P&P Storytelling system

(Pen and Paper)

This is a simplified Dungeons and dragons style game.

This game is not meant to replace Dungeons and Dragons when playing a long campaign and want the depth of characters in Dungeons and dragons but it is a way to quickly and easily create characters for playing with friends and family that are not very knowledgeable about Pen and paper games.

This system is class and race agnostic. it is minimal on rules, allowing for DMs to add anything they want to it.

basic explanations

The following are attributes that can be modified each level up:

physical - provides this modifier to the dice roll when attacking with weapons

quick - provides this modifier to dice roll when defending

charisma - provides this modifier to dice roll when using deception.

intelligence - provides this modifier to dice roll when trying to learn something or to detect a lie

knowledge - provides this modifier to dice roll when trying to learn something

HP - your health, every attack does 1 damage to you

heal - modifier to healing others and yourself

spellpower - modifier to damaging spells hit roll + modifier to healing.

Some other explanations about attributes:

healing and spell casting is only available if you have at least 1 point to the relevant ability.

Attack range
Range of all physical attacks is 5 feet
Range of all melee weapon attacks is 10 feet
Range of all ranged weapon attacks is 120 feet
Range of all spells is 60 feet
range of all healing is 15 feet

Weapon attribute is a modifier to attack in case you have a weapon, the modifier depends on the weapon and whether it's magical or not

shield - is a modifier to defend in case you have a shield, the modifier depends on the weapon and whether it's magical or not. (does stack with quick)

armor - is a modifier to defend in case you have an armor, armor modifier does not stack with quick, if armor is worn ONLY armor modifier is applied

Ranged weapons add half of quick modifier to attacks

Active_spells - How many spells are currently active concurrently (for each spell being active your current knowledge and spellpower are reduced by the amount equal to the active spells).

Levelling

levelling is not a long process in this D&D, you do something special or you fought some monster or you just hit some milestone the DM might let you just level

the base HP of any level 1 character is 5

at level 1 you start with 5 points to give yourself to any of the attributes that can be modified at level up.

each level above level 1 gets 1 point to spend on the attributes

Combat

In combat a few mechanics are put into place, instead of your usual Armor class that comes into play. first the player or monster rolls an attack/ spell attack roll, then the defending creature rolls a defend roll, if attack score is higher than defend score then that attack hits and does 1 damage to the creature.

Any spells cast as AOE apply only 1/2 spellpower to damage rolls.

Using cover against ranged attacks gives you partial cover - +1/2 intelligence to defend full cover - +intelligence to defend

Logic should also be implemented if the cover is large enough to completely protect the target then no attack can hit.

The bonus to full cover applies if the cover isn't 100% protecting. (for example hiding behind a tree branch might still get you hit by arrows sinking through the branch.)

Spellcasting & Healing

Introduction:

Unlike in other D&D games, in this game all characters can learn to cast spells or heal others. In order to heal others you need at least 1 in heal attribute same goes for spell casting, you need at least 1 in spellpower

healing ability can be performed from 15 feet away from the target.

Spell casting is not limited to offensive spells.

(options for types of magic: enchanting, summoning, necromancy, conjuration)

Duration

spells can last up to intelligence score.

(so a character with 2 intelligence could either cast invisibility on a character for 2 rounds or 2 spells that last 1 round)

for every HP given to a conjured thing it counts as another spell active (all spells last as long as the spellcaster is concious / alive)

Spell costs

for each spell active your knowledge and spellpower are reduced by 1 until that spell fades.you need at least 1 remaining unused spellpower to cast spells.

You need at least 1 spellpower left in order to cast more spells.

permanent **conjurations** / **summons** / **necromancy** take the spellpower until destroyed completely, For every creature / object summoned / conjured it takes a spell slot.

permanent **enchantments** on items require the item to be broken for spellpower to be freed. for every +1 to any attribute it takes another active spell slot.

Illusions can only be maintained as long as the caster maintains focus on it, meaning sleeping would destroy the illusion. For every illusion object / creature it takes another active spell slot.

An illusion would give the bonus to charisma equal to the knowledge minus active spells

Illusion spells can be detected if an insight check is successfull against a attack-spell roll.

All illusions have no physical body to speak of and thus any touch or attacks on it, will pass through it and reveal the nature of the spell.

Offensive spells can be shaped in the following ways: single target, cone shaped (30 feet wide at end and 30 feet long), Spherical (up to 60 feet wide sphere)

Cone and spherical do AOE damage and not spell damage.

Ressurection

there might come a time in which a character might die, or an important NPC might die and need to be ressurected. the character ressurecting must have at least 2 heal to do the ritual

the party that is ressurecting a character would need to sacrifice 5 HP **permanently** in order to ressurect. (it can be donated only from willing members, the amount can be anything from 1-5 until a total of 5 HP have been donated)

Ressurection of any character is only possible if it has died less than 1 minute per heal point ago.

Abilities

ability name - type of ability - affected by this characteristic

Attack - A melee attack - physical

Defend - block or dodge - quick, armor
deceive persuade - charisma
perceive stealth - looking / hearing / hiding - intelligence
memory - recalling, learning knowledge about - wisdom

Attack spell - A spell attack - spellpower
heal - Healing - heal, spellpower
ranged attack - a ranged attack - quick
damage - damage of spells or non spells - physical, spellpower
Insight: intelligence

Notice that memory, attack spell, heal and damage for spells is affected by how many active spells you have

Mechanics

the following section deals with how rolls are made for each of the following abilities:

Attack

1d20+physical+weapon

roll20: Attacks: [[1d20+@{physical}+@{Weapon}]]

Defend

unarmored 1d20+quick+shield armored 1/2 quick + 1d20+shield+armor roll20: *defends*

unarmored [[1d20+@{quick}+@{shield}]]

armored: [[@{quick}/2+1d20+@{shield}]+@{armor}]]

Deceive-persuade 1d20+charisma

roll20: deception: [[1d20+@{charisma}]]

Insight

1d20+Intelligence

roll20: insight [[1d20+@{intelligence}]]

Perceive-stealth 1d20+intelligence roll20:Perceive / stealth: [[1d20+@{intelligence}]]

Memory 1d20+knowledge roll20: memory: [[1d20+@{knowledge}-@{active_spells}]]

Attack-spell

1d20+spellpower-active_spells

roll20:spell attack; [[1d20+@{spellpower}-@{active_spells}]]

heal

heal+spellpower-active_spells

roll20:healing: [[@{heal}+@{spellpower}-@{active_spells}]]

ranged attack 1/2quick+1d20

roll20:Ranged: [[@{quick}/2+1d20]]

Damage

melee / range: weapon+physical spells: spellpower-active spells

roll20: Melee / Ranged: [[@{weapon}+@{physical}]]

Spells [[@{spellpower}-@{active_spells}]]