

HERO QUEST



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New Rules

Spell Scrolls

When a spell scroll is found, the Hero should record it on his Character Sheet. After the scroll has been used, it must be crossed off the Hero's Character Sheet.

Multiple Attacks

A Hero rolls defend dice once for each attacking monster. For example, a Hero attacked by 3 Zombies gets 3 separate defend rolls. A Hero attacked by a monster with multiple attacks (such as the Manscorpion), however, gets only 1 defend roll against that monster per turn, no matter how many of the monster's attacks are directed at the Hero.

New Traps

The Stalactite trap and the Swinging Blade trap do not have tiles.



Stalactite Trap: This deadly spear of ice clings to the ceiling of ice caverns. Unless searched for and disarmed, the stalactite falls upon the first Hero to move onto the trap square, causing 1 Body Point of damage. Monsters do not spring Stalactite traps.



Swinging Blade Trap: The trap is tripped when a character lands on a space marked with a black blade symbol: a huge blade swings down from the roof attacking any character in any one of the three spaces marked with a white or black blade symbol. These characters will be attacked with two combat dice which they may defend against normally. A Swinging Blade Trap can only be detected by a search in the room or corridor containing the black blade symbol.

Any character with a Tool Kit may attempt to disarm a Swinging Blade Trap. To do so they must roll any shield, using only one combat die. If they roll a skull, they will set off the Swinging Blade Trap. The Dwarf may disarm a Swinging Blade Trap automatically once it has been discovered.



Fiery Chasm: Anyone attempting to cross must roll one combat die. If he gets a skull, the player falls into the Chasm, but manages to hang on by his fingertips. The player loses one Body Point. It is impossible to climb out unaided. For each round the player remains

in the Chasm, he loses 1 Body Point. The player must be rescued by another player standing in a square next to the Chasm. If he states that he is rescuing the one in the Chasm, he must move back one square to allow room for the rescued player's figure.



Long Pit Trap: If a Hero wants to jump over this pit trap the long way, he must have at least 3 squares of movement left after he moves next to the pit. The Hero then rolls 1 combat die. A black shield means the Hero has jumped across safely, using up 3 squares of movement. The Hero can continue to move if he has more movement left. Any result other than a black shield means the Hero falls into the pit, suffering 2 Body Points of damage. The Hero must roll a 5 or 6 on a red die on a subsequent turn to climb out of the pit. While in the pit, the Hero rolls 1 less combat die when attacking or defending (but never less than 1 die).

Note: These traps can be jumped the short way, the same as regular pit traps.

New Tiles and Quest Map Symbols

Iron Entrance Door

This iron door is placed on the edge of the gameboard. Heroes line up outside the iron door to begin the Quest.



Wooden Exit Door

This special wooden door is used to exit the gameboard in the end of a Quest.



Portcullis

Some of these massive iron gates open when the Hero spring a certain trap, while others are unlocked by the brass key or forced up by brute strength. Heroes and Monsters *cannot* "see" through a portcullis until it is opened.



Stone Doorway

Stone Doorways are large slabs of rock which must be pushed out of the way using brute force before you can pass. To open one of these doors, a character must roll a number of combat dice and score two skulls. The number of dice he throws depends on what character type he is: the Dwarf and the Elf both roll two dice, the Barbarian rolls three dice. The Wizard cannot open a Stone Doorway. Once a Stone Doorway has been opened it remains open for the rest of the Quest.



Locked Door

These doors are locked and will require a key to be opened.



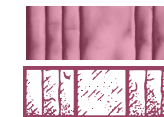
Coffins

The 4 coffins may be used as tombs. They may contain an undead creature and/or a treasure. They may also have traps on them.



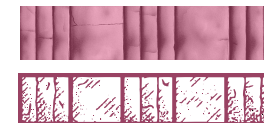
Short Stairway

There are 3 movement squares on the short stairway. These tiles are used to create the effect of climbing up or down stairs.



Long Stairway

There are 5 movement squares on the long stairway. These tiles are used to create the effect of climbing up or down stairs.



The Weapons Forge

The forge is a place where Dwarven blacksmiths once created the finest and sturdiest weapons in the land.



Trap Door

These two trap doors link apparently unconnected rooms via an unseen tunnel. When a Hero or monster steps on a trap door square, he moves instantly to the other trap door square.



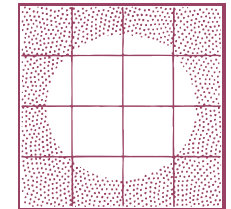
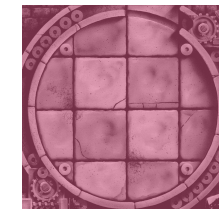
Death Mist

This mist is a deadly breath of Chaos which will harm all who are not evil.

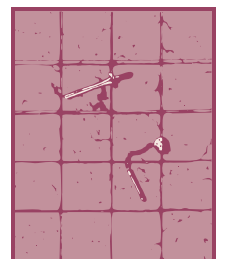
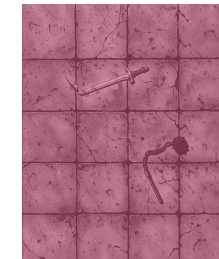


Revolving Room

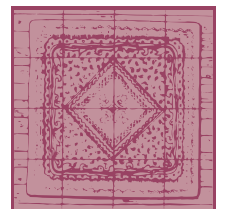
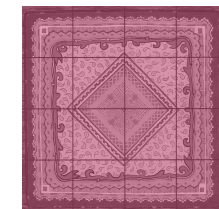
The revolving room is used to disorient the Heroes. You never know which door you'll be using to leave this room.



Battle Room



Carpet Room

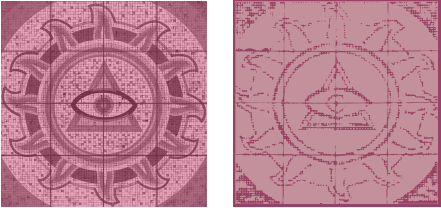


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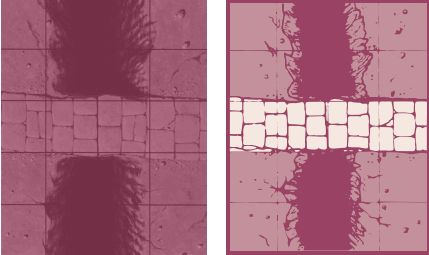




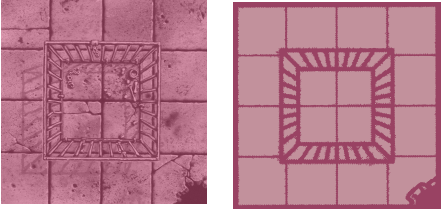
Sun Eye Room



Stone Bridge Room

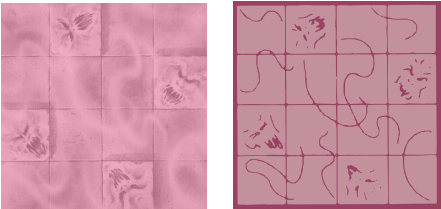


Cage Room

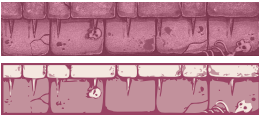


Living Fog Room

This room is filled with an eerie, swirling fog. Monsters seem to appear on all sides of the Heroes, only to disappear into the fog when attacked.



Spike Wall



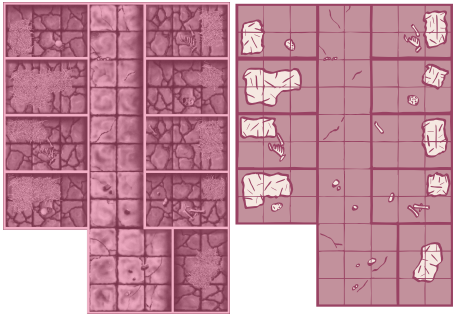
Fire Door



Tomb



Corner Prison



Monster Chart

| Monster | Map Symbol | Movement Squares | Attack Dice | Defend Dice | Body Points | Mind Points |
|-------------------|------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Death Knight | | 4 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Dragon Strike Orc | | 6 | 3/3 | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Bugbear | | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Manscorpion | | 8 | 2/2/3 | 4 | 6 | 4 |
| Death Reaper | | 8 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 |