

HEROQUEST

Heir to the Black Banner



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Instructions for Heir to the Black Banner™

Above Capacity

This quest pack introduces a new concept of allowing a Hero's Body and/or Mind Points to increase above their normal capacity. These are temporary affects. Once a Hero sustains enough Body and/or Mind damage, they will return to normal. A Hero with Points above normal capacity cannot be healed. Any spell, potion or other item of recovery will have zero affect on that Hero. Points above capacity remain between quests and continue on to the next quest. If a Hero ends this Quest Pack with their Points still above capacity, it is up to you Zargon, to decide if these rules continue or if the above capacity effects expire.

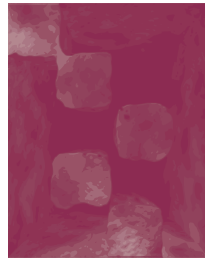
Step Stone Chasm

In the step stone chasm room, a Hero must roll 1 Combat Die, for every diagonal space that they jump to; if a Black Shield is rolled the Hero slips. The Hero does not fall into the chasm, but clings to the edge of the square. The Hero then rolls 1d6 for each Body Point remaining at this time. If a 6 is rolled, the Hero climbs back up; otherwise the Hero dangles until his next turn and loses 1 Body Point. If a Hero's Body Points reach zero, the Hero loses their grip and falls to their death. A Hero may

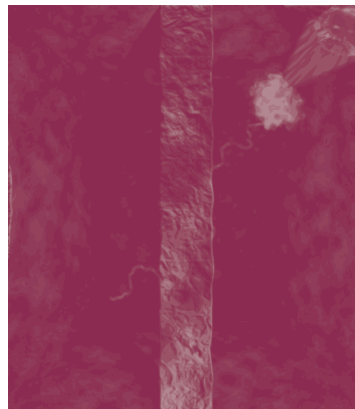
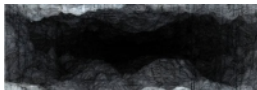
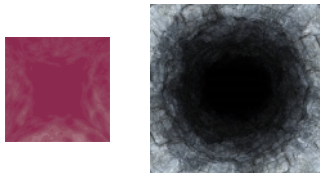
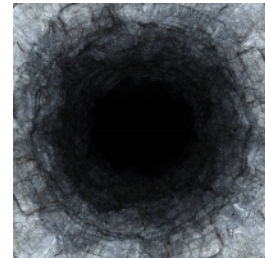
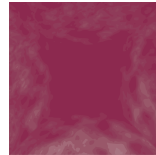
still use potions to heal while dangling. Each diagonal step taken in the step stone chasm room is one full turn. If a Hero lands on a space that has a dangling Hero, then the dangling Hero must dangle for another turn.

Note: If the Heroes are low on Hit Points or have a history of struggling through quests Zargon may want to alter this rule.

Stone Step Chasm Tile



Deep Pit Tiles



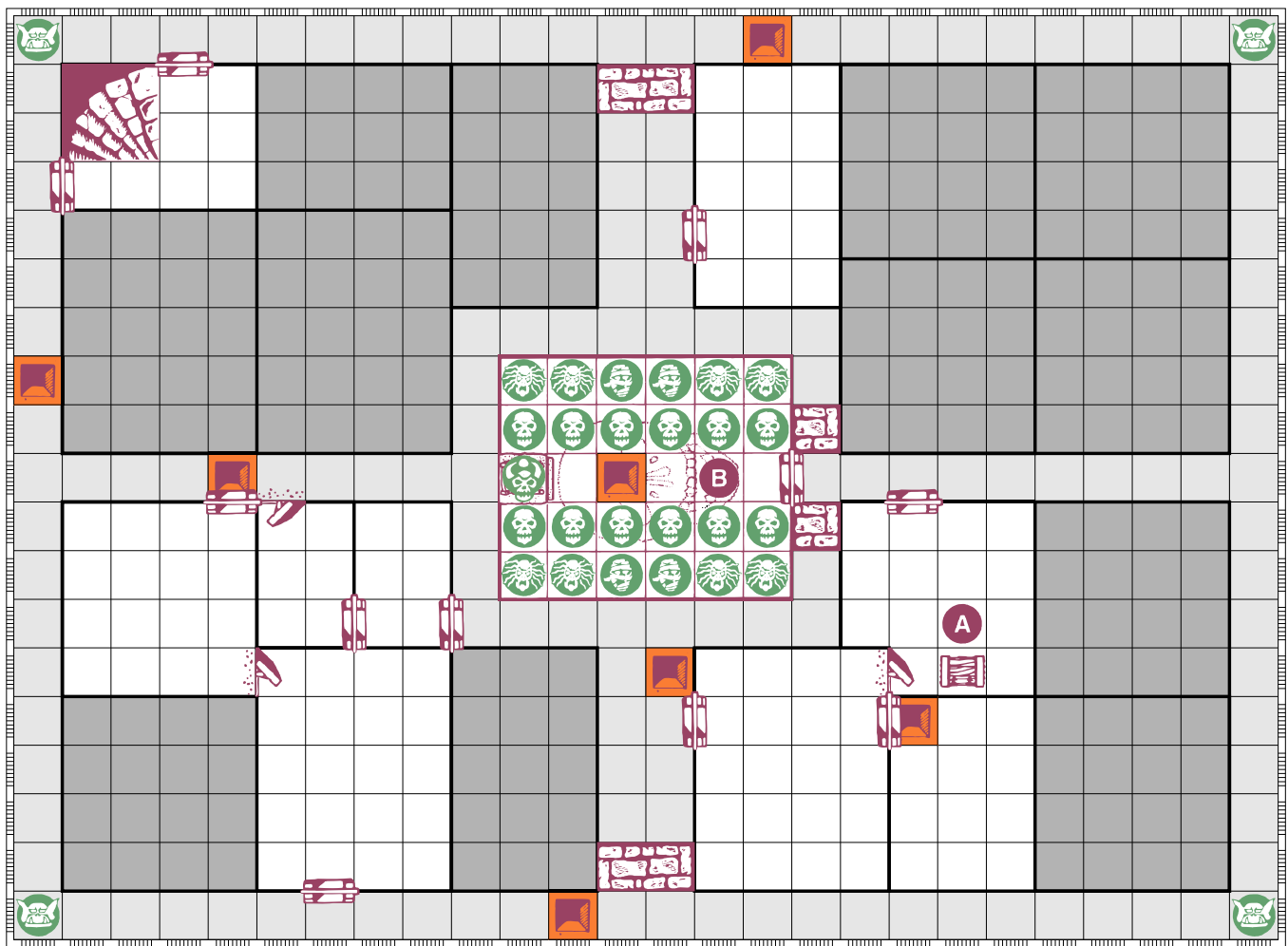


A Message from Mentor

My friends, I have alarming news... The Black Banner has once again raised its flags of war! The legions of the undead are now moments away from awakening. You did well by destroying the Witch Lord, but I'm afraid his armies will rise under a new command. Skulmar! The crafty villain has eluded us and cheated death as he has done many times before. But now, with the Witch Lord gone, Skulmar will return to the Courts of Death and claim his prize inheritance as Heir to the Black Banner.

My heroes, I have gathered you all together once more. I wish it could be the last, but I pray to death, that it will not. You, my brave heroes, must return to the Court of the Witch Lord and put a stop to Skulmar's evil plans. Beware my faithful heroes, for Skulmar will not stop until the armies of the Black Banner have run the Empire into the ruins of Chaos. Tread well my good heroes, and may luck be good to you.

Mentor



Quest 1

Visions of the Past

"Now my friends, the court of the Witch Lord and Skulmar awaits. Since the last time you faced the Witch Lord in this Chaotic hole, it has laid barren to the elements. Only recently has its corridors

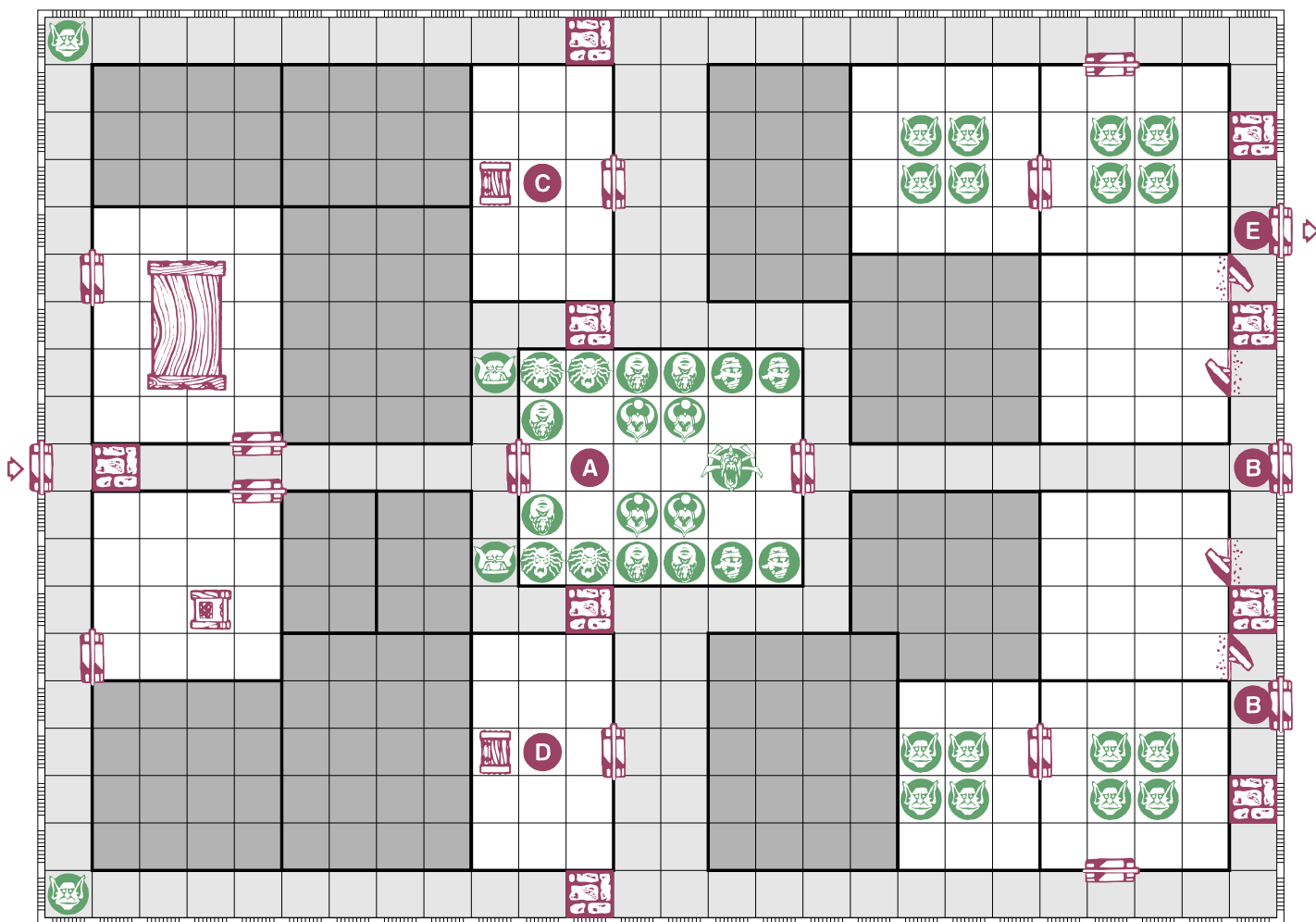
been raped of its cold silence. I fear, my brave heroes, that Skulmar has already begun his evil plans. You must stop him before he has a chance to awaken all his armies."

NOTES:

All traps in this Quest have already been sprung. All secret doors are already opened. The Orcs in the corners are stone statues that cannot be passed or destroyed. If a hero attempts to attack these Orcs their weapon will break, even a magical throwing dagger or crossbow will break. The only exception is the Spirit Blade which is so powerful that it will not break. However, it will not harm the statue.

B Inside the court on the throne sits Skulmar. Use the Chaos Warlock figure to represent Skulmar. He is alone and no other monster is in the room. Skulmar does not attack. When a hero attempts to attack him, he will disappear laughing. Take him off the board. The other monsters in this room now appear and can attack on Zargon's turn. If a Hero stands on a square showing a monster icon, place that monster on the nearest open square in the room.

A This Chest is empty.



Quest 2

The Stone Legion

"I am afraid my friends that Skulmar has once again obtained the upper hand. He has already escaped and made his way to the other side of these many caverns. He is on his way to the Great Burial Grounds hidden deep within the Mountains of Darkness. There he

plans to awaken the armies long since dead. If he succeeds, then the Empire is lost. You my heroes must hurry if you are to catch up with him. The stone legion, an ancient army of rock and hardened hearts guard the gateway to the enormous caverns below."

NOTES:

- A** The monsters in this room are the remnants of the once mighty stone legion. They are elite warriors, each of them attack and defend with one extra combat die. They also have two extra Body Points.

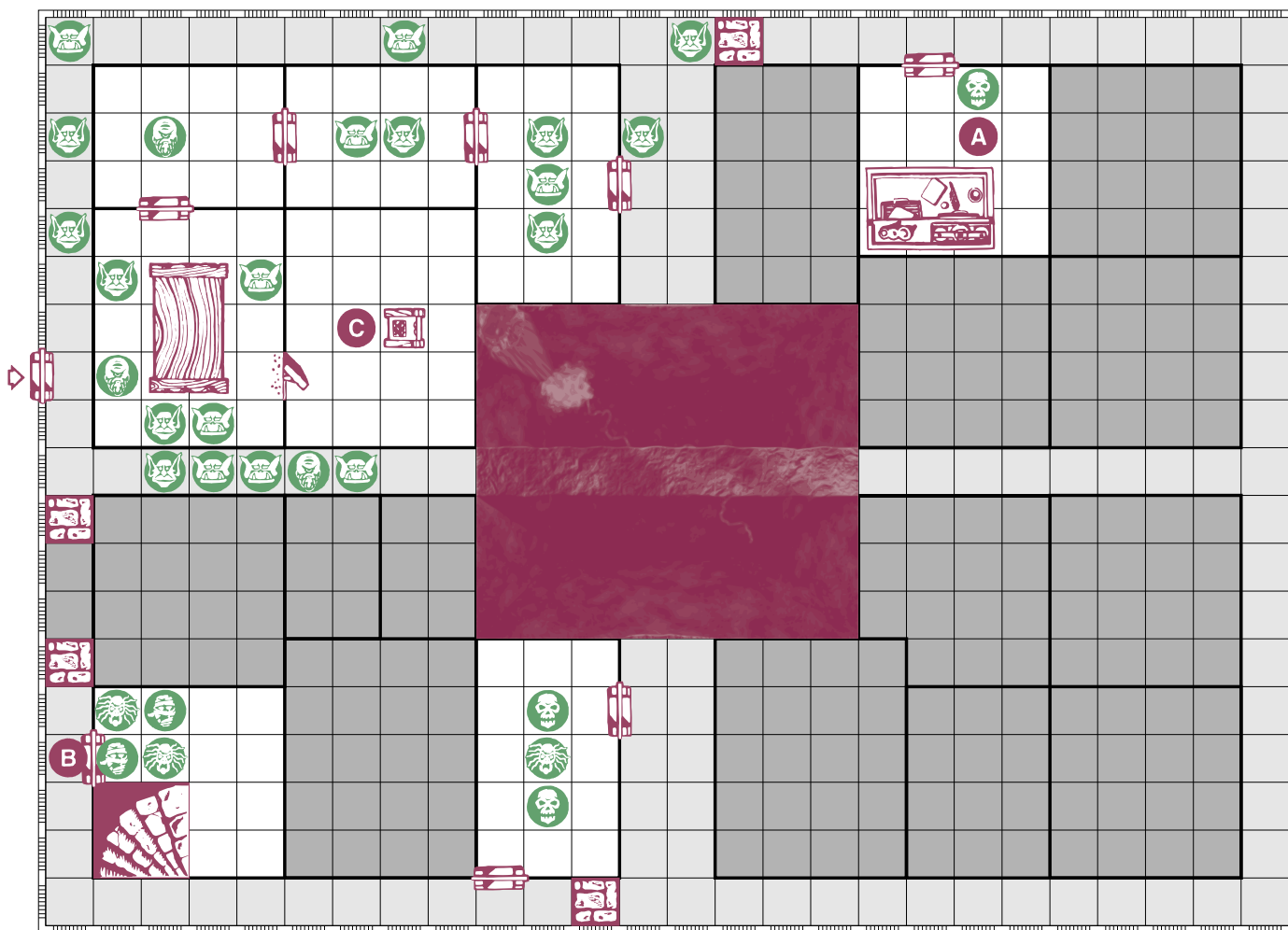
| Movement | Attack | Defend | Body | Mind |
|----------|--------|--------|------|------|
| Same | +1 | +1 | +2 | Same |

- C** The Chest contains 100 gold coins.

- D** This Chest is empty.

- E** This is the proper exit. Place the wooden exit door here.

- B** These are false doors and cannot be opened. They exist only to throw the heroes off course.



Quest 3

Caverns of Karvan

"Karvan, a crazy old hermit, once lived in these tunnels. It is said that he was trying to create a spell which would make one immune to the mighty forces of Chaos. Karvan

hasn't been seen for many years and the caverns he called home, are now swarming with evil creatures. The caverns mark the path to the Halls of Illusion."

NOTES:

The heroes start this quest at the iron door, and end this quest at the spiral stairway.


B This door is locked.

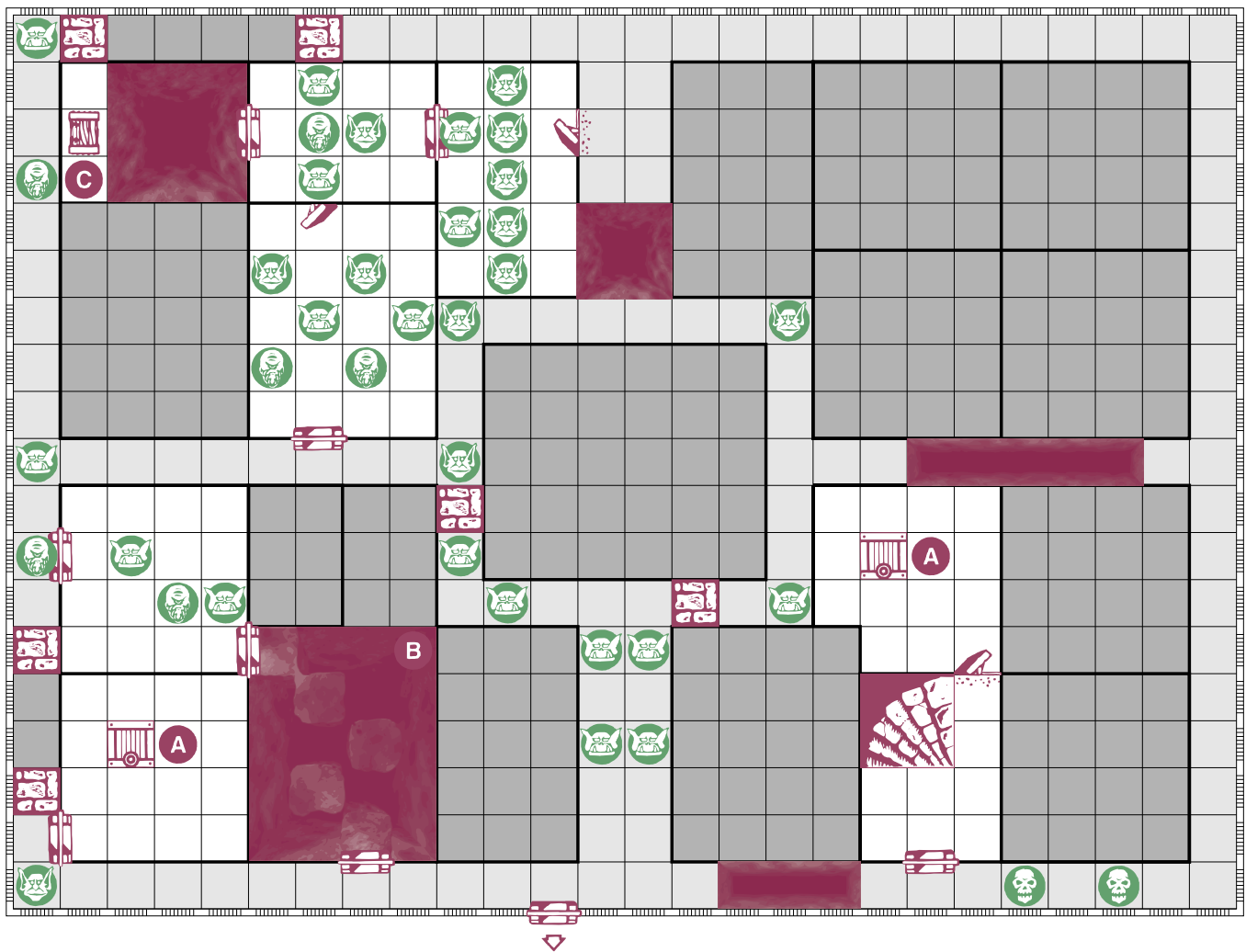
A The Skeleton in this room is Karvan's undead spirit. His stats are the same as a regular skeleton except his Body Points are two and he is immune to everything except the Spirit Blade and Fire spells.

C On the throne is a key which will open the locked door at "B".

| Movement | Attack | Defend | Body | Mind |
|----------|--------|--------|------|------|
| 6 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 |

This is Karvan's Study. There is a spell scroll on the bench, as well as a potion that will restore up to 2 lost Body Points. The Hero who first searches for treasure may take a spell scroll at random and the potion.

Wandering Monster in this Quest:  Fimir



Quest 4

The Caverns Continue

"The Mountains of Darkness, hollow and cold, hold the souls of mighty warriors. They are long since dead now. Claimed by the Black Clouds of Chaos. Many hollow tunnels in these mountains hold refuge for the minions of Chaos.

They are eerie, mysterious and very, very dangerous. Many explorers fell to their deaths in the many chasms. Beyond these caverns lie the evils of Chaos."

NOTES:

The heroes begin their quest on the staircase and must exit through the wooden door.

- A** These trap door tiles are linked by an underground tunnel. The tunnel is very dangerous and any hero who steps on one of these tiles must roll 3 Combat Dice. For every Skull rolled that Hero loses 2 Body Points, for every White Shield rolled they lose 1 Body Point. The Hero then exits on a square adjacent to the other trap door and ends their turn.
- B** In the step stone chasm room a hero must roll anything but a Black Shield on 1 Combat Die for every diagonal space that they jump to. If a Black Shield is rolled, the Hero slips. The Hero does not fall into the chasm, but clings to the edge of the square. The hero then rolls 1d6 for each Body Point remaining at this time. If a 6 is rolled, the Hero climbs back up. Otherwise the hero dangles until his next turn and loses

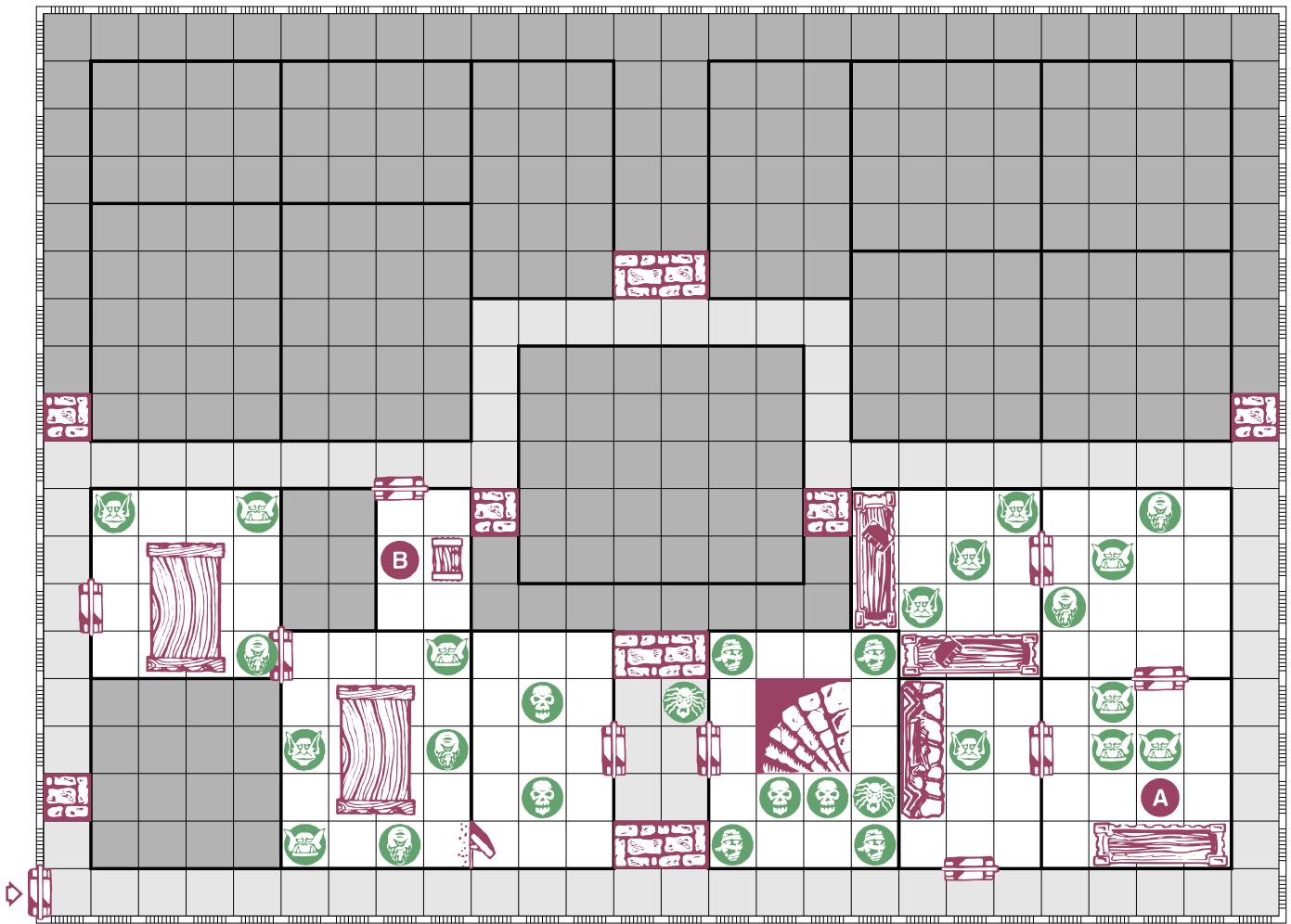
1 Body Point. If their Body Points reach zero, the Hero loses their grip and falls to their death (Heroes can still use potions to heal while dangling). Each step taken is one turn, and Heroes cannot pass each other in this room. If a Hero lands on a space that has a dangling Hero then the dangling Hero must dangle for another turn.

- C** This chest is empty and only exists for your (Zargon's) amusement.

Wandering Monster in this Quest:



Goblin



Quest 7

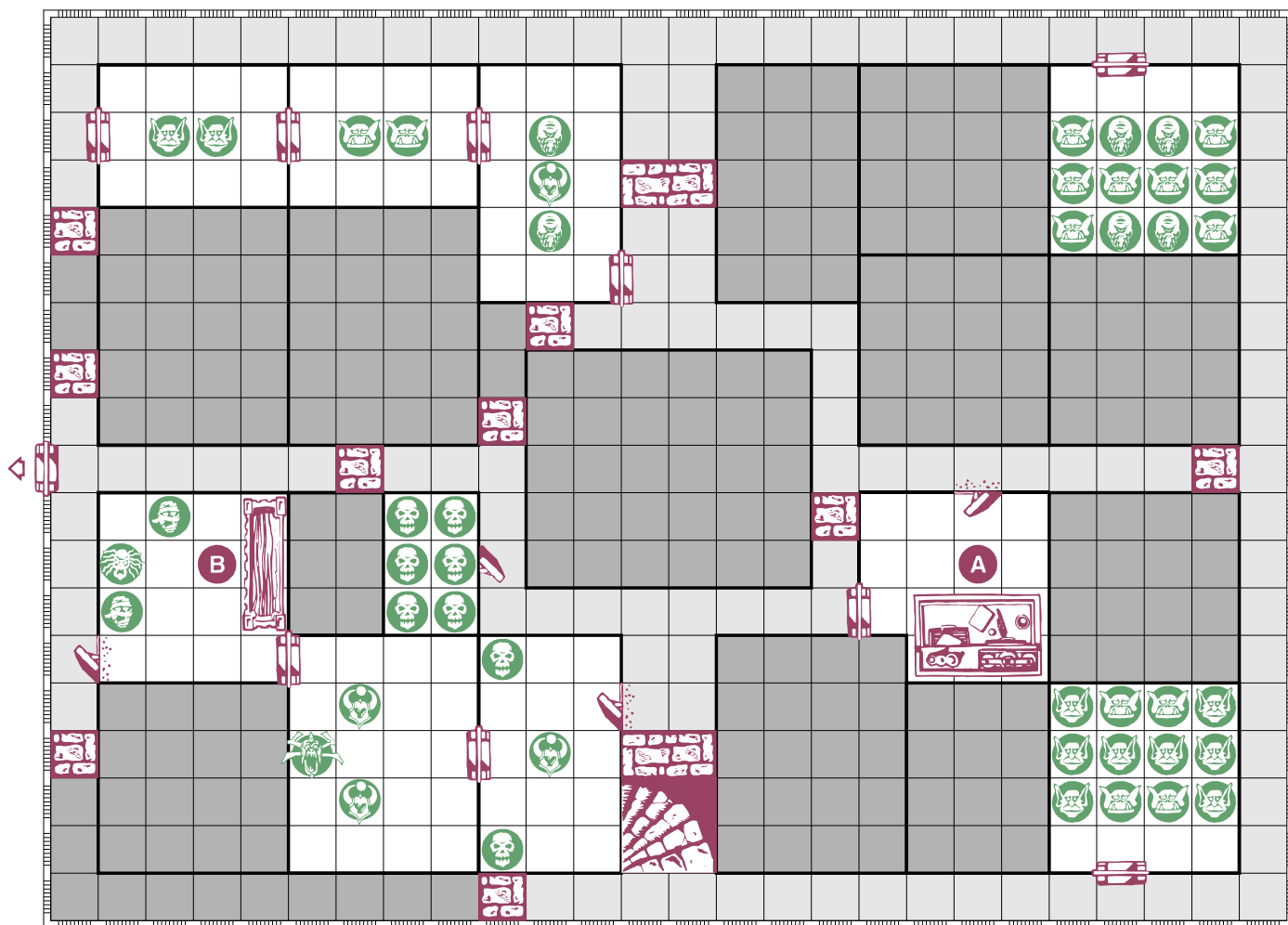
Pathways to the Grave

"An ancient town was once carved in these stones. Who or what created it remains unknown. Orcs and Goblins now dwell here, as they infest every nook and

cranny in this world. Beyond this city are graves of mighty warriors. Hurry, for the dead are rising."

NOTES:

- A** Stashed away inside the cupboards is a sack containing a single use of Dust of Disappearance.
- B** The Chest contains 20 Gold Coins and a potion that will heal up to 4 lost Body Points.



Quest 8

The Caves of Dwelling

"These caves precede the Gateway to the tombs. They are rich in monsters and their numbers are astonishing. Skulmar has recently rushed through

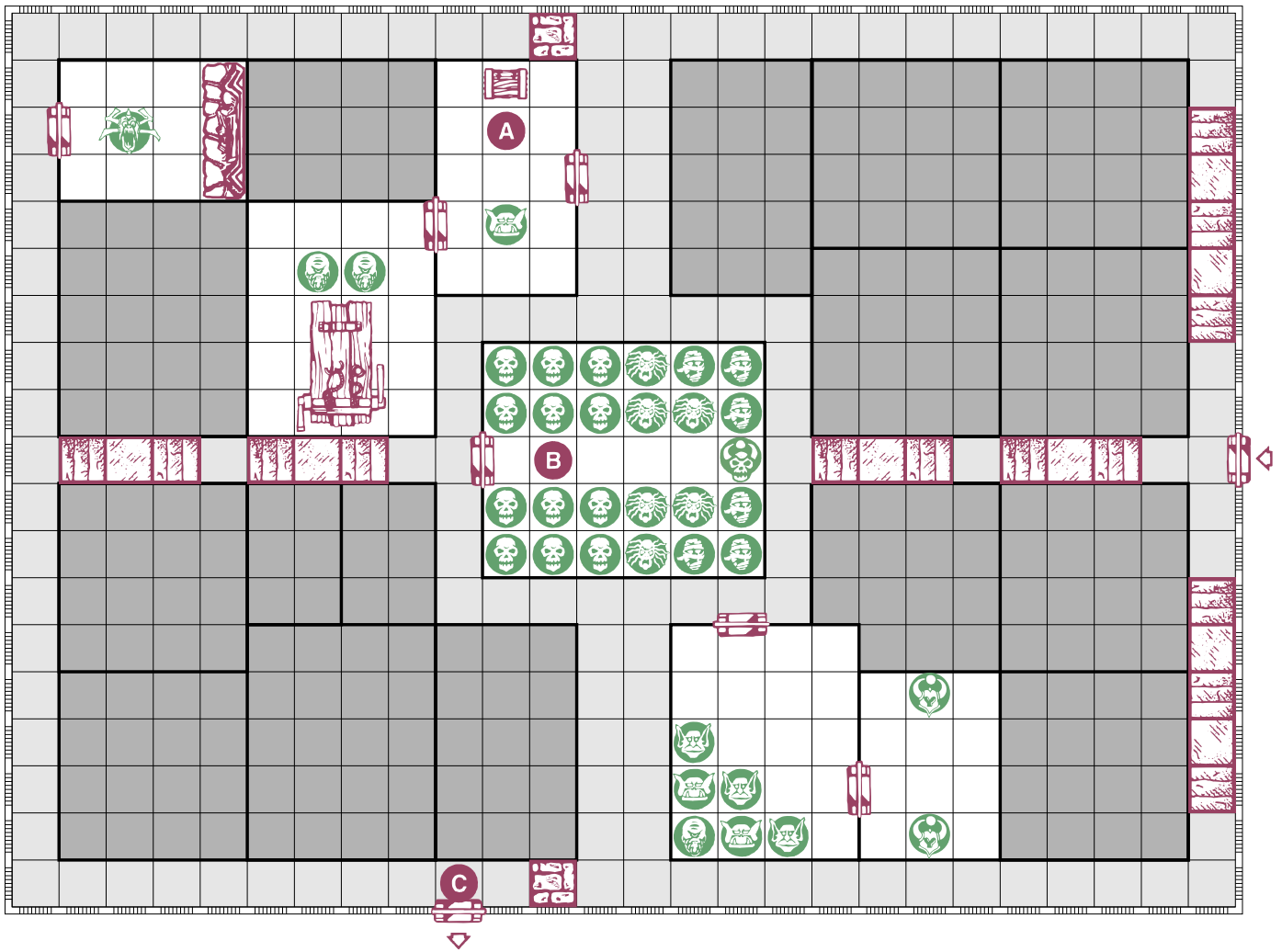
these corridors and is already at the gates beyond. I fear we may be too late!!!"

NOTES:

The heroes begin this quest at the staircase and exit through the wooden exit door.

- A** There are 3 yellow potions on the bench. A yellow potion will temporarily raise a Hero's Body Point capacity by 4 points and their Mind Points by 1. Do not, however, reveal this to the Heroes until after they try the potion. Once their Body and Mind Points have been reduced by attacks, they will resume their normal capacities.

- B** Inside the cupboard is a flask containing a glowing pink substance. When consumed, this potion tastes quite sour. Zargon, do not tell the players that it will triple a Hero's current Body Points (above normal capacity) and raise their Mind Points by 2 (also above capacity). The effects of this potion continue beyond this quest. Once a Hero takes enough damage to bring them back down below their normal starting Body Points, then they cannot heal themselves past their normal capacity. Also, if they use a healing potion while their body points are above normal, then the healing potion has no effect. The same applies to any type of healing potion or spell.



Quest 9

Gateway to the Forgotten Tombs

"This gateway is actually an ancient chapel. It was built to protect the graves hidden below. Skulmar is within these halls and has begun to summon the

armies of the undead. Please my heroes, you must stop Skulmar or all is lost!"

NOTES:

A There is 250 Gold Coins and a potion of healing that can heal up to 8 lost Body Points (beyond capacity) in the chest.

B After all the monsters in this room are destroyed, Skulmar appears. Place the Chaos Warlock figure on the square marked. Skulmar knows the following Chaos spells: **Summon Undead, Fire Storm, Fear, Lightning Bolt and Rust.**

Skulmar:

| Movement | Attack | Defend | Body | Mind |
|----------|--------|--------|------|------|
| 10 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 |

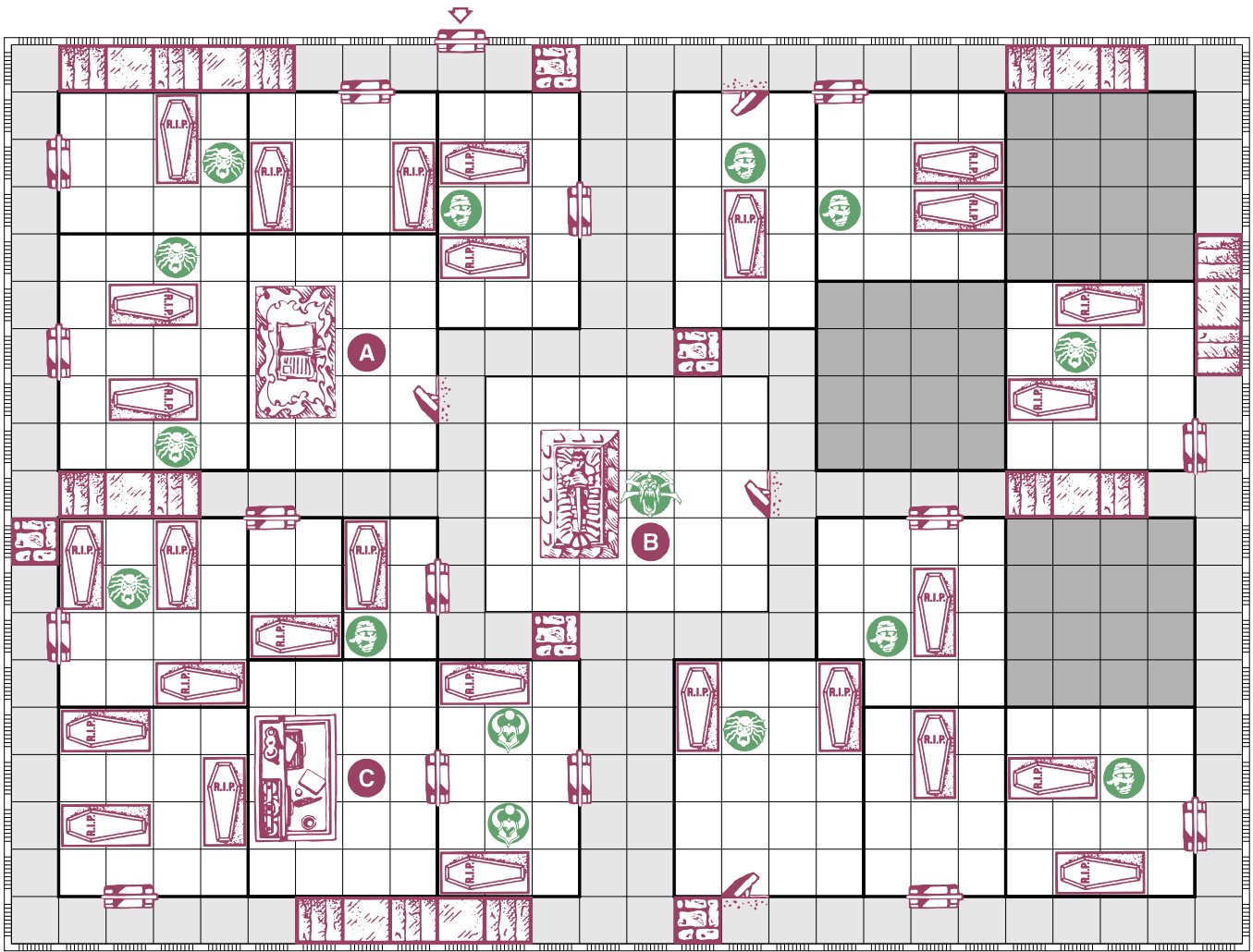
When Skulmar's Body Points reach zero, read the following out loud:

"You are too late, for I have already summoned the Legions of the Undead, which sleep below. Soon they will awaken, and ravage your worthless Empire. Fair thee well, my sweet heroes."

A key falls out of Skulmar's dying hand and clatters across the floor. Inform the heroes that they must now find the door to the chambers below. All of the undead there must be destroyed.

C This is the locked door to the chambers below. Skulmar's key is required to unlock this door.





Quest 10

Awakening of the Deceased

"This my friends is the Graveyard of the Warriors. It has now been claimed by Chaos. The souls of those who rest here are enslaved by evil. You must free them! Destroy every last creature and seal the

tombs. To do so you must find the Crypt Tools and perform the Ancient Rites to allow them to rest in peace. Please my Heroes, before they destroy our beloved Empire!"

NOTES:

In order for the Heroes to complete this quest, every last tomb must be successfully sealed.

During each of your (Zargon's) turns, you may roll 1 Combat Die for every tomb currently visible on the game board (rooms in which the Heroes have opened the door). When a Black Shield is rolled, you may place a Skeleton on any square adjacent to the tomb you rolled for. If a tomb has been sealed, then that tomb receives no roll.

All Skeletons in this quest are the remains of ancient warriors and have the following stats:

| Movement | Attack | Defend | Body | Mind |
|----------|--------|--------|------|------|
| 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 |

- A** If a Hero searches for treasure, they will discover the Tome of Sealing (see new Artifact Card for more information). Zargon, actually make your Elf or Wizard Hero chant the words aloud, otherwise the tomb will not be sealed.

- B** This is an Undead Gargoyle who was once a great Gargoyle Warrior. His stats are as follows:

| Movement | Attack | Defend | Body | Mind |
|----------|--------|--------|------|------|
| 5 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 0 |

- C** If a Hero searches for treasure, they will discover two spell scrolls (chosen at random) on the desk. Inside a drawer, they will also discover the Crypt Tools (see new Artifact Card for more information).

Once all the tombs have been sealed, the quest is over and the conclusion may be read.

A Message from Mentor

Thank you, my friends. You have once again saved our land as you have done many times before. The Emperor awards you with 500 Gold Coins each and the title of 'Sir'. Now we celebrate by the burning of the Black Banner. Prince Magnus has ordered the Imperial Knights to engulf the Mountains of Darkness and seal its entrance for eternity.

You are once again free to go your separate ways. Chaos has been suppressed and our nation relieved of darkness. For now, the Empire is once again indebted to you. Go and rest, for the Empire has a bright future. I will summon you if ever needed, but for now, I will return to my work and prepare for Zargon's next possible assault.

Mentor

Tome of Sealing



Two Heroes with Magical Ability
(Elf and Wizard)

must seal each tomb
metaphysically. One must

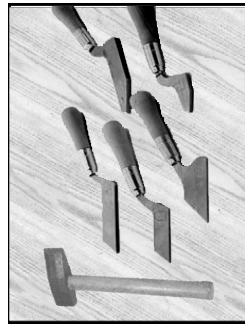
verbally chant:

"Ka-ooma Nah-may Se",
while the other rolls

1 Combat Die for each of their
Mind Points. If 3 Skulls are
rolled, then the tomb will be
spiritually sealed.

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Crypt Tools



One Hero of great strength
(Barbarian or Dwarf)

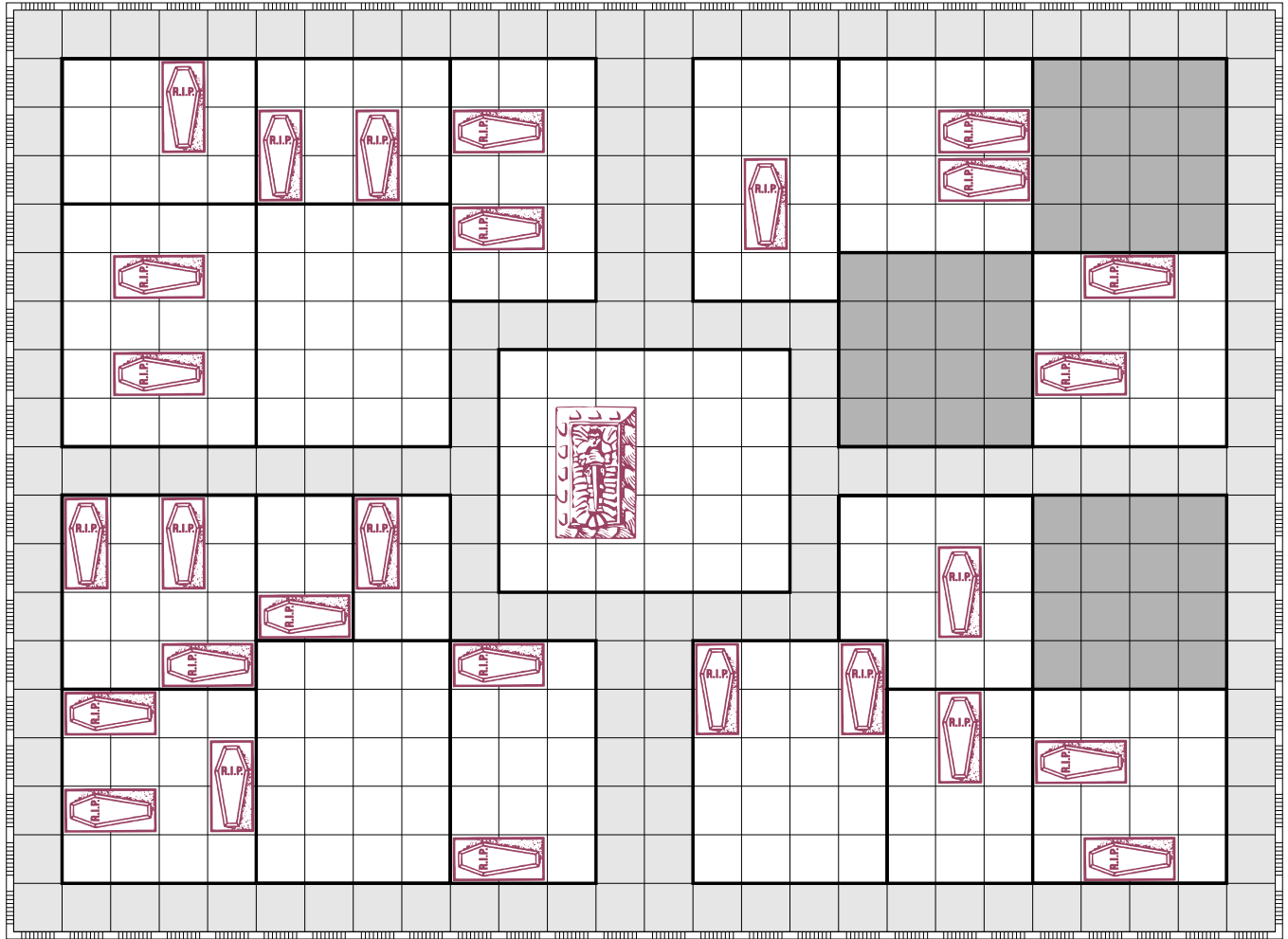
Must use the Crypt Tools to
seal the tomb. To do
this, they must roll

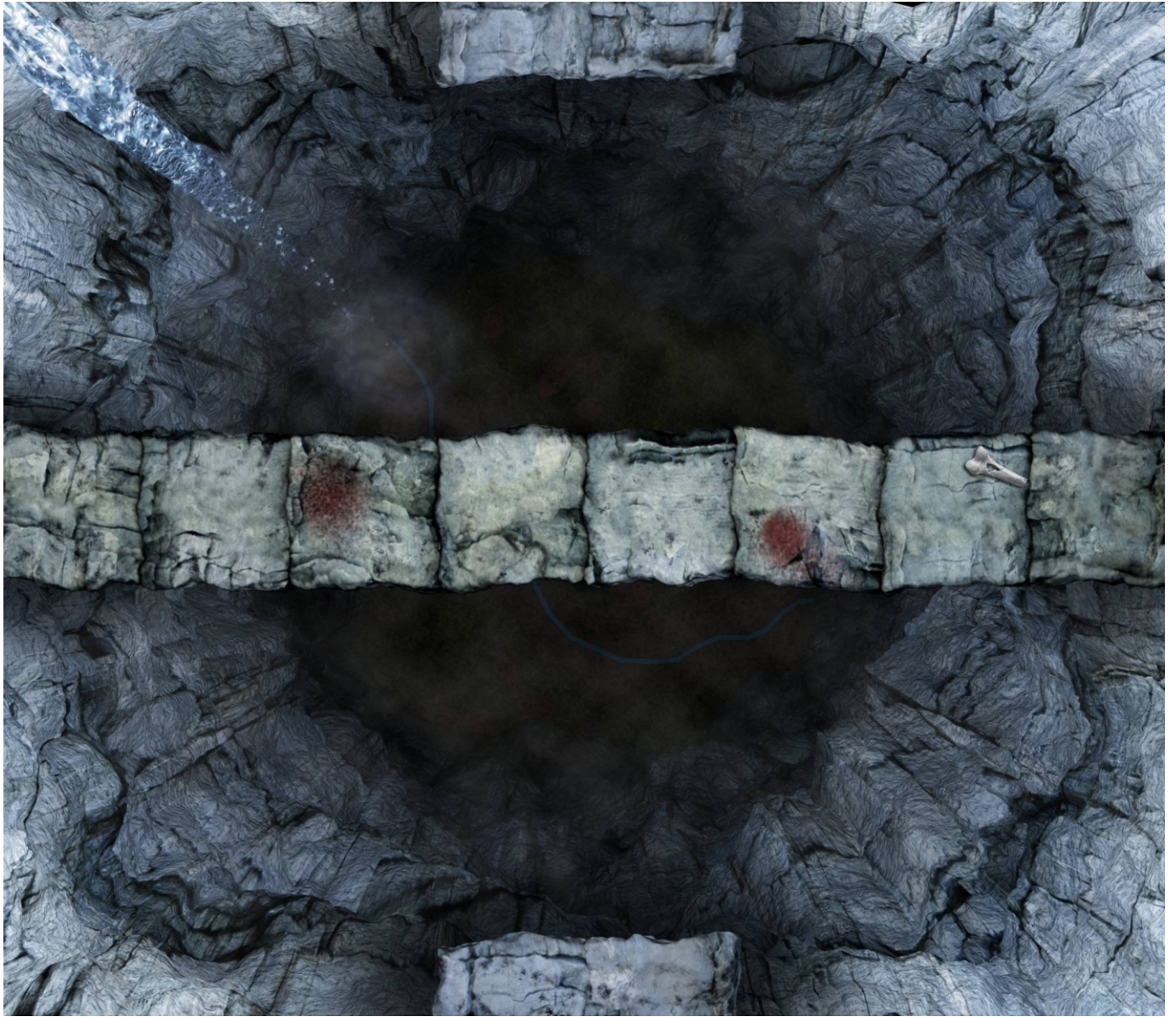
1 Combat Die for each of
their remaining

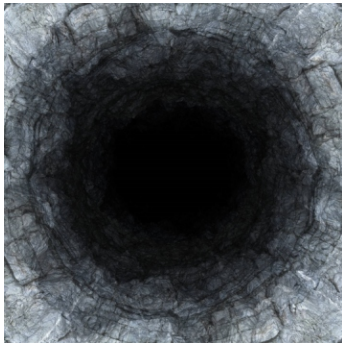
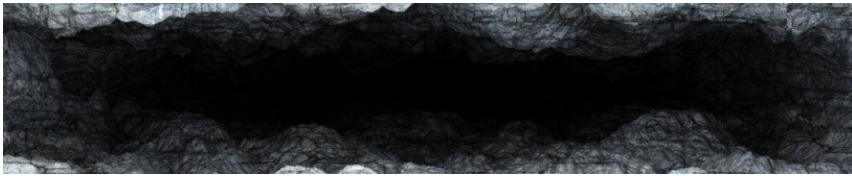
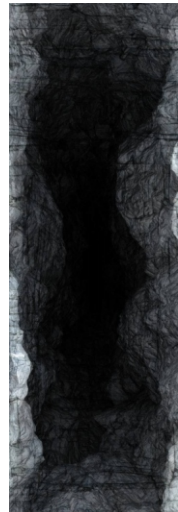
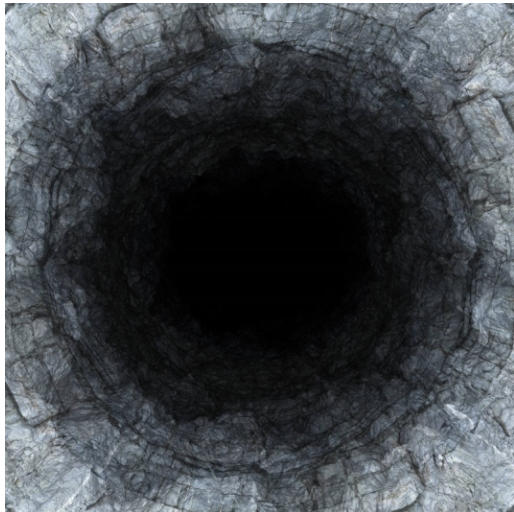
Body Points. If 3 White
Shields are rolled, the tomb
will be sealed.

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