# **Bloodless Lingo**

This document is a reference for the syntax that one should use when writing the abilities of a Bloodless card. It is not a rigorous grammar, but closer to a style guide.

## **Numbers**

Numbers greater than two must be written as digits.

Numbers lower than two may be written as digits or as English words. In the context of the word "gain" (gaining blood, increasing a counter, increasing a stat), it is preferred to use digits for all numbers.

# **Shorthands**

When desperate for space, it is possible to use shorthands for triggers. **Whenever this card is killed** can be written as **when killed**.

#### Stats

Stats may be written as X/Y/Z, where X, Y and Z are health, defense and power respectively.

Stat increases and decreases may be written as +X/Y/Z and -X/Y/Z. Individual stat changes may also have the sign, such as gain +1 power

### **Passive Mods**

An ability that says that a creature has +1 power is different from one that says gains +1 power, as the former passively affects the stat, whereas the latter is a permanent stat change.

Similarly, "becomes" is a permanent change, but "is" is a passive change.