

INSTRUCTION BOOKLET

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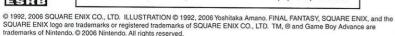


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Fire, Water, Wind, and Earth. Peace and prosperity reign thanks to the power of these four crystals.

However...that power is nearing its limit. Not far off is the day when the wind slows, the water stills, and the earth trembles and quakes...

Yet everyone remains blissfully unaware, and the grave secret hidden within the crystals remains untold...



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# CHARACTERS

An introduction to the characters appearing in FINAL FANTASY V Advance.



### BARTZ KLAUSER

An orphaned young man who travels the world with Boko, his chocobo companion. Though sometimes blunt, Bartz possesses a sense of justice that won't allow him to abandon those in need. Having studied with his late father, Bartz's skills with a blade are nothing to laugh at.



## LENNA CHARLOTTE TYCOON

The kind and gentle-hearted princess of Tycoon. She searches for her father, last seen on his way to the Wind Shrine. Unable to save her sick mother's life, Lenna now sometimes acts recklessly to protect those around her.



### GALUF DOE

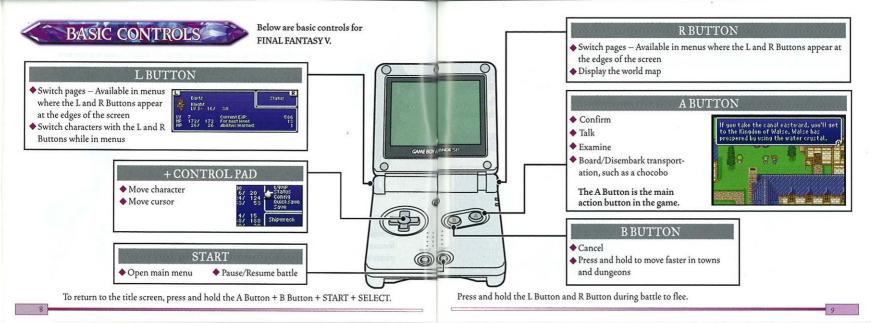
An old man with a serious case of amnesia, Galuf's past is a mystery. · However, his seasoned swordsmanship and lordly presence hint at a history as a proud warrior. Upbeat and outspoken, Galuf always has words of encouragement for the rest of the group.



### FARIS SCHERWIZ

The captain of an unruly yet loyal band of pirates. A fierce and focused fighter, once Faris' sights are set on something, the pirate's soul will stop at nothing to have it. Despite being young, Faris easily commands the respect of others.





# GETTING STARTED

How to start a game and save your progress.

### Starting the Game

After an introductory scene, the title screen will appear. Select New Game to play from the beginning, or continue a quest by selecting Load Game. Selecting Extra allows you to check the Bestiary or use the music player.





### Starting a New Quest

After a few minutes of play, you will be prompted to enter a name for your main character.

### Name Entry Controls

- +Control Pad Move cursor
- A Button Enter letter
- B Button Backspace
- L Button / R Button Toggle upper or lowercase letters
- START Confirm name and exit menu
- SELECT Enter the default name "Bartz"



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### Continuing a Previously Saved Game

Select Load Game and then select the save file.

### Saving a Game

Select Save from the main menu (p. 16). You can save either in the field (p. 13) or at certain save points within dungeons and similar areas. You are allowed up to four saved games.



### Save Point





### Quicksave

Select Quicksave from the main menu to temporarily save anywhere in the game. To continue, select Continue from the title screen. Remember that when a game is resumed or play is begun with New Game or Load Game, the Quicksave data is discarded.



# THE ADVENTURE BEGINS

Your FINAL FANTASY V Advance adventure plays out in three different types of views:



FIELD/ DUNGEON/TOWN Travel to many places and advance the story from this view. The bulk of the game

will be spent here.



### MENU [PP. 16-23]

Press START while on the field to open the menu. Here you can check and examine your inventory, adjust equipment or jobs, or customize other settings.



### BATTLE [PP. 24-29]

When you encounter monsters on the field or during events, the action will switch to this view. Here you can choose different battle commands in order to fight.

## AROUND THE WORLD

The field view is where most of your adventure occurs. Here characters do substantial work - everything from trekking across the world to searching out information in towns and villages. They can also shop here, or rest at an inn.

### The Field

Your characters act differently in the field than in dungeons or towns. After you get the world map, you can check your location in the world by pressing the R Button from anywhere in the field.



The Field

Town/Dungeon

### All Sorts of Transportation

Here is a brief introduction to some types of transportation you will encounter on your quest. In general, you can board or disembark with the A Button.



#### CHOCOBOS Chocobos run over land much faster than



#### AIRSHIPS With an airship, the skies are yours. Landing on fields or in deep water is no problem.



Sail to faraway lands with a good ship.

### Talking/Examining

Press the A Button to speak to other characters, examine boxes or chests for items, flip switches, or perform any number of other actions. You never know just who or what will yield important information, so you'll use this button a lot!



## Recovery Springs

Springs with magical properties are scattered around dungeons and towns throughout the world. Drink from a recovery spring to fully restore HP and MP (p.17), and cure status ailments (p.29).



### The Greenhorn's Club

The Greenhorn's Club is full of great advice for novice adventurers. If you have the chance to visit this special place, definitely take it.



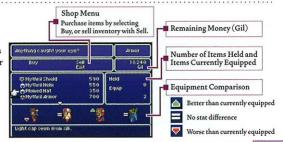
#### Towns

They say that money makes the world go 'round, and there are plenty of places to spend your hard-earned gil. Resting at an inn will restore HP and MP, as well as cure all status ailments except zombification. Shopkeepers around the world are always willing to sell you the finest new goods, and even buy back old or unneeded equipment.



## Shopping

Speak to a shopkeeper to open up the shop menu. Choose to buy or sell, and you will be presented with a list of items the shop sells or your own inventory. Select the item you want to purchase (or sell) with the +Control Pad, and confirm with the A Button.



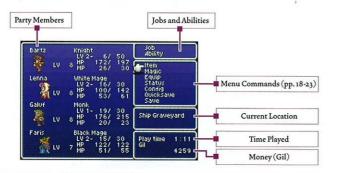


Perform various actions such as checking character status, saving your game, and more from the main menu.

Press START while in the field to open the menu. You can check the party's status, use items or magic, select equipment, or change other settings.

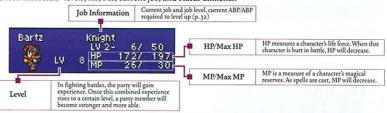
### Navigating the Menu

The character placed at the top of the menu is who appears as you move around the world. As the game progresses, you will be able to select Jobs and Abilities as well.



### A Party Members

Check characters' levels, HP, MP, current job, and status ailments.



### **Changing Formation**

Press +Control Pad Left on the main menu to move the cursor over party members. Now you can change the party's order, or change the row of specific characters.

Select the character you want to move and press the A Button. Choose another character and press the A Button to switch the characters' positions. Selecting the character you want to move and then pressing the A Button twice will change them from the front row (p. 28) to the back, and vice versa.





An explanation of commands displayed on the main menu.

#### Item

Select Item to open the inventory, where you can check the numbers and descriptions of items in your possession, as well as use them. You can scroll the inventory list with the L and R Buttons.



Item Su	b-Commands
Use	Select items to use them.
Sort	Automatically arrange items by type.
Rare	Special quest items or personal items are kept here.

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### **Using Items**

Move the cursor to the item you want to use, then press the A Button twice to use it. Depending on the item, you may need to select a target.



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### Arranging the Inventory

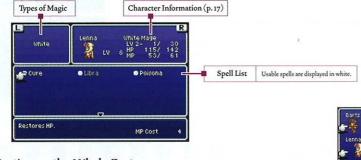
Select an item with the A Button, then move the cursor to the desired position and press the A Button again. This will switch the positions of the two selected items.





### Magic

With this command, you can check the effects of spells you have already learned, or cast spells on the party. Select the type of magic you want to check, then choose the spell you want to use from the spell list. In addition to meeting certain conditions to become a mage, you must obtain spells from magic shops, or find them hidden around the world.

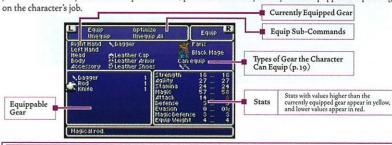


### Casting on the Whole Party

Spells can be cast on the entire party. When selecting a target for the spell, press +Control Pad Right to target everyone, then press the A Button to cast.

#### Equip

Use this screen to equip weapons or armor. The gear a character can equip will change depending on the job and abilities they have set. Except for shields, pieces of armor may or may not be equippable depending



## Equip Sub-Commands

Optimize

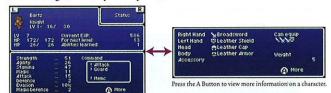
Equip Select the body part you would like to equip, then select an item. Gear that cannot be equipped will not be displayed.

Automatically equips the weapons and armor that provide the highest attack and defense stats. Unequip Select the body part you would like to remove equipment from, then press the A Button.

Unequip All Removes all of the character's equipment.

#### Status

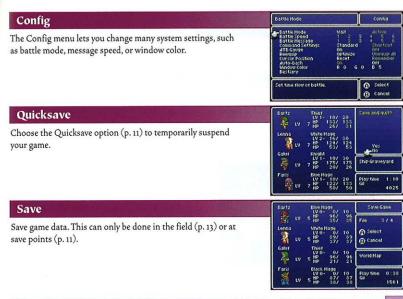
Check characters' strength, levels, experience points, and more.





Stats change depending on the character's level, job, and currently equipped items.

Strength	Influences the effectiveness of physical attacks.
Agility	Speed at which characters take action in battle.
Stamina	Influences the amount of damage taken from physical attacks.
Magic	Level of magical strength; influences the effectiveness of spells.
Attack	Influences the damage by physical attacks.
Defense	Defensive strength against physical attacks.
Evasion	Probability of evading an attack.
Magic Defense	Defensive strength against magical attacks.
Weight	Equipment weight; influences the character's agility.



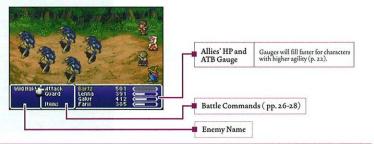


When attacked by enemies in dungeons or in the field, you will be taken to this screen to fight. Choose from different commands to fight your way to victory.

### Battle

After entering battle, each character has a gauge that rises according to their agility stats. Enter commands in the order each character's gauge is filled. Enemies can continue to attack while you select commands, spells, or items.

You can stop the passage of time during command selection by changing the Battle Mode setting in the Config menu to Wait.



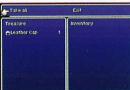
### **Ending a Battle**

Battles end when all enemies have been defeated, all enemies have fled, or the party has fled. Winning battles can earn the party money (gil), experience points, ability points (p. 30), or even items.



#### Treasure

Sometimes defeated enemies drop treasure. Choose to Take All treasures or Exit the menu.





#### Game Over

The game ends when the entire party is KO'd, petrified, or zombified (p. 29). You will have to restart from the last place you saved, so be sure to save often.



# BATTLE COMMANDS

A description of basic commands used in battle.

#### Attack

Attack the enemy with the currently equipped weapon. If nothing is equipped, a barehanded attack will be performed. You can select a target for your attack.



## **Specialized Commands**

Different jobs (p. 30) and abilities (p. 32) will cause different commands to become available (for example, Summon, Jump, or Steal).



### Selecting All

Some specialized commands, such as Magic, can be performed on all allies or all enemies. When choosing a target, continue to press the +Control Pad until all enemies or all allies are selected.



#### Item

Use items or change equipment. Select the item or weapon to use, then select the target.



## Changing Weapons During Battle

Select Item, and the inventory will be displayed. Press +Control Pad Up to display the equipment area, then select the gear you would like to remove with the A Button. Select the weapon you would like to equip, and confirm with the A Button.



#### Special Encounters

Some enemy encounters may feature different positioning, such as preemptive strikes or back attacks. In a preemptive strike, the party's ATB gauges (p. 24) will be filled from the start. In a back attack, the party will be caught from behind, meaning the back row will be in front (p. 28), and vice versa.



#### Defend

 $Press + Control\ Pad\ Right\ when\ selecting\ a\ command, and\ the\ Defend\ option\ will\ appear.\ Press\ the\ A\ Button,\ and\ characters\ will\ brace\ themselves\ against\ physical\ attacks.$ 

#### Row

Press +Control Pad Left when selecting a command, and the Row option will appear. Pressing the A Button will switch that character's row.



Characters in the front row will deliver stronger blows, but take more damage. Characters in the back row will take less damage, but inflict weaker blows.



### Fleeing

Press and hold the L and R Buttons in battle to run away. However, you cannot run from certain battles, so look out!



#### **Status Ailments**

When hit by enemies' special attacks, you may suffer one or more of the status ailments listed below. They can be cured with items or magic, and some fade after battle.

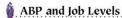
Do n	ot subside after battle	Subsi	de after battle
250	KO HP falls to zero; cannot act until restored.	- 1	AGING Stats fall little by little.
8	PETRIFY Turned to stone, unable to move.	2	SILENCE Unable to use magic other than Blue Magic.
\$a	TOAD Attack and defense decrease; can't cast any spell but "Toad."	-	SLEEP Fall asleep; cannot act until awakened.
2	MINI Attack and defense decrease.		PARALYZE Cannot move; unable to act.
	POISON HP gradually falls.	-	CONFUSE Commands not accepted; may attack allies or heal enemies.
*	DARKNESS Vision worsens; physical attacks more likely to miss.	*	BERSERK Commands not accepted; repeatedly perform physical attacks.
1	ZOMBIE Become undead; attack allies.		



An explanation of jobs, abilities, and the job system.

### Why Get a Job?

Jobs describe the type of warrior a particular character is. Depending on the job a character has set, they gain different commands and abilities. For more on the different jobs and their special abilities, please see pages 34-41.



When a job other than freelancer is set, ability points (ABP) will be gained by winning battles. Once enough ABP have been gained, the character's job level will increase, earning that character new abilities (p. 32).

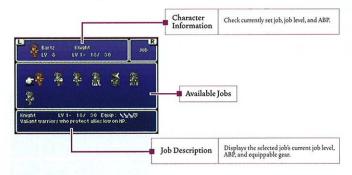


## Job Commands and Specialties

Each job has a specialized command (p. 26) that can be used in battle, as well as special abilities inherent to that job. These commands and inherent abilities are learned as jobs level up, and then can be used even while a different job is set. Not all inherent abilities can be learned.

### The Job Screen

Choose Job from the main menu (p. 16) and select a character to open the Job screen.



## Changing Jobs

Characters' jobs are changed on the Job screen. Choose a job from the list. The gear characters can equip changes depending on their job and abilities, so once a new job is selected, you will automatically be taken to the Ability screen (p. 32), and then to the Equip screen (p. 21).

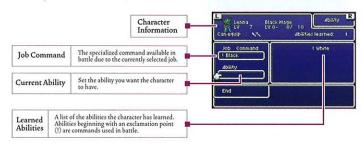
### What's an Ability?

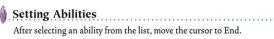
Each job has special abilities inherent to it. As a job's level increases, characters begin learning those abilities, and can use abilities separate from their respective jobs. Once an ability is learned, it can be set onto a job through the Ability screen.

Some jobs have more learnable abilities than others.

### The Ability Screen

Choose Ability from the main menu, and select a character. You can then set abilities for that character.

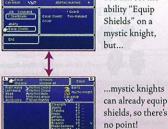






Ready, Willing, but Unable While all abilities are helpful, some combinations of jobs and abilities or abilities and commands may cancel each other out, or even be harmful to the character. Pay close attention to the effects of abilities when setting them!





Shields" on a mystic knight, but...

You can set the



A brief introduction to the different jobs and their inherent abilities. Though you begin the game as a freelancer, more jobs will become available to you as your quest progresses.\*

### FREELANCER



Jacks-of-all-trades, freelancers are what all characters start out as. They have no particular specialization, but can equip any type of weapon or armor.

Freelancers do not gain job levels.

### KNIGHT



Skilled with a sword, knights maintain a balance between attacking and protecting allies.

### Job Command: Guard

#### Specialty: Cover

- Protect allies with low HP. 1 Cover
- Absorb the damage of a physical attack. 2 Guard
- Wield a weapon with two hands to double attack power Two-Handed (shields cannot be equipped).

\* This guide only includes abilities learned by job level 3. For further abilities, you'll have to play the game and find out for yourself!

#### MONK



Masters of unarmed combat, monks possess an awesome destructive force.

#### Job Command: Kick

#### Specialties: Counter, Barehanded

I Focus

Chakra

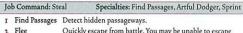
Focus energies for one round to deliver a blow that is twice as powerful.

Swift and agile, thieves learn many abilities that are useful in your quest.

2 Barehanded When unarmed, the character's strength becomes equal to

a monk's. Healing energies recover HP and cleanse the body of

#### THIEF



Quickly escape from battle. You may be unable to escape

darkness and poison.

from some enemies. Sprint

Hold down the B Button and the +Control Pad to move

faster in towns and dungeons.

#### DRAGOON



Known for their high jumps and attacks from above, dragoons suffer no penalties when attacking from the back row.

#### Job Command: Jump I Jump

#### Specialty: None Jump high into the air to attack from above.

2 Lance Steal enemies' HP and MP.

Gain the ability to wield lances. Additionally, the character's **Equip Lances** strength becomes equal to a dragoon's.

# NINIA

Fast and sneaky, ninia are skilled at taking enemies by surprise. They can wield two weapons at once.

#### Job Command: Throw

Use the resulting confusion of a smoke bomb to escape I Smoke from enemies.

Specialties: Dual-Wield, First Strike

- 2 Image 3 First Strike
- Create an illusory copy to absorb two hits.
  - Increase the chance of having preemptive strikes in random encounters.

### SAMURAL

#### Job Command: Zeninage Mineuchi

Samurai are skilled enough with their katana to stop and divert physical attacks.

- Specialty: Shirahadori Hit enemies with the dull side of the blade to stun them.
- Throw gil to harm all enemies. Zeninage Shirahadori
  - Catch and stop some enemy attacks, completely preventing damage.

BERSERKER



In a constant rage, berserkers refuse all commands. However, the strength of their attacks is unmatched.

#### Job Command: None Specialty: Berserk

- Berserk Always have berserk status in battle.
- Gain the ability to wield axes. Additionally, the character's 2 Equip Axes strength becomes equal to a berserker's.

RANGER



Ace archers, rangers lose no attack power when armed with a bow in the back row.

Job Command: Aim

Specialty: None

- I Animals 2 Aim
- Call upon friendly wildlife for aid. Increases accuracy of attacks.
- Gain the ability to use bows. Additionally, the character's Equip Bows strength and agility become equal to a ranger's.

MYSTIC KNIGHT



Mystic knights enchant blades with different spells. They can also create a barrier to weaken enemy magic attacks.

Specialty: Magic Shell

I Magic Shell 2 Spellblade LV1

Job Command: Spellblade

- Automatically cast Shell when near KO. Enchant weapons with level 1 spells.
- 3 Spellblade LV2 Enchant weapons with level 2 spells.

WHITE MAGE.



White mages use their powers to heal and buff allies.

- Job Command: White Specialty: None I White LV1 Use level 1 white magic.
- 2 White LV2 Use level 2 white magic.
- 3 White LV3 Use level 3 white magic.

### BLACK MAGE



From summoning raging fires to calling forth thunder from the skies, black mages have many destructive spells at their command.

#### Job Command: Black Specialty: None

Use level 1 black magic. Black LV1

- 2 Black LV2 Use level 2 black magic.
  - Use level 3 black magic. Black LV3

#### TIME MAGE



Masters of time and space, time mages learn spells that bend the laws of nature to their will.

#### Job Command: Time Specialty: None

- I Time I.VI Use level 1 time magic.
- 2 Time LV2 Use level 2 time magic.
- Time LV3 Use level 3 time magic.

### SUMMONER



Summoners are able to call magical beings and harness their powers.

#### Job Command: Summon Specialty: None

- I Summon LV1 Use level 1 summons.
- 2. Summon LV2. Use level 2 summons.
- Summon LV3 Use level 3 summons.

#### BLUE MAGE



With the ability to learn monsters' special skills, blue mages are unique casters.

#### Job Command: Blue

Specialty: Learning See an enemy's current HP and weak point.

- I Check 2 Learning
- Get hit by an enemy's special attack to learn it as blue magic.
- 3 Blue

Perform learned enemy skills.

#### RED MAGE



Able to learn both white and black magic spells, red mages can wield blades as well, making them versatile fighters.

Job Command: Red Specialty: None I Red LV1 Use level 1 white and black spells. 2 Red LV2 Use level 2 white and black spells.

3 Red LV3

Job Command: Catch (Release)

Use level 3 white and black spells.

#### BEASTMASTER



Often wielding whips, beastmasters can capture and control monsters.

#### I Calm

Calm monsters so they are less likely to attack. Manipulate monsters to attack other enemies.

2 Control

Equip Whips Gain the ability to use whips; additionally, the character's strength and agility become equal to a beastmaster's.

Specialty: None

### CHEMIST



In addition to gaining twice the benefit of curative items, chemists can mix new, helpful medicines.

### Job Command: Drink

Specialty: Pharmacology I Pharmacology

- 2 Mix Drink
- Gain twice the benefit when drinking potions or ethers. Combine two items to create a new one.
- Consume helpful potions meant for chemists.

### GEOMANCER



Geomancers harness the power of nature to perform spectacular feats.

#### Job Command: Gaia Specialties: Light Step, Find Pits

- Call upon the forces of nature to attack based on current location. I Gaia 2 Light Step Avoid taking damage on floors covered in lava, etc. 3 Find Pits
  - Backpedal before falling into holes in the floor.



With harps and songs, bards create tunes that inspire mysterious effects. Specialty: None

# Job Command: Sing

- Avoid damage by hiding out of sight. 1 Hide
- Become able to use harps; additionally, the character's agility and magic become equal to a bard's. 2 Equip Harps
- Perform songs during battle to inspire different effects. Sing

### DANCER



In addition to stunning crowds with their smooth moves, dancers can equip special items no one else can. Specialty: Learning

Job Command: Dance

Charm enemies into not attacking.

- I Flirt 2 Dance 2 Equip Ribbons
  - Perform one of a number of dances with different effects. Become able to equip items meant for dancers.

### MIME



Mimics can copy the actions of others down to the last detail.

I Mimic

Job Command: Mimic

Specialty: None Perform the same action as the previously acting ally.











This is only a selection of the wide variety of spells available in the game. During your quest, you will encounter many more spells, so make sure to keep an eye out for them!

Level 1	Cure	Restores HP.	
	Libra	Determines target's HP, MP, and weakness.	
	Poisona	Cures poison.	
Level 2	Silence	Causes silence.	TANK BA
	Protect	Reduces physical damage received.	
	Mini	Inflicts mini on target or restores state.	
Level 3	Cura	Restores HP.	
	Raise	Revives target.	
	Confuse	Causes confusion.	
	Fire	Deals fire damage (minimal).	
Level 1	Blizzard	Deals ice damage (minimal).	
	Thunder	Deals lightning damage (minimal).	
Level 2	Poison	Causes poison.	
	Sleep	Causes sleep.	
	Toad	Inflicts toad on target or restores state.	
Level 3	Fira	Deals fire damage.	
	Blizzara	Deals ice damage.	
	Thundara	Deals lightning damage.	

Level 1	Speed	Hastens the pace of the battle.
	Slow	Slows the passing of time for one enemy.
	Regen	Gradually restores HP.
IFF TAN	Mute	Silences all allies and enemies.
Level 2	Haste	Hastens the passing of time for one ally.
	Float	Levitates target.
Level 3	Gravity	Halves target's HP.
	Stop	Causes time to stop, halting target's actions.
	Teleport	Warps party out of dungeon or out of battle.
Level 1	Chocobo	Calls a chocobo to kick an enemy.
	Sylph	Summons a wind that harms enemies and recovers the HP of allies.
	Remora	Stops enemies.
Level 2	Shiva	Attacks enemies with an icy blizzard.
	Ramuh	Strikes enemies with strong bolts of lightning.
	Ifrit	Burns enemies with the flames of hell.
	Titan	Triggers an earthquake that affects all enemies.
Level 3	Golem	Absorbs damage from physical attacks.
	Catoblepas	Turns enemies to stone.
	Level 5 Death	Casts Death upon enemies whose levels are multiples of 5.
	Flash	Inflicts enemies with darkness.
	Transfusion	Sacrifices caster to completely restore an ally's HP and MP.
	Vampire	Steals HP from an enemy.
	Self-Destruct	Caster explodes, damaging an enemy.
	Doom	Curses one enemy to die in 30 seconds.