

# Introduction

The document you have on your screen right now is a set of instructions that will allow you to set up and run combat encounters for the purpose of playtesting Last Odyssey's combat system. There will be other rules written down in this document that do not pertain to combat, but they are works in progress. They are not meant to be tested at present, as they are not fully connected to their intended context. That being said, feedback on them is welcome if you have any.

## Characters in Combat

A discrete instance of combat in Last Odyssey is called a battle. Any agent that can act during battles is called a character. The capabilities of a character during battle are represented by their attributes, their statistics, and their abilities. An attribute is a number from one to ten that represents how strong a character is in a general domain of aptitudes. A statistic is also a number, but is much less abstract, instead representing a specific capability in combat. Finally, abilities are discrete actions that characters can take during combat that supplement the actions that all characters can take. The abilities a player character can use are determined by the job they occupy and its current rank, their class, their items, their equipment, and whatever flex powers they take during character advancement.

Throughout these rules you will sometimes see numbers such as damage or statistics be referred to as *base* numbers. A number that is base has not been modified by any situation-specific bonuses or penalties. For example, the base damage of an attack is the damage that it would do to its target if there were no elemental or type modifiers involved, while the base Evasion of a character is what their Evasion is without any applied buffs, debuffs, status effects, or other situational modifiers. See the Combat Rules section for more details.

A character's stamina in battle is represented by two scores, their Hit Points and their Mana Points. Throughout these rules, these will be shortened to HP and MP, respectively. When a character is hit with an ability that counts as a physical attack or magical attack, their HP is reduced by the calculated damage number associated with the ability and the statistics of both the attacker and their target. When a character uses an ability that has an MP cost, their MP is reduced by that amount. Characters may never use an ability that costs more than their current MP. A character's MP can never be below zero. If it is reduced to zero, they cannot use abilities that cost MP, with the exception of if they are Sages and still possess Spell Slots. If a character's HP is reduced to zero or below, they are referred to as being downed. A downed character cannot act and cannot be the target of more effects. See the Death and Injury section for more details.

Attributes:

Body. A character's Body is a measure of how adept they are at pushing their athletic abilities to the limit, from hand-eye coordination to endurance running.

Mind. A character's Mind is a measure of how quick and able they are at intellectually challenging tasks, from logical debate to solving mathematical puzzles.

Spirit. A character's Spirit is a representation of their strength of personality. This governs their aptitude for social interactions, as well as their ability to empathize with others.

Statistics:

Initiative. A character's Initiative determines when they act in combat. The higher their Initiative is, the sooner they act. Their base Initiative is equal to their Mind times 2 plus the bonus they receive from their class at Tier 1.

Health. A character's Health is their base maximum HP during combat. It is equal to their Body times 5 plus the bonus they receive from their class at Tier 1.

Mana. A character's Mana is their base maximum MP during combat. It is equal to their Spirit times 5 plus the bonus they receive from their class at Tier 1.

Physical Attack. Any physical attacks a character makes deal a base amount of damage that is increased by their Physical Attack unless otherwise specified. A character's base Physical Attack is equal to the bonus given by their equipped weapon plus the bonus applied by their current job if there is one.

Magical Attack. Any magical attacks a character makes deal a base amount of damage that is increased by their Magical Attack unless otherwise specified. A character's base Magical Attack is equal to the bonus given by their equipped weapon plus the bonus applied by their current job if there is one.

Physical Defense. Any physical damage a character receives is reduced by their Physical Defense. A character's base Physical Defense is equal to the bonus from their equipped armor plus the bonus from their current job if there is one.

Magical Defense. Any magical damage a character receives is reduced by their Magical Defense. A character's base Magical Defense is equal to the bonus from their equipped armor plus the bonus from their current job if there is one.

Evasion. A character's Evasion reduces the likelihood that they will be hit by either a physical or magical attack. A character's base Evasion is equal to the bonus from their equipped accessories plus the bonus from their current job if there is one.

Resistance. A character's Resistance increases the likelihood that they will resist status-inflicting abilities. A character's base Resistance is equal to the bonus from their equipped accessories plus the bonus from their current job if there is one.

Physical Accuracy. A character's Physical Accuracy increases their likelihood to hit an enemy with a physical attack. Their base Physical Accuracy is equal to their Mind plus their Body.

Magical Accuracy. A character's Magical Accuracy increases their likelihood to hit an enemy with a magical attack. Their base Magical Accuracy is equal to their Spirit plus their Mind.

Status Accuracy. A character's Status Accuracy increases their likelihood to inflict negative statuses on their targets. Their base Status Accuracy is equal to their Body plus their Spirit.

# Combat

All instances of violent combat involving the player characters in Last Odyssey are referred to as battles. Each battle takes place between two opposing sides, with the player characters and their allies on one side and their enemies on the other. Any elements of the battlefield that cannot act by themselves can still be interacted with by characters that use the Interact action. The effects of the Interact action always trigger during the Effect Phase of the battle. See the Actions, Turns, and Rounds section for more details.

## Starting a Battle

At the beginning of every battle, note every character participating in the battle, and mark down which side they are on, the players' or their enemies'. Neither side can move to the other side's part of the battlefield for the duration of combat.

There are two possible rows that a character can occupy on each side of the battle: the front row and the back row. At the beginning of the battle, each player chooses which row their character occupies, and the GM determines which rows their enemies and allies start on.

Enemies and allies in the front row of their respective sides may be targeted by any kind of attack or ability, and may also make any kind of attack or use any kind of ability.

Enemies and allies in the back row may not target enemies with any melee abilities, and also cannot be targeted by enemy melee abilities.

Once you have determined the starting location of every character on the battlefield, you may now determine the initiative order. The initiative order is the order in which each character acts during a round. The higher on the initiative order they are, the sooner they act. The act of determining the initiative order during combat is referred to as *calling initiative*. To call initiative, each player calls out a number between 1 and 8. The lower the number is, the more likely it is that the player will go first on a tie. The higher the number is, the more likely it is that the player will go last on a tie. Players who call out a 1 are guaranteed to go first on a tie.

Once all players have called their numbers, the GM rolls 2d4 and reads out the result. Players who called a number equal to the number that the GM rolled count as having an Initiative of 1.5x its base value for the rest of the battle. Players who called a number equal to or above the number the GM rolled will always act last on a tie with an enemy, while players who called a number below the number the GM rolled will always act first on a tie with an enemy.

Once Initiative has been called, compare the modified Initiative scores of all of the characters in the battle and rank them from lowest to highest. The order in which the characters will act every round starts with the character with the highest Initiative score for the battle and goes in order of descending Initiative until it ends with the character with the lowest Initiative score for the battle. Ties between player characters and their enemies are resolved based on the results of calling initiative, ties between player characters are resolved by player fiat, and ties between enemies are resolved by GM fiat.

The last step before the first round of a battle begins is the first Paradigm Phase of the battle. During the paradigm phase, each player should choose what job their character will occupy during the first round. They may choose to change this at the end of each subsequent round.

In some battles, such as when one side is ambushed, either the players or their enemies will have an extra turn at the beginning of a round called the First Strike. During the First Strike, the side that has the upper hand will be able to take a free turn before the players call initiative. The order in which characters act during the First Strike is determined by the players if they have the upper hand, and the GM if their enemies do. During the First Strike round, all characters on the side that has the upper hand have only 1 AP instead of their usual 2 or 3. During a battle where the players have the First Strike, the first Paradigm Phase triggers before the First Strike round commences, and the second Paradigm Phase occurs right before the beginning of the first round. Once the First Strike round is over, call initiative as normal.

## Actions, Turns, and Rounds

The standard unit of time that each battle is divided into is known as a round. After the initiative order is determined and all other pre-battle steps are taken into consideration, the first round of combat begins. This round, and each subsequent round, are divided into three phases:

The Action Phase. This is the phase in which each character on the field takes their turn in the order determined by their respective Initiatives.

The Effect Phase. This is the phase in which any environmental effects not caused by abilities take place, such as the turning of a boat or lightning striking one of the characters. This is also the phase in which either side can Advance if the situation is appropriate.

The Paradigm Phase. During this phase, each player on the field can choose to switch jobs. Doing so does changes out the bonuses to their statistics but does not affect any abilities that are already in play, such as the Defender's Taunt or the Saboteur's status effects.

Sometimes, multiple effects can occur at once during the Effect Phase. When this happens, damage takes precedent, followed by healing, followed by status effects, followed by everything else.

The time during a round when a given character is allowed to act is called their turn. Each action you take costs an amount of a resource called Action Points, or AP for short that depends on the type of action you are taking. Once you

run out of Action Points during your turn, your turn ends and the turn of the character next in the initiative order begins. If there are no characters left in the initiative order, the round enters the Effect Phase. Characters of tier 1-5 have 2 AP per turn, while characters of tier 6-10 have 3 AP per turn. Most actions cost 1 AP unless otherwise specified.

During the Effect Phase, if there are no characters in the front row on one or both sides of combat, then their opponents can choose to Advance. When they do so, all of the characters on the opposing side now count as being in the front row instead of the back row. If both sides are in the back row during the Effect Phase, the players choose whether or not to Advance before their enemies do.

On a character's turn, they are limited to performing the following actions:

**Basic Attack.** The character makes a colorless physical attack against a single enemy. This does base physical attack damage as outlined in the next section. No matter what, this attack always counts as a melee attack.

**Use Ability.** The character uses one of their abilities. Some abilities have an MP cost, which reduces the character's MP by the stated amount after the ability is used.

**Use Item.** A character may spend 1 AP to use one of the items in the party inventory on a target or targets of their choice. Once an item is used, it is permanently removed from the party inventory.

**Move.** A character may move from their front row to their back row, or from their back row to their front row at the cost of 1 AP.

**Summon Eidolon.** A character may expend 3 Anima to summon their Eidolon. This does not cost any AP. When they do so, neither they nor their allies are able to act but also cannot be targeted by enemies until the Eidolon disappears. At the beginning of each subsequent round that a character's Eidolon is in play, they must spend 1 Anima to keep the Eidolon on the field. Otherwise, it disappears, and all characters are able to act again as normal. If the Eidolon drops to zero HP, it also disappears, and all characters are able to act again as normal.

**Hold AP.** During your turn, you may spend one of your remaining AP to designate it as held. When you do so, choose a character that is acting after you in the Initiative order. You will have an extra turn after that character's called a held turn in which you have only 1 AP to act. You cannot hold more than 1 AP at a time, and you cannot hold AP on your extra turn. In other words, you can only hold 1 AP once per round.

**End Turn.** If you still have AP remaining, you can choose to end your turn early without acting. You will lose your remaining non-held AP, but you will still get the chance to act on your held turn if you have one.

**Interact.** During some battles, there will be contextual objects that players can interact with. If they do so, they must use the Interact action. Performing simple actions, such as flipping a switch, asking a question, or breaking a window, requires 1 AP, while performing more complex actions, such as logging into a computer or lowering a drawbridge, may require an entire turn or more to complete.

**Swap Equipment.** You can spend an AP to put your weapon away, equip a weapon you are proficient with from your inventory, take an accessory off, or put an accessory from your inventory on. You cannot take armor on or off during battle.

**Flee.** If you still have AP left, you can end your turn immediately to flee the battle. If you do so, you leave the battlefield at the end of the Effect Phase, and can no longer act or be acted upon by any of the remaining characters. If all player characters flee, the battle ends, and you do not gain any XP or items. What happens after player characters flee and whether or not they can flee in the first place is up to the GM's discretion. Flee cannot be used by characters that occupy the front row.

## Attacking and Defending

Some character abilities, such as buffs and debuffs, succeed no matter what. However, there are three types of abilities that can fail to activate their effects: physical attacks, magical attacks, and status-inflicting abilities. The same mechanics listed below for player characters and their allies targeting enemies also apply to enemies targeting player characters or their allies.

**Physical Attacks.** When you make a physical attack against an enemy or enemies, roll a 1d10, subtract your Physical Accuracy from the result, and then add your opponent's Evasion. If the resulting number is equal to a 7 or below, you hit and deal damage that reduces the target's total HP. Otherwise, you miss and deal no damage. The base damage of the attack is equal to your Physical Attack minus the enemy's Physical Defense plus the result of the 1d10 roll you made earlier multiplied by any relevant damage modifiers. Against multiple enemies, you only roll the 1d10 once, and use the resulting number to determine whether you hit and the base damage you deal against each one separately.

**Magical Attacks.** When you make a physical attack against an enemy or enemies, roll a 1d10, subtract your Magical Accuracy from the result, and then add your opponent's Evasion. If the resulting number is equal to a 7 or below, you hit and deal damage that reduces the target's total HP. Otherwise, you miss and deal no damage. The base damage of the attack is equal to your Magical Attack minus the enemy's Magical Defense plus the result of the 1d10 roll you made earlier multiplied by any relevant damage modifiers. Against multiple enemies, you only roll the 1d10 once, and use the resulting number to determine whether you hit and the base damage you deal against each one separately.

**Status-Inflicting Abilities.** When you use a status-inflicting ability on an enemy, roll a 1d10 and subtract your Status Accuracy from the result. To determine whether or not each enemy is hit, add their Resistance to the result of your roll. If the result is equal to or below a 5, they gain the status effect you are attempting to inflict. Against multiple enemies, you only roll the 1d10 once, and use the resulting number to determine whether you successfully inflict the status against each one individually. See the Status Effects section for more details.

The minimum amount of base damage you deal with an attack is 1. However, the base damage you deal is not equal to the final damage the enemy takes. Instead, the final damage they take is equal to the base damage of the attack multiplied by any relevant modifiers. When a character makes a magical attack against an opponent that has a Shell active, they do double damage. Likewise, when a character makes a physical attack against an opponent that does not have a Shell active, they also do double damage.

Some attacks that you make, such as Cleave or Elemental Storm, will target multiple characters at once. When you make one of these attacks, you only make one attack roll and subtract the corresponding accuracy bonus from it. However, to determine whether or not you hit each enemy and whether or not you deal damage if applicable, you should subtract each enemy's Evasion or Resistance from and add their defense stats to your roll independently of one another. For example, let's say you have a Physical Accuracy of 3 and a Physical Attack of 2. You attack two enemies, and roll a 5 on your 1d10, meaning that your accuracy result is a 2 and your damage result is a 7. The first enemy has an Evasion of 6 and a Physical Defense of 1, so you miss against them. The second enemy has an Evasion of 2 and a Physical Defense of 3, so your attack hits them with a base damage of 4.

Every ability that you use has a target. Abilities that target the Self only affect the character using them, abilities that are Melee can only be used from the front row and can only target enemies in the front row, abilities that are Ranged can be used from any row and can target any character on the field, and abilities that are Special have fixed targets that are specified in the ability description. Abilities marked as Passive do not have a range, since they do not have any targets, and abilities marked as Ally will target you or an ally. Finally, abilities marked Multi can target multiple characters depending on the description of the ability, and abilities marked Reaction will specifically target a character that has taken a specific action or has just fulfilled a specific requirement. *You may also use Ally abilities on enemies if you so choose. In this case, they count as being Ranged.*

## Elemental Damage

Many attacks and all status effects have an associated element. If this is the case, the damage that the attack does is multiplied by an amount determined by both the element of the attack and the element of the target. An attack or character that does not have an elemental type is referred to as colorless. Unless they have a Shell active, player characters count as colorless for the purpose of calculating the damage they take from enemy attacks.

There are nine elements: Fire, Water, Earth, Light, Cold, Metal, Thunder, Shadow and Wood. Fire, Water, and Earth are called primal elements, while the other six are called natural elements. In general, natural elements have the potential to deal more damage but also receive more damage than primal elements. An attack of a given elemental type will have its damage multiplied by a number determined by the elemental type of the target. Characters with a Shell active will count as being of the Shell's element for the purposes of calculating how much damage they receive.

When you are trying to determine the elemental modifier for a particular attack, consult the table below by finding the elemental type of the attack listed in the left-hand column and matching it with the elemental type of the target on the top row. The correct multiplier is at the cell at the intersection of the row the attacker's element occupies and the column the defender's element occupies. If either the attack or the target are colorless, the elemental multiplier is automatically equal to one. When the resulting damage that a character takes after all multipliers are taken into account is not equal to an integer, round that number down to the nearest integer. For example, if a character takes 2.5 damage according to the elemental table, this only counts as taking 2 damage in practice.

	Fire	Water	Earth	Light	Cold	Metal	Thunder	Shadow	Wood
Fire	1	0.5	2	1	0.25	4	1	0.5	2
Water	2	1	0.5	4	1	0.25	0.5	2	1
Earth	0.5	2	1	0.25	4	1	2	1	0.5
Light	1	0.25	4	1	0.25	4	1	0.25	4
Cold	4	1	0.25	4	1	0.25	0.25	4	1
Metal	0.25	4	1	0.25	4	1	4	1	0.25
Thunder	1	2	0.5	1	4	0.25	1	2	0.5
Shadow	2	0.5	1	4	0.25	1	0.5	1	2
Wood	0.5	1	2	0.25	1	4	2	0.5	1

## Status Effects

When a character successfully hits another with a status-inflicting ability, the target or targets of the ability in question are now under the received status effect until they are either cured by an item or ability. Abilities that inflict status effects on a target also have an associated element. Unlike damaging abilities, however, elemental resistances do not change the actual effect of the ability. Instead, they change the probability that the target will receive the status effect at all. When a character uses a status-inflicting ability against another character on the battlefield, consult the element table in the last section, with the element associated with the power on the left-hand column and the element of the target on the top. The associated multiplier does not change the quality of the status effect, but instead the probability as follows:

- 0.25x. The target is immune to this status effect.
- 0.5x. The status effect is inflicted when the result of the status-inflicting ability roll is 3 or below instead of 5 or below.
- 2x. The status effect is inflicted when the result of the status-inflicting ability roll is 7 or below instead of 5 or below.
- 4x. The target cannot evade this status effect.

There is no such thing as a colorless status effect.

There are nine status effects in total, one for each element. The status effects and their corresponding elements are listed below.

Fire: Burn. The affected character cannot receive any healing and cannot be buffed while this status is active. Any buffs they have already received remain active until otherwise removed.

Water: Confusion. When a character becomes Confused, assign each character on the battlefield a number in

ascending order, with the Confused character assigned a 1. When that character uses an ability, attacks, or uses an item, flip a coin and make their player call heads or tails. If they call right, their ability targets the character they want to target. If they call wrong, roll a die with a number of sides greater than or equal to the number of characters on the field. The target of the ability will then be the character associated with that number. If the target is out of range of the ability, make this roll again until you land on a character who is. Melee attacks can target all allies, and ally abilities can target all enemies. Multi abilities will target all characters on the side of the character who is the designated target. Characters can additionally target themselves with offensive abilities due to this attack. Non-player characters with this condition call a side of the coin determined by the GM.

Earth: Petrify. The affected character is unable to use the Move action, and their base Evasion counts as being half its current value rounded down, including buffs and debuffs. If the value is negative, it is not reduced in this manner. They may still Advance as normal.

Light: Blind. The affected character's Accuracy values count as half their base value (counting bonuses from equipment) rounded down. Buffs and debuffs to this value still apply as normal.

Cold: Frostbite. The affected character is unable to use their basic attack, use items, or use any abilities that restore Health or Mana. Any abilities they have that heal passively, such as the Priest's Prayer or the Auto Heal equipment power, are not negated by this status effect.

Metal: Fatigue. When the affected character uses an ability that costs MP, the total MP cost they pay to use said ability is doubled.

Thunder: Paralysis. Any physical attack rolls the character makes automatically fail. This includes basic attacks or counterattacks due to item or job abilities.

Shadow: Silence. Any magical attack rolls the character makes automatically fail. This includes basic attacks or counterattacks due to item or job abilities.

Wood: Toxin. During the Effect Phase at the end of a round, this character takes damage equal to one tenth of their base maximum HP rounded down with a minimum damage of 1, not counting any buffs or debuffs but still counting modifiers from equipment.

## Buffs and Debuffs

Some abilities modify the statistics of their target. Abilities that increase a target's statistics are called buffs, while abilities that decrease their statistics are called debuffs. When you use a buff or debuff on a character, it does not increase or reduce the statistic directly. Instead, it moves that statistic up and down something called the Bonus Tracker. By default, the bonus to each of a character's statistics is +0. A single level of buff applied to that statistic gives it a bonus of +1 for the duration of the battle. Another level raises this bonus to +3, and the final level raises it to +7. Subsequent buffs do nothing. Likewise, a single level of a debuff on a statistic imposes a penalty of -1, a second level imposes a penalty of -3, and a third will impose a penalty of -7. Further debuffs do nothing. In addition, buffs and debuffs are capable of cancelling each other out. One level of buff will cancel out one level of debuff, and vice versa.

Another way of putting the above is that each level of buff raises the statistic one level up the Bonus Tracker, and each level of debuff lowers the statistic one level down. There are seven levels on the Bonus Tracker in total, corresponding to additive modifiers of -7, -3, -1, +0, +1, +3, and +7. All character statistics start in the middle of the Bonus Tracker at +0, and return to the middle at the end of every battle. Buffs and debuffs cannot be resisted, although some passive equipment bonuses and monster abilities will render a character immune to certain buffs and/or debuffs. Character statistics can be buffed and debuffed to any value, including negative ones. The exceptions to this are a character's maximum HP and maximum MP, which both have a minimum value of 1.

## Shells

Most enemies and any characters that have had a Shell ability used on them have a special status effect known as a Shell. A Shell is a pool of temporary HP that has a fixed elemental affinity, and can be colorless as well. When a character's Shell is active, they will take double damage from all magical attacks. In addition, when determining the elemental modifier to the damage they take or to their status effect modifier, you should take the target's elemental type to be the element of the Shell. No character with the exception of some Bosses may have more than one Shell of a given type active at a time, and no player character may ever have a Shell that has more HP than their base Health. An enemy's maximum Shell is determined by the starting Shell they have in combat, and they cannot receive a Shell higher than this of any elemental type.

When a character's Shell is reduced to zero, they are referred to as Shellbroken. Characters who are Shellbroken take double damage from physical attacks. Characters who have not had a Shell applied to them during the battle also take double damage from physical attacks, per the Attacking and Defending section. When a character's Shell is first broken by an attack, subtract the amount of damage the attack did to the character's Shell from the total final damage of the attack, modifiers included. If the resulting number is greater than the character's remaining HP, the character is downed. If the resulting number is less than the character's remaining HP, they do not take any additional damage. Damage dealt in this way is referred to as overflow damage.

## Death and Injury

When a character drops to 0 HP or below inside of combat, they are considered downed. When a character is downed, all of the effects applied to them automatically go away, including buffs, debuffs, Haste, Slow, status effects, and Shells, with the exception of Toxin, Frostbite, and Burn. They cannot act, and cannot be the target of any actions except those that revive them. When they are revived during the battle, they take the place they previously occupied in the Initiative order, and will act on the first turn they have after the turn of the character that revived them. However, when they are downed they also lose the opportunity to act on their held turn regardless of whether or not they are revived before it.

If a downed character is not revived before the end of a battle, they will come back to life at 1 HP after the battle is over but at the cost of sustaining an injury. When this happens, roll a 1d12 and consult the table below to determine the effect.

1. The character's max HP is reduced by 5.
2. The character's max MP is reduced by 5.
3. The character's Initiative is reduced by 1.
4. The character's Physical Attack is reduced by 1.
5. The character's Magical Attack is reduced by 1.
6. The character's Physical Defense is reduced by 1.
7. The character's Magical Defense is reduced by 1.
8. The character's Evasion is reduced by 1.
9. The character's Resistance is reduced by 1.
10. The character's Physical Accuracy is reduced by 1.
11. The character's Magic Accuracy is reduced by 1.
12. The character's Status Accuracy is reduced by 1.

A character can theoretically sustain an infinite number of injuries in battle. Still, no injury can ever reduce their HP or MP below 1, and can never reduce their statistics below 0. While a character is traveling, other characters can heal their injuries by treating them during the Camping Phase of each round of travel. Otherwise, in order to have their injuries treated, characters must either pay a healer for services or rest in a proper shelter. If a character is doing the latter, they will recover one injury per night rested in the order they received them.

A character cannot be reduced below 1 HP outside of combat. However, they can still sustain injuries if they take additional damage while they are at 1 HP. In general, they will take one additional injury every time they take damage that would make them drop to 0. The exception to this is when they are killed by either a Villain or Monster. If so, then they can permanently die, and must be resurrected at a temple (rules for this will be discussed further in the travel section).

## Paradigms

As each player character levels up, they will unlock and advance their rank in six different jobs: Striker, Caster, Healer, Defender, Support, and Saboteur. During battle, they may choose to switch which job they occupy during the Paradigm Phase. Any character can switch to any job they have already unlocked with no restrictions except that they may only do it during this phase or outside of combat. When they do so, they should remove the bonuses to their statistics that the previous job they occupied conferred, and add the bonuses to their statistics that their new job confers. In addition, they are only able to use the abilities they have unlocked in a particular job when they occupy it, and cannot switch jobs at any time in battle apart from during the Paradigm Phase.

When the players switch jobs in combat, this is called a paradigm shift. A specific combination of player characters and jobs is known as a paradigm. There is no limit other than the absolute combinatorial limit to the number of paradigms a party can possibly occupy. However, players are encouraged to experiment with effective paradigms and to name and record their favorites so that they can plan strategies for future battles.

## Ending Combat

A battle is over when one of the two opposing sides has no active characters remaining on the field. If the players have all been downed or killed, the party will lose something important before they come to. For example, a group of robbers will steal all of their cr, a group of wolves might eat all of their supplies, and a monster might kidnap them and drag them into their lair. Permanently killing a group is impossible with the exception of fights with Villains or Monsters, and even then requires the expenditure of Anima.

At the end of a battle, every downed enemy will grant the entire party Experience, shortened to XP in the rest of the rulebook, and also award them items. By default, each downed enemy in combat awards 1 XP to each member of the party regardless of that enemy's tier. Elite enemies are worth 5 XP, and Bosses are worth 10 XP per phase. If the players successfully flee a battle, they do not receive any rewards. However, if their enemies successfully flee, the players still receive the rewards for any enemies they downed before the rest fled.

In addition to earned XP, each defeated enemy drops an item from its Item Table, while Elite enemies will drop two items from their Item Table. The Item Table is a list of three possible items that an enemy can drop, each of which is assigned a number from 1 to 3. To determine which item an enemy drops, the GM rolls a d4. The value they roll corresponds to the item the enemy drops. If the GM rolls a 4, the enemy does not drop an item. Stealing from an enemy has the opportunity to grant up to one additional item to the party per enemy. See the Thief rules for more details.

At the end of a battle, most status effects and all buffs, debuffs, Shells, and other effects are removed from all characters that participated. However, certain status effects can linger on characters between battles depending on which status effect was inflicted. Otherwise, they stop as soon as the battle is over.

**Burn:** Burns remain after combat, but can be healed by a full night of rest.

**Toxin:** At the end of every travel round, characters inflicted with Toxin must roll a 1d10 and add their Resistance to the result. If the result is below a 5, they take damage equal to one tenth of their max HP, rounded down, with a minimum damage of 1. If the result is above a 5, the Toxin goes into remission and they stop taking damage. Toxin is cured by a full night of rest, but if another battle starts before they are cured then they start taking damage every combat round again, and will start taking damage every travel round again after the battle is over. The damage done by Toxin outside

of combat cannot ever cause a character to drop below 1 HP.

Frostbite: Frostbite remains after combat, but can be healed by resting next to a significant heat source (including a warm or hot climate, or a campfire). Resting in the cold does not count.

All other status effects not listed go away after the end of a battle.

## Character Creation Overview

Last Odyssey has the structure of other conventional tabletop roleplaying games in that each player takes control of a single character called a player character. A group of player characters is called a party. The role of the party is to be agents in the world, taking quests, going new places, and driving change. As they continue on in the campaign, they will grow stronger and pick up new items and equipment. The basic measure of a character's strength is a number called their tier, which goes from 1 all the way up to 10. In the following section, I will outline the process for making a new character to join the party which starts at tier 1 with no upgrades. For characters beyond tier 1, see the Character Advancement section.

## Creating Character Concept

While much of what is on their character sheet determines how they perform in combat, characters in Last Odyssey are more than just chess pieces on a board or gladiators made to bleed and die in battle, but are also fully fledged human beings in their own right. Therefore, the first thing you should do before you write down any numbers is think a little bit about what kind of person your character is. When you have a general idea of their personality and appearance, write down a few sentences describing who they might be. These can be as detailed or as vague as you like. However, there are two mandatory parts to your character concept that you should decide before moving forward. The first of these is their Ideal, which is the type of person that they strive to be. The second of these is their Shadow, which is the type of person they strive *not* to be. Note that these do not necessarily have to be good or bad in an objective sense, nor do they necessarily have to be opposites. A character who wants to be strong, confident, and unflappable might avoid being compassionate in situations that call for it, or might want to be brave without becoming arrogant or foolhardy. While you can be as detailed as you like, characters' Ideals and Shadows are how they earn Anima during the campaign, so they should at the very least indicate what behavior a character wants to avoid and what behavior a character wants to emulate. After you have written a sentence or two describing both, you have enough to count as a concept. Before moving on, you should also name your character and give a brief description of their appearance.

## Setting Attributes

After you have made your character concept, the next step is to determine your character's attributes. These will also determine their starting statistics. You can read more about them in the Characters in Combat section. What they do partially depends on your selected job, but each one also contributes to three statistics no matter what:

Body contributes to a character's Health, Physical Accuracy, and Status Accuracy.

Mind contributes to a character's Initiative, Magical Accuracy, and Physical Accuracy.

Spirit contributes to a character's Mana, Status Accuracy, and Magical Accuracy.

Players do not have total freedom to set these stats at the beginning of the game. If you want a more balanced character, set all three to 2. If you want a character that has more Health, Initiative, or Mana, set one of their attributes to 3, another to 2, and another to 1. There are no other options for attribute arrays at character creation.

## Choosing Class

A character's class is a single title that summarizes their professional background. Class abilities are utility powers that give characters an extra edge in and out of combat. In Last Odyssey, there are nine total classes that players can choose from.

*Rangers* are wilderness experts who specialize in targeting individual enemies and rendering them more vulnerable to being hit.

*Thieves* are criminals and spies who can steal items from enemies in battle and use stealth to gain the upper hand.

*Artificers* are scientific experts that augment their magic with items and their items with magic. They can also gain more information about enemies in combat.

*Sages* are experts in spellcasting that can use Spell Slots to rely more heavily on their magical attacks as well as counter enemy attacks.

*Priests* are religious leaders and icons that can restore their allies' MP as well as provide passive healing during combat.

*Dancers* use the magic of art and performance to support their allies and defeat enemies. In combat, they can copy other characters' powers and change their elemental type at will.

*Knights* swear loyalty to a cause, whether that be a political movement, a knightly order, or a deity. In combat, they are physical specialists that also have a bonus to their mobility.

*Commanders* lead their allies from the back or the front, using their given rank to their advantage. They can give Orders to other player characters to allow them to act outside of the Initiative order.

*Harlequins* are tricksters, con artists, and gamblers. In combat, they can manipulate the winds of fate to inflict random effects in order to gain the upper hand.

When you choose your class, it will determine several aspects of your character, some of which will also be relevant later. You should record them now.

Armor Proficiency. A character's armor proficiency is what type of armor they can wear. At character creation, your

character starts with a Mundane piece of that type of armor equipped.

**Weapon Proficiency.** A character's weapon proficiency is what type of weapon they can wield. At character creation, your character starts with a Mundane piece of that type of weapon equipped.

**Buff.** This sets the statistic that the character buffs when they occupy the Support job. Later on, they will also gain permanent bonuses to it when they increase their Rank.

**Debuff.** This sets the statistic that the character debuffs when they occupy the Saboteur job.

**Stat Bonuses.** These are extra bonuses to the character's Health, Initiative, and Mana that their class gives in addition to the numbers determined by their Body, Mind, and Spirit.

In addition to the above, a character's class also provides them with a set of abilities they can use regardless of what job they occupy as well as a set of passive abilities called job specialization talents that they gain when they occupy certain jobs. At character creation, they begin with the ability to use their class's rank 1 ability. When choosing your class, be sure to read ahead and think about what kind of abilities most appeal to you.

Finally, before you move on you should give your character either a Lucky accessory or a Mystical accessory that has no attached upgrade that they can equip in their accessory slot. See the Accessories section for more details.

## Choosing Elemental Type

A character's elemental type determines the elemental type of some of the abilities they gain from their jobs. There are two different varieties of elements: primal elements and natural elements. The primal elements are slightly less likely to deal significant damage than the natural elements, but also slightly less likely to be resisted to as great of a degree. The three primal elements are Fire, Earth, and Water, and the six natural elements are Cold, Light, Thunder, Shadow, Wood, and Metal. See the Jobs and Elemental Damage sections of the rules for more details.

## Choosing Starting Job

A character's job is a set of abilities that they can use during combat that determine what role they take during combat. As they advance in Tier, characters will gain multiple jobs that they can switch between during the Paradigm Phase of combat. Eventually, every character in the party will be able to use any job. However, at character creation all characters start with only one job available. See the Jobs section for more details.

*Strikers* specialize in dealing physical damage to their enemies.

*Casters* specialize in dealing magical damage to their enemies.

*Healers* specialize in restoring their allies' HP and negating debuffs and status effects.

*Defenders* specialize in drawing enemy attacks and negating the damage they do to allies.

*Supports* specialize in buffing allies and applying Shells, which are a form of temporary HP.

*Saboteurs* specialize in debuffing and applying negative status effects to enemies.

When you choose your character's starting job, they automatically gain access to that job's Rank 1 ability, which you should mark down on your character sheet.

Each job grants extra bonuses to three different character statistics equal to their Body, Mind, and Spirit that are listed in their description in the Jobs section. Whenever you take a new job, including now, you should note down the statistics that they give bonuses to. When you calculate your statistics, you will take these into account. Eventually, you will have separate sets of statistics listed for all six of your character's jobs.

## Calculating Statistics

At this point, you should now have enough information to determine your character's statistics. Below, the formulae for determining each of them are given in shorthand. To see them in more detail and learn more about what each statistic does, see the Attributes and Statistics section as well as the Combat Rules.

*Health* determines a character's maximum HP. It is equal to [Body]x5 + [Class Bonus].

*Initiative* determines when a character acts during combat. It is equal to [Mind]x2 + [Class Bonus].

*Mana* determines a character's maximum MP. It is equal to [Spirit]x5 + [Class Bonus].

*Physical Attack* determines a character's base physical damage bonus. It is equal to [Weapon Bonus] + [Job Bonus if applicable].

*Magical Attack* determines a character's base magical damage bonus. It is equal to [Weapon Bonus] + [Job Bonus if applicable].

*Physical Defense* determines the base reduction to the physical damage a character takes. It is equal to [Armor Bonus] + [Job Bonus if applicable].

*Magical Defense* determines the base reduction to the magical damage a character takes. It is equal to [Armor Bonus] + [Job Bonus if applicable].

*Evasion* determines the base reduction to enemies' chance to hit a character when they attack. It is equal to [Accessory Bonus if applicable] + [Job Bonus if applicable].

*Resistance* determines the base reduction to enemies' chance to inflict a status effect on a character. It is equal to [Accessory Bonus if applicable] + [Job Bonus if applicable].

*Physical Accuracy* determines a character's bonus chance to hit with physical attacks. It is equal to [Mind] + [Body].

*Magical Accuracy* determines a character's bonus chance to hit with magical attacks. It is equal to [Spirit] + [Mind].

*Status Accuracy* determines a character's bonus chance to inflict status effects on enemies. It is equal to [Body] + [Spirit].

## Creating Eidolon



Once you have determined every aspect of your character, you should now be ready to create their Eidolon. A character's Eidolon is a godlike being whose appearance in the world is the most powerful manifestation of their magic. Think of them as a combination between a patron saint and a guardian angel. Each player character has a single Eidolon that grows more powerful as they grow more powerful. In combat, player characters can spend Anima to summon their Eidolons. See the Eidolons section for information on the rules for using them. During character creation, you should record your character's Eidolon's name and appearance, as well as its statistics, which are equal to your character's base statistics multiplied by 5, excluding bonuses from your current job. The exception to this is that Eidolon's do not have Mana because their attacks are either free or have an Anima cost. In addition, a character's Eidolon has the same elemental type as them for the purposes of determining the outcomes of attacks and status-inflicting abilities that target them during battle.

There are six classes of Eidolon, one for each job. Your Eidolon's class does not have to correspond to your starting job. Each Eidolon class can use the Attack and Full Restore abilities, and also gains two more abilities depending on class. See the Eidolons section for more details.

*Strikers* gain the Cleave and Elemental Strike abilities.

*Casters* gain the Magic Bolt and Elemental Bolt abilities.

*Healers* gain the Heal and Cure abilities.

*Defenders* gain the Shield and Barrier abilities.

*Supports* gain the Enhance and Shell abilities.

*Saboteurs* gain the Reduce and Sabotage abilities.

## Finishing Touches

At this point in character creation, you have all of the necessary information required to play your character. Make sure all of it is recorded properly on your character sheet. In addition, be sure to write down any other relevant information you can, such as their height, weight, gender, eye color, backstory, real and apparent age, and other character elements.

Finally, all characters receive 10 cr at character creation. Players may use some or all of this to purchase battle items. Whatever amount is left over after they are done purchasing items is carried with them into the beginning of the game. Talk with your GM and see the Battle Items section to learn the kinds of items you might purchase in this manner.

Before you are finished with your character, go through the following list to ensure you have done everything. Have you:

1. Given your character a name and appearance?
2. Chosen your character's Ideal and Shadow?
3. Set your character's Body, Mind, and Spirit?
4. Chosen your character's class, and recorded its rank 1 ability?
5. Recorded your character's weapon proficiency and starting weapon?
6. Recorded your character's armor proficiency and starting armor?
7. Given your character either a Lucky or Mystical accessory?
8. Recorded the buff and debuff associated with your character's class?
9. Chosen your character's elemental type?
10. Chosen your character's starting job, and recorded its rank 1 ability?
11. Recorded the three bonuses to your character's statistics that their starting job provides?
12. Calculated your character's Health, Initiative, Mana, Physical Attack, Magical Attack, Physical Defense, Magical Defense, Evasion, Resistance, Physical Accuracy, Magical Accuracy, and Status Accuracy correctly according to the provided formulae?
13. Recorded all of your Eidolon's statistics?
14. Recorded your Eidolon's elemental type?
15. Recorded your Eidolon's four abilities?
16. Written down your Eidolon's name and appearance?
17. Given your character 10 cr, and bought any items with it that you can afford?

If you have done all of this, then congratulations, you are now ready to play Last Odyssey!

## Classes

During character creation, every player character is assigned a class. A character's class is an expression of their profession and their role in combat. Your interpretation of what this means is somewhat dependent on the setting of your campaign. In a campaign with a medieval setting, a Knight might be a literal knight, while in a campaign with a more modern or futuristic setting a Knight might be a soldier, a revolutionary, or a demigod sworn to defend the timestream. In any case, once chosen, a character's class is not meant to be changed. There is also no such thing as multiclassing.

A character's class determines their armor and weapon proficiencies, which are the type of armor and the type of weapon that character can equip. It also determines the statistic that their Buff abilities in the Support job increase, as well as the statistic that their Debuff abilities in the Saboteur job decrease, and gives a bonus to a character's Health, Mana, and Initiative. As you increase your character's tier, your class will also provide abilities that can be used regardless of what job you currently occupy in combat. During the later tiers, your class will also provide job specialization talents to choose from, which modify their existing abilities while they occupy the associated job. At tier 10, instead of unlocking a normal combat ability, you unlock a capstone ability that your Eidolon can use when summoned.

In the final game, each class will also have a special expertise bonus, which they can add to force results related to their expertise. In addition, they will have a special ability that only they can use when camping.

## Ranger

The Ranger is a scout, tracker, or member of a similar profession that has expertise in surviving in the wilderness. In combat, Rangers wear light armor and use bows to do damage to enemies. They specialize in improving their Accuracy with their Mark Target ability, and in dealing physical damage to enemies. As a result, they work best in either the Striker or Saboteur jobs. Their proficiencies are as follows:

**Armor:** Rangers are proficient in light armor.

**Weapon:** Rangers are proficient in wielding bows.

**Buff:** The Buff abilities that Rangers gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Physical Accuracy.

**Debuff:** The Debuff abilities that Rangers gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Evasion.

**Stat Bonuses:** During character creation, Rangers get an extra +10 to their Health, +10 to their Mana, and +4 to their Initiative.

**Abilities by Rank:**

**Rank 1- Mark Target.** Ranged. You gain an ability that has no MP cost and costs 1 AP that inflicts the Hunted status effect on a target. When you use a magical attack, physical attack, or status-inflicting ability on the target, you may roll the 1d10 to hit twice and choose which result you prefer. This does not apply to attacks that target multiple enemies. Only one enemy can be Hunted at a time. However, if you are the one to kill a Hunted enemy, you may immediately use Hunter's Mark on another enemy at no AP cost. If the enemy dies to damage from any source other than your attacks, you cannot use Hunter's Mark again except as a consequence of Lay Trap.

**Rank 2- Forest Walk.** Passive. The movement of a Ranger on the battlefield cannot be hindered for any reason. They are also immune to any hostile effects that trigger when they move or that move them involuntarily. Friendly effects, such as the Commander's Order, do not apply.

**Rank 3- Instead of an ability, the Ranger gains a permanent +1 to their Physical Accuracy.**

**Rank 4- Instead of an ability, the Ranger gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Accuracy.**

**Rank 5- Instead of an ability, the Ranger gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Accuracy.**

**Rank 6- Lay Trap.** Special. You gain an ability that costs 5 MP and 1 AP that readies a trap on either the enemy's front line or their back line. You can make a free basic attack on the next enemy to move to that row as though they were Hunted regardless of whether they are in melee range of you or not. If there are no enemies on the battlefield who currently are Hunted, you may choose to use Mark Target on them instead. The basic attacks you make due to this ability can target enemies in the back row. Enemies that move to the front row due to either side Advancing can also be affected by this ability, in which case you may choose which enemy to target at will.

**Rank 7- Cripple.** Passive. All allies that attack a Hunted enemy gain the advantage of Hunted. However, you must still kill the target yourself to be able to use Hunter's Mark again, with the exception of if an enemy is affected by Lay Trap.

**Rank 8- Instead of an ability, the Ranger gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Accuracy.**

**Rank 9- Instead of an ability, the Ranger gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Accuracy.**

**Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Wild Hunt.** Multi. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 1 Anima and 2 AP that applies Hunted to every enemy on the battlefield and then attacks each of them with a basic attack without removing it.

**Job Specialization Talents:**

**Striker: True Strike.** Passive. When you use a physical attack on a Hunted enemy, you may choose to remove the Hunted condition in order to ensure that the attack hits your target. You may then reapply Mark Target during the following round.

**Caster: Detonate.** Passive. When an enemy is affected by Lay Trap, you may choose to immediately cast your Elemental Bolt spell on the enemy instead of using your basic attack. When you make the magical attack roll for this attack, roll the 1d10 twice and choose which result you prefer.

**Healer: Autodoc.** Passive. While you occupy this job, you may use your Mark Target ability to apply the Watched condition to an ally. When they drop to 0 HP, the mark is removed, and they are restored to an amount of HP equal to your Magical Attack *as a Healer*. You may only use Mark Target on one ally and one enemy at a time, regardless of what condition was applied.

**Defender: Forcefield.** Passive. While you occupy this job, you may use your Mark Target ability to apply the Defended condition to an ally. The next time they would otherwise be hit with a status effect, magical attack, or physical attack, this status is removed and the hit is negated. You may only use Mark Target on one ally and one enemy at a time, regardless of what condition was applied.

**Support: Herbal Medicine.** Passive. While you occupy this job, you may use your Mark Target Ability to apply the Treated condition to an ally. While this status effect is active, all of the debuffs that are applied to them are ignored. You may only use Mark Target on one ally at a time, regardless of what condition was applied.

**Saboteur: Poison Arrow.** Reaction. When an enemy is affected by Lay Trap, you may choose to apply a status effect to them instead of attacking them. When you make the corresponding status-inflicting ability roll, roll the 1d10 twice and take the lower result.

## Thief

Thieves are specialists in infiltration, stealth, larceny, and other forms of subterfuge. In combat, thieves dress in light armor and wield daggers. They specialize in dealing damage, buffing their Physical Attack and debuffing the enemy's Physical Defense, making them ideal for taking on enemies with a high amount of Health. They can also use their Steal ability to gain extra loot from enemies during battle, making them useful traveling companions.

**Armor:** Thieves are proficient in light armor.

**Weapon:** Thieves are proficient in wielding daggers.

**Buff:** The Buff abilities that Thieves gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Physical Attack.

**Debuff:** The Debuff abilities that Thieves gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Physical Defense.

**Stat Bonuses:** During character creation, Thieves get an extra +10 to their Health, +5 to their Mana, and +6 to their Initiative.

**Abilities by Rank:**

**Rank 1- Steal. Special.** You gain an ability that does not cost any MP and costs 1 AP that allows you to roll on an enemy's item table during combat and gain whatever item the die lands on. If the die lands on a 4, you do not gain an item. You may only pick up one item per enemy during battle this way, but may use this ability as many times as you like on each enemy. When you do, you may immediately use the item for free if you wish, or choose to store it in the party inventory. You may target any enemy with this ability whether they are in the front or the back row, but you must be in the front row to use it.

**Rank 2- Pickpocket. Reaction.** When an enemy attacks you with a magical attack, physical attack, or status-inflicting ability and fails to hit, you may immediately use your Steal ability on them as a free action.

**Rank 3- Instead of an ability, the Thief gains a permanent +1 to their Physical Attack.**

**Rank 4- Instead of an ability, the Thief gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Attack.**

**Rank 5- Instead of an ability, the Thief gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Attack.**

**Rank 6- Hide. Self.** You may spend 1 AP to apply the Hidden status effect to yourself. While you are Hidden, you are prevented from being the target of enemy attacks with the exception of effects that remove status effects until the beginning of your next turn, at which point you will stop being Hidden. If you act again before this, you will immediately stop being Hidden. You cannot be Hidden if you are the only character left on the battlefield.

**Rank 7- Sneak Attack. Passive.** If you use a magical attack, physical attack, or status-inflicting ability during a held turn while you are currently Hidden, you may roll the 1d10 to hit twice and take whichever result you prefer. This held turn must be taken after the character you are targeting has had a chance to act during the round.

**Rank 8- Instead of an ability, the Thief gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Attack.**

**Rank 9- Instead of an ability, the Thief gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Attack.**

**Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Assassinate. Melee.** Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 1 Anima and 2 AP that targets a single enemy. When you do so, roll a 1d10. The amount of damage this attack does is a percentage of their total Health equal to ten times the result of the roll. If you roll a 10, they instantly die.

**Job Specialization Talents:**

**Striker: Lifesteal. Passive.** Rolling a 4 on the item table when you Steal from an enemy allows you to drain an amount of HP from them equal to your current Physical Attack and heal yourself for the same amount. This effect will trigger whether or not you have already taken an item from them.

**Caster: Manasteal. Passive.** Rolling a 4 on the item table when you Steal from an enemy allows you to drain an amount of MP from their total MP equal to your current Magical Attack and heal yourself for the same amount. This effect will trigger whether or not you have already taken an item from them.

**Healer: Night Shift. Passive.** When you are Hidden and occupy this job, you may use healing abilities while still remaining Hidden.

**Defender: Ninja Bodyguard. Passive.** You may use your Guard abilities while remaining Hidden. If you take damage for one of your allies while you are still Hidden, however, you will stop being Hidden.

**Support: Steal Shell. Passive.** Rolling a 4 on the item table when you Steal from an enemy allows you to drain an amount of Shell from their total Shell equal to your current Magical Attack and give it to any other character that does not already have a Shell of a different elemental type. If you and all of your allies have Shells of a different elemental type, this effect does not trigger. This effect will trigger whether or not you have already taken an item from them.

**Saboteur: Infection. Passive.** Rolling a 4 on the item table when you Steal from an enemy allows you immediately inflict the status effect associated with your base elemental type on them. This effect will trigger whether or not you have already taken an item from them. If they are immune to the effect in question, this power does nothing.

## Artificer

Artificers are characters who use their understanding of technology to gain an advantage in battle and to make the world a better place. In combat, they wear heavy armor and wield guns, and specialize in being accurate with their magical attacks, buffing their Magical Accuracy and Debuffing the enemy's Resistance. They can also innately use the Scan item ability and are experts in item usage. All of this makes them experts in the Caster and Healer jobs.

**Armor:** Artificers are proficient in heavy armor.

**Weapon:** Artificers are proficient in wielding guns.

**Buff:** The Buff abilities that Artificers gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Magical Accuracy.

**Debuff:** The Debuff abilities that Artificers gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Resistance.

**Stat Bonuses:** During character creation, Artificers get an extra +10 to their Health, +10 to their Mana, and +4 to their Initiative.

**Abilities by Rank:**

**Rank 1- Scan. Ranged.** You gain an ability that costs 2 MP and 1 AP and tells you all of the relevant combat information about a single target, including their elemental type, their abilities, their behavior, their item table, their current HP and MP and their statistics.

**Rank 2- Item Specialist. Passive.** When you use an ability that costs MP, you may substitute the MP cost with an item that has the same type as the ability. The types of abilities must be one of the following: physical attacks, magical attacks, status effects, buffs, debuffs, Shells, healing, or miscellaneous class abilities.

**Rank 3- Instead of an ability, the Artificer gains a permanent +1 to their Magical Accuracy.**

**Rank 4- Instead of an ability, the Artificer gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Accuracy.**

**Rank 5- Instead of an ability, the Artificer gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Accuracy.**

**Rank 6- Multiscan. Multi.** You gain an ability that costs 10 MP and 1 AP and tells you all of the relevant combat information about every enemy on the battlefield, including their elemental type, their abilities, their behavior, their item table, their current HP and MP and their statistics.

**Rank 7- Reveal Weakness. Passive.** When you scan an enemy, the next magical attack, status effect, or physical attack

dealt to them ignores any of their resistances or immunities to damage or status effects, but not their weaknesses.  
Rank 8- Instead of an ability, the Artificer gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Accuracy.  
Rank 9- Instead of an ability, the Artificer gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Accuracy.  
Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Target Acquired. Multi. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 1 Anima and 2 AP and permanently Scans every enemy on the battlefield.

Job Specialization Talents:

Striker: Sniper. Passive. When the Artificer uses an item that does physical damage to an enemy, they may add their Physical Attack to the base damage that the item does.

Caster: Magic Ammo. Passive. When the Artificer uses an item that does magical damage to an enemy, they may add their Magical Attack to the base damage that the item does.

Healer: First Aid. Passive. When the Artificer uses an item that heals an enemy, they may add their Magical Attack to the base healing that the item does.

Defender: Optimize Defenses. Passive. When you Scan an ally, the next attack against them ignores any vulnerabilities they have to types of damage, but does not ignore any resistances.

Support: Targeting Systems. Passive. When you Scan an ally, you can give them a temporary +5 bonus to all of their Accuracy statistics until the beginning of your next turn.

Saboteur: Monkeywrench. Passive. When the Artificer uses an item that inflicts a status effect on an enemy, they may add their Status Accuracy to the roll to determine if the effect is applied.

## Sage

The Sage is a class for characters who use their knowledge of the philosophical and the metaphysical to use their Caster abilities and normal abilities for free, greatly extending their potential to act. In combat, they wield staves and wear cloth armor, and can buff and debuff characters' Magical Attack and Magical Defense, respectively. Later on, they may also negate other characters' abilities.

Armor: Sages are proficient in cloth armor.

Weapon: Sages are proficient in wielding staves.

Buff: The Buff abilities that Sages gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Magical Attack.

Debuff: The Debuff abilities that Sages gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Magical Defense.

Stat Bonuses: During character creation, Sages get an extra +5 to their Health, +15 to their Mana, and +4 to their Initiative.

Abilities by Rank:

Rank 1- Grimoire. Passive. You have a number of Spell Slots per battle equal to your current tier. When you use a magical attack or any flex power, you can instead expend a number of Spell Slots equal to the Rank of the ability if it's a power from your job or the tier at which you acquired the ability if it's a flex power.

Rank 2- Counterspell. Reaction. When an enemy makes a magical attack, you may expend double the Mana cost of the ability to prevent the enemy from using it. They will still spend the Mana and AP cost as though they had just use it. If you cannot pay the MP cost, you cannot Counterspell an attack.

Rank 3- Instead of an ability, the Sage gains a permanent +1 to their Magical Attack.

Rank 4- Instead of an ability, the Sage gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Attack.

Rank 5- Instead of an ability, the Sage gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Attack.

Rank 6- Cantrip. Passive. No matter what job you currently occupy, you can use the Magic Missile Caster ability without spending any MP.

Rank 7- Wizard Duel. Passive. When you use your Counterspell ability, you can spend Spell Slots to reduce the Mana cost of doing so, which is reduced by 5 MP per expended Spell Slot.

Rank 8- Instead of an ability, the Sage gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Attack.

Rank 9- Instead of an ability, the Sage gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Attack.

Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Ascension. Self. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 2 AP and 1 Anima that inflicts the Ascended status on you. Ascended refills your Mana and Spell Slots and makes it so that all of your magical attacks for the rest of the battle only cost 5 MP or one Spell Slot.

Job Specialization Talents:

Striker: Martial Artist. Passive. When you use an elemental attack on an enemy's Shell that they are weak to, the next attack you make will do damage to the enemy's HP instead of their Shell regardless of whether or not they are Shellbroken.

Caster: Empowered Staff. Passive. While you occupy this job, you may cast your Elemental Bolt ability without spending any MP.

Healer: Alchemy. Passive. While you occupy this job, you may spend an AP to expend Spell Slots to directly heal a character of your choice. Each Spell Slot expended per AP heals the target for 5 HP.

Defender: Arcane Shield. Passive. You may Counterspell physical attack abilities as well as magical attacks while you occupy this job. If the enemy is using a basic attack, it costs you 5 MP or one Spell Slot to counter it.

Support: Ward. Passive. While you occupy this job, you may Counterspell debuffs and status effects in addition to magical attacks.

Saboteur: Curse. Passive. While you occupy this job, you may Counterspell healing spells and buffs in addition to magical attacks.

## Dancer

Dancers are a class that are adept at using performance and art to get what they want. They are often famous and/or talented, although this is not necessarily the case. In battle, they use magical fans and wear cloth armor for protection. They make up for their lack of armor by buffing their Evasion in the Support job and debuffing their opponents' Magical Accuracy in the Saboteur job. They can also use abilities that other characters have already used, and adopt elemental

types from both enemies and allies.

**Armor:** Dancers are proficient in cloth armor.

**Weapon:** Dancers are proficient in wielding fans.

**Buff:** The Buff abilities that Dancers gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Evasion.

**Debuff:** The Debuff abilities that Dancers gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Magical Accuracy.

**Stat Bonuses:** During character creation, Dancers get an extra +10 to their Health, +10 to their Mana, and +4 to their Initiative.

**Abilities by Rank:**

**Rank 1- Copycat. Special.** You gain an ability that costs 1 AP and 10 MP that immediately uses any of the abilities that your allies have used in the period between the end of your last turn and your current turn. Held turns count as turns when determining this.

**Rank 2- Dancer's Mask. Self.** Whenever you use an ability that has an elemental type, you may choose to take on that elemental type for the purposes of calculating the damage you receive. While you have taken on an elemental type in this manner, you may make yourself count as colorless again by spending 1 AP.

**Rank 3- Instead of an ability, the Dancer gains a permanent +1 to their Evasion.**

**Rank 4- Instead of an ability, the Dancer gains an additional permanent +1 to their Evasion.**

**Rank 5- Instead of an ability, the Dancer gains an additional permanent +1 to their Evasion.**

**Rank 6- Mimic. Special.** You gain an ability that costs 1 AP and 20 MP that immediately uses any of the abilities that your enemies have used in the period between the end of your last turn and your current turn. Held turns count as turns when determining this.

**Rank 7- Costume Change. Self.** You can spend 2 AP to change your elemental type as though you had just used an ability of that elemental type and then activated Dancer's Mask. All of the other rules apply.

**Rank 8- Instead of an ability, the Dancer gains an additional permanent +1 to their Evasion.**

**Rank 9- Instead of an ability, the Dancer gains an additional permanent +1 to their Evasion.**

**Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Tango. Multi.** Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 2 AP and 1 Anima that immediately uses every single ability that your enemies have used since your last turn. Each ability can target any enemies or allies you choose.

**Job Specialization Talents:**

**Striker: Athletic Outfit. Passive.** While you occupy this job, using your Dancer's Mask ability also changes all of the elemental physical attack abilities you gain from this job into the element that you have converted your type to while you are of that elemental type.

**Caster: School Uniform. Passive.** While you occupy this job, using your Dancer's Mask ability also changes all of the elemental magical attack abilities you gain from this job into the element that you have converted your type to while you are of that elemental type.

**Healer: Regal Clothing. Passive.** When you use a healing ability with Mimic or Copycat, you may use it twice during the action instead of once.

**Defender: Outdoor Wear. Passive.** When you have Dancer's Mask activated and you occupy this job, you are totally immune to damage and status effects from your current elemental type.

**Support: Casual Dress. Passive.** In addition to changing your elemental type, while you occupy this job your Dancer's Mask ability will change the elemental type of your job's Shell abilities. This does not apply to Shells you have already applied to yourself or your allies.

**Saboteur: Covert Jumpsuit. Passive.** In addition to changing your elemental type, while you occupy this job your Dancer's Mask ability will also change the elemental type of this job's status-inflicting abilities. This does not apply to status effects you have already put on characters.

## Priest

Priests are characters that use their innate compassion and sometimes their connection to the divine or the spiritual to ease the burdens of others. They wield scepters that double as maces in combat, and also wear cloth armor. They can also restore their allies' MP at the cost of their own, and will cause their allies' attributes to be restored passively while they are on the battlefield. All of these things, plus the fact that they buff their allies' Magical Defense and debuff their enemies' Magical Attack make them expert Healers and Supports.

**Armor:** Priests are proficient in cloth armor.

**Weapon:** Priests are proficient in wielding scepters.

**Buff:** The Buff abilities that Priests gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Magical Defense.

**Debuff:** The Debuff abilities that Priests gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Magical Attack.

**Stat Bonuses:** During character creation, Priests get an extra +10 to their Health, +15 to their Mana, and +2 to their Initiative.

**Abilities by Rank:**

**Rank 1- Restore Mana. Ally.** You gain an ability that costs 1 AP and 5 MP and restores an amount of MP to a single character other than yourself equal to your current Magical Attack.

**Rank 2- Prayer. Passive.** During the Effect Phase of every round when you are a participant in a battle, both you and your allies will regain 1 MP. If you are downed during this phase, this effect does not trigger.

**Rank 3- Instead of an ability, the Priest gains a permanent +1 to their Magical Defense.**

**Rank 4- Instead of an ability, the Priest gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Defense.**

**Rank 5- Instead of an ability, the Priest gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Defense.**

**Rank 6- Multirestore. Multi.** You gain an ability that costs 1 AP and 15 MP and restores an amount MP to all of your allies except for you equal to your current Magical Attack.

**Rank 7- Blessing. Passive.** Instead of regaining 3 MP per round due to Prayer, you and your allies regain 3 MP per round. All other rules apply as normal.

**Rank 8- Instead of an ability, the Priest gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Defense.**

Rank 9- Instead of an ability, the Priest gains an additional permanent +1 to their Magical Defense.  
Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Divine Intervention. Multi. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 2 AP and 1 Anima and restores your and your allies' MP back to full and reduces the MP of your enemies by half of its maximum value.

Job Specialization Talents:

Striker: Bludgeon. Passive. While you occupy this job, you may choose to use your basic attack to deal damage to an enemy's MP rather than their HP. This only works if their Shell has already been reduced to 0. This damage is calculated as though you are damaging their HP instead.

Caster: Divine Wrath. Passive. Your Prayer ability also does 1 HP or Shell damage to every enemy during the Effect Phase while you are not downed. This damage is fixed, meaning it is unaffected by any elemental or other modifiers and is therefore always equal to 1.

Healer: Faith Healing. Passive. Your Prayer ability also heals you and your allies for 2 HP during the Effect Phase while you are not downed. This cannot revive characters.

Defender: Divine Protection. Passive. When you take damage to your HP or Shell, you can choose to take damage to your MP instead. To do this, you must have an amount of MP equal to or greater than the damage you are taking. All elemental or other modifiers to this damage still apply.

Support: Faith Cure. Passive. Your Prayer ability heals any Shells you and your allies already have activated by 2 points during the Effect phase as long as you are not downed.

Saboteur: Drain Mana. Passive. You can use your Restore Mana and Multirestore abilities on your enemies to deal damage to their MP by the same amount that you would heal it if you used this ability on yourself or your allies.

**Conservation of Mana: Restore Mana has the potential to be abused by players. If there are two Priests in the party with Magical Attacks of above 5, they can cast Restore Mana on each other to generate an effectively infinite pool of Mana. Needless to say, this damages game balance. If there are more than two characters on the same side who both have the Restore Mana ability and you or your players are unsatisfied simply agreeing to not abuse the infinite Mana loop, you may implement the Conservation of Mana rule, which restricts the amount of Mana that characters with the Restore Mana ability can have restored to them by Restore Mana or Multirestore to 5 per cast.**

## Knights

Knights are characters who have sworn an oath to use their physical prowess to protect others and uphold the virtues of the order they represent, whether that order is a literal faction or something more abstract, like a cosmological process or deity. In battle, Knights have high Physical Defense, and can buff their allies' Physical Defense while debuffing their enemies' Physical Attack. In combination with heavy armor and lances, this makes them ideal Defenders. They also have Focus, which ups the damage that their attacks do, making them ideal Strikers against more powerful enemies.

Armor: Knights are proficient in heavy armor.

Weapon: Knights are proficient in wielding lances.

Buff: The Buff abilities that Knights gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Physical Defense.

Debuff: The Debuff abilities that Knights gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Physical Attack.

Stat Bonuses: During character creation, Knights get an extra +15 to their Health, +10 to their Mana, and +2 to their Initiative.

Abilities by Rank:

Rank 1- Focus. Self. Knights gain an ability that costs 1 AP and has no MP cost that grants them the Focused status. While a Knight is Focused, they can only use their basic attack. They gain a flat damage bonus of +2 to their basic attack, and every time they hit an enemy with their basic attack this damage bonus increases by 1. When they miss an attack, they stop being Focused, and their base damage bonus goes away.

Rank 2- Cavalry. Passive. Knights may use one free Move action per round.

Rank 3- Instead of an ability, the Knight gains a permanent +1 to their Physical Defense.

Rank 4- Instead of an ability, the Knight gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Defense.

Rank 5- Instead of an ability, the Knight gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Defense.

Rank 6- Disciplined Focus. Passive. While the Knight is Focused, they may spend 2 AP to leave Focus mode manually.

Rank 7- Skirmish. Passive. While you are Focused, you may use the free movement granted to you from the Cavalry ability. When you do so, you can also make a free basic attack against any enemy within range as though you are in the front row.

Rank 8- Instead of an ability, the Knight gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Defense.

Rank 9- Instead of an ability, the Knight gains an additional permanent +1 to their Physical Defense.

Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Rout. Self. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 1 Anima and 2 AP and instantly applies Focused to your character. You can then keep using basic attacks until the first time you miss, at which point the ability ends.

Job Specialization Talents:

Striker: Melee. Passive. While you occupy this job, you are able to use any of your physical attack abilities in addition to your basic attack while you are Focused, and the damage bonus to your basic attack also applies to these attacks.. If you hit with a physical attack, your damage also increases, while if you miss you stop being Focused and the damage bonus goes away.

Caster: Artillery. Passive. While you occupy this job, you are able to use any of your magical attack abilities in addition to your basic attack while you are Focused, and the damage bonus to your basic attack also applies to these attacks. If you hit with a magical attack, your damage also increases, while if you miss you stop being Focused and the damage bonus goes away.

Healer: Medic. Passive. You are also able to use healing abilities while Focused without ending the state. The damage bonus you have accumulated applies to the healing you do, but healing characters does not increase it.

Defender: Berserker. Passive. When you occupy this job and you are Focused, you are able to use the Guard and Taunt abilities, and your damage bonus also reduces the base damage that enemies deal to you. However, using Guard and Taunt does not increase your damage bonus.

**Support:** Relentless. Passive. When you occupy this job and you have a Shell up while you are Focused, you may expend the entirety of your Shell to stay Focused when you miss a basic attack. If you no longer have a Shell, you are unable to stop from losing the effect.

**Saboteur:** Spy. Passive. When you occupy this job and you are Focused, you are also able to inflict status effects on enemies. Your damage bonus is added to your Status Accuracy when you do this, but hitting with a status effect does not increase it. If you miss with a status effect ability, you also stop being Focused.

## Commander

Commanders are charismatic leaders who are pillars of strength for their followers, whether they are a general at the head of an army or merely the captain of a sports team. Their Orders give their parties lots of flexibility, and their heavy armor and swords ensure that they are skilled at defending against physical damage. They have high Resistance, and can buff that same statistic as well as debuff their enemies' Status Accuracy, making them very useful to have along when traveling.

**Armor:** Commanders are proficient in heavy armor.

**Weapon:** Commanders are proficient in wielding swords.

**Buff:** The Buff abilities that Commanders gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Resistance.

**Debuff:** The Debuff abilities that Commanders gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Status Accuracy.

**Stat Bonuses:** During character creation, Commanders get an extra +15 to their Health, +5 to their Mana, and +4 to their Initiative.

**Abilities by Rank:**

**Rank 1- Orders.** Ally. You gain an ability that costs 1 AP and no MP and gives 1 free AP to an ally of your choice that they can use to do anything during your turn. You may only do this once per turn.

**Rank 2- Standard Bearer.** Passive. Allies of yours that act after you in the Initiative order gain a +1 bonus to their Status, Magical, and Physical Accuracies when they make physical or magical attacks or try to inflict status effects. This effect cannot apply to you, and does not apply if you are downed. This bonus does not stack with other Standard Bearer bonuses, but it does stack with any buffs.

**Rank 3- Instead of an ability,** the Commander gains a permanent +1 to their Resistance.

**Rank 4- Instead of an ability,** the Commander gains an additional permanent +1 to their Resistance.

**Rank 5- Instead of an ability,** the Commander gains an additional permanent +1 to their Resistance.

**Rank 6- Courier Network.** Passive. You can give Orders twice per turn instead of just once.

**Rank 7- Chain of Command.** Passive. If you are downed in combat, the ally that acts next in the Initiative order becomes the new Standard Bearer, and this passive ability affects your party as though they were a Commander if they aren't already.

**Rank 8- Instead of an ability,** the Commander gains an additional permanent +1 to their Resistance.

**Rank 9- Instead of an ability,** the Commander gains an additional permanent +1 to their Resistance.

**Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Charge!** Special. You gain an ability that costs 2 AP and 1 Anima and grants all of your allies an immediate full turn that they can take in any order they want. During this turn, they can substitute your statistics for theirs.

**Job Specialization Talents:**

**Striker:** Frontline Fighter. Passive. When an ally makes a physical attack with the AP you gave them with Orders, they can add your Physical Accuracy to the attack roll instead of theirs if they wish.

**Caster:** Siege Engineer. Passive. When an ally makes a magical attack with the AP you gave them with Orders, they can add your Magical Accuracy to the attack roll instead of theirs if they wish.

**Healer:** Hospital Administration. Passive. When an ally uses a healing ability with the AP you gave them with Orders, they can add your Magical Attack to the healing they do instead of theirs if they wish.

**Defender:** Vanguard. Passive. Allies who are affected by the bonus from Standard Bearer are automatically Guarded, but you are free to choose whether or not you take damage for them when they are attacked. If you have actively Guarded an ally or allies, you are not free to choose if you become the target of the next attack.

**Support:** Effective Logistics. Passive. You apply your Standard Bearer bonus to all allies regardless of their place in the Initiative Order while you occupy this job.

**Saboteur:** Spymaster. Passive. When an ally inflicts a status effect with the AP you gave them with Orders, they can add your Status Accuracy to the status-inflicting roll instead of theirs if they wish.

## Harlequin

Harlequins are tricksters, rebels, and gamblers who play with the forces of chance to gain the upper hand in battle. They wield claws and wear light armor, and can buff their allies' Status Accuracy while debuffing their enemies' Physical Accuracy, making them great at dealing with boss monsters and filling the Saboteur role. They also exploit risk and reward during combat, putting themselves at risk of damage in exchange for dealing much greater damage.

**Armor:** Harlequins are proficient in light armor.

**Weapon:** Harlequins are proficient in wielding claws.

**Buff:** The Buff abilities that Harlequins gain when they take the Support class affect the target's Status Accuracy.

**Debuff:** The Debuff abilities that Harlequins gain when they take the Saboteur class affect the target's Physical Accuracy.

**Stat Bonuses:** During character creation, Harlequins get an extra +5 to their Health, +10 to their Mana, and +6 to their Initiative.

**Abilities by Rank:**

**Rank 1- Gamble.** Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 1 AP and lets you wager a total amount of HP and MP equal to your tier multiplied by 5 against an enemy. Neither of you can wager more HP or MP than you currently have, meaning

that if you wager more than an enemy has they have to wager everything they have left. Then, both the player and the target roll a 1d10. If the player's roll is higher than the enemy's, the enemy loses the HP and MP they wagered, while if the player's roll is lower than the enemy's, they lose the same amount. If the roll is tied, nothing happens. If either character has a Shell, they can wager their Shell in addition to HP and MP.

Rank 2- Jubilee. Special. You can spend 2 AP on your turn to cause the Initiative order to be rerolled as though the battle were just commencing during the Effect Phase at the end of the round. The Paradigm Phase plays out as normal before the first round starts, and First Strike does not apply.

Rank 3- Instead of an ability, the Harlequin gains a permanent +1 to their Status Accuracy.

Rank 4- Instead of an ability, the Harlequin gains an additional permanent +1 to their Status Accuracy.

Rank 5- Instead of an ability, the Harlequin gains an additional permanent +1 to their Status Accuracy.

Rank 6- Double or Nothing. Passive. When you lose a roll when using the Gamble ability, you may choose to reroll in exchange for doubling your wager, assuming you have enough HP, MP, and Shell remaining to do so. If the enemy cannot match your wager, they simply wager all of their remaining HP, MP, and Shell. You must accept the results of this reroll.

Rank 7- Roulette Wheel. Passive. Whenever you call Initiative as a result of Jubilee, you may choose to call even or odd instead of a number. If you are right, your Initiative is treated as 1.5x its value, rounded down, and you always win ties. If you are wrong, your Initiative is treated as 0.75x its value, rounded down, and you always lose ties.

Rank 8- Instead of an ability, the Harlequin gains an additional permanent +1 to their Status Accuracy.

Rank 9- Instead of an ability, the Harlequin gains an additional permanent +1 to their Status Accuracy.

Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Spin the Revolver. Ranged. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 2 AP and 1 Anima that targets a single enemy. First, roll a 1d6. If the number is a 6, the enemy takes quadruple your Magical Attack base colorless magical damage. Otherwise, roll again. If the number is a 6 this time, you take damage instead of the enemy. Go back and forth until either you or the target take damage.

Job Specialization Talents:

Striker: Random Strike. Passive. When you use a physical attack, you may choose to roll a 1d10 and consult the Random Element Table at the end of this section to determine the elemental type of the attack.

Caster: Rainbow Attack. Passive. When you use a magical attack, you may choose to roll a 1d10 and consult the Random Element Table at the end of this section to determine the elemental type of the attack.

Healer: Bet Your Life. Passive. When you heal yourself or an ally, you may choose to roll a 1d10. If you roll above a 5, the healing you do is doubled. Otherwise, you heal 0 HP.

Defender: Call Bluff. Passive. When you Taunt an enemy, you may choose to roll a 1d10 against theirs. If you lose, you take double damage from them in addition to any other modifiers while they are Taunted by you. If you win, you take half damage from them in addition to any other modifiers while they are Taunted by you. If you both tie, you take damage as normal.

Support: Random Buff. Passive. When you occupy this job and you use an ability that buffs an ally's statistics, you can roll a 1d10 and consult the Random Statistic Table to see what statistic you buff. If you roll a 10, something embarrassing but benign happens instead. The GM should describe what that is.

Saboteur: Random Debuff. Passive. When you occupy this job and you use an ability that debuffs an enemy's statistics, you can roll a 1d10 and consult the Random Statistic Table to see what statistic you buff. If you roll a 10, something embarrassing but benign happens instead. The GM should describe what that is.

Random Element Table

- 1- Colorless
- 2- Fire
- 3- Water
- 4- Earth
- 5- Light
- 6- Cold
- 7- Shadow
- 8- Thunder
- 9- Metal
- 10- Wood

Random Statistic Table

- 1- Physical attack
- 2- Magical attack
- 3- Physical defense
- 4- Magical defense
- 5- Evasion
- 6- Resistance
- 7- Physical accuracy
- 8- Magic accuracy
- 9- Status accuracy

# Jobs

If a character's class represents the aspect of themselves from outside of combat that they bring into combat, then their job is a straightforward expression of their combat role. There are six jobs: Strikers, which specialize in physical attacks; Casters, which specialize in magical attacks; Healers, which specialize in healing; Defenders, which specialize in guarding their allies; Supports, which specialize in buffing their allies and applying Shells; and Saboteurs, which specialize in debuffing their enemies and applying status effects. At tier 1, each character starts with a single job that they cannot switch out of at any point. As they advance in tier, they will learn new jobs that they may switch between during the Paradigm Phase in combat and at any time out of combat.



When you occupy a job, you may use any of the abilities that you have unlocked while advancing your character. All characters that have a job unlocked may use that job's rank 1 ability without having to further unlock it. In addition, while they occupy a job, they gain extra bonuses to a set of three statistics. Each of these bonuses is equal to their Body, Mind, or Spirit, and is specified in the job description. This bonus contributes to the base value of that statistic while the character occupies the corresponding job.

## Striker

The Striker is an expert in making physical attacks. They are at their best when there are enemies on the field that have been Shellbroken.

Statistic Bonuses:

While a character is a Striker, they get a bonus to their Physical Attack equal to their Body.

While a character is a Striker, they get a bonus to their Evasion equal to their Mind.

While a character is a Striker, they get a bonus to their Physical Defense equal to their Spirit.

Abilities by Rank:

Rank 1- Strike. Melee. You gain an ability that costs 3 MP that makes a physical attack against a single target. The damage of this attack is multiplied by 1.5x in addition to any other modifiers.

Rank 2- Elemental Attack. Melee. You gain an ability that costs 3 MP and makes a physical attack against a single target that has an elemental type equal to your base elemental type.

Rank 3- Power Attack. Melee. You gain an ability that costs 5 MP and makes a physical attack against a single target whose damage is multiplied by two in addition to other multipliers.

Rank 4- Cleave. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 7 MP and makes a physical attack against every enemy in the front row. You may only use this ability from the front row.

Rank 5- Leaping Strike. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 5 MP and makes a physical attack that can hit enemies in the front row while you are in the back row, and can hit enemies in either row when you are in the front row.

Rank 6- Elemental Cleave. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 10 MP and makes a physical attack of your elemental type against every enemy in the front row.

Rank 7- Whirlwind. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 12 MP and makes a physical attack against all enemies on the battlefield regardless of where you are located.

Rank 8- Elemental Leap. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 8 MP and makes a physical attack that can hit enemies in the front row while you are in the back row, and can hit enemies in either row when you are in the front row. This attack has an elemental type equal to your base elemental type.

Rank 9- Elemental Whirlwind. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 15 MP and makes a physical attack against all enemies on the battlefield regardless of where you are located. This attack has an elemental type equal to your base elemental type.

Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Dragonslayer. Melee. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 1 Anima point and 2 AP that makes a physical attack against an enemy that deals quadruple base damage in addition to other modifiers if their Shell is 0 but their HP is still at maximum. If their HP is not at maximum, this ability deals double base damage in addition to other modifiers instead.

## Caster

Casters are experts in making magical attacks. They also have the unique ability to deal colorless magical damage, making them ideal for breaking Shells.

Statistic Bonuses:

While a character is a Caster, they get a bonus to their Resistance equal to their Body.

While a character is a Caster, they get a bonus to their Magical Attack equal to their Mind.

While a character is a Caster, they get a bonus to their Magical Defense equal to their Spirit.

Abilities by Rank:

Rank 1- Magic Missile. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 3 MP and makes a colorless magical attack against a single target.

Rank 2- Elemental Bolt. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 5 MP and makes a magical attack against a single target that has an elemental type that is the same as your base elemental type.

Rank 3- Trained Spellcaster. Passive. While you occupy the Caster job, any flex powers you have that make magical attacks cost 5 MP rather than 10 MP.

Rank 4- Magic Chain. Special. You gain an attack that costs 8 MP and makes a colorless magical attack against a single target. If this attack breaks the target's Shell, you may target another character with the same attack roll as the previous one. Each subsequent attack that breaks a target's Shell also gives you another free attack.

Rank 5- Magic Burst. Ranged. You gain an attack that costs 7 MP and makes a colorless magical attack against a single target. The base damage of this attack is multiplied by two in addition to any other multipliers.

Rank 6- Elemental Burst. Ranged. You gain an attack that costs 9 MP and makes a magical attack whose elemental type is the same as your base elemental type against a single target. The base damage of this attack is multiplied by two in addition to any other multipliers.

Rank 7- Elemental Chain. Special. You gain an attack that costs 10 MP and makes a magical attack whose elemental type is the same as your base elemental type against a single target. If this attack breaks the target's Shell, you may target another character with the same attack roll as the previous one. Each subsequent attack that breaks a target's Shell also gives you another free attack.

Rank 8- Magic Storm. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 13 MP and makes a colorless magical attack against all enemies on the battlefield.

Rank 9- Elemental Storm. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 15 MP and makes a magical attack whose elemental

type is the same as your base elemental type against all enemies on the battlefield.  
Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Apocalypse. Multi. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 2 AP and 1 Anima that makes a magical attack against all enemies on the battlefield whose elemental type is the same as your base elemental type. In addition to other modifiers, this ability's base damage is also multiplied by three.

## Healer

Healers specialize in using abilities that heal other characters, as well as get rid of status effects and revive them after being downed.

Statistic Bonuses:

While a character is a Healer, they get a bonus to their Evasion equal to their Body.

While a character is a Healer, they get a bonus to their Physical Attack equal to their Mind.

While a character is a Healer, they get a bonus to their Magical Attack equal to their Spirit.

Abilities by Rank:

Rank 1- Heal. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 5 MP and restores an amount of HP to a single target equal to your Magical Attack.

Rank 2- Cleanse. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 8 MP and removes all buffs and debuffs that have been applied to a single target, meaning that the Bonus Tracker for each of their statistics that have not been buffed is reset to +0.

Rank 3- Revive. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 10 MP and revives a single downed ally back to 1 HP.

Rank 4- Life Aura. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 2 AP and does not have an MP cost that heals every ally on the battlefield for a fixed 5 HP.

Rank 5- Mend. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 11 MP and heals a single target by an amount of HP equal to twice your Magical Attack.

Rank 6- Cure. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 12 MP and removes all status effects from a single target. Status effects from class abilities such as Focused and Hidden are also removed.

Rank 7- Raise Dead. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 15 MP and revives a single downed target to an amount of HP equal to half its maximum HP rounded down. This counts penalties from injuries. Raised characters will always revive with at least 1 HP.

Rank 8- Multiheal. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 15 MP and heals yourself and all of your allies for an amount of HP equal to your Magical Attack.

Rank 9- Treatment. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 18 MP and removes all status effects and debuffs from yourself and all allies on the battlefield, including status effects such as Focused or Hidden.

Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Second Chance. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 2 AP and 1 Anima that heals you and all of your allies back to full HP regardless of if they are downed and removes all status effects and debuffs from all of you. This also heals your Eidolon if they have taken damage.

## Defender

Defenders are specialists in taking damage for allies and drawing the attacks of enemies. Later on, they also gain abilities that negate damage from different types of attacks. While they don't have any attacks, all of their abilities count as being ranged.

Statistic Bonuses:

While a character is a Defender, they get a bonus to their Physical Defense equal to their Body.

While a character is a Defender, they get a bonus to their Resistance equal to their Mind.

While a character is a Defender, they get a bonus to their Magical Defense equal to their Spirit.

Rank 1- Taunt. Ranged. You gain an ability that has no MP cost and inflicts the Taunted status effect on an enemy. Taunted ensures that the target can only target you with physical attacks, magical attacks, or status effects until the beginning of your next turn and cannot target any other characters or use any other abilities. If you are out of range of their attacks and they cannot move within range, then they choose their abilities as though they had not been Taunted. Enemies cannot be Taunted by multiple Defenders at once, but if you Taunt an enemy that is Taunted by another character, they will target you instead. Enemies with powers that attack multiple enemies can still use them as long as you are one of their targets.

Rank 2- Guard. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 5 MP and inflicts the Guarded status on one of your allies. Until the beginning of your next turn, every time that ally is targeted by a magical attack, physical attack, or status effect, you become the target instead. Abilities such as Cure or Treatment can remove this effect early. If the attack would target you as well as them, it is simply negated against the Guarded ally, and you are targeted as normal.

Rank 3- Shield. Self. You gain an ability that costs 7 MP and inflicts the Shielded status effect on you. The next time an enemy hits you with a physical attack, the damage they deal is automatically reduced to zero and you lose the Shielded status.

Rank 4- Counter. Self. You gain an ability that costs 7 MP and inflicts the Countering status on you until the beginning of your next turn. When you have the Countering status and an enemy targets you with a physical attack, they become the target of that same physical attack as though they had targeted both you and themselves. If the attacker is using an ability that has multiple targets, they are the only additional target of their own ability.

Rank 5- Multitaunt. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 9 MP and inflicts Taunted on every single enemy on the battlefield until the beginning of your next turn.

Rank 6- Multiguard. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 10 MP and inflicts the Guarded status on every single ally on the battlefield until the beginning of your next turn.

Rank 8- Reflect. Self. You gain an ability that costs 12 MP and inflicts the Reflected status on you until the beginning of your next turn. If an enemy targets you with a magical attack, they become the target of that same magical attack as though they had targeted both you and themselves. If the attacker is using an ability that has multiple targets, they are

the only additional target of their own ability.

Rank 9- Deathless. Passive. Any attack that would lead to you being downed while you occupy this job will instead bring you down to 1 HP. If you are already at 1 HP, you are still downed.

Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Mirror Shield. Self. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 2 AP and 1 Anima that inflicts the Mirrored status onto yourself. Mirrored both negates *and* reflects all attacks and status inflicting abilities back onto the user until the beginning of your next turn

## Support

Support characters are capable of buffing their allies, as well as applying Shells to allies that do not have them as well as healing Shells that they already have. They can also use Haste, an ability that increases the amount of AP that allies have available to use during battle, making them indispensable in almost any situation.

Statistic Bonuses:

While a character is a Support, they get a bonus to their Physical Defense equal to their Body.

While a character is a Support, they get a bonus to their Magical Defense equal to their Mind.

While a character is a Support, they get a bonus to their Magical Attack equal to their Spirit.

Abilities by Rank:

Rank 1- Buff. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 5 MP and moves you or an ally one level up on the Bonus Tracker for the statistic associated with your class.

Rank 2- Shell. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 7 MP and increases the Shell of yourself or an ally by an amount equal to your Magic Attack. The Shell's elemental type is your base elemental type. The maximum Shell that any one ally can have is equal to their Health (*not* their current max HP), and they cannot have a Shell of more than one elemental type applied to them at the same time. If they have a Shell of another elemental type, that Shell simply goes away and is replaced with the new Shell. Note that the rules for Shellbreaking apply to Shells placed on allies as much as Shells placed on enemies.

Rank 3- Protect. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 9 MP and confers the Protected status on yourself or an ally. A Protected ally that is hit by an attack that deals damage of your basic elemental type will not receive that damage, and the Protected status will go away. Characters can be protected from all elements at once except for colorless damage, but this effect does not stack more than once.

Rank 4- Multibuff. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 10 MP and moves you and all of your allies one level up on the Bonus Tracker for the statistic associated with your class.

Rank 5- Haste. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 12 MP and gives your or a single ally +1 AP for the next three rounds after the round during which you use this ability. Haste cannot stack, but any additional uses of Haste on an Ally that is already Hasted will extend the duration of the effect by three additional rounds.

Rank 6- Multishell. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 14 MP and increases the Shell of you and all of your allies by an amount equal to your Magic Attack. Each Shell's elemental type is your base elemental type. The maximum Shell that any one ally can have is equal to their Health (*not* their current max HP), and they cannot have a Shell of more than one elemental type applied to them at the same time. If they have a Shell of another elemental type, that Shell simply goes away and is replaced with the new Shell. Note that the rules for Shellbreaking apply to Shells placed on allies as much as Shells placed on enemies.

Rank 7- Power Buff. Ally. You gain an ability that costs 16 MP and moves you or an ally three levels up on the Bonus Tracker for the statistic associated with your class.

Rank 8- Multiprotect. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 40 MP and confers the Protected status on yourself and all of your allies. A Protected ally that is hit by an attack that deals damage of your basic elemental type will not receive that damage, and the Protected status will go away. Characters can be protected from all elements at once except for colorless damage, but this effect does not stack more than once.

Rank 9- Multihaste. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 25 MP and gives you and all your allies +1 AP for the next three rounds after the round during which you use this ability. Haste cannot stack, but any additional uses of Haste on an Ally that is already Hasted will extend the duration of the effect by three additional rounds.

Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Comeback. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 1 Anima and 2 AP and moves both yourself and all of your allies to +7 on the Bonus Tracker for the statistic that your class buffs regardless of what buffs or debuffs are currently applied to that statistic.

## Saboteur

Saboteurs are specialists in precisely the opposite of what Supports do; that is, they inflict debuffs, status effects, and negate the elemental resistances of their enemies. They are almost always useful in battle, but especially so on the first few turns.

Statistic Bonuses:

While a character is a Saboteur, they get a bonus to their Resistance equal to their Body.

While a character is a Saboteur, they get a bonus to their Physical Attack equal to their Mind.

While a character is a Saboteur, they get a bonus to their Evasion equal to their Spirit.

Abilities by Rank:

Rank 1- Debuff. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 3 MP and moves an enemy one level down on the Bonus Tracker for the statistic that your class debuffs.

Rank 2- Debilitate. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 7 MP and makes a status-inflicting ability roll against a single enemy. If this roll succeeds, you inflict the status on that enemy associated with your basic elemental type.

Rank 3- Slow. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 12 MP and gives the target the Slowed effect, which reduces their AP by 1 for the next three rounds after the round during which you use this ability. Slow cannot stack, but any additional uses of Slow on an enemy that is already Slowed will extend the duration of the effect by three additional

rounds.

Rank 4- Multidebuff. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 12 MP and moves all enemies on the battlefield one level down on the Bonus Tracker for the statistic that your class debuffs.

Rank 5- Vulnerability. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 8 MP and inflicts the Vulnerable status on an enemy without a roll. The next ability that hits that enemy that does damage of your base elemental type will deal damage as though the target had a 2x elemental weakness to it. Once the enemy has taken this damage, they stop being Vulnerable. Vulnerability cannot stack, but enemies can be rendered Vulnerable to multiple elemental types at once. However, they can never be rendered vulnerable to colorless damage.

Rank 6- Power Debuff. Ranged. You gain an ability that costs 10 MP and moves an enemy three levels down on the Bonus Tracker for the statistic that your class debuffs.

Rank 7- Multidebilitate. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 18 MP and makes a status-inflicting roll against all enemies on the battlefield. You inflict the status associated with your basic elemental type on every enemy this roll succeeds on.

Rank 8- Multislow. You gain an ability that costs 28 MP and gives every enemy on the battlefield the Slowed effect, which reduces their AP by 1 for the next three rounds after the round during which you use this ability. Slow cannot stack, but any additional uses of Slow on an enemy that is already Slowed will extend the duration of the effect by three additional rounds.

Rank 9- Multivulnerability. Multi. You gain an ability that costs 19 MP and inflicts the Vulnerable status on all enemies on the battlefield without a roll. The next ability that hits that enemy that does damage of your base elemental type will deal damage as though the target had a 2x elemental weakness to it. Once the enemy has taken this damage, they stop being Vulnerable. Vulnerability cannot stack, but enemies can be rendered Vulnerable to multiple elemental types at once. However, they can never be rendered vulnerable to colorless damage.

Rank 10- (Eidolon Ability) Vortex. Multi. Your Eidolon gains an ability that costs 1 Anima and 2 AP that inflicts one level of your class debuff on every enemy on the battlefield, as well as inflicting your basic elemental type's status effect and Slow on all of them without needing a status-inflicting ability roll.

## Eidolons

In Last Odyssey, characters are imbued with the power of magic. Run-of-the-mill abilities are powered by Mana, but the most potent form of magic is instead powered by Anima, which is the magical power inherent in the will of all conscious beings. Anima finds its highest expression in the magic of the Eidolons. A character's Eidolon is a demigodlike being whose power protects and is in turn fed by the deepest parts of a character's soul. For example, a character who is kind and compassionate might be protected by a powerful dragon, while a character who is tough and stoic might be protected by an ethereal goddess. In any case, Eidolons have two purposes within the game. The first of these is to intervene out of combat in order to save characters from dire circumstances, and the second of these is that Eidolons may be summoned during combat in order to give characters an edge.

A character's summoned Eidolon has the same basic elemental type as that character. Unlike the character themselves, the Eidolon's elemental type affects the damage that they take in addition to their abilities. An Eidolon's statistics are equal to 5x the base statistics of the character that summoned them, including any bonuses from equipment but disregarding any bonuses to their statistics from their current job. The exception to this is Mana, which Eidolons do not need to expend in order to use their abilities. Instead, their abilities are either free or cost Anima. They also have the same number of Action Points that their characters do. When they are first summoned, they start at full AP and can immediately take their turn.

## Anima

In order to summon their Eidolon and to use certain abilities, character's must spend Anima. Anima is an expression of a character's life energy, and can be accrued by acting out Scenes. Outside of combat, when a character decides to put something valuable to them at risk in order to either be their Ideal self or their Shadow self, they may tell the GM that they want to act out a Scene, which is a dramatic cutscene that somehow either directly or indirectly contextualizes their decision and its results. During a Scene, either the player and the GM or two players take the role of its two most important actors, but other players may also act as different parts of it as well, taking on the roles of supporting characters (including player characters if relevant) or parts of the Scene itself, such as the lighting, the camera, or the music. A Scene ends once sufficient justification for the central character to give up what they are sacrificing is established, at which point all participants earn a single Anima.

Each player may initiate a Scene once per game session, although they can participate in as many Scenes as they like in supporting roles. Scenes can be as abstract or concrete as player characters want, ranging from childhood flashbacks to confessions of love to arguments with God or with a pantheon of gods, but they always begin and end with a character's decision to risk something valuable to them, whether that be a relationship, a beloved object, a job, a title, or even their sense of themselves. Once the scene is over, the GM rolls a 1d10. If the result is a 5 or below, the thing that the player risked is permanently changed, while if they roll above a 5 the thing that the player risked is preserved as it was.

Players can spend Anima in or out of combat in any of the following ways:

In combat, they can spend 3 Anima to take the Summon Eidolon action.

In combat, they must spend 1 Anima per turn to keep the Eidolon on the field.

Out of combat, they can spend 3 Anima to summon their Eidolon to save themselves from true death. If so, they will be revived during the next scene at 1 HP. They must do this at the moment of their own death, and they cannot intervene to save any other characters but themselves.

Out of combat, they can spend 1 Anima to automatically succeed when they attempt to force a result (see the travel and puzzle rules for more details).

Out of combat, they can spend 1 Anima to revive their Eidolon to full HP.

## Eidolons in Combat

In combat, Eidolons are immune to all debuffs and status effects. They may still receive Shells and buffs as normal, however, and are also still capable of taking damage.

As a character advances the Rank of their class and jobs, they unlock special abilities that only their Eidolons can use. In addition, a character's Eidolon also has a basic attack and two more powers determined by said character's starting job. Here are the powers that an Eidolon has when their character is Rank 1:

**Attack.** **Melee.** All Eidolons have a physical attack that works the same way as their character's basic attack.  
**Full Restore.** **Self.** All Eidolons can spend 1 Anima and 1 AP to remove all status effects from themselves and immediately restore themselves to full HP.

**Striker:**

**Cleave.** **Multi.** The Eidolon makes a melee physical attack against all enemies in the front row.

**Elemental Strike.** **Melee.** The Eidolon makes a physical attack against a single enemy whose elemental type is the same as their elemental type.

**Caster:**

**Magic Bolt.** **Ranged.** The Eidolon makes a colorless magical attack against a single enemy.

**Elemental Bolt.** **Ranged.** The Eidolon makes a magical attack whose elemental type is the same as their elemental type against a single enemy.

**Healer:**

**Heal.** **Ally.** The Eidolon heals either themselves or a single ally by an amount equal to the Eidolon's Magical Attack. If the ally is downed, they are also revived.

**Cure.** **Ally.** The Eidolon removes all debuffs and status effects from themselves or from an ally, including status effects such as Protected or Reflecting.

**Defender:**

**Shield.** **Self.** The Eidolon reflects all physical attacks used against them back at the user as though the user were the target of the attack instead of the Eidolon until the beginning of their next turn. Multi attacks target all enemies.

Attacks that the Eidolon has used against itself simply have their damage negated.

**Barrier.** **Self.** The Eidolon reflects all magical attacks used against them back at the user as though the user were the target of the attack instead of the Eidolon until the beginning of their next turn. Multi attacks target all enemies.

Attacks that the Eidolon has used against itself simply have their damage negated.

**Support:**

**Enhance.** **Ally.** The Eidolon brings the Bonus Tracker of the statistic that their character's class buffs to +7 for a single target. Once the Eidolon disappears, all targets of Enhance will be Hasted for three subsequent rounds as though the Eidolon has Hasted them on the round it disappeared.

**Shell.** **Ally.** The Eidolon puts the maximum possible Shell of its elemental type on itself or an ally.

**Saboteur:**

**Reduce.** **Ranged.** The Eidolon brings the Bonus Tracker of the statistic that their character's class debuffs to -7 for a single target and also Slows them for three rounds.

**Sabotage.** **Ranged.** The Eidolon makes a status-inflicting ability roll against a single target. If they succeed, they inflict the status associated with their elemental type on the target.

When an Eidolon is first summoned, they begin at the amount of HP they had right before they were summoned. At the beginning of each turn after the Eidolon was summoned, their character must either spend 1 Anima to keep them on the field or else the Eidolon stops being summoned and the Initiative order goes back to normal. If the Eidolon drops to 0 HP, they are also unsummoned, and cannot be summoned again until after the battle is over. When an Eidolon is unsummoned, whatever HP they had remains until it is healed by their character. However, Eidolons do not suffer from Toxin, Frostbite, or Burn outside of combat.

## Equipment

A character's base Physical and Magical Attack and Defense as well as their base Evasion and Resistance are at least in part determined by special items that they carry on their person into combat that represent their arms and armor. By default, a character can wear three types of equipment: weapons, which give bonuses to their base Magical and Physical Attack; armor, which gives bonuses to their base Physical and Magical Defense; and accessories, which give bonuses to their base Evasion and Resistance.

The potency of a piece of armor or a weapon is determined by its Quality. There are four levels of Quality a piece of gear can have: Mundane, Rare, Expert, and Unique. The first three levels give flat increases to the bonuses the respective piece of armor or weaponry provides to a character's statistics. Quality also determines the total Upgrade Value available to each weapon. In addition to a piece of equipment's basic stats, each one also has a number of attached extra effects known as upgrades. Each upgrade has an associated UV number. The total sum of all of the UV numbers of the upgrades to a given weapon or armor set can never be greater than its total Upgrade Value. Mundane equipment has a UV of 1, Rare equipment has a UV of 2, and Expert equipment has a UV of 3. Unique weapons and armor count as having UV numbers of 3 as well, but have additional unique upgrades that distinguish them from all

other pieces of equipment.

Roughly speaking, Mundane equipment is meant to be used by characters of levels 1-4, Rare equipment is meant to be used by characters of levels 4-6, Expert equipment is meant to be used by characters of levels 7-9, and Unique equipment should be acquired by characters of levels 9-10. The exception to this rule is accessories, that do not have UV numbers but instead each possess a single upgrade that either counts as Partial or Total. Accessories with Partial upgrades give bonuses to a character's Evasion or Resistance, while accessories with Total upgrades do not.

For the most part, Quality and UV numbers and total Upgrade Values will not be visible to players. However, there are two reasons why they are relevant. The first, already stated, is that they are a rough estimate of when to make them available to players during a campaign. The second is that they determine the base cost to purchase them from a vendor. The exception to this is Unique weapons, which should not be purchasable via vendors but instead should be rewards for defeating Villains or Monsters and for clearing Dungeons. The formulae for calculating base cost for different pieces of equipment are as follows:

**Weapons:**

Mundane weapons cost 100 cr, Rare weapons cost 1,000 cr, and Expert weapons cost 10,000 cr.

Each UV 1 upgrade multiplies the cost of a weapon by 2, each UV 2 upgrade multiplies the cost of a weapon by 4, and each UV 3 upgrade multiplies the cost of a weapon by 8.

**Armor:**

Mundane armor costs 500 cr, Rare armor costs 2,500 cr, and Expert armor costs 12,500 cr.

Each UV 1 upgrade multiplies the cost of an armor set by 2, each UV 2 upgrade multiplies the cost of an armor set by 4, and each UV 3 upgrade multiplies the cost of an armor set by 8.

**Accessories:**

The base cost of an accessory is 750 cr.

A Partial Upgrade multiplies the base cost of an accessory by 2, while a Total Upgrade multiplies it by 4.

## Weapons

Each character can wield a single weapon at a time during combat. There is no such thing as dual wielding in this game, but characters can always swap out their current weapon for another one they are proficient in without any effort out of combat and with the Swap Weapon action during combat. All weapons give bonuses to a character's base Physical Attack and their base Magical Attack while they are being wielded. The values of these bonuses are determined by the weapon's Quality and Attack Type. There are three Attack Types, Balanced, Physical, and Magical. The corresponding attack bonuses each of them gives and the types of weapons that count as each Attack Type are as follows:

**Physical:**

Lances, Swords, and Bows count as as having the Physical Attack Type.

Mundane Physical weapons grant a +3 to Physical Attack and a +1 to Magical Attack.

Rare Physical weapons grant a +5 to Physical Attack and a +3 to Magical Attack.

Expert Physical weapons grant a +7 to Physical Attack and a +5 to Magical Attack.

**Balanced:**

Guns, Daggers, and Claws count as as having the Balanced Attack Type.

Mundane Balanced weapons grant a +2 to Physical Attack and a +2 to Magical Attack.

Rare Balanced weapons grant a +4 to Physical Attack and a +4 to Magical Attack.

Expert Balanced weapons grant a +6 to Physical Attack and a +6 to Magical Attack.

**Magical:**

Staves, Fans, and Scepters count as as having the Magical Attack Type.

Mundane Magical weapons grant a +1 to Physical Attack and a +3 to Magical Attack.

Rare Magical weapons grant a +3 to Physical Attack and a +5 to Magical Attack.

Expert Magical weapons grant a +5 to Physical Attack and a +7 to Magical Attack.

**Upgrades by Upgrade Value:**

**Variable-**

**Keen.** This upgrade gives a bonus to either your Status, Magical, or Physical Accuracy depending on its UV. UV 1 gives a +1, UV 2 gives a +3, and UV 3 gives a +5.

**Extra Ability.** When a character wields a weapon with this upgrade, they are able to use a single flex power, job power, or class ability at twice its normal MP cost. At UV 1, the ability is earned at of Rank 1-3 of the job or class that can use it, at UV 2 the ability is earned at Rank 4-6, and at UV 3 the ability is earned at rank 7-9. Flex powers always count as UV 1.

**Fast.** This upgrade gives a bonus to the wielder's Initiative score. At UV 1, the bonus is +1, at UV 2 the bonus is +2, and at UV 3 the bonus is +3.

**Sharpened.** After you hit an enemy with a physical attack while wielding a weapon with this upgrade, you can add an amount of damage to the end result of the damage calculation (that is, after all multipliers have been applied) given by the UV of the upgrade. UV 1 gives +1 extra damage, UV 2 gives +2 extra damage, and UV 3 gives +3 extra damage.

**Energized.** After you hit an enemy with a magical attack while wielding a weapon with this upgrade, you can add an amount of damage to the end result of the damage calculation (that is, after all multipliers have been applied) given by the UV of the upgrade. UV 1 gives +1 extra damage, UV 2 gives +2 extra damage, and UV 3 gives +3 extra damage.

**UV 1-**

**Elemental.** Instead of dealing colorless physical damage, this weapon's basic attack deals elemental physical damage of

a fixed type. This upgrade cannot be applied more than once to a single weapon.

**Slayer.** When you hit an enemy of the Enemy Type specified by this upgrade, the damage is multiplied by 1.5x in addition to other modifiers. This upgrade cannot stack, but you can have multiple Slayer upgrades of different types on the same weapon.

**Light.** In addition to their usual basic attack, weapons with this upgrade give the wielder a free ability called Light Attack. When the wielder uses this ability, they make two colorless, melee, physical attacks against a single target, each one dealing damage multiplied by 0.75x in addition to other modifiers.

**Poisoned.** When you hit an enemy with this weapon's basic attack, it also inflicts one level of the debuff specified by this upgrade. This ability cannot stack, but a weapon can be Poisoned with multiple different kinds of debuffs at once.

**Pommel Guard.** While wielding this weapon, you are immune to enemy abilities that reflect your abilities back at you. However, when an enemy successfully reflects one of your abilities, it still counts as negating its effects on them.

## UV 2-

**Cursed.** When you hit an enemy with this weapon's basic attack, you also inflict the status specified by this upgrade.

**Blunt.** This weapon's basic attack is replaced with an ability that makes a melee physical attack against an enemy. On a hit, this attack does not do damage, but instead reduces the AP that the enemy can use during its next turn by one. You can hit an enemy with this attack multiple times per turn, but you cannot reduce its AP below zero.

**Ambushing.** At the beginning of a battle, you may make a free basic attack against any target within range of this weapon's basic attack before the Initiative order is determined. If your party has First Strike, you can make this attack for free during your First Strike turn in addition to any other actions.

**Standard Issue.** Weapons with this upgrade can be wielded by any character, regardless of whether or not that character is proficient in using weapons of its type.

**Sensor Array.** When you hit an enemy with a basic attack while using this weapon, it automatically inflicts the Scan ability in addition to its usual damage.

## UV 3-

**Reach.** This weapon's melee abilities can hit enemies in the back row or the front row while the wielder is in the front row, and can also hit enemies in the front row while the wielder is in the back row.

**Heavy.** This weapon's basic attack costs 2 AP to use instead of 1, but deals 3x its base damage in addition to other multipliers on a hit.

**Primordial.** When you make a basic attack while wielding this weapon, you may decide the elemental type of the resulting damage. However, the damage's elemental type cannot be colorless.

**Laser.** The damage of this weapon's basic attack ignores the target's Physical Defense. However, all other abilities or alternate contextual attacks do damage as normal.

**Double-Edged.** In addition to their usual basic attack, weapons with this upgrade give the wielder a free ability called Double Attack. When the wielder uses this ability, they make two colorless, melee, physical attacks against a single target, each one dealing damage multiplied by 1x in addition to other modifiers.

## Unique-

**Temporal.** Once per turn, not including held turns, you may reverse the effects of any abilities you used during your turn in order to regain all of your AP.

**Lunar.** In addition to their regular basic attack, the wielder of this weapon gains an ability called Lunar Attack that makes a melee physical attack against a single target that deals colorless magical damage instead colorless physical damage. Your Physical Accuracy still applies to the attack roll, and your Physical Attack is still what determines the bonus to its damage.

**Vorpal.** When you make a physical attack with this weapon, the damage you deal is calculated as though the target's Physical Defense were half its actual value, rounded down.

**Plasma.** When you make a magical attack with this weapon, the damage you deal is calculated as though the target's Magical Defense were half its actual value, rounded down.

**Organic.** When you use a status-inflicting ability while wielding this weapon, the roll to determine if the status hits is made as though the target's Resistance were one half its actual value, rounded down.

**Vampiric.** When you hit an enemy with a physical attack while wielding this weapon, you also heal an amount of HP equal to the total damage you dealt to that enemy.

**Masterwork.** This weapon is of unusual quality, even for an Expert weapon. Physical weapons with this upgrade give a +10 to Physical Attack and a +8 to Magical Attack, Balanced weapons give a +9 to Physical Attack and a +9 to Magical Attack, and Magical weapons give a +8 to Physical Attack and a +10 to Magical Attack.

**Explosive.** When you hit an enemy with this weapon's basic attack, every other enemy also takes damage as though you had hit them with a basic attack as well.

**Holy.** When you roll a 1 while making a basic attack with this weapon, you do not calculate damage as usual. Instead, you automatically deal 99 damage to the target that cannot be reflected, negated, guarded against, absorbed, or otherwise modified, including by normal damage modifiers. If an enemy's Shell is broken in this manner, all rules for Shellbreaking still apply.

**Corrupted.** Every ability that the wielder uses that has an elemental type, status effects included, counts as having the Shadow type. Whenever you kill an enemy with this weapon, it gains a fixed +1 base damage bonus to all damage done while wielding the weapon that stacks with each kill. After you hit +99, something happens.

## Example Weapons:

**Hunting Bow.** Mundane Bow. Animal Slayer: This weapon does 1.5x damage to natural animals, such as wolves and tigers.

**Dragon's Fan.** Mundane Fan. Fire Infused: this weapon's basic attack does fire physical damage instead of colorless physical damage.

**Shiv.** Mundane Dagger. Light: this weapon's basic attack is replaced with an attack that attacks two separate times, each of which does 0.75x the normal base damage of the weapon on a hit.

**Pikeman's Trusty Lance.** Rare Lance. Standardized: Any character of any class can use this weapon without being proficient in lances.

Cavalier's Rifle. Rare Gun. AP Ammo: this weapon grants +1 to your Physical Accuracy rolls and does +3 extra damage after damage is calculated.

Ritual Leader's Scepter. Rare Scepter. Inflict Blind. When this weapon's basic attack hits an enemy, it also inflicts the Blind status effect unless the target is immune.

Seelie Court Rapier. Expert Sword. Primal: When you use a basic attack with this weapon, you may choose its element at will. However, it cannot make colorless basic attacks.

Demon Claws. Expert Claws. Demonic: This weapon does one quarter of the damage it would normally inflict to the enemy's health to its Magic Defense Bonus until that bonus is zero, and lets you use Shadow Bolt for free once per battle.

Headmaster's Staff. Expert Staff. Heirloom: This weapon automatically inflicts Scan on all hit enemies, and also lets you use Magic Missile for free once per battle.

Odin's Lance. Expert Lance. Thunder God's Weapon: This weapon has the Heavy, Thunder Elemental, and Holy upgrades.

## Armor

A character's equipped armor set provides a bonus to their Magical Defense and a bonus to their Physical Defense in addition to the bonuses granted from their job. Characters may only wear one set of armor at a time, and cannot switch their armor out during combat. The rules for armor upgrades are identical to the rules for weapon upgrades, except that armor sets do not receive the same kinds of upgrades as weapons. Unlike weapons, there are only three varieties of armor, and they also determine the bonuses that characters receive to their statistics. These are Cloth armor, Light armor, and Heavy armor, and the resulting bonuses are as follows:

Cloth:

Mundane Cloth armor grants a +0 to Physical Defense and a +2 to Magical Defense.

Rare Cloth armor grants a +1 to Physical Defense and a +3 to Magical Defense.

Expert Cloth armor grants a +2 to Physical Defense and a +4 to Magical Defense.

Light:

Mundane Light armor grants a +1 to Physical Defense and a +1 to Magical Defense.

Rare Light armor grants a +2 to Physical Defense and a +2 to Magical Defense.

Expert Light armor grants a +3 to Physical Defense and a +3 to Magical Defense.

Heavy:

Mundane Heavy armor grants a +2 to Physical Defense and a +0 to Magical Defense.

Rare Heavy armor grants a +3 to Physical Defense and a +1 to Magical Defense.

Expert Heavy armor grants a +4 to Physical Defense and a +2 to Magical Defense.

Upgrades by Upgrade Value:

Variable-

Reinforced. When you are hit by a physical attack while wearing this armor, the damage you take is reduced by a fixed amount after all modifiers to the base damage are applied. At UV 1, this reduces damage by 1, at UV 2 this reduces damage by 2, and at UV 3 this reduces damage by 3.

Inscribed. When you are hit by a magical attack while wearing this armor, the damage you take is reduced by a fixed amount after all modifiers to the base damage are applied. At UV 1, this reduces damage by 1, at UV 2 this reduces damage by 2, and at UV 3 this reduces damage by 3.

Extra Ability. When a character wears armor with this upgrade, they are able to use a single flex power, job power, or class ability at twice its normal MP cost. At UV 1, the ability is earned at of Rank 1-3 of the job or class that can use it, at UV 2 the ability is earned at Rank 4-6, and at UV 3 the ability is earned at rank 7-9. Flex powers always count as UV 1.

Elemental Resistance. When you wear this armor set, you resist damage of the specified elemental type based on the value of the upgrade. At UV 1, damage dealt to you of that elemental type is multiplied by 0.5, at UV 2 it is multiplied by 0.25, and at UV 3 you are completely immune.

Chain Vest. At the beginning of every battle while wearing this armor, you gain an amount of temporary HP depending on the value of this upgrade. This HP goes away at the end of the battle. At UV 1, you gain 5 HP, at UV 2 you gain 10, and at UV 3 you have a total of 15 temporary HP every battle. This temporary HP does not affect the maximum Shell you can have during the battle.

UV 1-

Elemental Type. When you wear armor that has this upgrade, you count as having the specified elemental type when calculating received damage. This is overridden by class abilities like Dancer's Mask that change your elemental type, and also does not affect any Shells that you receive during battle. You cannot have more than one of this upgrade on a single piece of armor.

Invigorating. While you are wearing this armor, you are immune to debuffs that affect the specified statistic. This upgrade cannot stack, but you can have multiple upgrades that make you immune to different statistics at once.

Weatherproofing. While you are wearing this armor, you are immune to the negative and positive effects of a single type of weather effect. This cannot stack, but you may be immune to more than one type of weather effect due to different versions of this upgrade at a time.

Status Resistance. While you are wearing this armor, the probability of an enemy inflicting a particular status effect on you is reduced as though you were resistant to the effect's elemental type. This upgrade is mutually exclusive with the UV 1 Status Resistance upgrade for the same status effect, but you can resist multiple statuses at once with different versions of this upgrade.

Sealed. This armor lets you function in an environment such as vacuum or underwater without suffering any negative effects. This does not stack, but armors can be sealed to multiple environments at once.



### UV 2-

Flexible. You have a +1 to your Evasion while you are wearing this armor.

Proofed. You have a +1 to your Resistance while you are wearing this armor.

Fitted. Characters that do not have the correct proficiency to allow them to wear this armor may still wear it without any penalties.

Plated. When you are hit by an attack that does colorless, physical damage, the damage it deals to you is multiplied by 0.5 in addition to any other multipliers.

Status Immunity. When you are wearing armor with this upgrade, you are immune to the specified status effect. This upgrade is mutually exclusive with the UV 1 Status Resistance upgrade for the same status effect.

### UV 3-

Barbed. When an enemy hits you with a melee attack while you are wearing this armor, they automatically receive the status effect specified by this upgrade.

Enchanted. If you are wearing this armor at the beginning of combat, you automatically gain 20 points of Shell of the specified elemental type of this upgrade. You still gain this even if your Health is less than 20. All other rules for Shells apply as normal.

Blessed. You are immune to all debuffs while wearing this armor, and you are also immune to any effects that reduce your AP in any capacity.

Mana Battery. When you begin a battle, you gain 20 temporary MP in addition to your normal MP. Any remaining amount of this MP goes away at the end of the battle.

Mechanical. When you are wearing this armor, you are immune to any effects that prevent you from using certain actions, such as Silence, Frostbite, or Fear.

### Unique-

Corrupted. When your character would otherwise be permanently killed by the actions of a Villain or Monster, something else happens instead.

Druidic. While you are wearing this armor, any healing you do to either yourself or allies is multiplied by 1.5, rounded down. This applies in or out of combat.

Exoskeleton. If you are wearing this armor at the beginning of a battle, you automatically gain Hasted without having to have it cast on you. This effect still cannot stack with the effects of the Haste ability.

Vengeful. When you take physical damage due to an enemy's attack while wearing this armor, the enemy immediately also becomes the target of their physical attack as though they had attacked themselves as well as you.

Conductive. When you take magical damage due to an enemy's attack while wearing this armor, the enemy immediately also becomes the target of their magical attack as though they had attacked themselves as well as you.

Weapons Platform. While you are wearing this armor, you can swap weapons and accessories without spending any AP as many times as you like per turn.

Angelic. This armor gives you wings that allow you to take the Fly action during combat. Fly costs 1 AP and puts you within melee range of every enemy on the battlefield as though you were in the front row, while putting you out of melee range of their attacks as though you were in the back row. However, if you are hit by any attacks while Flying, you will fall back down to the front row of the battlefield.

Utility Belt. While you are wearing this armor, you can use one Item from the party inventory per round without spending any AP.

Masterwork. This armor is of unusual quality. Cloth armor with this ability gives +4 Magical Defense and +6 Physical Defense, Light armor gives +5 Magical Defense and +5 Physical Defense, and Heavy armor gives +4 Magical Defense and +6 Physical Defense.

Bound. While wearing this armor during combat, you cannot deal any damage, use the Move action, or use items.

However, you also cannot take any damage that would not automatically kill you or break your current Shell. You can use any other abilities as normal.

### Example Armor:

Boiled Leather Jerkin. Mundane Light Armor. Treated: This armor set has Reinforced 1.

Soldier's Uniform. Rare Heavy Armor. Fitted: Any character can wear this whether or not they are proficient in Heavy armor.

Instructor's Robes. Expert Cloth Armor. Teaching Aid: This armor grants the user Mana Battery when worn.

Black Knight's Armor. Unique Heavy Armor. Death Knight's Curse: This armor is Corrupted, and is also Plated and has the Shadow elemental type.

## Accessories

An accessory is a kind of item that is worn on the body but is not a piece of armor. There are three types of accessories: Head, Arm, and Loop. Characters may wear up to one Head accessory, two Arm accessories (one for both arms), and two Loop accessories (one on their neck and one on their waist) at a time. Characters of any tier can wear any type of accessory, but characters may only wear a number of accessories at a time equal to their tier divided by two, at a minimum of 1. This means that tier 1 characters can wear 1 Accessory at a time, while tier 10 characters can wear 5 at a time, one on their Head, two on their Arms, one on their Neck, and one on their Waist.

There are no stacking Quality levels for accessories, but there are three unique variants of accessory for each slot. Lucky Accessories grant a +1 bonus to their wearer's Evasion, and Mystical Accessories grant a +1 bonus to their Resistance. In addition, both Lucky and Mystical Accessories can have the same upgrades attached to them, one upgrade per Accessory. There are also more powerful Unique Accessories, but these do not give you bonuses to your Evasion or Resistance. In general, characters should have access to Lucky and Mystical accessories at Tiers 1-5, while characters above Tier 5 should have access to Uniques as well.

### Upgrades by Variant:

Lucky or Mystical-

**Shield.** This type of accessory grants a +1 to one of your Defense statistics. This effect can stack with other bonuses of the same type.

**Resonance.** When you are wearing an accessory of this type, when you hit an enemy with an ability of the specified elemental type, it hits them as though you had rolled a 10 regardless of what the actual result of your attack or status-inflicting ability roll was. This effect does not stack with other effects of the same type, but you can have multiple elemental resonances at once.

**Support.** Wearing this accessory grants you proficiency with a specified weapon or armor type. This does not stack, but you can wear Accessories that give you multiple different proficiencies at the same time.

**Volatile.** When you use an ability that costs MP while wearing this accessory, roll a 1d10. If the result is greater than 5, the ability does not cost any MP, while if the result is 5 or below, the ability costs double MP. If you cannot afford the double MP cost in the latter case, the ability still fires but you immediately drop to 0 MP.

**Item Sleeve.** When you use the item specified by this upgrade that involves a 1d10 roll, you may roll an additional 1d10 and freely choose which result you take. If there is not a 1d10 roll involved, it instead doubles the item's potency or adds an extra enhancement. For example, a healing item that normally heals 10 HP will now heal 20, or an item sleeve for a Scan item might turn it into Multiscan.

**Linked Ability.** When you are wearing this accessory, you gain the use of an ability specified by the upgrade for double its usual MP cost.

**Mana Battery.** This accessory has a linked pool of 5 temporary MP that you can draw on while you are wearing it rather than your base MP pool. This MP resets at the beginning of every battle.

**Scanner.** While you are wearing this accessory, you can use the Scan ability without spending any MP.

**Elemental Resistance.** While wearing this accessory, all elemental damage of the specified type that you take is multiplied by 0.5 in addition to any other modifiers. This effect cannot stack with any other resistances you have to the same elemental type.

**Targeting.** This Accessory gives you a +1 to one of your Accuracies while you are wearing it. This bonus can stack with any other bonuses of the same type.

#### Unique-

**Summon Creature.** Once per battle while you are wearing this accessory, you may spend 2 AP to summon the creature into the battle. When it is first summoned, it will enter the Initiative order based on the Initiative rules, and can begin acting during the following round but can be targeted during the round it was first summoned.

**Elemental Shield.** While you are wearing this accessory, you are immune to a single elemental damage type, not including colorless damage. This does not stack, but you can be immune to multiple elemental damage types at once.

**Targe.** This ability gives you the Block ability. Block has no MP cost, but multiplies the damage of the next physical attack that hits you by 0.5 in addition to other modifiers. If you do not Block any attacks before the end of your next turn, this effect goes away.

**Soul Sink.** When you die while wearing this accessory, it will reconstitute you back to 1 HP, regardless of how badly you were injured. However, after the first time you die while wearing this accessory, you cannot take it off again, or you will instantly and permanently die.

**Chameleon.** While you are wearing this accessory, you can use the Dancer's Costume Change ability without spending any MP. If you are a Dancer, this also reduces the cost of the ability to 1 AP.

**Protection Against Monsters.** When you take damage from an attack made by an enemy of the type specified by this item, it is multiplied by a factor of 0.75 in addition to other multipliers.

**Auto Heal.** During the Effect Phase of every round, if you are wearing this accessory you automatically heal for 5 HP. If you are downed, this accessory does nothing.

**Grant Edge.** At the start of a battle, if you are wearing this accessory, you gain a +1 to your base Initiative. This bonus can stack with any other bonuses to Initiative that you have.

**Absorb Magic.** If you are attacked by a magical attack of the specified element while wearing this accessory, you gain an amount of HP equal to the damage you would have taken had the attack hit you. There are no accessories that will let you absorb colorless damage. If you are hit by any magical attacks, you take damage as normal.

**Reciprocity.** Any debuff, status effect, or buff that any character applies to you is also applied by you to them. This includes effects such as Taunted, the Defender's Guard ability, and special effects like the Ranger's Hunted, but does not include abilities like Shells. Any effects you apply to yourself are only applied once.

#### Example Accessories:

**Pilot Goggles.** **Lucky Head Accessory.** **Targeting Assist:** This item has the Targeting upgrade.

**Soul Gem.** **Mystical Loop Accessory.** **Soul Trap:** This item has the Mana Battery upgrade.

**Rocket Arm.** **Mystical Arm Accessory.** **Launcher:** This accessory has the Item Sleeve upgrade for items with the Physical Damage template.

**Armguard.** **Unique Arm Accessory.** **Shield:** This accessory has the Targe upgrade.

**Autodoc.** **Unique Loop Accessory.** **Medichines:** This accessory has the Auto Heal upgrade.

## Battle Items

Battle items are a specific type of inventory item that is usable during combat. Most battle items reproduce the effects of an ability such as Heal or Restore Mana, while others produce effects that no ability can reproduce.

#### The Party Inventory

Carry weight and capacity are represented in Last Odyssey by the Item Rating system. In addition to its effects and base cost, each item in the party inventory has an Item Rating that is an estimate of how much space it takes up during travel. The Carrying Capacity of each character is the maximum sum total rating of the items that they can carry at once. Each character's Carrying Capacity is equal to 10 times their Body attribute. Unless otherwise specified, all battle items have an Item Rating of 1. Travel items can have ratings of anywhere from 2-10, while very large or cumbersome items might have ratings of up to 100. Weapons have a rating of 5, armor has a rating of 10, and each accessory has a rating of 2. However, your equipped weapon, armor, and accessories do not count towards your

carrying capacity, only extra equipment that you carry on your person.

During battle, all of the battle items that each player has are shared between party members. However, weapons and accessories are not. This means that any character can use any item in the party's inventory, but cannot equip another player's held weapons or accessories during battle. Once a battle item is used once, it is automatically expended and disappears from the party inventory as its material form is consumed to power the magical effect it causes. Only battle items can be used during battle, but all items including battle items can be used outside of battle. Unless otherwise specified, it takes a trivial amount of time for a character to use a battle item outside of combat, up to a few minutes. When you use a battle item, you can use it on any character on the battlefield including yourself regardless of where that character is currently located.

#### Item Effects

Each battle item has a discrete effect that it creates during combat. In theory, multiple items could lead to the same effect. Rather than having a fixed list of items, Last Odyssey has a fixed set of item effects that could be caused by multiple items. This is for two reasons. The first is that the value of an item to the players is determined by what it does, and not what it looks like, and this is reflected in the item's cost. The second is that the item that produces an effect in one setting may be different to its equivalent in another. For example, in a sci-fi setting healing items may take the form of injectors or medkits, while in a fantasy setting they could take the form of healing potions or poultices. GMs who are comfortable subverting these rules for the sake of improving the narrative should check in with their players about any changes they make to these rules, since they may erode game balance and thus interfere with the party's enjoyment of the campaign.

Every item's base cost is defined by its effect, how potent that effect is, and whom it targets. There are three Qualities of item: Mundane, Rare, and Expert. Whether or not an item is unique is a matter of narrative, not mechanical considerations, but any truly unique items do not have a sale value, since they are usually ludicrously expensive or priceless. Some items have effects that depend on their Quality, while others do not. In the rulebook, the former are referred to as leveled, while the latter are referred to as non-leveled. If an item is leveled, its cost if it's Mundane is given in the description of the item's effect. Each additional power level multiplies the cost of the item by ten. For example, if the Mundane version of an item costs 5 cr, then the Rare version will cost 50 cr and the Expert version will cost 500 cr.

#### Leveled Item Effects-

Restore HP. 1 cr. When used, this item restores a fixed amount of HP to a single character. If it is Mundane, it restores 5 HP, if it is Rare it restores 10, and if it is Expert it restores 20.

Restore MP. 3 cr. When used, this item restores a fixed amount of MP to a single character. If it is Mundane, it restores 5 MP, if it is Rare it restores 10, and if it is Expert it restores 20.

Physical Damage. 5 cr. When used, this item deals base colorless physical damage to a single character that can be affected by damage modifiers. If it is Mundane it deals 5 damage, if it is Rare it deals 10 damage, and if it is Expert it deals 20 damage.

Magical Damage. 5 cr. When used, this item deals base colorless magical damage to a single character that can be affected by damage modifiers. If it is Mundane it deals 5 damage, if it is Rare it deals 10 damage, and if it is Expert it deals 20 damage.

Special Damage. 7 cr. When used, this item deals base elemental physical damage of a specified type to a single character that can be affected by damage modifiers. If it is Mundane it deals 5 damage, if it is Rare it deals 10 damage, and if it is Expert it deals 20 damage.

Elemental Damage. 7 cr. When used, this item deals base elemental magical damage of a specified type to a single character that can be affected by damage modifiers. If it is Mundane it deals 5 damage, if it is Rare it deals 10 damage, and if it is Expert it deals 20 damage.

Debuff. 9 cr. When used, this item inflicts a debuff of the specified type. If it is Mundane, it debuffs by one level on the Bonus Tracker, if it is Rare it debuffs by two, and if it is Expert it debuffs by three.

Buff. 9 cr. When used, this item applies a buff of the specified type. If it is Mundane, it buffs by one level on the Bonus Tracker, if it is Rare it buffs by two, and if it is Expert it buffs by three.

Inflict Status. 12 cr. When you use this item, make a status-inflicting ability roll against the target's Resistance to determine whether or not the specified status is inflicted. If the item is Mundane, do not subtract anything from the roll. If the item is Rare, subtract 2 from the roll, and if the Expert then subtract 5 from the roll.

Revive. 15 cr. When you use this item, the targeted character is revived from being downed. If the item is Mundane, they are revived to 1 HP. If the item is Rare they are revived to half their maximum HP, rounded down, and if the item is Expert then they are revived to their current maximum HP.

#### Non-Leveled Item Effects-

Scan. 10 cr. This item applies the Artificer's Scan ability to a single target, revealing all current relevant information about it.

Remove Debuffs. 15 cr. This item removes all debuffs from a single character.

Remove Status Effect. 20 cr. This item removes a status effect of the specified type from a single character.

Negate Resistances. 50 cr. This item negates all of a target's elemental and/or status effect resistances until the beginning of the target's next turn.

Block Physical Damage. 100 cr. The next time the target of this item would otherwise take physical damage, they do not take any damage instead.

Block Magical Damage. 400 cr. The next time the target of this item would otherwise take magical damage, they do not take any damage instead.

Disable Attacks. 700 cr. The target of this item cannot use any magical attacks, physical attacks, or status-inflicting abilities during their next turn.

Haste. 800 cr. The target of this item becomes Hasted as though a character in the Support job had used Haste on them. This still cannot stack with any other applications of Hasted.

Slow. 900 cr. The target of this item becomes Slowed as though a character in the Saboteur job had used Haste on

them. This still cannot stack with any other applications of Slowed.  
Summon. 1000x(Tier of creature). When you use this item, it summons a creature, usually a monster of some type, to fight as an ally on your side. The first time it can take its turn is during the round after you summoned it.

#### Item Enhancements

In addition to their base effects, some items have special effects called enhancements that change when and how they can be used and whom they target on the battlefield. Most items will have only one enhancement, since enhancements that change their target are mutually exclusive, but some extremely rare items could have multiple. Each enhancement to an item multiplies its base cost by an amount given in the enhancement description. The possible enhancements are as follows:

##### Target-

All. This item affects all characters on the battlefield. Multiplies base cost by 2.

Row. This item affects all characters on a single row. When you use the item, you can choose which row it affects.

Multiplies base cost by 5.

Multi. This item affects all characters on the side it targets. Items that target allies will affect all allies, while items that target enemies will affect all enemies. Multiplies base cost by 10.

##### Other-

Dual. This item has the effect of two different items at once. The total cost of the item is the base cost of each item added together, multiplied by 5.

Delay. When you use this item, it does not trigger immediately. Instead, its effect happens during the Effect Phase of the round. Multiplies cost by 0.75, rounded down.

Random. When you use this item, it inflicts a random effect based on the element you roll on the random element table, which is detailed in the class description for the Harlequin.

#### Example Items:

Throwing Knife. Mundane, Physical Damage. Cost: 5 cr.

Elixir. Mundane, Dual, Restore HP and Restore MP. Cost: 20 cr.

Smoke Bomb. Mundane, All, Buff Evasion. Cost: 18 cr.

Shark Tooth Charm. Rare, Special Damage (Water). Cost: 70 cr.

Smelling Salts. Rare, Revive, Row. Cost: 750 cr.

Poison Dart. Rare, Delay, Inflict Toxin. Cost: 90 cr.

Experimental Combat Stim. Expert, Dual, Buff Physical Attack and Buff Physical Accuracy. Cost: 9000 cr.

Exquisite Fire Gem. Expert, Multi, Elemental Damage (Fire). Cost: 7000 cr.

Mandragora. Summon Dryad. Cost: 4000 cr.

## Character Advancement

As characters in Last Odyssey progress through the campaign, they earn experience points, or XP for short. The pool of XP that a character has earned can be spent on making them stronger by increasing their attributes and unlocking new abilities. In many other tabletop RPGs, character progression is tracked by levels. Last Odyssey's character levels are called tiers. Characters of a given tier can spend XP on four distinct improvements to their character: unlocking a new job or specializing in a current one, taking what's known as a flex power, adding 1 to one of their attributes, and advancing 3 Ranks in a job they are currently able to occupy. The last two of these can be done twice per tier, while the first two can only be done once.

Once a character has bought six improvements while occupying the same tier, they are ready to increase their tier. To do so, they must spend 3 Anima to summon their Eidolon and commune with them, either through using them in battle or praying to them outside of it. Once this has been done, the character advances to the next tier.

The XP cost of each improvement a character buys is equal to the number of improvements they have already bought plus one multiplied by twice their current tier. For example, at tier 1 the very first upgrade a character buys will cost 2 XP, while the last one will cost 12 XP. Characters of tier 10 can buy improvements as normal, but are maxed out at tier 10. If a character in your campaign reaches max level, this means that it's time for the campaign to wrap up and/or for that character to move on and be changed out for another one. Every time you advance a tier, you also gain access to the class ability or stat bonus of the corresponding rank.

## Advancing Attributes

When a player chooses to advance one of their character's attributes, they spend the requisite XP based on the formula given in the introduction to the Character Advancement section and can then add +1 to either their Body, their Mind, or their Spirit. The next time they take this improvement during the same tier, they cannot improve the same attribute that they did before. The maximum value that any of a character's three attributes can have is 10, although there is no corresponding floor or ceiling on their statistics

## Advancing Jobs

When a player advances their character's Rank in a job, they are now able to use all of the abilities associated with that Rank or lower while they occupy it. Players can save up Ranks whenever they take this improvement until they are ready, but they cannot spend them except when they take this improvement again. Unlocking the Rank 10 Eidolon ability at the end of a job's ability list counts as advancing by 2 Ranks instead of 1.

# Unlocking Jobs

Characters of tier 1-5 can have new jobs unlocked for them when their player takes the corresponding improvement. When a character unlocks a new job, they become able to occupy it during combat. In addition, they are automatically able to use the job's Rank 1 ability without needing to advance it with another improvement.

Once a player has unlocked all six jobs, they no longer able to unlock any more. Instead, taking this improvement from tiers 6-10 unlocks one of the job specialization talents listed in their class description. These talents are passive abilities that slightly change the way the job functions, and are only active while a character of the associated class whose player has bought the talent with XP occupies their corresponding job. There are six talents available per class, one for each job.

## Flex Powers

When a character takes this improvement, they gain an extra ability called a flex power that they can use regardless of what job they currently occupy. At tiers 1-5, characters may purchase the following flex powers:

- Flex Buff. Ally. When you take this power, choose one of the nine character statistics. This ability costs 10 MP, and raises the specified statistic of the target by one level on the Bonus Tracker.
- Flex Debuff. Ranged. When you take this power, choose one of the nine character statistics. This ability costs 6 MP, and lowers the specified statistic of the target by one level on the Bonus Tracker.
- Flex Bolt. Ranged. When you take this power, choose a non-colorless elemental type. This ability costs 10 MP, and makes a magical attack of that elemental type against a single target.
- Flex Strike. Melee. When you take this power, choose a non-colorless elemental type. This ability costs 10 MP, and makes a physical attack of that elemental type against a single target.
- Flex Statistic. Passive. The player character gets a +5 bonus to their Health, a +5 bonus to their Mana, or a +2 bonus to their Initiative.

After reaching tier 6, characters may also purchase the following flex powers:

- Flex Debilitate. Ranged. When you take this power, choose a status effect. This ability costs 14 MP, and attempts to inflict that status on a single enemy with a status-inflicting ability roll.
- Flex Shell. Ally. When you take this power, choose a non-colorless elemental type. This ability costs 14 MP, and increases the Shell of a single target by your current Magical Attack. This power works the same as the Support's Shell ability.
- Flex Protect. Ally. When you take this power, choose a non-colorless elemental type. This ability costs 18 MP, and makes you or a single ally Protected against that elemental type.
- Flex Proficiency. Passive. The player character becomes proficient in a weapon or armor they were not previously proficient in.

You may take multiple of each variety of flex power. However, you may only take one power of each elemental type or statistic of each of the four. For example, a character could have Water Strike and Water Bolt, but could not have two Water Bolt abilities that were both flex powers. Characters *may*, however, take the flex power versions of abilities that they also have access to in a particular job, so a character could have Water Bolt as a Caster ability and Water Bolt as a flex power. They would simply only be able to use the flex power version of Water Bolt unless they were a Caster.