

## MICROLITE20

This is a trimmed-down, subminiature version of the Primary Fantasy SRD rules (see license for more info) that has been designed to be quick and easy to play. The goal was to create a simpler game, but one where all of the resources of Primary Fantasy SRD (monsters, spells, adventures and equipment) could be used without conversion.

### Stats

There are 3 stats : Strength (STR), Dexterity (DEX) and Mind (MIND).

Roll 4d6, drop lowest dice. Total remaining 3 dice and allocate to one of the stats. Repeat for remaining stats.

Stat bonus = (STAT-10)/2, round down.

### Races

**Humans** get +1 to all skill rolls

**Elves** get +2 MIND

**Dwarves** get +2 STR

**Halflings** get +2 DEX

### Classes

The classes are Fighter, Rogue, Mage, Cleric. Characters begin at Level 1.

**Fighters** wear any kind of armour and use shields. They have a +3 bonus to Physical and add +1 to all attack and damage rolls. This increases by +1 at 5<sup>th</sup> level and every five levels on

**Rogues** can use light armour. They have a +3 bonus to Subterfuge. If they successfully Sneak (usually sub+DEX, but depends on situation) up on a foe they can add their Subterfuge skill rank to the damage of their first attack

**Magi** wear no armour. They can cast arcane spells, and gain a +3 bonus to Knowledge

**Clerics** can wear light or medium armour. They cast divine spells and gain +3 bonus to Communication. A Cleric can Turn Undead with a successful Magic Attack. DC is the current Hit Points of the Undead. If the DC is exceeded by 10 it is destroyed. This can be used (2 + Level + MIND Bonus) times per day.

### Skills

There are just 4 skills : Physical, Subterfuge, Knowledge and Communication. Roll higher than the given Difficulty Class to succeed.

Skill rank = your level + any bonus due to your class or race.  
Skill roll = d20 + skill rank + whatever stat bonus is most applicable to the use + situation modifiers

For example, Climbing would use Physical + STR bonus. Dodging a falling rock is Physical + DEX bonus. Finding a trap is Subterfuge + MIND bonus. Disabling a trap is Subterfuge + DEX bonus.

Note that there are no "saving throws" in this game; use Physical + STR or DEX bonus for Fortitude and Reflex saves. Saving against magic (Will save) is usually MIND bonus + your level.

### Magic

Magi can cast any arcane spell, and Clerics any divine spell, with a spell level equal or below 1/2 their class level, rounded up. They have access to all arcane spells in the SRD spell list.

Casting a spell of any kind costs Hit Points. The cost is 1 + double the level of the spell being cast:

<b>Spell Level</b>	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>HP Cost</b>	1	3	5	7	9	11	13	15	17	19

This loss **cannot** be healed normally but is recovered after 8 hours rest. There is no need to memorize spells in advance.

Just because a character can cast any spell, doesn't mean that they should. Choose spells that suit the character. Select one 'signature' spell per spell level from 1<sup>st</sup> upward that they prefer to use over any other. These spells are easier to cast due to familiarity, costing 1 less HP to use.

The Difficulty Class (DC) for all spells is  
**10 + Caster Level + Caster's MIND bonus**

### Combat

Hit Points = STR Stat + 1d6/Level. If HP reach 0, unconscious and near death. Further damage directly reduces STR. If that reaches 0, death.

Roll d20 + DEX bonus for initiative order. Everyone can do one thing each turn; move, attack, cast a spell, etc.

Melee attack bonus = STR bonus + Level

Missile attack bonus = DEX bonus + Level

Magic attack bonus = MIND bonus + Level

Add attack bonus to d20 roll. If higher than your opponent's Armour Class (AC), it's a hit. Natural 20 is automatically a critical doing maximum damage.

Fighters and Rogues can use DEX bonus + Level as Melee attack bonus instead if wielding a light weapon. Fighters and Rogues can wield 2 light weapons and attack with both in a round if they take a -2 penalty on all attack rolls that round. Rapiers count as light weapons, but you cannot wield two rapiers at the same time.

If the total bonus is +6 or more a second attack can be made with a -5 penalty. If the total bonus is +11 or more a third attack can be made at -10. For example, if the total bonus is +12, three attacks can be made at +12/+7/+2.

Add STR bonus to Melee damage, x2 for 2-handed weapons.  
Armour Class (AC) = 10 + DEX bonus + Armour bonus.

### Other Hazards

Falling : 1d6 damage per 10', half damage on Phys+DEX save.  
DC=depth fallen in feet

Spikes : add +1 point to falling damage per 10' fallen, max +10  
Poison : Phys+STR save to avoid or for half, depending on poison.

Effect varies with poison type.

Extreme Heat & Cold : If not wearing suitable protection, Phys+STR save once every 10 minutes (DC 15, +1 per previous check), taking 1d6 damage on each failed save.

### Level Advancement

Encounter Level = Hit Dice of defeated monsters, or the given EL for the trap, situation, etc. Add +1 for each doubling of the number of foes. eg: 1 kobold = EL1. 2 kobolds = EL2. 4 kobolds = EL3, etc.

Add up the Encounter Levels (ELs) of every encounter you take part in. When the total = 10 x your current level, you've advanced to the next level. Reset the total to 0 after advancing.

Each level adds:  
+1d6 to Hit Points  
+1 to all attack rolls  
+1 to all skills

If the level divides by three (i.e. level 3,6,9,etc.) add 1 point to STR, DEX or MIND.

Fighters gain +1 to their attack and damage rolls at levels 5,10,15,etc.

Clerics and Magi gain access to new spell levels at levels 3,5,7,9,etc.

### Example

The 1<sup>st</sup> level adventurers have just completed a dungeon adventure, and defeated 5 EL1 encounters, an EL2 trap and the EL3 leader. That's a total of EL10, so they all advance to level 2. They need to defeat another 20 Encounter Levels to reach Level 3.

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### Monsters

Name	Hit Dice	Armour Class	Attack
Animal (small) eg Badger	HD 1d8+2 (6 hp)	AC 15	Claw +4 (1d2-1)
Ankheg	HD 3d10+12 (28 hp)	AC 18	Bite +7 (2d6+7 plus 1d4 acid)
Bugbear	HD 3d8+3 (16 hp)	AC 17	Morningstar +5 (1d8+2) or javelin +3 (1d6+2)
Choker	HD 3d8+3 (16 hp)	AC 17	Tentacle +6 (1d3+3)
Deinonychous (Raptor)	HD 4d8+16 (34 hp)	AC 16	Talons +6 (2d6+4)
Dire Rat	HD 1d8+1 (5 hp)	AC 15	Bite +4 (1d4 plus disease)
Dragon (young Red)	HD 13d12+39 (123 hp)	AC 21	Bite +20 (2d6+7) or breath 10d10 DC24 phys+DEX to dodge for half
Dwarf	HD 1d8+2 (6 hp)	AC 16	Waraxe +3 (1d10+1) or shortbow +1 (1d6)
Earth Elemental (large)	HD 8d8+32 (68 hp)	AC 18	Slam +12 (2d8+7)
Elf	HD 1d8 (4 hp)	AC 15	Longsword +2 (1d8+1) or longbow +3 (1d8)
Gargoyle	HD 4d8+19 (37 hp)	AC 16	Claw +6 (1d4+2)
Goblin	HD 1d8+1 (5 hp)	AC 15	Morningstar +2 (1d6) or javelin +3 (1d4)
Griffon	HD 7d10+21 (59 hp)	AC 17	Bite +11 (2d6+4)
Halfling	HD 1d8+1 (5 hp)	AC 16	Shortsword +3 (1d6) or light crossbow +3 (1d6)
Hellhound	HD 4d8+4 (22 hp)	AC 16	Bite +5 (1d8+1 plus 1d6 fire)
Hill Giant	HD 12d8+48 (102 hp)	AC 20	Greatclub +16 (2d8+10) or rock +8 (2d6+7)
Hobgoblin	HD 1d8+2 (6 hp)	AC 15	Longsword +2 (1d8+1) or javelin +2 (1d6+1)
Human Commoner	HD 1d8+1 (5 hp)	AC 12	Dagger +1 (1d6+1) or sling +1 (1d4)
Insect (small) eg Spider	HD 1d8 (4 hp)	AC 14	Bite +4 (1d4-2 plus poison)
Kobold	HD 1d8 (4 hp)	AC 15	Spear +1 (1d6-1) or sling +3 (1d3)
Ogre	HD 4d8+11 (29 hp)	AC 16	Greatclub +8 (2d8+7) or javelin +1 (1d8+5)
Orc	HD 1d8+1 (5 hp)	AC 13	Falchion +4 (2d4+4) or javelin +1 (1d6+3)
Owlbear	HD 5d10+25 (52 hp)	AC 15	Claw +9 (1d6+5)
Rust Monster	HD 5d8+5 (27 hp)	AC 18	Antennae touch +3 (rust)
Shadow	HD 3d12 (19 hp)	AC 13	Incorporeal touch +3 (1d6 Str)
Skeleton Warrior	HD 1d12 (6 hp)	AC 15	Scimitar +1 (1d6+1) or claw +1 melee (1d4+1)
Stirge	HD 1d10 (5 hp)	AC 16	Touch +7 (attach)
Stone Golem	HD 14d10+30 (107 hp)	AC 26	Slam +18 (2d10+9)
Troll	HD 6d8+36 (63 hp)	AC 16	Claw +9 (1d6+6)
Werewolf (hybrid form)	HD 3d8+7 (20 hp)	AC 16	Claw +4 (1d4+2)
Wight	HD 4d12 (26 hp)	AC 15	Slam +3 (1d4+1 plus energy drain)
Wolf	HD 2d8+4 (13 hp)	AC 14	Bite +3 (1d6+1)
Wyvern	HD 7d12+14 (59 hp)	AC 18	Sting +10 (1d6+4 plus poison) or Talon +10 (2d6+4) or Bite +10 (2d8+4)
Zombie	HD 2d12+3 (16 hp)	AC 11	Slam +2 (1d6+1) or club +2 (1d6+1)

**Skills:** All creatures have a bonus to all skills equal to their number of Hit Dice. If the creature is intelligent, add +3 to one skill. Add stat bonuses to suit and as logic dictates. This is intentionally kept open – if you need a sneaky bugbear, assign the +3 bonus to Subterfuge; if a warrior, give +3 to Physical; for a spell-caster assign the +3 to Knowledge or Communication and give levels of Mage or Cleric (see below).

**Monster Advancement:** To make a tougher monster, add more Hit Dice; each additional HD adds one to their skill and combat bonuses. For each doubling of the Hit Dice, increase the dice size for attacks (ie, d4->d6, d6->d8, etc).

Alternatively, add class levels to intelligent monsters. Start with the base Hit Dice and add levels of Fighter, Rogue, Mage or Cleric as required.

**Create your own:** Assign Hit Dice (d8 for most things, d12 for Dragons and Undead). Attack bonus and skill level = number of Hit Dice. If it's an intelligent critter, +3 bonus to one skill. Add stat bonuses to suit.

### Sample Characters

#### Morris, Human Rogue-1

STR 12 (+1), DEX 15 (+2), MIND 12 (+1)  
hp 13, AC 15 (Studded Leather), Paired Short Swords, +0/+0, d6+1  
Subterfuge +5, all others @ +2

#### Kendrick, Dwarf Fighter-1

STR 16 (+3), DEX 13 (+1), MIND 11 (+0)  
hp 17, AC 17 (Chainmail + shield), Longsword +5, d8+4  
Physical +4, all others @ +1

#### Cholmer, Elven Mage-1

STR 12 (+1), DEX 13 (+1), MIND 16 (+3)  
hp 13, AC 11 (Robes), Quarterstaff +2, d6+1  
Knowledge +4, all others @ +1  
Spells: All 0 and 1st level arcane spells.

#### Barnabas, Halfling Cleric-1

STR 10 (+0), DEX 16 (+3), MIND 13 (+1)  
hp 11, AC 18 (Chainmail), Morningstar +1, d8  
Communication +4, all others @ +1  
Spells: All 0 and 1st level divine spells.

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