

Deck for the Library of Lions

The cards in this deck are set up to be 2.5x3.5 if you print out just the text cards on paper and cut them out you can put them in standard card sleeves. or you can print them two sided so the Lion is on the back and the text is on the front.

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Hope this Helps
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CROSS REFERENCE

A book references another promising text. If only you could find where that other text is...

Clue: You may use this clue to gain a +3 bonus on a single skill check made to find texts.

HAND-WRITTEN NOTES

There are extensive notes scribbled in the margins of this book. These hand-written insights could be key to your next big discovery.

Clue: You may use this clue to gain a +3 bonus on a single skill check made to find texts.

PROLIFIC AUTHOR

It appears that a long-dead historian wrote more than a dozen books on the topics you're researching.

Perhaps you can find other insightful books by this author.

Clue: You may use this clue to gain a +3 bonus on a single skill check made to find texts.

BIBLIOGRAPHIC REFERENCES

Several relevant books have extensive indices and bibliographies that might point to even greater discoveries.

Clue: You may use this clue to gain a +5 bonus on a single skill check made to find texts.

HIDDEN GEM

Right next to one great discovery, you make another incredible find!

Clue: Use this clue when you or another PC discovers a clue or text to find one additional clue or text, if any remain in the room.

(If attempting to use this in a room that doesn't have any more clues, it doesn't count; this clue can be used again.)

CARD CATALOGUE

This aging card catalog system notes where one might find various types of information. The reference is somewhat dated and inaccurate.

Clue: Use this clue to learn how many clues or texts remain in any two rooms.

AN EXCITING READ

You have found several particularly engaging texts, and you find it particularly easy to concentrate on the reading.

Clue: Use this clue before a PC rolls a skill check to find a clue or text. He rolls twice and takes the higher of the two rolls.

MAGICAL ASSISTANCE

Some of the bookshelves bear a minor enchantment that aids researchers, such as briefly granting the benefits of read languages or creating an unseen servant to aid in collecting documents.

Clue: After the PCs roll skill checks to find documents, any of them may reroll the check before learning the result.

RUINED BOOK

This book is a testament to why libraries should prohibit food and drink; someone spilled a beverage on it and sheepishly put it back on the shelf, where it has sat for several months at least.



ESOTERIC ALPHABETIZATION

This library uses a strange system for organizing its texts: it alphabetizes its texts based on the progression of major musical scales instead of using the Taldan alphabet.

Clue: You may use this clue to grant a +2 bonus on all checks made to find texts in a single room for the rest of the scenario.

Found in area **B4**

TALDAN CIPHER 1

This text describes a cipher in which one must read the message backward, reading only every third letter; all other letters are ignored. The example the book provides is “RMNEB SISWD IILPL OTRSES,” which means “soldier.”

TALDAN CIPHER 2

According to this text, one common cipher involves changing each consonant into the letter that comes three places after it in the alphabet and changing each vowel into the letter that comes two places before. For example, D would become G, U would become S, and Z would become C.

(Since the vowels rotate backward and the consonants rotate forward, it's a particularly puzzling cipher to break).

TALDAN CIPHER 3

This text contains an example of an encoded message that uses a common substitution cipher (*in which each letter represents a different letter*).

It claims that “DQFIZ KPIED WZYWS QIVKO ZKXFW ZIMVT DQFXW CFPAP PDFZ VFTJF” translates to “The orcs of Tar-Baphon circle around the lake’s western edge.”

FAILED PROPHECIES

This text gives a detailed analysis of hundreds of proclaimed “ironclad” prophecies that have failed since the disappearance of Aroden. The author speculates that any prophecy made by Arodenites should be viewed with considerable skepticism.

A SILVER HORN

This text describes in detail an enchanted silver horn capable of granting courage in times of need, which Taldor used for the fifth Army of Exploration and much later during the Shining Crusade, when it was shattered into several pieces. A priest of Aroden prophesied that even if re-forged, the instrument would never sound again, and it was given a hero’s burial. The text mentioned nothing of the horn’s present location.

Found in area **B9**

CRYPTIC REFERENCES

This text is a mess of esoteric poetry and obscure riddles. One of these entries describes a silver horn once used by Taldor, which seems to be hidden somewhere in southern Brevoy. Spending considerably more time analyzing the poem may reveal additional hints about this horn and its location.

Found in area **B11**

GENERALS' LOGBOOKS

These journals record the perspectives of Taldan generals that led various phases of the Shining Crusade. Collectively, they provide valuable insight into challenges the crusaders had to overcome.

Found in area **B9**

ENCARTHAN MAPS

These maps depict Lake Encarthan, the Isle of Terror, and the nations that surround it. Of particular interest are the hundreds of hand-drawn notes and lines showing troop movements, preserving the changing plans of the brilliant generals who orchestrated the Shining Crusade.

Found in area **B8**



ENEMY ANALYSIS

This tattered, leather-bound book describes the tactical considerations that the generals of the Shining Crusade had to consider when fighting supernatural foes. It includes many ways for the rank-and-file soldiers to mitigate the damage dealt by powerful spellcasters.

Found in area **B11**

GRAVE CONSEQUENCES

This is a thin journal that explores the origins of Tar-Baphon, studies the circumstance of his lichdom, and analyzes what the author knew of his necromantic techniques from the perspective of a scholar searching for a weak spot in the Whispering Tyrant's defenses.

Found in area **B12**

LINES OF SUCCESSION

This long scroll details the rules of succession throughout the history of Taldor. It also highlights times when the nation chose an heir in a way that was an exception to the rules. This matches the description of what the Pathfinder Society is tasked to recover for Princess Eutropia.

Found in area **B12**