as the others as the bright stones on the wall are not in this area.

This dark, ugly place is in fact not encased in solid rock, like the other caverns but rather encased with mud walls, ceiling and floor. You suddenly notice that there is an exit from this cavern and you can see that beyond it is the great ocean bed, No more travelling in caverns anymore. You swim toward the exit, when you also notice beside the exit is a rather large boat encrusted with mud and barnacles, just then a humanoid like creature rushes out from under the boat towards you. You can see that this creature is what looks like an Old lady with long scraggily hair, has warts, small horns on top of her head, plus sharp pointy fingers. It just hits you that this is a Seahag that you have heard so much about. Will You

A-Pull out Holy symbol and try to turn her

B-Cast Remove Fear spell on yourself and attack her with your Sword C-Cast Remove Fear spell on yourself, attack her with your flail D-Cast Remove Fear spell on yourself, cover your eyes completely and attack, thrusting your Newly found Triton hoping to hit her.

E-Cast Remove Fear on Yourself, avert looking at her eyes and attack

with your Sword F-Move in up to her and throw your magic rope around her

G-Cast Blindness Spell on Her, then attack with dagger H-Cast Hold person spell on her, then shoot her with crossbow.

After you leave this final cavern, you find yourself at the bottom of the sea, and you spot the Aquatic Elven village that you have been told about. You almost missed it, because this walled village made of corral and shells is surrounded by lots of Seaweed. You lock up and notice you are probably 1000 feet underwater which gives you a real feel of power to think that you have

reached a spot where no man has gone and lived to tell about it. You quickly pu on your aquatic Elf diguise and move on towards the village.

ENCOUNTER 6-On the way Towards the village, you are passing a patch of Sea weed, when you spot coming around the other side of the sea weed, a Lacedon (Marine variety of a Ghoul). This creature is almost within reaching distance

SHOULD YOU: A-Wait till it comes around and ambush it with your sword B-Tie it up with Magical

Rope, then cut its throat C-Cast Fear Spell on it,

then attack with Trident or Sword D-Present Holy Symbol

and say "Begone Vile Creature" E-Quickly realize you are in an Aquatic Elf disguise, walk by it fearlessly

F-Cast Cause Blindness spell, then attack it with sword.

G-Wait till it comes around and ambush it, by shooting it with your crossbow.

H-Cast Speak to Animals, then offer it food, for bribing.



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ENCOUNTER 7-At the Large Coral walls of this Elven Village, there is a large 13 shell door which you knock on. Three guards come to the door and graciously let you in. You inquire where the Emperor is currently, as if you belong there, and they calmly tell you "In the Temple as always". So you proceed on to the temple thinking this is gonna be a piece of cake. As you enter this small temple, you notice it is dark and dingy, not like most temples you have seen, but you don't care how clean they are here. You go down the centre of the temple and at the end you see on the left side a doorway...the doorway to the Emperors chambers. As you move ahead a Salt Water Naga quickly appears` from the shadows and bars your way. It is casting some kind of spell at you.

WILL YOU:A-Cast Cause Light Wounds, then attack with +3 sword B-Cast Dispel Magic, then attack with Flail

C-Cast Speak with Animals, and tell it you are a friend to see

the king.

D-Cast Snake Charm on it, then walk past it, on through the door. E-Cast Continual darkness, then attack F-Cast obscure alignment and walk by it G-Cast Remove Fear spell on It H-Cast Cause Blindness, then Attack with Sword

ENCOUNTER 8-When you open the door to the Emperors chamber, you see the King is still sleeping amazingly enough in his bed. As you Approach the bed you notice the room is quite nicely decorated, but quite small for a King (only 120' x 130' roughly). You are just about to cut the Kings throat, with your poison dagger, when the door opens and an Elven Guard rushes in towards you, throwing his trident

throwing his trident WILL YOU:A- Cut Throat, Cast Cause Light wounds on guard, then attack

B-Cut Throat, Cast Fear Spell on guard

C-Cut Throat, Cast Continual darkness then attack guard.

D-Cut Throat, Cast Silence 15' Radius, then attack with sword

E-Cut throat, Cast Hold person then attack

F-Cut throat, shoot crossbow at the oncoming Guard

G-Cut Throat, Cast Hold Person and Silence 15' radius, then kill guard. H-Cut Throat, shoot crossbow,

then Cure light Wounds on Self. ENCOUNTER 9-After Leaving the Coral Village on a job that was fairly easy, you decide to take a different route back. With the King's ring in your hand for proof, you begin counting the money in your head. Your thoughts are suddenly broken, when you stumble upon a barnacle encrusted chest with some sort of carvings on the side of it. Curiosity gets the best of you and you decide to open it up. It takes quite a while, and a bit of difficulty but it finally springs open, and what springs out of it is a Water Weird. You instantly react by:

A-Casting Cause light wounds, then you flee

B-Casting Snake charm spell, then flee C-Attack with +3 sword, then look in chest after killing it

D-Attack with Flail, then look in chest E-Cast Fear Spell then Flee F-Cast Destroy Water,& look in chest. Stratacon 3

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Will You:A-Throw your magic rope around its two eye stalks and lunge at it with your +3 Sword or Trident

B-Cast Speak to Animals and bargain with it, with the 60 g.p. on

you

C-Cast Cause Light Wounds on it, then attack with Crossbow D-Cast Continual Darkness, then Attack with Trident or Sword E-Cast Cause Blindness, Then Attack with Trident, Sword or Crossbow F-Shoot at Eyestalks with Crossbow, then attack with Sword G-Shoot at Big Eye, then attack with Sword, after putting away the

crossbow

H-Pull out holy symbol and try to turn it I-Cast Hold Person on it, then attack with dagger

ENCOUNTER 11-After killing this vile creature, you procede to the cavern, only to find out, that it has caved in. Panick has now struck you, as you know time is running out. Then you notice a small cave entrance to the right, that you never noticed before. You move the Seaweed blocking it, aside and proceed up through a 6' wide tunnel. You go up hundreds of feet, when the tunnell starts to go down abit and comes to a dead end, but upon close observation you can see there is a secret doorway. You open the doorway, and see another tunnel leading upward on a 45 degree angle. You travel about 200 feet and you notice there is no more water in the tunnel and up ahead is a wooden door. You go to the door and slowly open it. Inside, beyond the door is a beautiful room with a table, chair, silk carpets, bed, silk sheets, cupboards full of fresh vegetables and other foods, just then you see a humanoid figure approaching from another entrance, you pull out your sword expecting battle only to see a young beautiful women dressed in beautiful silk clothing carrying a towel. She walks to the corner of the room where there is a beautiful gold bath tub. You are not sure but you figure she might be a princess or something like that. She slowly undresses and is about to hop in the tub, when she turns towards you

WILL YOU: A-Apolagize, and show her your wounds

B-Cast Hold Person On her and explain to her how you got in and apolagize

C-Pull out your holy symbol and tell her you are here to ward off evil spirits.

D-Cast Remove Fear Spell on Her and ask her to help you Out. E-Cast Silence 15' Radius so she can't call her guards F-Run past her quickly,apolagizing G-Shoot her with Crossbow so she Won't call guards H-Run past her quickly,ignoring her I-Attack her with +3 Sword

After leaving this room, there is a 10' wide tunnel leading directly to the outside, 1 mile out of town GO COLLECT YOUR MONEY ONE WAY OR ANOTHER HEH HEH!!

must flee as it reforms beath to You-Sorry about that beath to You-Sorry about that and find a Gold crown s charmed, but creature delivers 3 hp dam. D-This Nymph does not fear you, and you die from see-ing this creature disrobed beath to You, and you die from seeing her disrobed beath to see the from seeing her disrobed beath to be the from see the ANSWERS 1-A-Hidden Crab grabs low soft boots (Take 2 h.p.) killed this Nymph, But you die from looking get away from this Nymph alive B-Surprised by Giant Crab (Take 4 h.p.) ing this creature disrobed E-This Nymph has no guards, you die from seeing C-Success-Hidden Giant Crab doesn't Attack seeing her disrobed-Tricky huh! D-Attacked by Hidden Giant Crab (Take 1 h.p.) E-Successful-Blinded Hidden Giant Crab (No dam.) this Nymph disrobed F-Successful-no damage G-Surprised by Hidden Giant Crab (Take 4 h.p.) 2-A-Seaweed is more Weed Eels (Take 5 h.p.) B-It Attacks (1 h.p. damage) C-Killed it instantly (No damage) D-No Good (Take 3 h.p. dam.) E-It Does no good with Eels (take 4 h.p. dam) F-It flees in Panic (No damage) G-No good on Eels (Take 2 h.p. Damage) H-Seaweed is more Weed Eels (Take 5 h.p. dam.) damage damage 3-A-Does bit of damage to oncoming Dolphin (3 hp dam) B-Dolphin swims by friendly, your talk has fooled it C-Does damage to Dolphin but you (Take 2 h.p. dam) D-Does damage to dolphin but you take 1 h.p. dam.) E-Does damage to dolphin but you take 1 h.p. dam.) d q q q seeing 4 m good, take a F-It works, but you(take 1 h.p. damage) F-You die from 4-A-No problem and No damage from B-By time spell is cast you(take 1 h.p. dam.) C-Dolphins come in and kill creature for you get die D-Killed creature but dolphins(deliver 4 h.p. dam) E-Killed creature but dolphins(deliver 4 h.p. dam) disrobed ON-H -No F-Spell works and Dolphins swim by you H-You I-You G-You G-killed creature but dolphins deliver 2 h.p. dam.) H-Creature delivers 2 pts dam before you realize it does no good, Dolphins help kill creature 5-A-No good, Instant Death from Sea Hag's Gaze stalks B-No good, Instant Death from Sea Hag's Gaze C-No good, Instant Death from Sea Hag's Gaze eeing 10-A-Rope saves you from being charmed, but creature is still a formidable foe that delivers 3 hp dam. B-No good, take 5 h.p. damage C-Does bit of damage, in melee you take 2 hp dam. D-You amazingly Kill her, but(take 2 h.p. dam) E-Killed her (no Damage) hp damage by other eye F-You are Dead from Sea Hag's Gaze fl B-No good, take 4 h.p. dam C-You take 2 pts damage and must flee as it D-You take 1 pts damage and must flee as it E-No good, take 4 pts damage while fleeing F-Works somewhat, no damage and find a Gold which is worth 5 game points G-It works.but this creature still gives (1 hp dam.) damage in melee θ H-No good, Almost Die from gaze but only get lhp dam. whil 6-A-Killed it but take 1 h.p. damage B-It works-but you still receive 1 h.p. damage C-No good on Ghouls, take 2 h.p. damage dy D-It Works No damage E-You're not an Elf, though, take 4 h.p. damage e take 3 charmed m F-It works but creature still delivers(1 h.p. dam.) Φ G-It Hits, but in melee you still take 1 h.p. dam. tak H-Forget it Take 4 h.p. damage 7-A-It works a bit, Take 3 pts damage in melee D-Great move, No damage E-Great move, but take 1 hp F-Lucky Hit, but in melee G-Lucky Hit, but you are c damage, you B-It works, cancels know alignment spell (melee 2hp) C-It doesn't work, creature attacks (Take 4 h.p.) D-Doesn't Work on Nagas (Take 3 h.p. damage) E-No good in already dark place (Take 2 h.p. dam) F-Works, as it was checking your alignment no dam. G-What a choice (Take 2 pts damage in melee) H-Works (Take 1 h.p. dam in melee) of 8-A-Killed King, Guard wounded (Trident hits-2hp) -A-Takes bit led B-Killed King, Guard cringes in corner, No dam C-Killed King, Guard has Infravision (Take 2hp) G-Lucky D-Killed King, Quiet battle, but take 1 hp dam. E-Killed King, It holds but he shouts for more guards which rush in so take 4 hp damage and F-Killed King, Lucky Hit, in melee take 1 hp dam. G-Killed King and Guard is no problem (No dam) H-Lucky Hit, Killed king and Cure yourself 2 hp.

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Figure Review by KELLY

These new figures by Ral Partha, the Ape, and Half-Elf Ranger with Bow, I think are great. From the fur on the Ape to the Elven features of the Ranger, these lead figures are pure detail. Both figures are in attacking positions, and are in perfect scale. The overall rating, these figures should get are 9 out of 10.



These Citadel gnolls are pretty good for detail, weapon selection, facial expressions etc, the only thing you might find wrong is that they look like deep Gnomes as in the Fiend Folio by T.S.R., but it is your perogative of what you can use these as. NOTE: These are just two of the @ 150 different types of Gnolls produced by Citadel, maybe you can build an army



These kobolds were originally produced a couple of years back by HERITAGE. They are alright for detail, have the correct weaponry and armour, almost in scale, but the thing I like the most is that they look just like Kobolds in the Monster Manual by T.S.R. The overall rating for these figures is about a 6.

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1.- The best weapon against skeletons 4.- This creature has a body that resembles a huge bloated buffalo and gives off an offensive odour HIND: Gaze causes beath 9.- A Norse God 11.- A creature found in the Nine Hells and chosen to form Wraiths or Spectra.

- Spectres

- and chosen to form Wraiths or Spectrae
 A creature in the Ape family
 A Feature of and Orc's Face.
 A Feature of dargon that breaths a cloud of scalding stream
 A form of fungus
 Chis creature comes as a Giant ".".
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 A two heeded giant creature
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 A type of monster often feared by armoured fighters
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 Noble title often similiar with Count.
 Title for a 7th level Cleric.
 Something unagreeable with monks.
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 Creature typically equipped with a spiked wooden cub & woodsn or wicker shield
 The best way to go through a cavem full of Troils at Low ievel.
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- 52: A Warrior's weapon is " weapon Only.
 55: First initials of (1) type of mold (2) a type of bear (3) type of deer
 58: An old greeting
 58: The last two letters of a type of displacer beast
 59: Broken Bones, Rotting Eye and Bloody Head are some of these

- 61.- A 2' tail creature
 62.- Getting revenge (syn.)
 64.- An aquatic variety of the purple worm
 67.- A wespon a Cieric would favour
 69.- A monster found only in icy Cold regions.
 73.- Time for a Werecreature.
 74.- Type of Sphinx
 77.- Wolves are constantly doing this.
 77.- Wolves are constantly doing this.
 78.- A these each level Abv.
 84.- A type of alignment Abv.
 88.- A what must be done to a vampires heed after filling the mouth with holy wafers.
 89.- A the level cleric shall.
- wafers. 89.- A 4th jevel cleric spell
- 91.- A type of chart for certain characters 97.- 1st and 4th letter of this horned
- wooly creature 98.- A trait noticed of players (character)
- with a low destenty
 100.- Something instilled by a mummy
 101.- First and third letters of this poisonous creature
 102.- A type of monster found in forested

- areas 104.- Slang word for this reptilian humanoid monster 106.- A type of devil 110.- Type of weapon HINT; type of Pole
- am 112.-Creature from the elemental Plane of Air. 115.-What can be found in a Players handbook?
- handbook?
 His First letters of (1) Creature that lives in mountains HINT: Short (2) Hate elves, and are tribal (3) creature can initiate voice of man or woman 11⁻ Referred to as Sea Devils or Devil men of the Deep 12⁻ Liches employ this type of creature 12² Eavourite spot for henchman, and birelines to be found.

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- Larger cousin of Goblins
 2.-Four Eyed 8 tail creatures
 .-Creature that must be burned or immersed in acid for death
 .-Type of Vere creature
 5.-Fire " Water " "
 7.-Name of god, that is half goat, half man. HNI: God of Fields
 8.-Type of creature often found in sylvan
 works
- 9.- A dwarves most hated enemy yet they

- A dwarves most hated enemy yet they are twice the dwarves size
 something you get sometimes from giant rat bites
 And level MU Spell.
 When human and attacking the worst type of lantern to have is a "one.
 1st (evel druid spell.
 First two letters of these war crazy men. men
- 18. Kind of Giant

- Kand of Calant
 Snake like creature
 Sea " " and the sear as nucle male or female human with wings
 Type of coloured fungus
 This creature can be a leg breaker or marrow sucker
 One of the deadliest types of dragons
 A blood sucking creature and a acid spitting creature from the Elemental Plane of Fire.

- 40.- A prehistoric carnivorous bird. 42.- something usually at the end of a 50°

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71.- 4th and 2nd letters of this creature made of clay, stone or Iron 75.- First two letters of a snake like

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- made of city, stone or iron
 75.- First two letters of a snake like creature
 78.- This creature comes in wild or war with only an "0" standing between these two letters
 78.- One of these types of creatures
 79.- Creature with head and forepaws of an eagle and body of a lion
 73.- First two letters of this flying type of dinosaur.
 75.- First and last letters of this wart covered creature
 77.- Trap set often to vent out anger
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 One type of direction in Dungeons

Abv. SS.-Partys usually listen for noise before

103.- Famous adventurer SINBAD with spelling mixed up 1s first letter
105.- Several headed type of Dragon
107.- Sumatran ""
108.- Creature is 60% likely to have tamed wolves, brown bears to serve as guards in their lar.
113.- Often associated with goblina-(what type of creature ?)
114.- Often found in crypts and dungeons
118.- Type of elemental.

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 119. Type of elemental.
 119. First three letters of this Hyena faced monster
 120. Weapon often used by Dwarves
 120. Weaviation for general type of protection status.

99.- Type of Stick weapon

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