RPGsh User Manual

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1 Introduction and Basic Usage

The Role-Playing Games Shell, <code>rpgsh</code>, is an interactive and extensible shell purpose-built for augmenting player and DM gameplay for table-top RPGs like Dungeons and Dragons©, Pathfinder©, and more!

rpgsh provides users with capabilities similar to those found in conventional shells like bash or PowerShell a la command execution and variable assignment/modification.

1.1 The Prompt

When interacting with the shell directly, you will be presented with a prompt that will look similar to the following:

```
[<NO_NAME>]-(0/0 (0))
```

The prompt contains the currently loaded character's name (<NO_NAME>) along with their current/max (temp) hitpoints.

As with any command line interface, you interact with the prompt by entering in either a variable or a program, along with any operators or parameters. For example, if we want to roll a 20-sided die, we would enter the following:

```
[<NO_NAME>]-(0/0 (0))
* roll d20
```

The maximum size of the input buffer for the prompt is 256 characters. Exceeding this may crash $\tt rpgsh$.

2 Programs

As of version 0.7.1, the following programs are available to the user when interacting with the **rpgsh** prompt:

banner

Displays the ASCII art logo for rpgsh along with a one-line description of the program and the author's signature.

list

Lists all the variables in one or all scopes.

roll

Dice-rolling program which supports custom lists and result counting.

setname

Sets which variable is used for displaying the character's name.

variables

This is NOT to be explicitly called by the user, but is instead implicitly called when the user enters a variable as the first parameter in the prompt.

version

Prints rpgsh version.

NOTE: All programs meant for explicit call by the user and which have additional parameters contain [-?] and [--help] flags to assist the user.