

Note: These are my session-reference notes; they're the bare minimum I felt I'd need for reference and reminder during the session. There's a lot more in my head, but it's mostly open-ended "could do this if that happens" stuff that's harder to get down into a reference document (how much to milk the "Rueben's a drunk" thing and what happens if you cut open a dead fish, etc). I also draw directly on the Doctor Who story "The Horror of Fang Rock" for setting and character details as needed; though I never feel beholden to the source material, a re-watch of the story can help me describe things more vividly.

Fang Rock: early 1900s lighthouse; open with Investigators crashed on its isolated rock & discovered by NPC lightkeepers:

CHARACTERS

Rueben: oldest keeper, superstitious, old-fashioned, dislikes change, good at his job which he considers a sacred duty.

Vince: inexperienced, naive, quick learner, eager to help, good conscience, easily tricked, a little greedy.

Ben: electrical engineer, factual, practical, narrowly focused on his profession. Dead of electrocution in the oil cellar.

HORRORS

disappearing corpse

freaky green light in the sea

freaky green light *in the lighthouse*

the corpse reappears--carefully dissected

inexplicably dead fish

crystal fragments washed ashore

strange artifacts

living people who should be dead, and vice versa

someone turning into a rutan

the rutan spaceship

LAYER ONE

folktales of the Beast of Fang Rock (Rueben)

cold, unnatural fog

Vince talks of a fireball falling into the sea (he never gets the colour the same twice, and doesn't notice even when it's called to his attention)

Ben's electrocuted body

lingering static electricity

LAYER TWO

green light moving in/on the water

silver tube (closed ends; light) on generator

feathery silver antenna in lamp gallery

hundreds of dead fish washing ashore

body vanishes (Ben's)

folktales about the ghosts of people who die violently

LAYER THREE

Rueben suspects investigators as spies ("Frogs, Nazis, Ruskes, does it matter?")

Evidence someone who was left alone may be different now

awful smell, like a dead animal (dissected corpse)

someone wants to lock up the lighthouse

something green and glowing moves strangely on the rocks

LAYER FOUR

Ben's corpse discovered dissected

green light seen inside lighthouse

corpse (not fresh) of someone seen recently

LAYER FIVE

Rutan reveals itself and attacks if confronted

Rutan spaceship approaches to pick up the Rutan