

Dungeons & Dragons 5th Edition

Dungeon Master's Resource List

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If you have any suggestions for material/links to add to this list, please submit it on the [TTRPG Resource Submission Form](#). Here's to many a happy adventure!

**I've launched a website which will be updated frequently
with new content *instead* of this document.**

Check it out at

www.dnd-compendium.com

REFERENCE

System Reference

- 5th edition quick ref (5eTools) can be found online.
- [SRD version 1](#)
- [SRD version 2](#)
- [SRD version 3](#)
- [D&D Next Index](#)
- [Skill Definitions](#)
- [Player's Actions and Effects QuickRef](#)
- [Online DM Screen](#)
- More system ref <https://tools.oblivionkeg.net/>

DM Tips, Tricks, and Tools

- **Written Advice and Guides**
 - [The Ten Commandments of GMing](#)
 - [Matt Colville's written advice to new GMs](#)
 - [So You Want to DM: Advice for New Players](#)
 - [Geek and Sundry's Basic Tips for a Novice DM](#)
 - [\[GoblinsComic\] Dungeon Master Tips](#)
 - [\[NewbieDM\] 87 GM Tips](#)
 - [\[Kassoon\] DM Lessons](#)
 - [Making Meaningful NPCs](#)
 - [Help with Religions](#)
 - [Let's Build a Fantasy Setting](#)
 - [Medieval Inns and Taverns](#)
 - [The Alexandrian] [System-neutral GM tips](#)
 - [How to Make a Campaign TL;DR](#)
- **Making Dungeons**
 - [Simple but Effective Dungeon Building Guide](#)
 - [The Rusty Battleaxe - Dungeon Design](#)
- **Comprehensive Collections of Information**
 - [\[Google Drive\] Dungeon and Game Master Tools](#)

- [\[Reddit\] The Complete Hippo](#)
- [Farland DM and Player Tools](#)
- <http://gamemastering.info/>
- [Nerzugal's DM ToolKit](#)
- [DnD Speak: d100 lists of useful material](#)
- **Campaign Management Tools**
 - <https://www.dnd-compendium.com/dm-resources/campaign-managers>

Dungeon Mastering Video Guides

- [Matt Colville's Running the Game](#)
- [Matthew Mercer's GM Tips](#)
- [Sly Flourish - Helping New DMs](#)
- [Sly Flourish's Return of the Lazy Dungeon Master](#)
- [How to be a Good DM](#)
- [How to be a Great Game Master](#)

Unearthed Arcana Lists

- [List of Unearthed Arcana \(UA\)](#)
- [\[Google Drive PDF\] Unearthed Arcana Vol. 1](#)
- [Race and Class lists with all variations](#)

GENERATORS AND TOOLS

Compilations of Multiple Generators

- [donjon.bin.sh](#)
- [AutoRoll Tables - Github](#)
- [BehindTheTables Giant Generator collection](#)
- [Red Kat Art DnD5Tools](#)
- [RP Tools](#)
- [Chaotic Shiny](#)
- [Abulafia Generators](#)
- [D12dev](#)
- [Kassoon D&D tools and Generators](#)

Items

- [Weak Magic Item generator](#) provides flavor for items weaker than +1 but so much more interesting
- [Sane Magic Item Prices](#)
- [Effects for Magic Weapons](#)
- [Inspiration for Magic Item Sets](#)
- [Some Homebrew Magic Items](#)

Loot

- [One Loot Table to Rule Them All](#)
- [d100 for random loot on random NPC's](#)

Dungeons

- [Quick Dungeon Map Generator](#)
- [Megadungeon generator](#)
- [PolyDungeon](#)

- [Cave generator](#)
- [Wizards' Dungeon generator](#)

Demographics and Markets (see also: MAPS AND MAP-MAKING TOOLS)

- [Town generator](#)
- [Demographics Generator](#)
- [List of Medieval Occupations](#)
- [List of Medieval Occupations #2](#)
- [Medieval Demographics](#)
- [Town Notice Board](#) (d100)
- [Black Market Ideas](#)
- [Town Market Inventory Generator](#)
- [Tavern Generator](#) - Includes a menu!

Shops and Equipment

- [Shop Catalog version 1.....Shops Catalog version 2](#)
- [More Market Details](#)
- [Homebrewed Magic Item crafting/selling rules](#)
- [Mundane Goods and Martial Equipment](#)
- EXTRA: [Shop Names](#), and [MORE SHOP NAMES](#)

Calculators

- [Point-Buy calculator](#)
- [Dice Roller](#)
- [Encounter Calculator](#)
- [CR Calculator Online](#)

NPCs

- [DM Heroes](#) (includes a portrait)
- [Detailed NPC StatBlock Generator](#)
- [NPC Generator \(more RP focus\)](#)
- [Name Generator](#)
- [NPC background generator](#)
- [Memorable Mooks and Minions](#)
- [Random NPC generator, not for 5th ed](#)

Substances

- [Drugs for D&D](#)
- [Poison Generator](#)

Riddles

- [Riddle Collection 1](#)
- [Riddle Collection 2](#)
- [D100 Riddle Table](#)

Other Tools

- [Initiative Tracker](#)
- [Fantasy Calendar Generator](#)
- [Character Money Splitter](#)
- [Wild Magic Table with 10,000 effects](#)

SPELL LISTS

[Spreadsheet Spell List](#)

[Filterable Spell List Style 1](#)

[Filterable Spell List Style 2](#)

[Filterable Spell List Style 3](#)

EXTRA: [Printable Spell Cards](#) and MORE [D&D Spell Cards](#)

ADVENTURES

Official Modules: dnd-compendium.com/dm-resources/adventure-guides

[The Great List of 5e Adventures](#)

[Adventure Lookup](#)

[Free one-shot adventures](#)

[Some Roll20 Sessions to watch](#)

[Suggested changes or errors in Adventure League modules](#)

CHARACTER SHEETS

[D&D Compendium - Character Sheets](#)

ALTERNATIVE DM SCREENS

[D&D Compendium - DM Screens](#)

MUSIC AND SOUND

[D&D Compendium - Music and Sound](#)

MAPS and MAP-MAKING TOOLS

[D&D Compendium Maps & Map Tools](#)

1) Map Collections

- [Google Drive] [Map Collection](#)
- [Dyson's Dodecahedron free map archive](#)
- [David Rumsey Map Collection](#)
- [Real City Maps throughout history](#)
- [Coastal Battlemaps](#)
- [/r/BattleMaps](#)
- [\[2minutetabletop\] BattleMaps](#)
- [Cartography Guild Tactical Maps](#)
- [More maps, unsorted](#)
- [Google Image Search] [Small Area Maps](#)

- [Google Image Search] [Large Area Maps](#)

2) Map Assets

- [Giant Collection of Map Assets](#) (for Roll20 and similar)
- [10x10 modular map tiles](#)
- [Icons for VTT](#)

[How to Draw a Map Using Photoshop/Gimp](#)

[Map Maker Forum](#)

Hexcrawl campaign guide <http://www.welshpiper.com/hex-based-campaign-design-part-1/>

[The DM's Map Drawing Guide](#)

TRAPS and DUNGEON PUZZLES

[Grimtooth's Traps](#)

[Trapmaking 101](#)

[Traps Revisited \(Unearthed Arcana\)](#)

[Trap Collection](#)

<http://www.thievesguild.cc/traps-and-tricks>

[On Tricks, Empty Rooms, and Basic Trap Design](#)

[More Dungeon Puzzles](#)

ENCOUNTERS

[D&D Compendium Encounters](#)

HOME BREW

[The Homebrewery - Make your own Homebrew!](#)

[DM's Workshop Homebrew Content](#)

[Detect Balance: A 5e Homebrew Race Guide](#)

[Ixor's Manual of Monstrous Findings](#)

[The Bloodborne Armory](#) - Bloodborne Weapons for 5e D&D

[Monster Module](#)

[Gunslinger Homebrew option 1](#) with an [Expansion](#)

[Gunslinger Homebrew option 2](#)

CHARACTER ART

[\[Google Drive\] Massive Character Art folder](#)

[Male Character Artwork Album](#)

[Female Character Artwork Album](#)

[More Female Character Art](#)

[Even More Females \(with realistic armors\)](#)

[More Warrior Women](#)

[Character Art Collection](#)

[People Part 1](#)

[People Part 2](#)

[People Part 3](#)

[\[Images\] Character Tokens](#), and [More Character Tokens](#) and [more of the same](#)

[FarLandWorld Gallery](#)

<https://www.reddit.com/r/characterdrawing/>

<https://www.reddit.com/r/ImaginaryCharacters/>

REDDIT

[D&D Subreddit](#) - SEE SIDEBAR for more links

- [/r/DnD5e](#) and [/r/DnDnext](#) for 5e-specific discussion
- [/r/DungeonsAndDragons/](#) for a smaller community

[Worldbuilding Subreddit](#) - SEE SIDEBAR for more links

[/r/DnDBehindTheScreen](#) - DMs helping DMs

[/r/BehindTheTables](#) - Chance Tables for many situations

[/r/LongDistanceVillains](#) - Let someone else run your Big Bad Evil (person/monster/thing)!

[/r/DMAcademy](#) - general DM questions

[/r/DndAdventureWriter](#) - for building adventures to share

[/r/DndMaps](#) - nothing but maps - see also [/r/Battlemaps](#) and [/r/FantasyMaps](#) as well as [/r/Inkarnate](#)

[/r/DMToolkit](#) - multimedia DM resources

[/r/UearthedArcana/](#) for sharing and discussing Homebrew material

[/r/AdventurersLeague/](#) - AL discussion

PLOT HOOKS

- [50 Plot Hooks for the **Arctic**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for the **Coast**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for the **Desert**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for the **Jungle**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Mountains**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for the **Ocean**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Swamps**](#)
- [160 Plot Hooks for **Cities**](#)

- [50 Plot Hooks for **Bards**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Barbarians**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Clerics**](#)
- [130 Plot Hooks for **Druids**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Fighters**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Monks**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Paladins**](#)
- [225 Plot Hooks for **Rogues**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Rangers**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Warlocks**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Wizards**](#)
- [50 Plot Hooks for **Sorcerers**](#)

DISCORD CHAT SERVERS

[D&D Compendium - Discord Server List](#)

- Updated Oct 10, 2020, all links should work.

AvraeBot - [A great D&D bot to invite to your discord server](#)

PODCASTS & PLAYCASTS

<https://www.dnd-compendium.com/communities/podcasts-and-playcasts>

ONE PAGE DUNGEONS

- [One Page Dungeon 2017 Entries](#)
- [One Page Dungeon 2016 Entries](#)
- [One Page Dungeon 2015 Entries](#)
- [One Page Dungeon 2014 Entries](#)
- [One Page Dungeon 2013 Entries](#)
- [One Page Dungeon 2012 Entries](#)

- [One Page Dungeon 2011 Entries](#)
- [One Page Dungeon 2010 Entries](#)
- [One Page Dungeon 2009 Entries](#)

MISCELLANEOUS

[Consensus Ranger \(Better balance between UA ranger and PHB ranger\)](#)

[\[Google Doc\] Player's Guide, as given by a DM with 25 years of playing experience](#)

[Checks and Combat guide](#)

My preferred online role-playing game-hosting service: <https://roll20.net/>
Also available: [Fantasy Grounds](#) and [Tabletop Simulator](#)

[\[Tumblr\] Out of Context D&D Quotes](#)

[Cool Virtual D&D project](#)

[Printable Character Minis](#) - here's some of the [Printable Heroes](#)

[Fantasy Botanist's Book](#)

[Broderick's Compendium of Fantasy Plants](#)

- [Reddit Post with more info](#)

[Printable Hex-grid Graph Paper](#)

[Damage descriptions based on type](#)

[Bard Songs](#)

Pre-made homebrew campaign settings

- <http://www.keithrobinson.me/thekyngdoms/>
- <http://sulerin.com/index.asp>
- <http://raph.com.br/kb/>
- <http://www.farlandworld.com/details.html>

[List of Magic Items created by 4chan](#)

[Papercraft Buildings](#)

[Character Titles](#)

[Maps, tiles, more tools and guides](#)

UNSORTED CONTENT

[5e In-Depth Race Analysis](#)

[Another Resource List](#)

[Editable Resource List](#)

[Unsorted Collection](#)

DM Notes tips <https://newbiedm.com/2009/07/10/the-dm-binder-folder-or-notebook/>

Someone's entire campaign notes

https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/0B5NsJ80BORg_SXNNOnFPbmotRms

Herbalism and Alchemy fan-made supplement:

[Reddit post](#)

[Document](#)

Guide to Thieves' Cant <https://imgur.com/a/dDgpo#zUuuhDj>

Spell List <https://thegrimoire.xyz/>

All-women D&D <https://www.girlsgutsgloryrpg.com/>