

Documentation

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Chamber of Dark Baptism

A Submerged Sanctum for 4-6 Adventurers of Levels 4-6

“The water remembers what we wish to forget...”

Part I: The Descending Dark

Initial Descent From the Gallery of False Gods, stone steps spiral down into darkness. The air grows thick with moisture, and the sound of breathing water echoes from below. A vast chamber opens up, half-submerged in black water that seems alive with consciousness.

The Current Walker, a figure composed partly of flowing water, whispers: *“The depths call. They wish to share their memories...”*

Environmental Features

- Black water ripples with thought
- Light bends impossibly underwater
- Air thickens with conscious moisture
- Bioluminescent patterns pulse below

Part II: The Aqueous Architecture

Pools of Memory *Where consciousness dissolves* - Depth: Varies (20-100 ft) - Visibility: 10 ft (distorted) - Temperature: Unnaturally cold - Current: Thought-driven

Environmental Effects (check every 10 minutes): 1. Memory Dissolution (DC 14 WIS) 2. Identity Strain (DC 13 CHA) 3. Physical Transformation (DC 15 CON) 4. Thought Merge (DC 12 INT)

Chamber Layout

1. **The Shallow Memories**
 - Entry pools
 - Floating thought bubbles
 - Mind coral gardens
 - Memory currents
2. **The Deep Altar**
 - Submerged platforms
 - Reality whirlpools
 - Living water formations
 - Consciousness streams
3. **The Drowning Chamber**
 - Transformation pools
 - Evolution tanks
 - Mind-merging zones
 - Pressure chambers

Part III: Denizens of the Deep

Water Shapes *“The water remembers its victims...”* - HP: 40 | AC: 15 - Attack: Liquid Strike (+6) 1d8 cold - Special Abilities: - Memory Absorption - Form Shifting - Thought Drowning - Identity Erosion

Deep Dwellers *“They swim through minds as easily as water...”* - HP: 35 | AC: 16 - Attack: Mind Wave (+7) 1d10 psychic - Special Abilities: - Thought Drain - Memory Navigation - Identity Theft - Consciousness Manipulation

The Drowned Oracle *“Once human, now truth flows through her...”* - HP: 140 | AC: 17 - **Phase 1: Humanoid Form** - Memory Lash - Water Shape - Mind Tide - **Phase 2: Water Merger** - Liquid Body - Thought Current - Identity Flood - **Phase 3: Deep One Ascended** - Complete Transformation - Reality Flood - Consciousness Merger

Part IV: The Deep Change

Transformation Stages

1. **Initial Contact**
 - Skin softens
 - Thoughts blur
 - Memories float
 - Identity wavers
2. **Deep Merger**
 - Flesh flows
 - Mind expands
 - Self dissolves
 - Truth floods
3. **Final Evolution**
 - Water becomes flesh
 - Thoughts become current
 - Identity becomes fluid
 - Human becomes deep

Part V: Significant Characters

The Current Walker *“Part water, part memory, all guide...”* - Former explorer - Partially transformed - Navigates thought currents - Preserves memories

Deep Memory “*The collective consciousness of the depths...*” - Ancient entity - Memory keeper - Truth revealer - Transformation catalyst

The Flow Mind “*A symphony of drowned thoughts...*” - Merged consciousness - Water bound - Knowledge keeper - Path shower

Part VI: Treasures of the Deep

Major Artifacts

1. **Sphere of Deep Sight**
 - Reveals water memories
 - Guides through currents
 - Shows truth beneath
 - Preserves identity
2. **Memory Pearl**
 - Stores consciousness
 - Protects thoughts
 - Reveals past
 - Guards identity
3. **Depth Caller**
 - Controls currents
 - Summons memories
 - Commands water
 - Speaks to deep

Aqueous Artifacts

- Thought fragments
- Dream pearls
- Mind coral
- Truth bubbles

Part VII: Watery Hazards

Hazard Table (d8)

1. Memory whirlpool
2. Identity current
3. Transformation tide
4. Consciousness leak
5. Reality flood
6. Truth wave
7. Mind pressure
8. Thought undertow

Environmental Challenges

- Pressure increases with depth
- Memory loss near currents
- Identity strain in deep water
- Reality distortion underwater

Part VIII: DM Guidance

Horror Elements

- Fear of drowning
- Loss of self
- Transformation anxiety
- Cosmic water horror

Adventure Flow

1. **Exploration Phase**
 - Water contact
 - Initial changes
 - Memory exposure
2. **Transformation Phase**
 - Deep descent
 - Identity challenges
 - Physical changes
3. **Resolution Phase**
 - Final baptism
 - Truth revelation
 - Evolution choice

Transition Elements

- Book shadows visible
- Knowledge whispers
- Library echoes
- Thought tendrils

Part IX: Escape Routes

Survival Paths

1. Resist transformation
2. Embrace evolution
3. Maintain identity
4. Navigate memories

Campaign Integration

- Permanent changes
- Water affinity
- Memory abilities
- Deep knowledge

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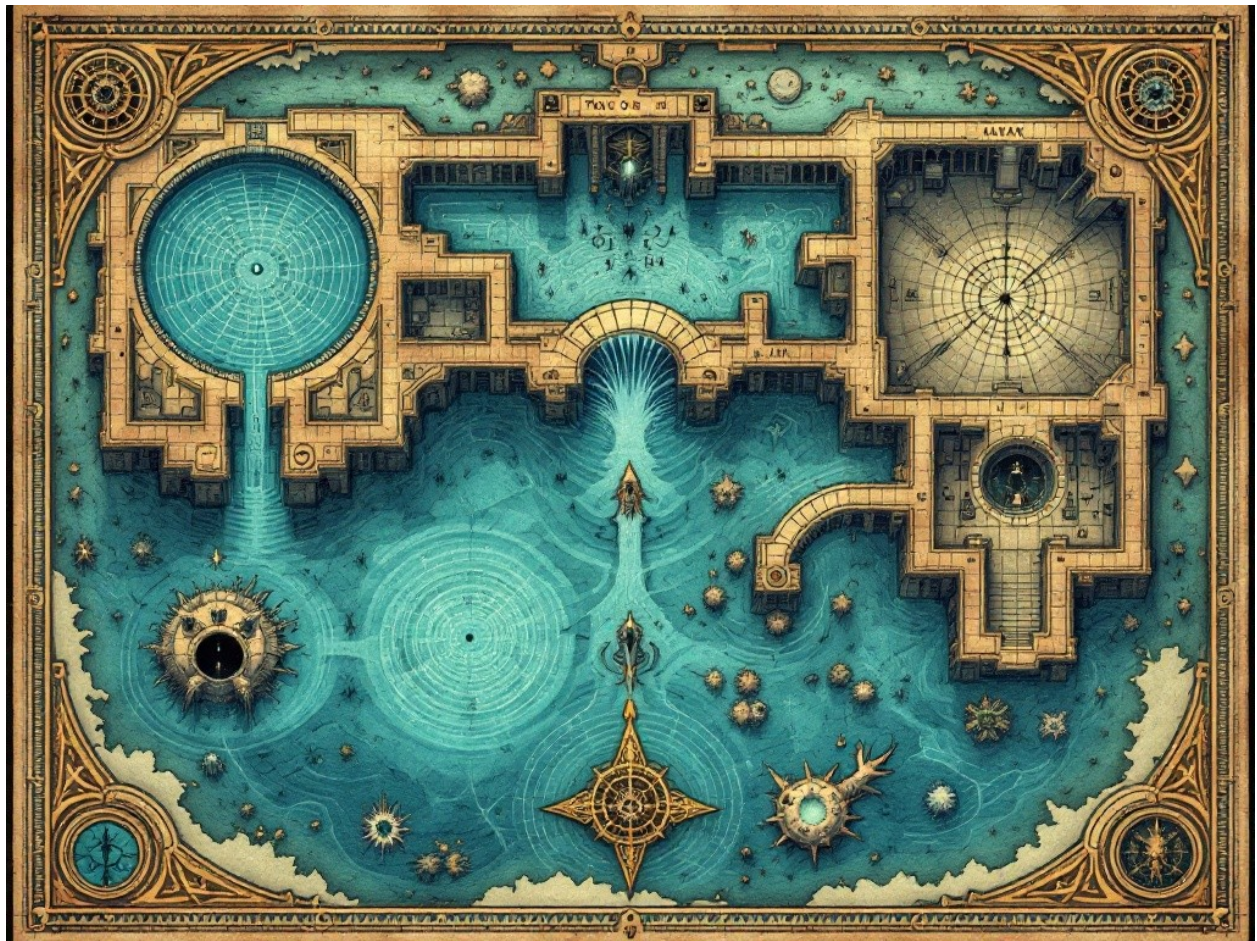


Figure 1: Detailed underwater temple map showing three main chambers: Pools of Memory, Deep Altar, and Drowning Chamber. Victorian-era nautical chart style meets eldritch horror. Multiple depth levels indicated, with whirlpool patterns and current flows. Decorated with aquatic horror elements and transformation diagrams. Aged underwater parchment texture with ink and watercolor wash effects. Includes depth measurements and warning markers.

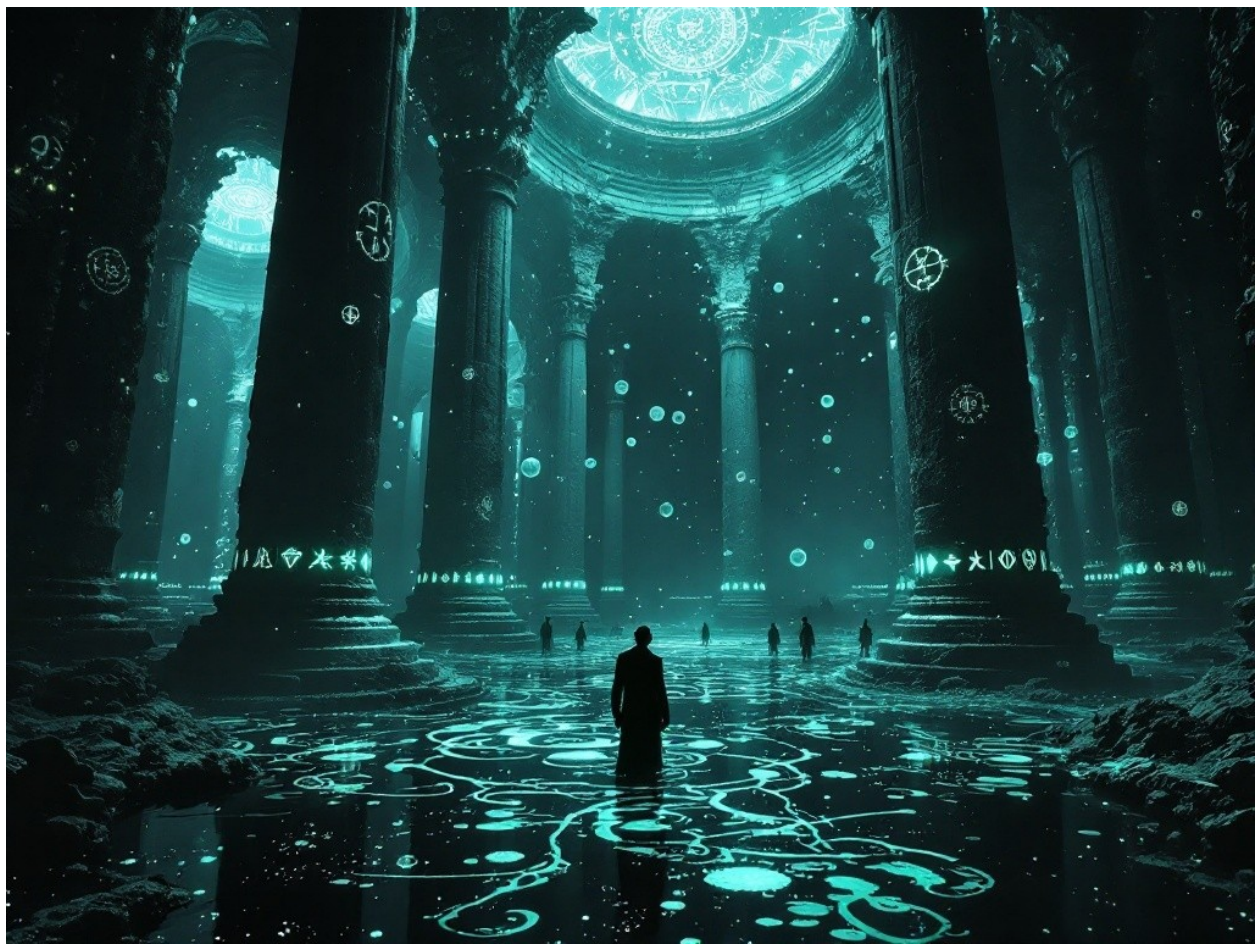


Figure 2: A vast underwater chamber with gothic architecture, black water filled with bioluminescent patterns. Massive stone pillars rise from depths, carved with shifting symbols. Victorian-era explorers partially submerged, surrounded by floating memory bubbles and thought currents. Cosmic horror meets underwater temple, dramatic underwater lighting effects.



Figure 3: The Drowned Oracle in final form, a being of water and consciousness emerging from a whirlpool altar. Surrounded by floating memory pearls and thought fragments. Dark cosmic horror underwater scene with bioluminescent highlights. Victorian deep sea exploration meets eldritch transformation.