

Your Cabal:

By default there are about 5 in the Cabal, you don't control them and they don't control you. You're pretty close in your outlooks on the world, but not everything lines up completely. This is a small cabal, with weak magic.

Pick up to two of these:

- You actually are in charge, or at least you founded it. Add the tag +loyal
- There's more than just a couple of you, maybe 10 or more. Medium cabal.
- You're part of a larger system, you're just one node in the leylines. Add the tag +support
- Your cabal is strong of will. Drop weak magic
- Your cabal is very close. Add the tag +family

And pick one of these:

- Your cabal doesn't keep a super low profile. Vulnerable: Target
- Your cabal owes something to someone, money, allegiance, an artifact, or the like. Vulnerable: Obligation
- Your cabal is anonymous and guarded about their identities. Vulnerable: Infiltration

Starting Gear:

- 1 Savings
- Choose a method of communicating with your cabal: A fresh batch of pre-programmed burner phones, with important numbers on speed dial; A stone that glows and heats up when you're being summoned(?); A (flavorful) crystal ball.
- Choose a source of information: An ancient spellbook, passed down through the cabal; A library of broad strokes esoterica; Accounts on the leading magical webforums, such as they are.
- Choose a tool you hope to never have to use: A well maintained firearm; A well stocked first aid kit; Nonperishable food to last one person two months; The number of the best defense lawyer in town.

The Cabalist

In a world where mages are solitary islands of power, shaping reality in loneliness, you have a group of people who understand you.

Place of Power

First, pick a facade:

- Library
- Fraternity/Sorority House
- Shop Basement
- Old Manor House
- Civic Building

Then pick up to 1 Strength: +respected, +private, +large, +guarded.

Pick at least 1 Weakness: +inaccessible, +obvious, +public, +tainted, +exposed, +business hours, +cramped.

A Ritual performed here will never (choose 1):

- Need more information
- Draw unwanted attention
- Take longer than expected

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: True Names Give Command

Aligned(choose one): Command, Bindings, Summonings

Opposed: Choose one: Inanimate mundane objects, Creation, Silent Magic

Choose this one: Targets whose names you do not know

Paradigm: Ancient Languages Hold Secret Power

Aligned(choose one): Cantrips, Enchantment, Written Magic

Opposed: Choose one: Reactive Magic, Emotional Manipulation

Choose this one: Magic without words



The Cabalist

Name: Lou, Mr. Norrell, Agatha, Lady Corrington, Phan, Lisa, Gordon, Alice, Joan, Rainbow, Norrie, Ms. Siltane

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because of my beliefs, because I was sick, because of my obsession, _____

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons, _____

Why are you hunted? For my beliefs, because I antagonize, for my family ties, _____

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- bright eyes, shifty eyes, blue eyes, wary eyes, knowing eyes, quick eyes
- blustery face, youthful face, calm face, hidden face, mysterious face
- rigid body, slight body, tattooed body, plain body, angled body, musty body
- formal clothes, billowy clothes, modest clothes, roomy clothes
- self-important aura, tight aura, foggy aura, woven aura, silver aura, austere aura

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Cabalist gets the **Gossamer Threads** move, and 2 other moves of your choice.

Stats:

Will +2, Wits +0, Charm +1, Grace +0, Body +0

Will +0, Wits +1, Charm +0, Grace +0, Body +2

Will +0, Wits +2, Charm +0, Grace +1, Body +0

Will +1, Wits +0, Charm +2, Grace -1, Body +1

Anchors: (Choose 3)

- My estranged brother’s dream journal
- My black cat, Shadow
- My father’s service pistol
- My painted family portrait
- Eilian, my eldest stepchild
- My little brother’s baby blanket

Starting Gear: See “Starting Gear” section on reverse side.

	Will	Health
	Wits	PREPARATIONS
	Charm	CODE 50 _____
	Grace	CODE 40 _____
	Body	CODE 30 _____
		CODE 20 _____
		CODE 10 _____
		CODE N _____

Discord: _____

Advancement: O O O O O

- Get +1 Charm (Max Charm +3)
- Get +1 Grace (Max Grace +2)
- Get +1 Wits (Max Wits +3)
- Get +1 Will (Max Will +3)
- Pick a new option for your Place of Power
- Pick a new option for your Cabal
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (2Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Pick a new option for your Place of Power
- Get a new Cabalist Move
- Get a new Cabalist Move
- Get a playbook move from another book
- Get an Advanced Cabalist Move
- Remove a weakness from your Place of Power

The Cabalist’s Moves

■ **Gossamer Threads:** *(You have this move by default)* When you try to **Sway the Cabal** to your chosen course of action, roll +Charm. On a 10+, they do what you want, on a 7-9, you have to give them something they want.

□ **Sanctum:** Your Cabal has a Place of Power at which they meet and which they are charged with protecting.

□ **Research:** When you **spend time researching a piece of the world**, roll +Wits. On a 10+ you may tell the MC something you learned, and how it might be immediately useful. On a 7-9, the MC will tell you something you learned, it’s up to you to make it useful.

□ **Speak Beyond the Veil:** When you attempt to **contact the spirit of one who has passed on**, roll +Will. On a 10+ choose 2, on a 7-9 choose 1:

- The spirit is the one you meant to contact
- The spirit can stay for longer than a single utterance or action
- The spirit is of the disposition you expect

□ **We’re Not So Different:** When you explain your paradigm to another mage in order to **aid** them in doing magic that is opposed to their paradigm, roll +Wits. On a hit, the magic is not opposed, this time. On a 10+, you both mark experience.

■ When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, roll +Grace. On a 10+ you may each immediately give a freedom to each other. On a 7-9, each hold 1. They may spend their hold 1 for 1 to attempt to Sway Your Cabal (as per your move Gossamer Threads). You may spend your hold 1 for 1 to attempt to Sway them as if they were part of your cabal. On a 6-, they hold 2, you hold 0.

Your Students: By default you have about 10 students, they are moderately studious sleepers and they respect you, though they're not fully loyal. They have their own lives apart from you, family and friends in the area. (learning +1. surplus: time. want: departure.)

Pick up to two of these:

- Your students are competitive (replace want: departure with want: competition)
- Your students are driven (replace surplus: time with surplus: dedication)
- Your students are enthusiastic (replace surplus: time with surplus: energy)
- Your students are lazy (replace want: departure with want: sloth)

And one of these:

- Your school is famous (add surplus: growth and want: infamy)
- Your school is large (default students 20)
- Your students are quick learners (+1 learning)
- You have a protege; your most advanced student is Awakened
- Your students are rowdy (add want: violence and surplus: intimidation)

The Guru

The secrets of the Universe are yours, but you don't guard them jealously. You share the wisdom with the precious few who will listen, taking on pupils who will one day surpass you.

Place of Power:

First, pick a facade:

- Dojo
- Dance Studio
- Abandoned warehouse
- Stunt filming location
- Remote mountain temple

Then pick up to 1 Strength: +hidden, +famous, +easily defended, +inconspicuous, +free

Pick at least 1 Weakness: +cramped, +dangerous, +temporary, +infamous, +weak

A Ritual performed here will never (choose 1):

- Need help from an outside source
- Take longer than expected
- Have greater than intended effects

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: My Qi Flows Like Water

Aligned(choose one): Superhuman strength, Projecting Power, Perfect Positioning

Opposed:

Choose one: Elemental magic, External effects

Choose one: Technomagic, Breaking cycles

Paradigm: All Can Be Known Through *Mushin*

Aligned(choose one): Serendipitous Movements, Reflexive Magic, Martial Magic

Opposed:

Choose one: Mind without Body, Body without Mind

Choose this one: Magic while emotional



The Guru

Name: Johan, Master Lu, Mina, Zoe, Indra, Roy, Puteri, Madame Leena, Marshki, Sifu, Luce, Goswami, Senshu, Sena

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because I was poor, (because I was not neurotypical), because of my transgressions,

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons,

Why are you hunted? Because I’m famous, for my forbidden knowledge, so my students are not,

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- shining eyes, sunken eyes, alert eyes, glowing eyes
- weathered face, gaunt face, wrinkled face, caring face, creased face
- wiry body, ripped body, lanky body
- street clothes, flowing clothes, concealing clothes
- menacing aura, peaceful aura, green aura, golden aura, fading aura, grounded aura, rippling aura

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Guru gets the **Pupils** move, and 2 other moves of your choice.

Stats:

Will +0, Wits +1, Charm +0, Grace +0, Body +2

Will -1, Wits -1, Charm +0, Grace +2, Body +2

Will +1, Wits +0, Charm -1, Grace +1, Body +2

Will +0, Wits -1, Charm +1, Grace +1, Body +2

Anchors: (Choose 4)

- A portrait of my long-dead mentor
- My best friend Ayah
- The gold necklace given to me by
- The People in My Community
- Devon, my oldest rival
- Zorrah, my forbidden love
- A coal to remind me of

Starting Gear:

- No major possessions to speak of, but 3 Savings tucked away for a rainy day.

	Will	Health
	Wits	PREPARATIONS
	Charm	CODE 50
	Grace	CODE 40
	Body	CODE 30
		CODE 20
		CODE 10
		CODE N

Discord:

Advancement: O O O O O

- Gain +1 Body (Maximum Body +3)
- Gain +1 Grace (Maximum Grace +3)
- Gain +1 Will (Maximum Will +2)
- Gain +1 Wits (Maximum Wits +2)
- Get a new Guru move
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (3Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Get a new Guru move
- Choose a new option for your Students
- Choose a new option for your Students
- Choose a new option for your Place of Power
- Get a playbook move from another book
- Get a playbook move from another book
- Get an Advanced Guru Move

The Guru’s Moves

■ **Pupils:** (You have this move by default) You have a number of students who follow your mystical and magical teachings. At the **beginning of the session**, roll +learning to determine how their studies are progressing. On a 10+ they have a surplus. On a 7-9, both a surplus and a want. On a 6-, they will do everything in their power to satisfy all their wants.

□ **Meditation:** When you **meditate on the best course of action** for considerable time, roll +Wits. On a 10+ hold 3, on a 7-9 hold 1. You may spend this hold 1-for-1 at any time to ask the MC a question from this list, the MC will answer truthfully. You take +1 forward when acting on this information.

- What’s my escape route?
- What are the unknowable risks?
- Where can the Consensus be bent in my favor?
- Who is favorable towards my plan?

□ **Dojo:** You have a Place of Power where you train your students. While you are within your Place of Power, take +1 forward to any Grace or Body rolls you make.

□ **Matter over Mind:** You may roll +Body instead of +Charm when asserting your Paradigm over another Mage’s, or impressing a non-Mage magical being in order to sway them.

□ **What you Need, not what you Want:** When another character comes to you for advice and you **tell them honestly what you think the best course of action is**, they take +1 ongoing while following your advice, and you mark experience.

■ When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, they may immediately gain an Anchor (They still may not have more anchors than their playbook started with this way).

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: A Thousand Arcane Secrets

Aligned(choose one): Cantrips, Ritual Magic

Opposed: Choose one: Large-reaching Effects, Immediate Effects

Choose one: Planning Magic, Magic from Rote

Paradigm: Double, Double, Toil and Trouble

Aligned(choose one): Any type of effect

Opposed: Choose this one: Magic that doesn't require preparation

Choose this one: Magic that doesn't require physical components

The Hedge Mage

"Once Upon a Time, Humans could move mountains with their will. Now, it is upon us to carry on the ancient traditions, and master as many types of magic as we can."

Starting Gear:

- 1 Savings
- Choose a symbol of hospitality: A set of fine china; A spare bedroom; A large cast-iron oven; The latest in home entertainment systems; A well stocked bar.
- Choose a tool: A tablesaw and misc. woodworking equipment; A glassblowing oven; A well-used set of gardening implements; An emergency shotgun, loaded with rock-salt.



The Hedge Mage

Name: Merle, Freya, Orenna, Benjamin, Liro, Norfeld, Wood, Sherand, Lilith, Melinda, Corin, Wilhelm, Byecross

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because of my attitude, (because I was not neurotypical), because I couldn’t keep up, _____

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons, _____

Why are you hunted? For fun, for my Talents, because I disturb people, _____

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- distracted eyes, glittering eyes, faraway eyes, inscrutable eyes, determined eyes
- wizened face, deadpan face, vivacious face, brisk face, chipper face, sharp face
- spindly body, angular body, aggressive body, thickset body, dexterous body
- rustic clothes, embellished clothes, coarse clothes, domestic clothes
- sprightly aura, stalwart aura, agile aura, musical aura, flashy aura, unrefined aura

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Hedge Mage gets the **Exactly When I Mean To** move, and 2 other moves of your choice.

Stats:

Will +1, Wits +1, Charm +0, Grace +1, Body +0
Will +2, Wits +0, Charm +1, Grace -1, Body +1
Will +2, Wits +2, Charm -1, Grace +0, Body -1
Will +0, Wits +2, Charm +1, Grace +0, Body +0

anchors: (Choose 3)

- My garden
- My grandfather’s old chipped pipe
- The ancestral family home
- The forests I know from _____
- My compass that doesn’t point North
- Lazarus, the man I saved from drowning

Starting Gear: See “Starting Gear” section on reverse side.

	Will	Health
		PREPARATIONS
	Wits	CODE 50 _____
		CODE 40 _____
	Charm	CODE 30 _____
		CODE 20 _____
	Grace	CODE 10 _____
		CODE N _____
	Body	Preparations:

Discord: _____

Advancement: 0 0 0 0 0

- Pick a playbook move from another playbook
- Gain +1 Charm (max Charm +2)
- Gain +1 Grace (max Grace +2)
- Gain +1 Body (max Body +2)
- Pick a new Hedge Mage move
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (2Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Pick a new Hedge Mage move
- Pick a new Hedge Mage move
- Pick a playbook move from another playbook
- Pick a playbook move from another playbook
- Gain +1 Wits (max Wits +3)
- Get an Advanced Hedge Mage Move

The Hedge Mage’s Moves

- **Exactly When I Mean To:** (*You have this move by default*) At the **beginning of the session**, roll+Grace. On a 10+, hold 2. On a 7–9, hold 1. At any time, either you or the MC can spend your hold to have you arrive in a scene, with the proper tools and knowledge, with or without any clear explanation why. Take +1 forward when you do so. On a miss, the MC holds 1, and can spend it to have you arrive, but somehow pinned, caught or trapped
 - **Call Through Shadow:** When you **call a mundane or common object to yourself**, roll +Will. On a hit, you have successfully summoned it to you. On a 10+ you’re in the clear. On a 7-9 choose 1:
 - It comes out of an intense nearby situation
 - It comes with strings attached
 - It can be traced back to you
 - **Scrying Bowl:** When you have an object related to a person and use it to **gaze upon their current situation**, roll +Wits. On a 10+ all 3, on a 7-9 choose 1:
 - They don’t know they’re being watched
 - You can identify where they are
 - You can discern what they are doing
 - **If You Ask Me:** When you **offer an alternative perspective on someone’s Paradigm**, roll +Grace. On a hit, they gain experience. On a 10+, give them a new Aligned related to what you told them until the end of session.
 - **Magical Experimentation:** When you collaborate with other Mages to **push your magic past its current boundaries** in a controlled setting, roll +Body. On a 10+ all 3, on a 7-9 choose 1:
 - It works pretty much as intended
 - It doesn’t cause a scene, draw extra attention, or harm you
 - It was controlled enough that you can repeat it
 - **This One Is Mine:** When you **call out another magical being**, so long as your companions don’t interfere, others will give you enough space to finish it, come what may.
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- When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, they gain one hold, which they can spend to cause you to appear as if by Exactly When I Mean To.

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: I Bend the Rules through my Source

Aligned(choose one): Mental magic, Time-Affecting magic

Opposed: Choose one: Magic that reinforces the status quo, Magic that doesn't Protect my Source

Choose this one: Magic without my Source

Paradigm: My Source Lets me See the True Nature of Things

Aligned(choose one): Divinations, Transmutations

Opposed: Choose one: Obscuring magic, Changing thing that are Static

Choose one: Magic without my Source, Magic while Blind

The Inspired

Many people wonder where inspiration comes from. That question is boring to you, you know the answer. The right question is, how much can you do with that inspiration?

Your Source:

First pick your source's form: a person, an object, a substance, an abstract concept, an action, an emotion

Next choose one of these:

- Your source can be concealed, protected, or otherwise removed from a dangerous situation (+safe)
- Your source gives you heightened senses (+alert)
- Your source lets you understand magic as its caster understands it (+sense)
- Your source makes you feel more alive, it gives you a rush (+invigorating)
- Your source helps you get people to go along with what you want (+social)

And choose two of these:

- Your source is dangerous, socially unacceptable, or otherwise something you must hide or face consequences. (+forbidden)
- Your source is rare or hard to find. (+rare)
- Your source is immobile, unportable, or otherwise impossible to bring with you (+immobile)
- You crave more and more of the source, you suffer without it (+addictive)
- Your source is short-lived, and its magical enhancements last but a moment (+quick)
- Your source often harms you, physically or otherwise (+dangerous)
- Your source makes your magic more unpredictable, you can't always control it or its effects (+chaotic)

Starting Gear:

- 3 Savings
- Choose something to fall back on: A hidden cache of valuables worth about 2 savings; A safehouse that's really more of a safe-shack; Airline miles enough for a one-way ticket to just about anywhere; Two good fake IDs; A holdout pistol with a single shot.



The Inspired

Name: Esin, Tobias, Tafari, Sameal, Mab, Fiona, Kai, Kendall, Flower, Ida,

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because they thought I was broken, because I was uneducated, because of my looks,

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons,

Why are you hunted? Because I’m misunderstood, because I break the Rules, for my insight,

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- Burning eyes, dull eyes, hungry eyes, bloodshot eyes
- Slack face, haggard face, shining face, stubborn face, yearning face
- Wiry body, full body, misshapen body
- Flowing clothes, fancy clothes, rags, hip clothes, active clothes,
- Expansive aura, sucking aura, insinuating aura, kaleidoscope aura, tantalizing aura,

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Inspired gets the **Source** move, and 2 other moves of your choice.

Stats:

Will +0, Wits -1, Charm +1, Grace +2, Body +1

Will +0, Wits +0, Charm +2, Grace +1, Body +0

Will +0, Wits +0, Charm +0, Grace +1, Body +2

Will +0, Wits +1, Charm +0, Grace +2, Body +0

Anchor: (Choose 3)

- Neon and Crystal, some kids I hang out with on the weekend
- Leslie, who cares about me but just doesn’t understand
- My last gift from _____ before they left
- The diamond necklace from _____
- _____, my greatest confidante
- The well-worn T-shirt I always sleep in

Starting Gear: See “Starting Gear” section on reverse side.

	Will	PREPARATIONS
	Wits	CODE 50 _____
	Charm	CODE 40 _____
	Grace	CODE 30 _____
	Grace	CODE 20 _____
	Body	CODE 10 _____
		CODE N _____

Discord: _____

Advancement: 0 0 0 0 0

- Gain +1 Charm (max Charm +2)
- Gain +1 Grace (max Grace +2)
- Gain +1 Body (max Body +2)
- Pick a new Inspired move
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (2Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Pick a new Inspired move
- Pick a playbook move from another playbook
- Gain +1 Charm (max Charm +3)
- Gain +1 Grace (max Grace +3)
- Get an Advanced Inspired Move

The Inspired’s Moves

- **Source:** *(You have this move by default)* You’ve identified the source of your inspiration. When **your Source first becomes present in a scene**, hold 3. At any time that your source is present for the rest of the scene, spend your Hold 1-for-1 to:
 - Draw attention to your Source
 - Give someone (including yourself) +1 to a roll they just made if it would change the result, describing how your Source helps them do it
 - Bring your positive tag into play, narrating what it means for the moment
- **Just When I Think You’re Gone:** When you **pass up an opportunity to interact with your Source of Inspiration, or remove it from a scene**, roll +Grace. On a hit, hold 1. On a 10+ you may spend your hold 1-for-1 to have your source appear in the scene with no explanation needed. On a 7-9 you may spend your hold for the same, but your Source is threatened, captured, or in peril.
- **Open Their Mind:** When you **introduce an individual to your Source to open their mind**, roll +Charm. On a 10+, they are not a lookout the next time they would be for your magic. On a 7-9, they are drawn to your Source (if a PC, they mark experience next time they interact with your Source). On a 6-, in addition to whatever else the MC says, choose one:
 - They find they have a strong aversion to your Source
 - They wish to take your Source away from you.
- **Opiate for the Masses:** When you **bring your Source to a mob**, roll +Grace. On a 10+, hold 3. On a 7-9, hold 1. Spend your hold 1-for-1 to:
 - Discover a truth that they know
 - Obtain something of value or use
 - Get them to believe a truth
 - Learn their potential
 - Placate them and return them to their mundane lives
- **Visions of Fate:** When you **dive into the chaos surging around you to see visions of what could come to be**, roll +Body. On a 10+, pick one person who keeps their standing, and one who doesn’t. On a 7-9, pick one or the other. Don’t name a PC; name NPCs only. The MC will make your prediction come true, if it’s even remotely possible. On a miss, take -1 ongoing until the chaos subsides.
- When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, roll +Charm. On a hit you count as having Opened Their Mind, as if you’d rolled a 10+. On a 7-9 they hold 1, and can spend that hold to have your Source show up in a scene, or deny it from you for a scene. On a 6-, if they are aware of the magical world, they gain a restriction against magic with your Source.

The Pious's Moves

- **Vows:** *(You have this move by default)* When you **Eschew Mortal Comfort in favor of aiding someone else**, roll +Charm. On a 10+ hold 3, on a 7-9 hold 1. Spend your hold 1-for-1 to declare someone involved in a situation owes you a small favor for past help.
- **Listen to the Celestial Chorus:** When you **tune in to the voices of the universe**, sometimes they will have something helpful to say. Roll +Charm. On a hit you may ask questions from the below list, the MC will answer truthfully. On a 10+ ask 3, on a 7-9 ask 1.
 - Who here has the most potential?
 - Who can I trust?
 - What am I not seeing?
 - Who is telling the truth?
- **Sanctuary:** You have access to a Place of Power, a safe haven against things that would harm servants of your Path.
- **Clarity of Purpose:** When you **talk someone through a Restriction on their Paradigm**, they remove that Restriction.
- **Exorcism:** When you **banish an inhabiting spirit** roll +Body. On a 10+ choose 1, on a 7-9 choose 2:
 - You expose yourself to possession
 - The spirit is ill-disposed towards you
 - The inhabited subject is harmed
- **Holy Avenger:** You have a weapon, enchanted and attuned to your beliefs. When you **use it to bring death**, justify why this is necessary, and roll +Body. On a hit, you may incapacitate or kill any one opponent on the battlefield. On a 7-9, they have a chance to react first, but can't stop you. On a 6-, they were prepared. Sucks to be you.

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- When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, roll +nothing. On a 10+, either you or they lose one Discord, their choice. On a 7-9, they choose whether to transfer one Discord from you to them or from them to you.

Paradigm List:

- Paradigm:** All is One and the One is All
- Aligned(choose one):** Pattern Magic, Cooperative Magic, Creation
- Opposed:**
- Choose one: Selfish magic, Magic that divides
- Choose one: Magic without Faith, Magic that doesn't involve people
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- Paradigm:** I am the New Prophet
- Aligned(choose one):** Visions of the Future, Forging a Destiny
- Opposed:**
- Choose one: Things at Rest, Abjuration
- Choose one: Changing the Future you Know, Hiding the Truth



Name: Joan, Ether, Miranda, Brother Wilhelm, Francis, Emira, Marja, Ingrid, Bernard, Rishi, Sister Eliza

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because of my beliefs, because of my family ties, because I couldn’t keep up,

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons,

Why are you hunted? Because I break the Rules, for my beliefs, for the Truth,

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- caring eyes, quiet eyes, intense eyes, small eyes, inspired eyes, hard eyes
- youthful face, lined face, sharp face, round face, marred face, open face
- hard body, sallow body, frail body,
- orderly clothes, homespun clothes, conservative clothes, starched clothes
- peaceful aura, driven aura, flowing aura, tight-fitting aura, hidden aura

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Pious gets the **Vows** move, and 2 other moves of your choice.

Stats:

Distribute +2, +1, +0, +0, and -1

Anchors: (Choose 3)

- Humans need shelter, a place to live, and a home to come back to. My Home Anchor is:
 - The ally behind the best Chilean restaurant in the city
 - My cramped apartment downtown
 - My cared-for house with a welcome mat out front

Humans need connection, people that they care about, or that care about them. My Connection Anchor is:

- Kell, my heart’s delight
- My widowed sister-in-law

Humans need memories, ties to the past and dreams of the future. My Memories Anchor is:

- My wooden rose, a gift from my first love
- My dog-eared holy text

Starting Gear: See “Starting Gear” section on reverse side.

		Health
	Will	PREPARATIONS
	Wits	CODE 50 _____
	Charm	CODE 40 _____
	Grace	CODE 30 _____
	Grace	CODE 20 _____
	Body	CODE 10 _____
		CODE N
		Preparations:
Discord:	_____	_____

Advancement: O O O O O

- Gain +1 Charm (Maximum Charm +3)
- Gain +1 Grace (Maximum Grace +2)
- Gain +1 Will (Maximum Will +2)
- Gain +1 Wits (Maximum Wits +2)
- Get a new Pious move
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (2Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Get a new Pious move
- Get a new Pious move
- Choose a new option for your Place of Power
- Choose a new option for your Place of Power
- Get a playbook move from another book
- Get a playbook move from another book
- Get an Advanced Pious Move

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: Blood is the Strongest Sympathy

Aligned(choose one): Healing, Curses, Sympathy

Opposed: Choose one: Restoration, Mind-affecting magic
Choose this one: Magic that doesn't require sacrifice

Paradigm: The World's Energy is Wrapped in Crude Matter

Aligned(choose one): Transformations and Transmutations, Energy Manipulation

Opposed: Choose one: Destruction, Creation
Choose one: Subtle magic, Finesse magic

Paradigm: I See, Hear, and Command the Spirits

Aligned(choose one): Elemental Magic, Summoning

Opposed: Choose one: Man-made things, Transmutation
Choose one: Magic that disrespects the spirit world, Magic without spirits

The Primordial

You don't need fancy rituals, long drawn-out methods, or anything like that when you're working with the raw forces that shaped the universe. That's what magic is really about.

Starting Gear:

- 2 Savings
- Choose a prize that you won: A [flavorful] sharp knife; A large [flavorful] rainstick; A gold-plated hip-flask; A once-used guitar; An embellished leather jacket; A bleached animal skull.
- Choose an impracticality: A large ornate mirror; Two sets of black-tie attire; A high-powered telescope; A timeshare in the Hamptons; A 96" plasma TV; A marble bust of your head.



The Primordial

Name: Markus, Zakiel, Cassandra, The Hooded One, Crystal, Zuri, Malaki, Jeyde, Andrzej, Kolden, Sheth

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because of my anger, (because of my disability), because of my fear, _____

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons, _____

Why are you hunted? Because I hurt people, for my wealth, because I want to be, _____

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- burning eyes, dead eyes, piercing eyes, hungry eyes, hopeful eyes, white eyes
- scarred face, drawn face, sallow face, eager face, tired face, weathered face
- imposing body, sinewy body, impish body, emaciated body, thickset body
- concealing clothes, goth clothes, simple clothes, worn clothes, grubby clothes
- fiery aura, dark aura, shifting aura, grey aura, brilliant aura, mossy aura

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Primordial gets the **Strong Avatar** and **What Doesn’t Kill You** moves, and 1 other move of your choice.

Stats:

Will +1, Wits +0, Charm +0, Grace +1, Body +1

Will +2, Wits +1, Charm +0, Grace +0, Body +0

Will +2, Wits +1, Charm -1, Grace +1, Body +0

Will +1, Wits +2, Charm +0, Grace +1, Body -1

Anchor: (Choose 2)

- _____, the last gift from my first love
- The engraved knife I found in _____
- Agnes, my faltering grandmother
- _____, from my childhood home
- The yellowed love letters my parents exchanged

Starting Gear: See “Starting Gear” section on reverse side.

	Will	Health
	Wits	PREPARATIONS
	Charm	CODE 50 _____
	Grace	CODE 40 _____
	Body	CODE 30 _____
		CODE 20 _____
		CODE 10 _____
		CODE N

Discord: _____

Advancement: O O O O O

- Gain +1 Charm (Maximum Charm +1)
- Gain +1 Grace (Maximum Grace +2)
- Gain +1 Will (Maximum Will +3)
- Gain +1 Wits (Maximum Wits +2)
- Get a new Primordial move
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (2Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Get a new Primordial move
- Get a second use of Serendipity
- Get a playbook move from another book
- Get a playbook move from another book
- Get an Advanced Primordial move

The Primordial’s Moves

■ **Strong Avatar:** (*You have this move by default*) When you **assert your Paradigm’s truth to another Mage**, roll +Will. On a hit, replace one of their Opposed with one of your own for the rest of the scene. On a 10+, both mark experience.

■ **What Doesn’t Kill You:** (*You have this move by default*) The first time during a session your Health hits Code 30, mark experience.

□ **Harvest:** When you **Rip the Power from a Being**, describe what power and roll +Will. On a 10+ choose 3, on a 7-9 choose 1.

- It dies then and there.
- You are empowered, take +1 ongoing until you fail a roll.
- The power is not tainted.
- You don’t draw excessive attention.

□ **Hunter:** When you **Track your Prey’s Magical Trail** roll +Wits. On a 10+ you find them, and they’re close. On a 7-9, choose 1:

- You’re in for a trek, but at least the trail is strong.
- They’re close by, but the trail went cold.

□ **Serendipity:** Once per session, when you **Use Magic to Fix it**, you may choose none of the options.

■ When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, you each hold 1. You can each spend that hold at any time to help or hinder each other, no matter the barriers or distance between you.

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: Reality has an API

Aligned(choose one): Changing a single variable, Magic done from a terminal

Opposed: Choose this one: Living things

Choose one: Unplanned magic, magic not done from a terminal

Paradigm: My Own *Theory of Everything*

Aligned(choose one): The Physical World, Repeated Magic

Opposed: Choose one: Magic not of the Physical World, Magic that violates the Law of Entropy

Choose this one: Magic without Technological Accouterments

The Tech Adept

Most people think magic and tech are incompatible, but you know better. You prefer to think of them as peanut butter and chocolate. And you're the sweet sweet mix.

Starting Gear:

- 2 Savings
- Choose a signature toolset: My souped-up computer; a set of scripts and daemons that I can reach from anywhere with an internet connection; All the meters, connectors, and components I could need.
- Choose something you've made: A full home automation system; An Internet watchdog to keep you informed; A weapon using Consensus-defying energies.



Illustration by Dallas Williams

The Tech Adept

Name: Jeremy, Kix, Sonya, B3ll, Doran, Starter, TK, Foto, Liza, The Law, Dodge, Ophelia, Tarvek, Fr0st, Amanda

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because of my obsession, because of my transgressions, because I was uneducated,

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons,

Why are you hunted? For my talents, because I get framed, because I antagonize,

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- cocky eyes, darting eyes, vacant eyes, lively eyes, emotionless eyes
- driven face, stony face, fervent face, steady face, broad face, impassive face
- jumpy body, gangling body, striking body, burly body, awkward body
- tailored clothes, lusterless clothes, futuristic clothes, dingy clothes, protective clothes
- kinetic aura, obscure aura, crackling aura, luminous aura, twisting aura, drab aura

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Tech Adept gets the **Universal Programmer** move, and 2 other moves of your choice.

Stats:

Will +0, Wits +2, Charm +1, Grace +0, Body +1

Will +0, Wits +2, Charm +0, Grace +1, Body +1

Will +1, Wits +2, Charm -1, Grace +1, Body +0

Will +0, Wits +1, Charm +1, Grace +1, Body +0

Anchor: (Choose 3)

- My only uncle, Avi
- The tree-house I built with _____
- My first hand-held console
- My virtual community
- My mint copy of _____
- My high school diploma, which I almost had to forge

Starting Gear: See “Starting Gear” section on reverse side.

	Will	Health
		PREPARATIONS
	Wits	CODE 50 _____
		CODE 40 _____
	Charm	CODE 30 _____
		CODE 20 _____
	Grace	CODE 10 _____
		CODE N _____
	Body	Preparations:

Discord: _____

Advancement: O O O O O

- Gain a new Tech-Adept move
- Gain +1 Charm (Max Charm+2)
- Gain +1 Grace (Max Grace +2)
- Gain +1 Body (Max Body +2)
- Gain a new Tech-Adept move
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (2Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Gain +1 Will (Max Will +2)
- Gain a new Tech-Adept move
- Pick a playbook move from another playbook
- Get an Advanced Tech-Adept Move
- Get an Advanced Tech-Adept Move

The Tech Adept’s Moves

- **Universal Programmer:** *(You have this move by default)* When you **make a new piece of equipment**, roll +Wits. On a hit you make it. On a 10+, it works and keeps working. On a 7-9, it will only last for the scene. In either case, choose a quirk:
 - The device works much more slowly than expected
 - The device requires more of a resource than expected
 - The device has a side effect when used
- **Read the Web of Fate:** When you **enter the virtual world to Read the Web of Fate**, roll +Grace. On a hit, you can determine the degrees of separation between two objects or people. On a 10+, you can also get a general idea of the path between them.
- **Hacking:** When you **Outmaneuver, Outpace, or Outfox in the virtual world**, you may roll +Wits instead of +Grace
- **Ghost in the Machine:** When you **enter the Virtual World physically**, you may bring other willing Mages along, and exit at any terminal you can find.
- **Things Speak:** When you **examine an interesting technological or magical object**, roll +Wits. On a 10+, you may ask up to 3 of the following questions, on a 7-9, ask 1.
 - What strong emotions have been most recently associated with this?
 - What’s wrong with this, and how might I fix it?
 - How frequently has this been handled?
 - Where did this come from?
 - How might this be dangerous?
 - Who designed this?
- **Percussive Maintenance:** When you **Impose Your Will** on a machine, roll +Will. It works better. On a 10+, tell the MC how. On a 7-9, the MC will tell you how. On a 6-, the MC will tell you how, and why this is terrible for you.

- When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, they speak to you as if they were an interesting technological or magical object (whether or not you have the move). Treat it as rolling a 10+ and ask up to 3 questions from the list. If you ask more than 1 question, you speak back to them in the same way, and they may ask up to 3 questions of the same list.

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: I am a Voice in the Chorus

Aligned(choose one): Words Spoken Which Become Truth, Divine Insight

Opposed: Choose one: Harmful magic, Dissonant magic
Choose one: Silent magic, Magic done alone

Paradigm: Spirit Whisperer

Aligned(choose one): The Breath of Life, Soothing Magic, Transcending Barriers

Opposed: Choose one: Loud magic, Wards, Entropic magic
Choose one: Magic without Spirits, Silent magic

Paradigm: Music is the Language of the Universe

Aligned(choose one): Regular Rhythms, Variations on a Theme, Harmonious Magic, Cosmic Vibrations

Opposed: Choose one: Chaotic magic, Countermagic, Singular Effects
Choose one: Soundless magic, Emotionless magic

The Voiced

I am the voice of the past that will always be
I am the voice of your hunger and pain
I am the voice of the future
I am the voice, I will remain

Starting Gear:

- 1 Savings
- An old police scanner to stay informed.
- Choose a method of expression: A well-cared for musical instrument; A high end camera; A reliable sewing machine; A potter’s wheel and kiln; A small leased art studio; A waterproof notebook; A pirate radio station with a range of a mile or two.
- Choose a way of protecting your voice: A large supply of herbal teas and tinctures; A small switchblade; A tube of pepper spray; A bullhorn.



The Voiced

Name: Arin, Malak, Liron, Shir, Piper, Lark, Jaron, Calliope, Diona, Zamira, Kousan, Prudence, Orpheus, Sophie

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because I spoke differently, because they thought I was broken, because of my looks,

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons,

Why are you hunted? For my talents, because I’m famous, because I appear broken,

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- glimmering eyes, vibrant eyes, piercing eyes, innocent eyes
- open face, laughing face, pained face, serene face, fake face
- young body, burly body, tantalizing body, able body, flashy body
- crisp clothes, respectable clothes, stylish clothes, custom clothes, ill-fitting clothes
- forbidden aura, enticing aura, waifish aura, vivid aura, purple aura

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Voiced gets the **Charming Voice** move, and 2 other moves of your choice.

Stats:

Will +1, Wits +1, Charm +2, Grace +0, Body -1

Will +2, Wits -1, Charm +1, Grace +0, Body +1

Will +2, Wits -1, Charm +2, Grace -1, Body +0

Will +1, Wits +0, Charm +1, Grace +1, Body +0

Anchor: (Choose 3)

- The long-dead bouquet of flowers I was given for
- The my mother brought back from a business trip
- who is always there for me
- The headphones that got for me
- Allison, who taught me how to live
- , who finishes my duets

Starting Gear: See “Starting Gear” section on reverse side.

	Will	Health
	Wits	PREPARATIONS
	Charm	CODE 50 _____
	Grace	CODE 40 _____
	Body	CODE 30 _____
		CODE 20 _____
		CODE 10 _____
		CODE N

Discord: _____

Advancement: O O O O O

- Get +1 Will (Max Will +2)
- Get +1 Wits (Max Wits +2)
- Get +1 Grace (Max Grace +2)
- Get +1 Body (Max +2 Body)
- Get a new Voiced move
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (2Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Get +1 Charm (Max Charm +3)
- Get +1 Will (Max Will +3)
- Get a new Voiced move
- Get a move from another playbook
- Get an Advanced Voiced move

The Voiced’s Moves

■ **Charming Voice:** *(You have this move by default)* When you **Pull One Over** using your voice to do so, you may roll +charm instead of +wits

□ **Voice in the Wind:** When you **speak across boundaries** that would otherwise make communication impossible, you are heard.

□ **Power Vested in Me:** When you **speak as the voice of a significant or powerful group**, and with their full weight and authority, roll +Will. On a 10+ those you are speaking to will take you at your word, on a 7-9, they will need some proof or assurances first.

□ **Arresting Voice:** When you use your voice to **deliver a message that is both powerful and captivating**, roll +Charm. On a 10+, your audience is frozen, unable to do anything other than to continue listening until you finish. On a 7-9, they are likewise frozen, but you must not take any action other than to continue delivering your message, or the spell will be broken.

□ **The Voice of Experience:** When you **have been here before**, give advice on a course of action and roll +Charm, -1 if Tethered. On a 7-9, take +1 forward when following the plan. On a 10+, additionally everyone who follows the plan marks experience.

■ When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, you may tell them a secret about yourself. If you do, they will respond with a secret about themselves.

Paradigm List:

Paradigm: All people are connected, all people affect one another.

Aligned(choose one): Sympathy magic, Travel magic

Opposed: Choose one: Creation, permanent effects

Choose one: Binding magic, magic that prevents movement

Paradigm: I have one foot in the spirit world

Aligned(choose one): Travel between worlds, Opening things, Spirit Magic

Opposed: Choose one: Static magic, Abstract magic

Choose one: Magic that uses physical objects, Stationary magic

The Wayfarer

There are many who travel the world in this day and age, and many fewer who travel where you do. The journey of a thousand miles begins with you.

Starting Gear:

- No Savings
- Choose a means of getting around: My well-cared-for motorcycle; A walking staff and good pair of boots; The latest in a long series of cars, not yet on its last legs.
- Choose a way of protecting yourself: A pet dog, your loyal traveling companion; Enough hidden knives to arm a small gang; A [flavorful] pistol
- Choose a curiosity: A map to somewhere you'll need to go again; A spirit totem that isn't sure it accepts you as its owner; The latest in amateur radio technology



The Wayfarer

Name: Roland, Isobel, Amelia, Karma, Daniel, Celina, Jamie, Gabriel, Christopher, Morgan, Laurie, David, Cara, Trina, Corwin

Pronouns:

Why was your humanity trivialized? Because I couldn’t keep up, because of my attitude, (because of my disability),

Why is your humanity still in question? Reasons,

Why are you hunted? Because I run, because I break the Rules, for what I know,

Looks:

- (choose at least one) ambiguous presentation, androgynous presentation, butch presentation, concealed presentation, femme presentation, fluid presentation, transgressing presentation
- spirited eyes, tender eyes, distant eyes, daring eyes, wandering eyes, secretive eyes
- stolid face, eager face, weathered face, angular face, weary face, covered face
- vibrant body, waifish body, hardened body, fluid body, mousy body, weird body
- tattered clothes, soiled clothes, crisp clothes, foreign clothes, comfortable clothes, tough clothes
- tireless aura, vital aura, capricious aura, eccentric aura, boisterous aura, nondescript aura

Paradigm: Choose a Paradigm from the reverse side

Moves: The Wayfarer gets the **Step Sideways** move, and 2 other moves of your choice.

Stats:

Will +0, Wits -1, Charm +1, Grace +2, Body +1

Will -1, Wits +0, Charm +2, Grace +2, Body -1

Will +0, Wits +1, Charm +1, Grace +2, Body -1

Will +0, Wits +0, Charm +2, Grace +1, Body +0

Anchor: (Choose 3)

- Iris, who will be my legacy
- My tattered, empty diary
- My collection of smoothed stones
- My well-polished Harley
- My childhood chapel
- My family

Starting Gear: See “Starting Gear” section on reverse side.

		Health
	Will	PREPARATIONS
	Wits	CODE 50 _____
	Charm	CODE 40 _____
	Grace	CODE 30 _____
	Grace	CODE 20 _____
	Body	CODE 10 _____
		CODE N

Preparations:

Discord: _____

Advancement: O O O O O

- Pick a new Wayfarer Move
- Gain +1 Will (Max Will +1)
- Gain +1 Charm (max Charm +3)
- Gain +1 Grace (max Grace +3)
- Gain +1 Body (max Body +2)
- Remove a Restriction from your Paradigm
- * Give a Freedom to another Mage’s Paradigm
- * Gain an Anchor (2Anchors max)

(Choose only after 5 from the first section)

- Retire to safety
- Switch playbooks
- Start a second character

(Choose only after 5 from the first section and if not Tethered)

- Pick a new Wayfarer move
- When using Step Sideways, always choose +1 option, even on a miss
- Pick a playbook move from another playbook
- Pick a playbook move from another playbook
- Gain +1 Wits (max Wits +3)
- Get an Advanced Wayfarer Move

The Wayfarer’s Moves

- **Step Sideways:** *(You have this move by default)* When you **seek a path to step sideways and travel to someplace new**, roll +Grace. On a 10+ choose 4, on a 7-9 choose 2.
 - You get where you meant to go, no funny business.
 - You arrive promptly.
 - You arrive unharmed.
 - You remember the path, so you can travel it again.
 - You can safely and easily return.
 - **Chance Meetings:** When you **meet an important stranger** (your choice) in your travels, roll +Charm. On a 10+ choose one, on a 7-9 the MC will choose one.
 - They tell you something useful and true.
 - They give you something that is potentially useful.
 - They have something of great value to you.
 - You have something of great value to them, and you know it.
 - **Sixth Sense:** When you **travel along a path before it happens**, roll +Grace, and see a vision of possible futures. On a 10+, tell the MC what you sense, they may add to it. On a 7-9, the MC will tell you what you sense, and two possible interpretations.
 - **Parkour:** When you **Outfox in an urban jungle**, on a 12+ you additionally hold 3. You can spend your hold one for one to:
 - Take +1 forward on an additional Outfox roll
 - Take +1 forward to keeping your head down
 - Treat your skills as something a sleeper wants for Use a Sleeper
 - **Any Port in a Storm:** When you **find yourself in an unwelcoming situation**, roll +Charm. On a 10+, tell the MC what you recognize as familiar and how that helps you. On a 7-9, the MC will tell you.
 - **The Soul of an Explorer:** When you **seek out or find an entirely new experience**, roll +Body. On a hit, you learn something, mark experience. On a 10+, you find something that makes it easier, safer, or more enjoyable, the MC will tell you what.
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- When you and another character **exchange a moment of humanity**, roll +Charm. On a 10+, once, you can step sideways to this person as if they were a place you’ve never been before. On a 7-9, you see each other in a new light, you each pick one from the Chance Meetings list for the other. On a 6-, take -1 ongoing until you prove you don’t owe them anything.