

Documentation

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The Mountain Monastery

A One-Shot Adventure for 4-6 Players, Level 7

OVERVIEW

38 years after the Catastrophe, the secluded Order of the Eternal Word has gone silent. Their monastery, perched high in the mountains, houses an extensive library of forbidden texts. The investigators discover monks transcribing reality-altering manuscripts that literally change the world as they're written.

THE MONASTERY

Outer Complex *Stone Fortress* - Entry gates - Meditation gardens - Bell tower - Defensive walls

Main Complex **Upper Levels** - Living quarters - Meditation halls - Observation deck - Star chamber

Library Levels - Reading rooms - Transcription chambers - Forbidden archives - Reality vault

Hidden Areas

- Secret scriptorium
- Pattern archive
- Entity shrine
- Reality nexus

KEY NPCS

Brother Marcus *Head Librarian* - Reality scholar - Text keeper - Pattern master - Hidden cultist *Secret: Nearly transformed by texts*

Sister Helena *Master Scribe* - Text resistant - Truth seeker - Pattern reader - Secret ally *Secret: Can undo writings*

The Living Text *Entity Manifestation* - Written reality - Knowledge incarnate - Pattern form - Word beast *CR 9*

ENCOUNTERS

Library

- Animated texts (CR 6)
- Reality scribes (CR 7)
- Pattern manuscripts (CR 8)
- Word horrors (CR 8)

Environmental

- Altitude effects
 - Reality bleeds
 - Text manifestations
 - Pattern radiation
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KEY SCENES

The Great Library **Features:** - Living books - Reality writing - Pattern archive - Knowledge entity

The Scriptorium **Features:** - Reality transcription - Monk transformation - Pattern creation - Text manipulation

The Final Chapter **Features:** - Text confrontation - Reality writing - Pattern completion - Knowledge manifestation

INVESTIGATION ELEMENTS

Literary

- Ancient texts
- Transcription notes
- Pattern books
- Reality writings

Monastic

- Daily records
- Monk observations
- Ritual texts
- Pattern prayers

MECHANICS

Text Interaction

- Safe reading
- Reality anchoring
- Pattern recognition
- Knowledge protection

Monastery Navigation

- Altitude management
 - Reality zones
 - Pattern avoidance
 - Text safety
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DISCOVERIES

Knowledge

- Reality writing
- Pattern creation
- Text power
- Entity communication

Historical

- Cult development
 - Pattern evolution
 - Reality manipulation
 - Knowledge weaponization
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COMPLICATIONS

Environmental

- High altitude
- Isolation
- Weather extremes
- Reality zones

Literary

- Text corruption
 - Pattern influence
 - Reality bleeding
 - Knowledge infection
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DM GUIDANCE

Atmosphere

- Ancient knowledge
- Cosmic horror
- Monastic mystery
- Reality distortion

Pacing

1. Library exploration
 2. Text discovery
 3. Reality revelation
 4. Knowledge confrontation
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VICTORY CONDITIONS

Essential

- Secure texts
- Save monks
- Contain knowledge
- Prevent transcription

Optional

- Preserve library
 - Document findings
 - Banish entity
 - Learn patterns
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RESOURCES

Monastery Assets

- Ancient texts
- Writing materials
- Pattern records
- Reality anchors

Knowledge

- Text lore
 - Pattern understanding
 - Reality writing
 - Monk wisdom
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REVELATIONS

Cult Knowledge

- Text manipulation
- Reality writing

- Pattern creation
- Knowledge weaponization

Future Implications

- Text spread
 - Pattern distribution
 - Reality manipulation
 - Knowledge corruption
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CONCLUSION OPTIONS

Success

- Texts secured
- Monks saved
- Knowledge contained
- Reality stabilized

Partial Victory

- Some texts lost
- Monks transformed
- Knowledge leaked
- Reality damaged

Failure

- Library corrupted
 - Monks lost
 - Knowledge spread
 - Reality breached
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CONNECTION TO SERIES

This adventure reveals how the cult collects and weaponizes knowledge, showing their methodical approach to understanding and manipulating reality through text. The manuscripts and patterns discovered here explain the theoretical framework behind the cult's activities.