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MONSTER LOOT
DRAGON HEIST



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HOW TO USE THIS BOOK?

The work is half the reward, but what if you want the whole reward? After braving the dangers of an acid-spewing dragon or the petrifying gaze of a snake-headed medusa, it is reasonable that the adventurers who survived the monster's onslaught might claim some sort of prize. This document supplies a list of items and loot that traveling adventurers might find on the monsters they encounter and slay on their fantastical journeys.

What follows in this section are some light mechanics for harvesting dead creatures. There are different types of loot that can be found on a monster, not all of which are necessarily useful for a group of travelling adventures. The supplied loot tied to each monster are simply suggestions that can be changed by the DM to fit the circumstances of the campaign they are running.

The loot found within this document has been designed with the rules below in mind for two reasons. First, this prevents characters immediately picking something up from a monster and using it seconds later. Second, this document assumes that there is a body left to harvest once the creature has been killed. This should be considered when the adventurers are fighting demons and devils, which are likely to leave no corpse as they respawn on their home plane after being killed on the Material Plane.

KILLING HUMANOID ENEMIES

Many humanoid enemies exist within the worlds of DUNGEONS & DRAGONS. Some of the more popular include goblins and orcs. Opposing their wicked ways have set brave adventurers on the path to becoming legends of the realm.

When killing a humanoid enemy, the adventurers are entitled to any loot the humanoid may carry on their person. Weapons, armor, and other sparse items are listed below the humanoid's name, as with every other monster. However, harvesting body parts, such as hide and flesh, from humanoid creatures is not something this document covers because we don't encourage adventurers to tear into the bodies of people.

HARVESTING CHECKS

There are a few ways to harvest the monsters found in the worlds of DUNGEONS & DRAGONS, and doing so can impact the nature of the game being played. What follows are some suggestions as to how the characters might be able to harvest a recently deceased creature.

ABILITY CHECK

When a character attempts to harvest a creature, they must first succeed on a specific ability check to successfully harvest the components from it. The nature of the ability check depends on the monster's type. The following table should be seen as a suggestion for splitting up the checks and can be changed to better fit the nature of the game at hand.

TYPE OF ABILITY CHECK

Creature Type	Ability Check
Beast, dragon, giant, monstrosity, plant	Nature
Humanoid	Survival
Celestial, fiend, undead	Religion
Aberration, construct, elemental, fey, ooze	Arcana

The DC of the check is determined by the CR of the creature being harvested, but the harvesting check DC **cannot be lower than 10** and **cannot be higher than 30**. If a character succeeds on the ability check, they are able to harvest all available loot on the monster. If they fail the check, the character is only able to harvest half of the items.

Harvesting Check DC = 10 + monster CR (not lower than 10 and not higher than 30)

If the character fails the check by 5 or more, a mishap occurs during the harvesting process. This could be anything from piercing a gland of acid to an environmental accident, such as a rock slide covering the creature. Regardless of the nature of the mishap, all loot is lost.

Remember that two characters can help one another harvest a creature. This means that one of them gains advantage on their roll, thereby increasing their chances of successfully looting the monster.

DRAFT HORSE

- 1 Draft Horse Hide. Can be crafted into leather armor (10 gp, 2 days) or studded leather armor (45 gp, 3 days).
- 2d6 Rations.

DROW

- 1 Broken Chain Shirt (size Medium).
- 1 Broken Hand Crossbow.
- 1 Broken Shortsword.

DROW ELITE WARRIOR

- 1 Broken Hand Crossbow.
- 1 Broken Shield.
- 1 Broken Shortsword.
- 1 Broken Studded Leather Armor (size Medium).
- 2d6 Poisoned Crossbow Bolts. When you hit a creature using this piece of ammunition, the target must succeed on a DC 13 Constitution saving throw or be poisoned for one hour. If the saving throw fails by 5 or more, the target is also unconscious while poisoned in this way. The target wakes up if it takes damage or if another creature uses an action to shake it awake.
- 1 Vial of Basic Poison.

DROW MAGE

- 1 Broken Quarterstaff.
- 2d4 Ounces of Arcane Dust. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal damage. When used in this way, you can choose to reroll one of the rolled damage dice and must keep the second result.
- 1 Spellbook. It has in it the following spells: lightning bolt, greater invisibility, mage armor, web
- 1 Spell Scroll. There is a 80% chance that the scroll is a spell scroll of *summon lesser demon* and a 20% chance that it is a spell scroll of *summon greater demon*.

DRUID

- 1d4 Day Rations.
- 1 Druidic Focus.
- 1 Quarterstaff.
- 1 Waterskin.

DUERGAR

- 1 Broken Scale Mail (size Medium).
- 1 Broken Shield.
- 1 Broken War Pick.
- 1d3 Javelins.
- 1 Vial of Duergar Blood. Can be used as an additional material component when casting the spell *enlarge/reduce*. When using the spell to enlarge a creature, the creature deals an additional 1d8 damage with its enlarged weapons instead of the written 1d4 damage.

EARTH ELEMENTAL

- 1d4+1 Chunks of Earth Essence. As an action, this essence can be rubbed on a weapon where it solidifies. For one minute, the weapon is magical, attacks with the weapon deal an additional 1d6 bludgeoning damage, and the weapon deals double damage to objects and structures.
- 1d4 Ounces of Arcane Dust. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal damage. When used in this way, you can choose to reroll one of the rolled damage dice and must keep the second result.

FAERIE DRAGON

- 1 Ration.
- 1 Vial of Euphorants. As an action, you can throw this vial at a creature up to 30 feet away where it shatters in a cloud of sparkly gas. The targeted creature must make a DC 11 Wisdom saving throw. On a failed save, the target becomes unable to take reactions for one minute.

FLAMESKULL

- 1d2 Flameskull Eyes. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal fire damage. When used in this way, you deal an additional 3d6 fire damage when you cast the spell.
- 1d10 Ounces of Arcane Dust. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal damage. When used in this way, you can choose to reroll one of the rolled damage dice and must keep the second result.

FLESH GOLEM

- 1d4 Flesh Golem Strips. When consumed, you gain resistance to lightning damage for one hour.
- 2d4 Ounces of Arcane Dust. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal damage. When used in this way, you can choose to reroll one of the rolled damage dice and must keep the second result.
- 1d6 Vials of Golem Grease. When consumed, you become immune to any spell or effect that would alter your form for one hour.

FLYING SNAKE

- 1 Ration.

FLYING SWORD

- 1 Broken Longsword.
- 1 Ounce of Arcane Dust. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal damage. When used in this way, you can choose to reroll one of the rolled damage dice and must keep the second result.

GARGOYLE

- 1d2 Chunks of Earth Essence. As an action, this essence can be rubbed on a weapon where it solidifies. For one minute, the weapon is magical, attacks with the weapon deal an additional 1d6 bludgeoning damage, and the weapon deals double damage to objects and structures.
- 2d6 Magical Pebbles. One pebble can be used as ammunition for a sling. These pebbles acts as +1 ammunition.

GAS SPORE

- 1 Ounce of Spore Dust. As an action, you can blow this dust into the face of a creature standing within 5 feet of you. The creature must succeed on a DC 12 Constitution saving throw or take 3d6 poison damage on a failed save.

GHOST

- 1 Spirit Cloth. Can be crafted into a *bag of holding* (DMG p. 153) (200 gp, 14 days).
- 1d2 Ounces of Phantom Dust. As an action, you can blow this dust into the face of a creature standing within 5 feet of you. The creature must succeed on a DC 13 Wisdom saving throw or be frightened of you for one minute for one minute on a failed save. A frightened creature can repeat the saving throw at the end of each of its turns, ending the effect on a success.
- 1d4 Vials of Ectoplasm. When consumed, you can see into the Ethereal Plane for one hour.

GIANT FIRE BEETLE

- 1d4 Rations.

GIANT SHARK

- 1 Giant Shark Hide. Can be crafted into leather armor (10 gp, 2 days) or studded leather armor (45 gp, 3 days). Two sets of armor can be crafted from this hide.
- 1d10 Giant Shark Teeth. One tooth can be used as the tip on an arrow or a crossbow bolt. Ranged attacks that use ammunition made from these teeth deal an additional 1d4 damage on a hit. After the ammunition has been fired, it loses this property.
- 4d6 Rations.

GIANT SPIDER

- 1 Giant Spider Hide. Can be crafted into leather armor (50 gp, 2 days) or studded leather armor (85 gp, 3 days). While wearing this armor, you ignore movement restrictions caused by webbing.
- 2d6 Rations.

GIANT VULTURE

- 2d6 Giant Vulture Feathers. Two feathers can be used as fletching on an arrow or a crossbow bolt. Ranged attacks that use ammunition made from these feathers deal an additional 1d4 damage. After the ammunition has been fired, it loses this property.
- 2d6 Rations.

GIBBERING MOUTHER

- 1d6 Vials of Gibbering Moulder Goo. As an action, you can throw this vial up to 30 feet away where it will shatter and let out an pulsating ooze. The area where the vial landed becomes difficult terrain for one hour.
- 1d2 Vials of Blinding Spittle. As an action, you can throw this vial up to 15 feet away where it will shatter in a blinding flash. Each creature within 5 feet of where the vial landed must succeed on a DC 13 Dexterity saving throw or be blinded until the end of your next turn.

GOBLIN

- 2d6 Arrows.
- 1 Broken Leather Armor (size Small).
- 1 Broken Scimitar.
- 1 Broken Shield.
- 1 Broken Shortbow.
- 1d8 Goblin Teeth. Can be sold for 1 gold piece per tooth.

GRAY OOZE

- 1d2 Vials of Ooze Goop. As an action, you can throw this vial at a creature within 20 feet of you, treating the vial as an improvised weapon. On a hit, the vial shatters and covers the creature with gray goop. For the next minute, the creature takes 1d8 acid damage at the start of each of its turns. The creature can use an action to scrape the goop off, ending the effect early.

GRELL

- 1d2 Chunks of Grell Meat. When consumed, you gain blindsight out to a range of 15 feet and you are resistant to lightning damage. These effects last for one hour.
- 1d4 Grell Tentacles. Can be crafted into a whip (100 gp, 7 days). Once per day when you hit a creature with this weapon you can force it to make a DC 11 Constitution saving throw. On a failed save it is poisoned for one minute. The poisoned creature is paralyzed, and it can repeat the saving throw at the end of each of its turns, ending the effect on a success. When attacking with this weapon, you can also try to grapple a creature you're fighting. On a hit, you can choose to forgo doing damage and instead grapple the creature (escape DC 15) if it is Medium or smaller. The grappled creature can use its action on its turn to attempt to free itself from the grapple. Until this grapple ends, you can't use this weapon on another target.

GRIFFON

- 1d6 Griffon Claws. Can be crafted into a dagger (50 gp, 3 days). This weapon deals an additional 1d4 damage against beasts.
- 1d10 Griffon Feathers. Two feathers can be used as fletching on an arrow or a crossbow bolt. Ranged attacks that use ammunition made from these feathers deal an additional 1d6 damage on a hit if the target is a beast. After the ammunition has been fired, it loses this property.
- 2d6 Rations

GUARD

- 1 Broken Chain Shirt.
- 1 Broken Shield.
- 1d4 Broken Spears.

HALF-OGRE

- 1 Broken Battleaxe.
- 1 Broken Hide Armor (size Large).
- 1d10 Giant's Toes. Can be sold for 4 gold pieces per toe.
- 1d2 Javelins.

HAWK

- 1d4 Hawk Feathers. Two feathers can be used as fletching on an arrow or a crossbow bolt. Ranged attacks that use ammunition made from these feathers deal an additional 1d4 damage. After the ammunition has been fired, it loses this property.
- 1d4 Rations.

HELMED HORROR

- 1 Broken Longsword.
- 1 Broken Plate Armor (size Medium).
- 1 Broken Shield.
- 2d4 Ounces of Arcane Dust. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal damage. When used in this way, you can choose to reroll one of the rolled damage dice and must keep the second result.

HIPPOGRIFF

- 1d4 Hippogriff Claws. Can be crafted into a dagger (10 gp, 2 days).
- 2d6 Hippogriff Feathers. Two feathers can be used as fletching on an arrow or a crossbow bolt. Ranged attacks that use ammunition made from these feathers have an increased range of 10 feet. After the ammunition has been fired, it loses this property.
- 2d6 Rations.

IMP

- 1 Devil Eye. When consumed, you gain darkvision out to a range of 60 feet for one hour. Magical darkness does not impede this darkvision.
- 1d2 Imp Wings. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that turn something invisible. When used in this way, the duration of the invisibility increases by one minute.
- 1 Vial of Devil Blood. This functions as a vial of acid. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal acid damage. When used in this way, you deal an additional 1d6 acid damage when you cast the spell.

MASTIFF

- 1 Mastiff Hide. Two hides can be crafted into leather armor (10 gp, 2 days) or studded leather armor (45 gp, 3 days).
- 1d6 Rations.

MERFOLK

- 1d4 Broken Spears.

MERROW

- 1 Broken Harpoon. This weapon, when repaired, functions as a martial weapon that deals 2d6 piercing damage on a hit. The weapon has a throwing range of 20/60. If the target is a Large or smaller creature, it must succeed on a Strength contest against you or be pulled up to 20 feet toward you. It costs 40 gold pieces to repair the weapon.
- 1 Merrow Hide. Can be crafted into a set of light armor (100 gp, 7 days). While wearing this armor, your swimming speed equals your movement speed.
- 2d6 Rations.

MIMIC

- 1d6 Rations.
- 1d4 Vials of Mimic Adhesive. When poured on a Medium or smaller creature, the creature becomes adhesive for 10 minutes. While adhesive, the creature adheres to anything that it touches or that touches it. A Medium or smaller creature adhered to the adhesive creature is also grappled by it (escape DC 13). The adhesive creature also automatically succeeds on climbing checks as long as it is adhesive.

MIND FLAYER

- 1 Broken Breastplate.
- 1d4 Mind Flayer Tentacles. Can be crafted into a dagger (300 gp, 19 days) or a shortsword (300 gp, 19 days). Once per day, when you hit a creature with this weapon you can force it to make a DC 15 Intelligence saving throw. On a failed save, the creature is stunned until the end of its next turn.
- 1d2 Mind Flayer Eyes. When consumed, you gain darkvision out to a range of 120 feet for one hour.
- 1d6 Vials of Mind Flayer Blood. When consumed, you have advantage on saving throws against spells and other magical effects for one hour.
- 1d4 Vials of Mind Flayer Brain Matter. When consumed, you can communicate with any creature you can see within 60 feet of you for one hour. You don't need to share a language with the creature for it to understand you, but the creature must be able to understand at least one language.

MINOTAUR

- 1 Broken Greataxe.
- 1 Minotaur Heart. When consumed, you can perfectly recall any path you have traveled within the past seven days. This effect lasts for 24 hours.
- 2d6 Rations.
- 1d4 Vials of Minotaur Blood. When consumed, you gain advantage on all melee weapon attack rolls you make, but attack rolls against you have advantage. This effect lasts until the beginning of your next turn. This item can be consumed as a bonus action instead of the usual action.

NOBLE

- 1 Broken Breastplate.
- 1 Broken Rapier.
- 1d4 Random Gems (Value 10 GP).

OROG

- 1 Broken Greataxe.
- 1 Broken Plate Armor.
- 1d6 Javelins.

OWLBEAR

- 1d6 Owlbear Claws. Can be crafted into a dagger (2 gp, 1 day).
- 2d6 Owlbear Feathers. Two feathers can be used as fletching on an arrow or a crossbow bolt. Ranged attacks that use ammunition made from these feathers deal an additional 1d4 damage on a hit. After the ammunition has been fired, it loses this property.
- 2d6 Rations.

PANTHER

- 1 Panther Hide. Two hides can be crafted into leather armor (10 gp, 2 days) or studded leather armor (45 gp, 3 days).
- 1d6 Rations.

POLAR BEAR

- 1d4 Polar Bear Claws. Can be crafted into a dagger (2 gp, 1 day).
- 1 Polar Bear Hide. Can be crafted into leather armor (10 gp, 2 days) or studded leather armor (45 gp, 3 days).
- 2d6 Rations.

PRIEST

- 1 Broken Mace.
- 1 Broken Chain Shirt.
- 1d4 Flasks of Holy Water.
- 1 Holy Symbol. Matches the religious beliefs of the priest.
- 1 Potion of Healing.

QUIPPER

- 1 Ration.

RAKSHASA

- 1 Rakshasa Heart. When consumed, you gain the benefits of the true seeing spell for one hour.
- 1d2 Rakshasa Hands. Requires attunement by a spellcaster. Can be used as an arcane focus. You may cast each of the spells *charm person*, *detect thoughts*, *major image*, and *suggestion* once per day. You use your own spellcasting ability and spell save DC when casting these spells, and any spent uses recharge every day at dawn.
- 1d8 Rakshasa Claws. One claw can be used as the tip on an arrow or a crossbow bolt. Ranged attacks that use ammunition made from these claws put a magical curse on the target they hit. The magical curse takes effect whenever the target takes a short or long rest, filling the target's thoughts with horrible images and dreams. The cursed target gains no benefit from finishing a short or long rest. The curse lasts until it is lifted by a remove curse spell or similar magic. After the ammunition has been fired, it loses this property.
- 2d4 Random Gems (Value 50 GP).

RED SLAAD

- 1 Red Slaad Hide. Can be crafted into a set of light armor (15000 gp, 100 days). Requires attunement. While wearing this armor, you have resistance to one type of damage. The type of damage you have resistance to can be chosen and switched over the course of a short or long rest. You can choose to have resistance to acid, cold, fire, lightning, or thunder damage.
- 1d4 Slaad Claws. Can be crafted into a dagger (2 gp, 1 day).
- 1d6 Vials of Slaad Mesh. When consumed, you have advantage on saving throws against spells and other magical effects for the next 10 minutes.

RHINOCEROS

- 2d6 Rations.
- 1 Rhinoceros Hide. Can be crafted into leather armor (10 gp, 2 days) or studded leather armor (45 gp, 3 days).

RIDING HORSE

- 2d6 Rations.
- 1 Riding Horse Hide. Can be crafted into leather armor (10 gp, 2 days) or studded leather armor (45 gp, 3 days).

RUG OF SMOTHERING

- 1 Carpet. Can be worn as a cloak. While wearing this ragged fabric, you have advantage on Charisma checks made to pass off as a member of the lower class.
- 1d2 Ounces of Arcane Dust. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal damage. When used in this way, you can choose to reroll one of the rolled damage dice and must keep the second result.

RUST MONSTER

- 1d6 Rations.
- 1 Rust Monster Hide. Can be crafted into a shield (1000 gp, 30 days). Any nonmagical weapon made of metal that hits the shield corrodes. The weapon takes a permanent and cumulative -1 penalty to damage rolls. If its penalty drops to -5, the weapon is destroyed. Nonmagical ammunition made of metal that hits the shield is also destroyed. A weapon hits the shield if the attack roll against you was 1 or 2 lower than your armor class.

SCARECROW

- 1d2 Scarecrow Hands. Can be used as an arcane focus.
- 1d10 Scarecrow Kindling. Can be used as an additional material component when casting spells that deal fire damage. When used in this way, you deal an additional 1d6 fire damage when you cast the spell.

SHADOW

- 1d6 Vials of Shadow Flux. As an action, you can throw this vial up to 30 feet away where it will shatter in a vapor of darkness. The area within a 15 foot radius of where the vial landed becomes pitch black, as if affected by the *darkness* spell. When consumed, you have advantage on Dexterity (Stealth) checks made while in dim light or darkness.

YOUNG BRONZE DRAGON

- 1d2 Bronze Dragon Claws. Can be crafted into a dagger (150 gp, 9 days). On a hit, you deal an additional 1d6 lightning damage with this weapon.
- 1d2 Bronze Dragon Fang. Can be crafted into a shortsword (150 gp, 9 days). On a hit, you deal an additional 1d6 lightning damage with this weapon.
- 1 Bronze Dragon Hide. Can be crafted into a set of light armor (2000 gp, 60 days). While wearing this armor, you have resistance to lightning damage.
- 2d4 Bronze Dragon Scales. If you have 20 scales, you can craft them into scale mail armor (2000 gp, 60 days). While wearing this armor, you have resistance to lightning damage.
- 2d4 Bronze Dragon Teeth. One tooth can be used as the tip on an arrow or a crossbow bolt. Ranged attacks that use ammunition made from these teeth deal an additional 1d6 lightning damage on a hit. After the ammunition has been fired, it loses this property.
- 2d6 Rations.
- 1d2 Young Bronze Dragon Wings. One wing can be crafted into a resistant cloak (200 gp, 14 days). Requires attunement. When worn, you can use your reaction to give yourself resistance to lightning damage.