

Pokémon Tabletop United: The Blessed and The Damned

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Author's Foreword

Pokémon Tabletop United: The Blessed and the Damned is an advanced players guidebook for the PTU system focusing on how Legendaries interact with the players and the setting, and advanced character advancement options detailed around interacting with these creatures. This book doesn't detail everything you need to play, as it's just an expansion on the core rules. Also note the 'Version Notes' section for a list of changes through its editions.

I by no stretch of the imagination believe these rules or assumptions are something we assume every campaign should work around. In fact, the reason this book exists is A) we wanted to separate the ideology of Legendary classes entirely from the core rules and B) it allows us to talk more about Legendaries as Gods and their interactions with the setting. A lot of these ideas, however, were very common place in the developer community and I have drawn a lot from that. Think of this book as a toolbox, you don't have to use all of it but you can pick and choose things from here and tweek them as you wish to fit your game.

What you can expect from this is a better idea on how to tie Legendaries into your setting if you want to take a more divine approach like the later games imply rather than how they were in the earlier games. I think a lot of the ideas here will help facilitate your creation of your own pantheons, their followers, enemies, rivals, etc. As for the PC Options what you can expect is a lot of really neat stuff that supplements what was lost with classes like Signer, Crypto, Touched, and Godspeaker not existing in PTU's core book. You'll find them here, and more options as well for archetypes that have come up during campaigns but had no class to fit them.

Enough prattling though, let's get talking about Legends!

zoof: Hi, I'm zoofman, one of the Pokémon Tabletop United developers. Much like Doxy in the core book I'll be putting my personal asides in little blurbs like these as well. Also don't forget to stop by <http://forums.Pokémontabletop.com/index/> and leave feedback in the PTU section. Constant improvement and feedback is what drives this project after all!

Chapter One: Gods and Legends

Arceus and the Origins of Legendaries

“What, you wanna hear about how it all began, kiddo? Well, sit down there yonder and let’s start ourselves a tale then. I don’t suppose you find many folks who deny Arceus played some sorta role in it all; question be just what he did, let alone who the heck he is. Personally I side with the belief some other big shot in the sky made him. Makes sense when ya think about our relation to the critters.”



While the facts are unclear, what is well established by scholars and other Legendary Pokémon alike is that Arceus played a large part in the shaping of the world as it is. Most of the higher Legendaries will even willingly admit their submission to the being, as well as owing their own existence to it.

Beyond that, few mortals have ever been graced with the chance to encounter the elusive deity, and his personal pantheon are barred from revealing what little they know of him. Due to the uncertainties surrounding Arceus, various religious practices around it have popped up over the eras, but there are very little confirmed bits of information about it.

- Arceus has the power to create life, and created many of the higher Legendaries. Beyond that is unknown just what all he himself created.
- He plays a very minimal role in the affairs of mortals, delegating that to his pantheon, unless matters elevate to the direst levels.
- Certain heroes in history have allied with the creature and commanded it in conflict

zoof: I imagine you’re wondering how the hell that last bit works, someone catching God and not completely derailing existence itself or some other anomaly. We’ll discuss that later!

"Honestly though I think that's the borin' part. Ain't no one know enough about the big stag in the sky to really say much without getting' all preachy n' religious on ya. What I find more interestin' is to think about just what he represents, n' what the other Legendaries are as well. There's a few thoughts on that but good luck draggin' em out of most Legendaries. We mortals know a bit about it now though ever since we found out how to make Mewtwos – but we'll get to that dem big purple cats in a bit"

Philosophers throughout the ages have discussed just what it is that makes a Legendary, well, Legendary. There are a few outstanding theories on this that all have merit and have been bantered back and forth for as long as there has been civilization. The most prominent theory is that the subconscious of humans and Pokemon alike influences it; the outstanding belief that, for example, Mew was the progenitor of most Pokemon species empowers Mews to act in such a manner. Another popular theory is that rather than being simply a Pokemon, Legendary beings contain a spark of sorts that allows them to exert influence on the world around them. Both these have merit given certain oddities in the Legendary spectrum, though it's uncertain to the general population just what breakthrough allowed humanity to create artificial Legendaries in the form of the Mewtwo genome.

"Now you probably are wonderin' just what the point of Arceus creatin' beings that powerful might be. Ya ever wonder why livin' things even got Auras, what caused Mystics and Psychics to come about, the Dream World, Reverse World n' all the worlds in-between? Quite frankly I don't either. What I do know is we live in a world where science can't explain everything. And sometimes ya gotta wonder, is it the moon that makes ocean currents or whims of a Kyogre somewhere out there? Or did a Legendary on the moon make it work that way? Ain't no easy answers there kiddo."

All Legendaries have domains they have control over. Not all of these are equal, mind you, and their dominance can basically be broken down into two categories. Most Legendaries are bound to a region, with several of their kind throughout the world. Their domains are more tied to the humans, Pokemon and other life of those regions and they do have a good amount of control in them, but outside their region they are essentially 'normal' Pokemon. It is also worth noting most Legendaries can take on a human avatar, and do so often in meeting with mortals. They find this often makes conversation easier on both parties - and allows them to walk among mortals without being harassed on occasion. In Arceus's case, there are no consistencies here, and he has a hand in all domains of life and existence.

zoof: We find Pokemon having different forms they take on, specially human ones but also several different Pokemon species, makes them seem more powerful and often times more relatable. Especially if they are living a normal life – like if that chill dude at Burger King is actually Arceus all along.

The second kind work on a larger scale, either worldwide or over large geographical regions. These ones have domains over more abstract concepts, and include species such as Giratina, Palkia and Dialgia. Their overall power is much more significant than those of their regional counterparts, but their overall influence on the lives of mortals is less direct.

As for what these domains might be, and some ideas on what roles these creatures might play in your own setting might be, let's move onto the next section!

The Gods

zoof: First let me explain how this part is structured. I'm going to list all the Legendaries and outline some suggestions on how to fluff them for you. It's not something we can really codify across all settings, so it's not exactly specific. One thing I have found that's really fun on both the GM and player side though to assist in this, is take a mythology from around the world and fit Legendaries to it. I've seen this done with Arthurian Legend to interesting results, and have done it myself with Norse and Voodoo Loa. A lot of these guys were inspired by some sort of deities in the first place, so it's not that hard to do either.

The Lower Pantheon

"We'll talk about the little guys first, they need some attention too."

The Legendary Birds

"So we know these guys had somethin' to do with ocean currents, estuaries and the foundation of the waters themselves. They also always get in peckin' fights with one another n' Lugia has to break it up. Buncha bird brains if you ask me."



There's a common trend among lesser the trios – in that they are all subservient to a greater power; for the Legendary Birds, this is to Lugia. While their sources of power are different, Articuno, Zapdos and Moltres all share a few common domains and responsibilities. Their affiliation to Lugia tends to lead them to staying close to the ocean themselves, often close to fishing, agricultural and trading cities. It has won them many followers over the years. In some communities, it is even

customary to present one's lover with a feather of one of these birds as a marriage proposal. On the flip side, the hostility of these birds for one another if their paths cross has also earned them a reputation as well – this aggression sometimes even flows over to their followers, resulting in conflict between cities and townships that normally wouldn't occur. To further complicate manners, these creatures are not exclusive – there could be several of each in a region.

Domains: Oceans, War, Storms

Avatars: They often take on the form of aggressive individuals. Be it an athlete, a boxer, a mercenary, a hunter, a rank-and-file soldier or military officer, their human forms tend to relate to their very territorial and quick to anger natures.

The Legendary Beasts

"Now, these big dogs...cats...owls, whatever they are, are like the birds in a lot of ways. They answer to Ho-Oh and travel the roads and paths, keepin' sure nothin' is tamperin' with the natural order of things. Big difference is these guys actually get along. You think Lugia woulda figured that one out by now wouldn't ya?"

The roaming beasts are like their aviary counterparts in a lot of ways; they represent seasons, are often revered by the areas they roam, and have dominion over the areas they travel, and are numerous in number in regions. The beasts, however, are not at all territorial. Their interests are to preserve peace and prosperity for the roads and paths they travel. This leads them to be one of the more common

Legendary Species mortals ally themselves with. Noble houses and royal families will often own one as a sign of status. Some experts theorize this is due to their forms; their likeliness to canines and felines makes them much more likely to be subservient to humans.

Domains: Loyalty, Peace, Storms

Avatars: There is a bit of a split here. Those who travel the region freely tend to favor forms of wayfarers, travelers, tradesmen, rangers on duty, and outdoorsmen. Those who find themselves allied to a noble house or royalty take on the form of a servant, maid, a councilmen, someone very close to the inner workings of those they serve. Those with someone of a lower status tend to find a medium between the two.



Celebi

"What? The time travelers? Well you're most likely to see one in a forest shrine out somewhere but don't bet on it. They got other responsibilities too. Bouncin' around all over the eons to make sure things are all hunky-dory. Some think they got a time police gig going on. Wouldn't surprise me in the least."



Celebi are an odd bunch. Their primary purpose in the grand scheme of things was to ensure the forests of the land were not corrupted or destroyed by outside influence. And for several centuries this was the case, as such it was the primary way they were revered by early humans. It wasn't until people started really understanding how to exploit the powers that hold the world in balance to their own gain that their ability to jump through time became highly utilized. Now they travel the ages to help prevent catastrophes. As such, you see one outside a forest, it probably needs your help. You see two outside a forest, something really bad is going down. You see a lot, well, it's probably too late for you to run. Some of them serve other Legendaries, but it's not a very hard coded system. Celebi are, outside their own agenda as a species, largely independent.

Domains: Nature, Law, Time

Avatars: In a forest they might take on the form of a Ranger, or a shrine caretaker. Outside that you'll usually see them taking on the form of crime investigators, police officers, lawyers, and judges. But it's not very often they take on their avatar forms since when they do show themselves to people they got a point they want to get across as fast as possible.

The Golems

"I'm not gonna go too into detail right away on them cause it steps on their maker's toes. Basically their master got a bit cranky in age and a joint effort of humans, Pokemon, and some other Legendaries sealed them away hopin' a little time out would teach em' some manners. I ain't to say if it worked, but they are free to walk the world again. Maybe it did though, I think they get captured more than the beasts and birds do."

Due to the infractions of Regigigas centuries ago, his children were sealed away with him around the world. Over time this has changed, and they are once again free, but found themselves often without a purpose. They stay close to where they were confined, unless captured, where they become extremely loyal servants. What hasn't changed with time is their power. A Gigas in the wrong hands can be a frightful thing, but in others a great boon. They can create, and destroy. That purpose is up to their current master. These Legendaries have no Avatars, as they were created not to possess such a thing by their bitter master.



zoof: don't be afraid to make your own Regis in other types too! This goes for the beasts as well. A bear grass version of the beasts named Jika is one of the neater ideas I've seen. And the Regis in particular tend to see a lot of custom ones.

Domains: Creation, Loyalty, Matter

Jirachi

"The wishmasters. The wish makers. The genies in a pokeball. Who comes up with this crap? Basically, this three eyed critter is like Rumpelstiltskin and Aladdin's genie combined. Wakes up, grants a wish, goes back to sleep. I think Arceus had a brain fart on these guys, to be honest..."



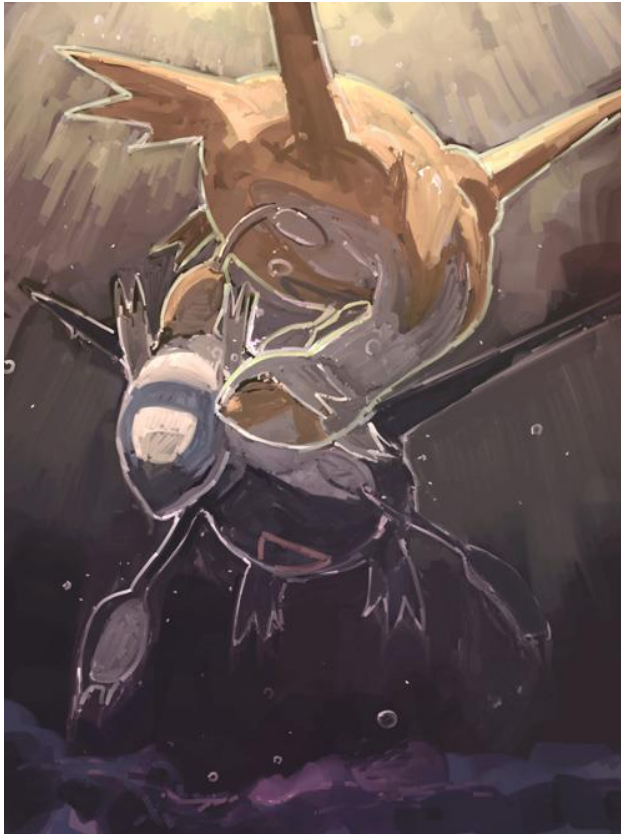
Legend foretells that encountering a Jirachi isn't the hard part, it's getting them to wake up that is. They will wake from their slumber, travel a bit as they please, and then enter a deep, restless slumber. While stories say they sleep for a 1,000 years before waking up, this is far from the truth. It's more they will sleep indefinitely until something draws their attention – and often enough this has historically been the sound of music. Much like Meloettas, Jirachis love art and all forms of expression. Though this is not the only thing that can stir them; many expressions of power, intelligence and cunning can also work. But ultimately it's up to whatever the Jirachi actually is interested in. The only oddity to this cycle is if one allies itself to a human. Then, they make a bit more effort to stay on a normal sleep

schedule.

Domains: Creativity, Dreams, Luck

Avatars: Jirachis are too lazy to bother with human forms, though they might take on a shape that won't draw too much attention while they slumber. Often enough though, this is just a rock or some other mundane object.

The Eon Duo



specifics of that are up to them.

“Ah, the lovers. Cute together ain’t they? Most the facts bout them got clouded in myths long ago. Some think them cupids, seekin’ out couples who never woulda met otherwise. Others think they seek out already established items to bless them. I wouldn’t of minded either in my own life ya know?”

Long recognized as symbols of true love given form, most overlook their more significant role in the grand scheme of things. The Eon Duo will from time to time entrust a mortal couple with an essence known as Soul Dew. It’s actual composition is clouded to researchers given how sparingly it has been gifted, but what is known is it as very potent source of energy. Often used in history as a defensive deterrent from conflict among mortals, those blessed by two of this species are entrusted to use it wisely.

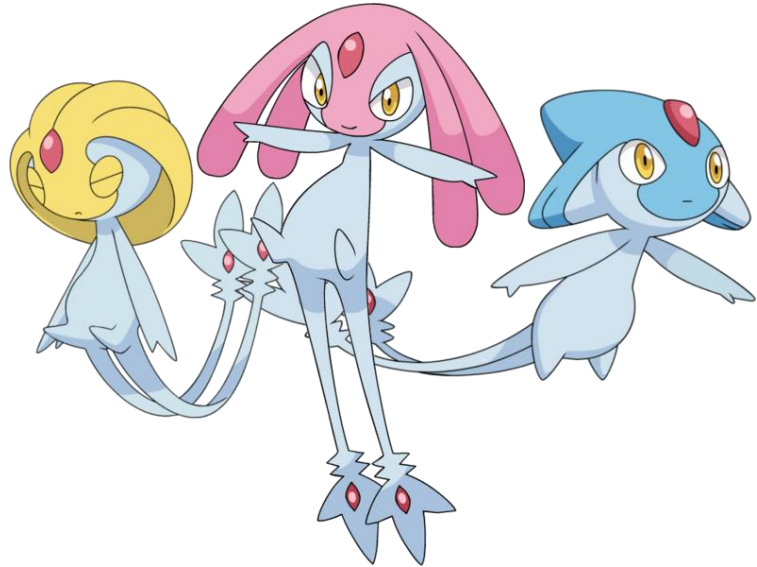
Domains: Love, Heroism, Fate

Avatars: The Eon Duo always take on the persona of a couple when they don a human form. The

The Lake Guardians

"I don't wanna mislead ya. Only reason these guys are in the Lower Pantheon is there's, well, a lot of em out there in the world. The terms 'Pixie, Sprite and Elf' came from these guys ya know? Arceus himself made them as a failsafe in case his higher Pantheon got outa order or tried to rebel. And you bet your ass on occasion they've answered to that. You might meet one in your travels, but careful if you do. Cause they ain't always the kindest to mortals. Ever heard of Medusa? Yeah, uh, bout that...never piss off an Azelf alright? Promise me that."

Knowledge, Emotion, Willpower. These very concepts were born from these creatures, as they are the very embodiment of them. Able to leave their bodies as spirits as they desire, these guardians largely hide away in their dwellings throughout the world – knowing in the event something catastrophic begins they will be needed to assist. Many a criminal organization has seen to containing them or slaying them in order to enact their plots, most in failure, for as these beings can give their blessings, they can take away as well. Those who stare into the eyes of



Uxie lose all past memory; any who touch Mesprit will lose all emotion; Azelf can not only possess humans and Pokémon alike, but also drain a human of all willpower, leaving them immobile for all eternity. They are not without empathy for mortals, but they know well what their duty is and will not let it be easily stripped away. Their champions are not to be underestimated.

Domains: Law, Loyalty, (Knowledge / Emotion / Willpower)

Avatars: These beings do not typically take on the form of a human if they do take on their avatars, but rather a creature of human myths in attempt to dissuade interlopers and usurpers. Monsters, nightmarish, and other fantasmic creatures. It is long believed that the Medusa and Gorgons of Greek Legend, for example, was an Azelf.

The Sea Guardians

“Ever hear the Rime of the Ancient Mariner? No? Well Iron Ledian has a song that covers it pretty well. It basically’s about a sailor who accidentally kills a Phione at sea and bad luck follows him. His crew perishes of drought. Giratina comes to torment him. Arceus eventually gives him a second chance to spread his gospel, and he does. Moral of the story? Phiones ain’t kosher.”



another form.

The Manaphy species has always been one under a lot of doubts of their status as a Legendary or deity. No sailor would ever question it, though. From ancient times they and their kin have been known as wayfarers and guardians of those who cross their domains. They are unique in as far as mortals can tell, they can reproduce with any creature of the seas, giving birth to Phiones, who share much the same burden but with less divine power. To see one on passage of sea is a blessing, to slay one is sure to bring ruination upon yourself.

Domains: Oceans, Luck, Peace

Avatars: Much like the Lake Guardians, the Sea Guardians favor the form of merfolk rather than humans if they do take on

Shaymin

“Cute little buggers – but I swear the one time I met one he stole all my pocket change. It was out in the desert a couple of decades ago. He was makin’ an Oasis. We talked some about nature n’ such before turnin’ in for the night. I awoke and he had raided my wallet, but there was a few new cacti bloomin’ nearby...”



The Shaymin travel the world, finding places where nature has been desolated and returning them to their former states. Forest fires, drought, and other natural catastrophies are their specialties. But they are not against showing up at a logging site and causing havoc. After all, as fairies, mischief is in their nature. Once their jobs are complete, they take wing and find a new place to rejuvenate. Befriending one is befriending nature itself.

Domains: Nature, Rejuvenation, Trickery

Avatars: Like much of the fairies above, Shaymin prefer to take on the form of something mythical and not exactly human if not appearing as themselves. Typically a dyrad, an elf, or some other mythical creature of the forest.

The Swords of Justice

“Now, these guys are sorta like the Shaymin in that they look after nature, but are a bit more aggressive bout it all. A Shaymin might trick loggers n’ try to spook em’ off, one of the Swords is just gonna go buck wild on them. They used to attack castles in the middle ages n’ stuff too.”

The Swords of Justice protect those who cannot themselves. They are in every form the knights of the wild. This does not mean they will refuse to ally with a human, but one whom they ally with must be pure of soul and intent. They are noble creatures and fight for a greater cause, a better tomorrow. It is told the Knights of the Round Table all were allied with one of these creatures, or possibly were one themselves in secret...

Domains: Heroism, Loyalty, Law

Avatars: The Knights will only take on one human form if they choose to – one of a knight or equivalent respect and status, always skilled in the martial arts of warfare and weaponry. Even in their Pokemon forms, they are swordsmen of mythical status with their horns alone.



The Kami Trio

“Earth, Wind and Thunder. These guys are loud, proud and watch us from the heavens. I’m not exactly sure what they do up there to be honest – I imagine it’s not far off from the Swords of Justice, just more about keepin’ things nice n’ clean. Sorta like Captain Planet I guess.”

The Kamis are more elusive than many of the lower Pantheon, and their roles less clear. What is certain is that they represent the sky above and the nourishment that comes from it. Those that cross them meet the wrath of the heavens themselves. These beings have no human-like avatars, but have their own alternative forms they may express themselves as in the form of bird, beast and dragon.

Domains: Rejuvenation, Sky, Storms



Meloetta

"Ah, poor girls gone lost their way. People say they taught us humans the arts, dance, song, theater, paintin', all of it. But as the days darkened and our world grew to a more dangerous place, they shied away. They need a hero, I say."



The Meloetta species is believed to be a product of the human unconscious and creativity given form. They traveled the world in happier times, teaching human and Pokemon alike to express themselves in forms unknown at the time. The great writers and artists of old are said to be students of these creatures themselves. But as the centuries moved on, and humans practiced their teachings, they lost their place as instructors of these mysteries. Humans no longer needed it; art had become an ingrained part of culture itself. And as the Teams of the last few centuries came to power, and the world wars broke out, they lost themselves in the conflict indefinitely. Now they show themselves only to savants in situations similar to their own. They are muses, elusive and overshadowed by the world as it is. It takes a truly kind and expressive

soul to bring one back to their former glory, even if it is a fleeting moment. Those capable of such a feat are truly blessed.

Domains: Creativity, Love, Peace

Avatars: Meloettas were once not known to take on such forms, but in modern days they hide away in the form of human woman, often addled with issues of addiction and depression. Artists in their own right but lost in the turbulence of modern life. They seek those in similar situations, for both comfort and a slight hope of finding their way.

The Upper Pantheon

"And now for the real movers n' shakers up above."

Mew

"Ah, the All Mother. Safe to say any Pokemon the old goat in the sky didn't make, and that's most of em', Mew had a hand in creatin'. Hear she's a warm soul to all, humans too. Hell, wouldn't mind worshippin' her if I were into that sorta practice."



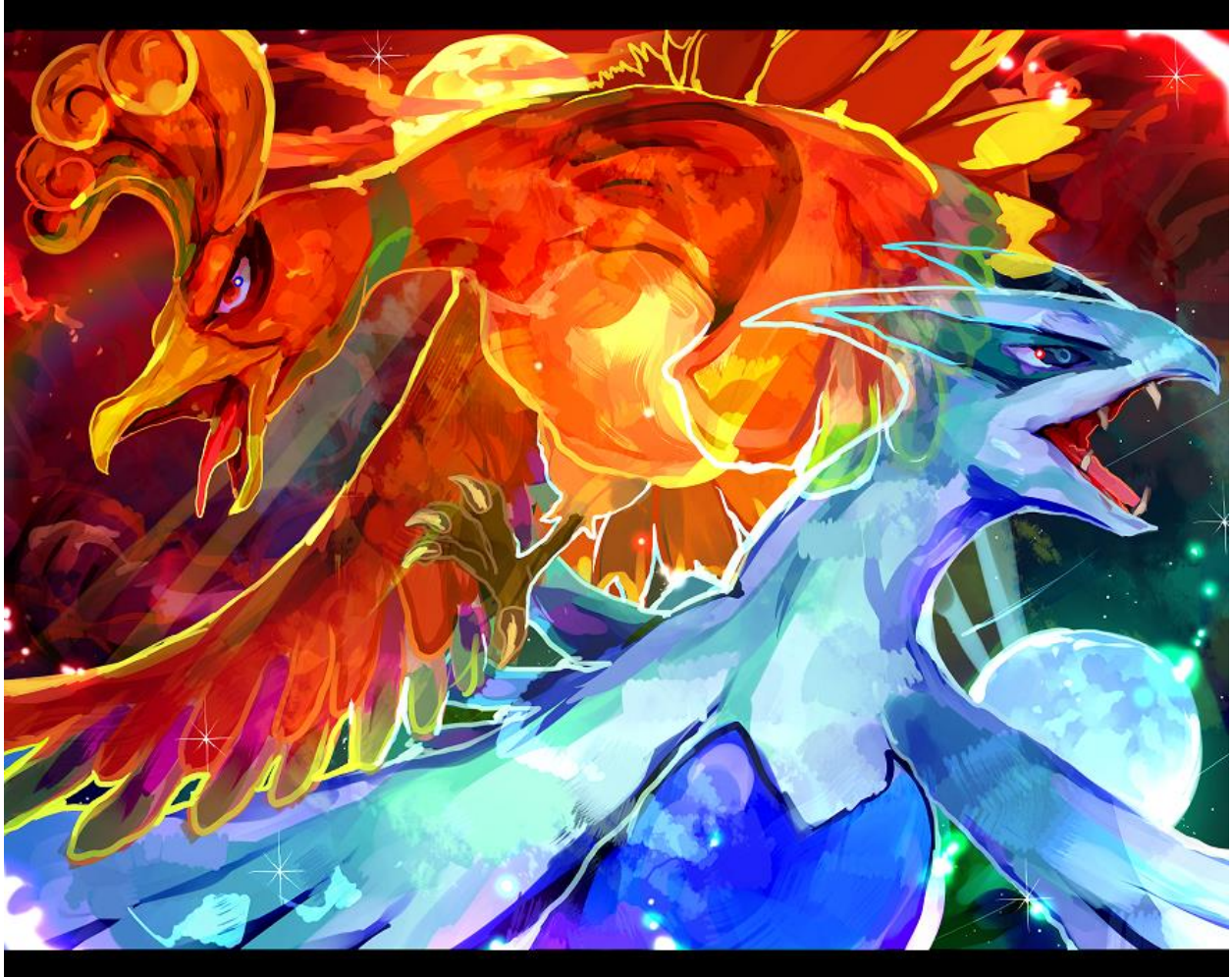
Mew is, by far, the most empathic, caring, optimistic and loving of the pantheons. She is a great patron of the arts and will only show her true self to those pure of heart, but considers herself the guardian and mother of all. In fact, the entire worship of the Legendary Pokemon began with Mew due to her mysterious yet compassionate nature. Those that meet her are either truly blessed, or troubled souls in need of a savior. She loathes the brutalities of conflict, but is not without mercy for an ailing soldier. This extends to the Mewtwo species as well; she sees beyond the twisted experiments that birthed them and recognizes them as her own children.

Domains: Love, Life, Creation

Avatars: Mew can not only take on the form of any other Pokemon species, she also often takes on the form of a compassionate woman when dealing with humanity.

The Tower Duo

"Guardians of the seas n' skies, they call em'. I don't get how that works given the lesser Gods they made but hey it's what they say. One of em' is strong enough to accidentally make hurricanes of biblical proportions n' the other is said to be able to raise the dead. Personally I would want nothin' to do with a fight between these two."



While neither is the sole protector of the dominions they claim, or the creator of those dominions, they are well respected within the Pantheon for two reasons. One, despite their significant strength, they hide themselves away to prevent it being misused. In Lugia's case, it hides away in the deepest parts of the ocean so that none may be capable of angering it. In Ho-oh's, it hides among the cloud so that none may be tempted to demand its gift of resurrection. The second reason is despite their differences and disagreements, they purposely avoid angering one another for prosperity's sake. That said, if one were to win their favors...

(Ho-oh / Lugia)'s Domains: Rivalry, (Sky / Oceans), (Life / Storms)

Avatars: The two rarely take on human form. Given where they tend to hide it would simply not make sense. They are capable of it, however, and would do so as knights, nobles, military officers, or some other role associated with a guardian.

The Weather Trio

"Land, Air and Sea. These three not only created it, they embody it. Sorta crazy to consider if ya think about it. Arceus made these guys, turned them loose to create the physical world as they saw fit. Pretty big responsibility."

Seen by the Pokemon in their domains as their rulers, and by many humans as deities that not only deserve respect, but also a bit of fear. While the very world itself was theirs to mold, so too is the weather and the stability of these domains itself. The hydrosphere, lithosphere, and atmosphere are also theirs to mold as they see fit. These Gods were the sort humans and Pokemon alike made sacrifices to in order to avoid calamity. The truth of the matter is they are more approachable than most mortals would be led to believe, but also wary, for knowing what their demise could do to the world as a whole.

Domains: Creation, Matter, (Oceans / Land / Sky)

Avatars: The Weather Trio are capable of taking on human form but follow no set pattern to these forms. To them, it often depends more on what the mortal imagines them appearing as. They are not the types to be discrete about their appearances.



The Creation Trio

"Oh my...we already reached these guys, huh. Lemme talk about the first two first...I need to prep myself some for the other guy I think. Time, Space, Death. These beings are Arceus's grand champs. The first two, though, are a bit more...subtle."



Space, Time, and Death. It is these basic components that our universe is made from, and to them Arceus trusted three vessels: Palkia, Dialga, and Giratina. Each of them rules over a realm of their own, separate but connected to our own. For Palkia, this domain is space, matter, dimensions themselves. At his whim the number of dimensions in our universe could double. His realm is a Non-Euclidian maze of tesseracts, which would be a terrifying obstacle for any mortal to try to traverse. Dialga, on the other hand, controls time. If the Celebis are a collective unit of time police, then he is the Supreme Court over such matters. His own realm is much more sensible, but just as confusing to a mortal. Endless doors to all eras and realms, from which he ensures with an iron fist that wayward time travelers cannot create paradoxical events.

Palkia's Domains: Chaos, Creation, Matter

Dialga's Domains: Creation, Law, Time

Avatars: Palkia's choice of forms outside his normal form are all together alien. If he chooses to take one, it would be of a being outside the comprehension of those who live in a Euclidian space. Dialga is much more straightforward – that of a judge or ruler would suffice.

“Alright, you got me kiddo. I’ll talk about the big man down under alright? This just...always gets me nervous. Back in my soldierin’ days, I saw him once on the field after a battle. It was the most horrifying moment of my life, and I wish you never have to cross paths with him.”

While it is true that Giratina is the embodiment of Antimatter, this is not what he is known for by mortal species. His realm is a cold, dark place for lost souls and the damned alike. Throughout the centuries he has been known as a demon, entropy, death given form. He is by far the most active among these three in the affairs of mortals, as he has dominion over their very mortality. To meet him is an ill omen, and those he does favor are often used for his own means. However, his appearance is not always one of deceit; as the lord of the underworld, it is through him that all mediums must work to converse with the departed, and this duty he handles with respect. He does not lie, and he works in contracts (though not always strictly worded, trickery is not below him.) To call him evil would be inaccurate, as death is a natural order of the world, and it is to him the truly vile must answer.



Giratina’s Domains: Creation, Death, Law

Giratina’s Avatars: No Legendary has as many forms as Giratina. He is the fiddler on a lone dark road. The business man with which men bargain their souls, the old man who guides the departed to the afterworld and souls to the realm of the living. The grim reaper come to retrieve those whose time is up. He is the ferryman of the River Styx and the snake of temptation. Known by many names, Beelzebub, Hades, Lucifer, Papa Legba, Satan, all labels he accepts, but all simply labels placed by mortals.

The Lunar Duo

“The Dream Word is another realm we don’t really know much about. Our subconscious given form in a world parallel to our own, governed by the Queen of Dreams and the Lord of Nightmares.”

Cresselia and Darkrai were created as two sides of a coin; where one is a bringer of new hopes, the other is a harbinger of nightmares. Together they create a balance, and for ages have been beacons for farseers and clairsentients to seek out or pray to. The Dream World is said to be composed of the thoughts of all living beings given form, and from it many visions of past, present and future can take place. Where one may see this as simply that these two embody extremes of this manifestation, it could also mean they were meant to be sought out by these gifted individuals to try to unveil events transpired or those yet to come. Likewise, these two may seek out individuals and grant them dreams to convey such scenes. Many a catastrophe has been avoided due to the warnings of Darkrai, and many a hero has risen due to the encouragement of Cresselia.



Cresselia / Darkrai Domains: Dreams, Fate, Heroism / Nightmare

Avatars: As lords of the realm of dreams, they can take on any form they wish within it to suit whatever needs of the message they must convey. In the material world, Cresselia prefers looks of regality, and Darkrai is fine with just a fancy suit and hat.

Heatran

"This hot headed fella was literally born at the center o' the planet. I'll be honest, Giratina creeps me the hell out but this guy's way more a demon."



Born at the same time that Palkia, Dialga, and Giratina were created by Arceus upon the Spear Pillar, the ambient energies of the act gave birth to another being at the center of the world. Born of the very heat of the planet, this creature knew only how to devour, destroy, burn, and create more of his kind. It rampaged across the young world, and the infant Creation Trio struggled to maintain it. Arceus watched this, and in this moment realized the necessity of a failsafe. It was from this event the Lake Guardians were created, and along with them a special counter measure for Heatran and his infernal spawn. He gifted the Lake Guardians the knowledge of the Magma Stones, and how to utilize

them to control these creatures and quell their thirst for destruction. And hence, they were banished back to the depths of the world, where they remain undisturbed.

Domains: Chaos, Destruction, War

Avatars: It suffices to say the human concepts of demons, balrogs, and similar creatures of infernal flame came from somewhere.

Regigigas

"This old cranky bastard was the one who moved the continents around, n' taught man how to make tools n' such. Pretty nice guy till we started tamin' Pokemon and tryin' to make our own golems. Then he lost it."

Ages ago, when humanity was still young and the gifts of mysticism and pscionics started to formulate in humanity, a catastrophe occurred. These young civilizations learned of the empathy between them and the wilds, and began to tame Pokemon, as well as developing containment devices for them. They then began to try to emulate the acts of their deities, and in this case, create life. Regigigas was appalled by the actions of his followers. How dare they try to emulate his own divinity and usurp what was given to him by Arceus! He attempted to exterminate his own congregation, and ultimately failed to a joint effort of humanity, Pokemon and other gods. Him and his creations were sealed away for centuries to help calm their nerves, and while it worked with his lesser creations, he himself is still quite livid. Even now he dwells in his prison, shifting the earth to create disasters and storms as retribution on all that have betrayed him, and forming an army within his prison cell. Much like Heatran, his release would bring about much devastation, as he can command any of his spawn, captured or not.



Domains: Creation, Life, Matter

Victini

"I'm not really sure what all to say here about this one. He's like The Lord of Winning. Just don't let him tell you about his story that starts in the 12th century..."

Victini was a very unique case in Arceus's grand scheme. He witnessed the downfall of Regigigas at the hands of mortals, and realized there would come times when these individuals would need champions of their own. He did not need to leave every responsibility to the Lake Guardians, these beings showed an amazing potential for great acts of heroism on their own. And so, he created Victini; an embodiment of heroism, victory and valor. Victini was given one single task; seek out potential heroes in lands in need of one. Teach them, aid them, and lead them to their destiny. And that he has through the ages; he is not only a guardian spirit for those of great fate, but a living weapon against his own kind.



Domains: Fate, Heroism, War

Avatars: Victini is an odd ball in that when he does take on an avatar, he does so in the form of a weapon, armament, or trinket that would be a trademark of a hero. He is the sword in the stone, the crown of a rightful heir to the throne, the rifle of a rebel leader. He is with his chosen destined every moment of their journey, and at their side in every hardship they might face.

The Tao Trio

"I'm sure you heard the tale. How the two brothers and their single dragon had such a feud the creature split into three. I won't go into details there, let's talk about what they do nowadays."



Originally born on a whim of Arceus while observing an argument between two brothers over their differing ideas, Reshiram and Zekrom each embodied a concept – truth and ideals. Over time these concepts have come to force again and again, each to disastrous results. Most scholars believe their own personal feud will never be quelled, as they represent a complete polar opposite of concepts rather than just truth and ideals. Yin and Yang, Positive and Negative, Hot and Cold, Good and Evil. These two seek out conflict, individuals who oppose each other in such a matter, and ally themselves accordingly.

Some believe Arceus's intention was witnessing the destruction of their eternal conflict would cause both sides to coincide, and cease the hostility. The truth of that is yet to be confirmed, but if mortals settle their own affairs, the two will part ways until they are drawn together yet again.

Reshiram / Zekrom Domains: Equilibrium, Heroism, Rivalry

Avatars: Much like many of the others in the Higher Pantheon, if they choose to take on a human form, it is dynamic and appropriate to their situation. They do, however, always take on a form that would convey their loyalty to their current master.

Few scholars do know that, in reality, when the twin dragons were born, a third was left remains as a husk of their former whole; this being is known as Kyurem. This deity wishes for nothing more than to unify once again with its severed halves and cease their endless conflict. The practicality of this is questionable, as even to this day Kyurem has yet to find a means to draw these two together, or an individual of the mortal world with the means to do so. In the recent era, Kyurem has grown tired of this war it cannot quell, and has become a hermit of sorts. It hides away in the coldest parts of the world, watching and mulling over its past failures, but hopes that one day a hero will call upon it has long passed.



Domains: Fate, Peace, Solitude

Avatars: Kyurem sits atop an icy throne in any form that strikes its fancy. In its state of destitute it has lost its flair for appearances.

The Outsiders

"There's a few outside the grand order of things too. Arceus didn't make them, that's for sure. Their origins are pretty varied. Some we as humans made, some are completely alien from our world, others...well, I ain't quite sure to be honest. Don't think anyone is."

Mewtwo

"People used to be scared about Nuclear Weapon arms races. Wonder what those guys think about the Mewtwo arms race nowadays. Team Rocket opened up a huge can of wurmples with that one."



The Mewtwo genome was both a great historical moment and scientific achievement, but its details are less than noble. The credit is officially assigned to a Dr. Fuji, who became obsessed with the concept of cloning his deceased daughter. The then leader of Team Rocket, Giovanni, saw potential in his research, and funded him under the condition he also created a clone of Mew. While the results of Dr. Fuji's human clone had an unfortunate end, he exceeded beyond Giovanni's expectations with Mewtwo. Once it matured, he

was able to make the creature into a living psionic weapon. In the team's own facilities, they began to manufacture the creatures, and sell them on the black market. This eventually became public knowledge when the formula was leaked via the internet, and the world was never the same. Where nuclear warheads were once a threat, now nations judge their security on how well they are able to manufacture Mewtwos. The creatures are ruthless on the battlefield and more resilient than an airship cruiser, but have a very compelling catch on how they must be raised or they will grow unstable and uncontrollable. First noted by Dr. Fuji himself, Mewtwos need to be raised alongside a human child – their symbiant. This interaction from birth with a human youth instills in them a strong connection with humans they will not develop otherwise. The reason for this is up for debate with scholars, but many believe part of it is records indicate the original Mewtwo itself was made from a mix of Mew's DNA, and that of Dr. Fuji's daughter. While the formula is highly classified, it's not farfetched to surmise the process is still similar. These children typically grow up to be the handlers for the creatures, but in the case of their demise...well, even the original had a bit of a tantrum when that happened.

Domains: (Loyalty, Symbiotic) or (Chaos, Destruction), War

Deoxys

"And now for somethin' truly alien. No, I mean, like, literally. Like Staryus n' Cleffaries n' and such. A virus that fell to Earth on a meteorite n' got hit by a laser, so became a God-like being. Sounds like a monster flick don't it?"



Creatures of alien origin, they emerge from debris from space that reaches Earth's surface. Researchers on the phenomena believe Arceus's will forces them to take on a form that complies with this one's rules, and so the virus they originate

from takes on the form of a Pokémon. This helps explain their ability to adapt many forms, as the virus itself is most likely highly adaptive. It does not however quite explain why they have Legendary Auras. Scholars can only predict whatever on world they did come from, the virus they are composed of is of similar status in the grand scheme of things. Here, they are outside the pantheon, and tend to keep to themselves. They are not naturally hostile unless provoked, and can be befriended, but are not the most social creatures. Some scientists believe they were the source of many of the world's diseases, but there is no conclusive proof of this. Aside from this, it is known they can regenerate any part of their body as long as their core is not destroyed, and they seem to have a tendency to create auroras to communicate with one another among their kin.

Domains: Life, Pathogen, Storms

Genesect

"Not only did no one in Team Plasma ever watch Jurassic Safari Zone, it seems they never seen a flick about robot revolutions either. Cause they made these things. The hell is wrong with people?"

Genesect are much like the Mewtwo genome in that they are a manufactured being of godly potential. Team Plasma even applied similar methods to their creation, but not so much the caretaking. Genesects themselves were at one time a dominant predator species, created by Arceus himself as early caretakers of the wild before mankind roamed the world. However, as mankind came to be, this species was seen as their natural predator, and were slowly wiped from existence. Team Plasma revived them, and much like many facilities did with armor for Mewtwos, augmented them. The main difference here is that these technological augments changed its psychological habits and its biological structure. N shut down the facilities before things could go much farther, but the creatures were already in existence again, continuing their hunt for bigger and stronger prey, now better armed, smarter, and more durable.

Domains: Land, Predator, Trickery

Avatars: Some Genesects were given the functionality to take on the form of an airship capable of spaceflight. Suffice to say, this is not something one would get to experience without besting and capturing one of the beings.



Missingno

"I wish I had more to tell ya on this one, but there ain't much I can. It's a thing that shouldn't be. That Lovecraft guy? Yeah, got the ideas from probably runnin' into this thing. Arceus musta been really drunk or somethin' when he let this one slip by..."



Even the most knowledgeable Cryptozoologists know barely a thing about MissingNo, but that hasn't stopped the rumors and theories that have spread throughout the Pokémon research community. One interpretation casts MissingNo as very much a traditional Elder God, its motivations utterly and completely alien to mortals or even to the other Legendary Pokémon. It exists outside of the Pantheon and may not even fully exist in this reality. It certainly follows none of this universe's laws of physics if it doesn't want to, and even Palkia and Dialga would be left baffled at the way it exists and moves through our spacetime.

Another rumor has it that MissingNo was an ancient Legendary Pokémon that has become corrupted, or even the Creator before Arceus. It's the God of an old world or even an old universe that is gone now, they say, supplanted by our own world and the

creations upon it. The more extreme theorists go as far to say that whatever MissingNo once was, it created our world before Arceus usurped its throne. That, they say, is why it's such an aberration and complete anathema to everything that exists - MissingNo may have no purpose beyond reclaiming its domain from Arceus. And when it does, what shall become of all of Arceus's creations?

Yet another theory states that MissingNo is in fact the newest addition to the Pantheon, a creature that could only be born in a society increasingly reliant on digital connectivity and the wonders of technology. Its domain over glitch is quite literal - it has power over the malfunction of electronic equipment, and its manifestations are most powerful where it can force itself into large interconnected networks of computers with large flows of data going through them. And as we increasingly become one with our technology, our cell phones and computers becoming almost extensions of our own bodies, its power grows as well. It is this theory that causes many cultists to proclaim that MissingNo is the most human of all Legendary Pokémon because its power and domain derive directly from human activities and human advancement. But who's to say that it doesn't exist to devour all that we create instead?

Finally, there are those who research MissingNo not as a Pokémon but as a phenomenon. They claim the universe is like a computer simulation in many ways, and MissingNo is a literal glitch in the system, nothing more than a force of nature. Where it goes, the laws of physics cease to function normally, and reality can freeze up, just like a computer caught in a loop.

castfromhp: This multitude of interpretations is offered because MissingNo is one of the most popular sources of intrigue and mystery in the Pokémon fandom, and we would be remiss to present just one interpretation that would make a new GM just picking up this book too predictable when they introduce it into their story. Definitely feel free to pick apart these ideas, mix and match them, and create your own interpretations and ideas to augment those we present here.

Domains: Chaos, Creation, Glitch

“Oh, right. Legends talk about these guys but I ain’t for sure on them myself...”

zoof: The following are non-canon concepts we have used a lot in games in the dev community – The Outer Gods and The Unown Hivemind. Take a look if you’re curious because we’ve had a lot of fun with them but nothing I write here assumes they exist.

The Outer Gods

“There been legends of man defeatin’ the gods n’ takin’ their power for long as we’ve had stories. But what if I told you this actually happens in nature? The very spark of Legendary Power, that raw energy, is out there and it’s a constant power struggle for who has it? Scary ain’t it? Those Usurpers people fear got their idea from these guys, I’ll tell ya that. Old as Arceus, ten times as active in world affairs, and a hundredfold more volatile. That’s the best way I can sum up The Outer Gods.”

The Outer Gods are a collection of entities that were not typically known was Legendary that through various circumstances have become gods in their own right. While the origins of the spark that created this separate pantheon is unclear, all fingers point to alien origin. Each of these beings embodies a concept, and their presence keeps that concept in balance. If this God were absent, the concept runs rampant and effects reality. For example, the concept of Rebellion being untamed may cause revolutions to spark up around the world and criminal organizations to act in greater frequencies than normal. A bigger concern is this pantheon is not stable; it is composed of eight Pokemon at any one time, each possessing two types to a total of 16 types and concepts in representation. However, if one of these Gods is slain by another Pokemon, the spark is passed onto the slayer. This can cause several other of the Outer Gods to be discharged of their own spark, which in time will find a new host. Due to this, the Outer Gods tend to hide away, acting through their followers, champions and minions rather than enter a conflict themselves. Not because they are weak, in fact each of them is capable of creating their own realm much like the Creation Trio, but because the risk is too high not only to themselves but also their brethren for one of them to fall. However, sometimes this is the intent, and many wars have been fought in centuries past to guise a shadow war between two of these entities.

Domains: Concepts and Fate (See table below and Legendary Aura Section on the Concept Domain)

Avatars: As with many of the Upper Pantheon, these beings are capable of any form they wish to take on, but tend to stay to ones close to their concept.

Type	Concept	Type	Concept	Type	Concept	Type	Concept
Bug	Rebellion	Fighting	Suffering	Grass	Knowledge	Psychic	Terror
Dark	Solitude	Fire	Love	Ground	Destruction	Rock	Decay
Dragon	Freedom	Flying	Inconsequence	Ice	Bloodshed	Steel	Creation
Electric	Verve	Ghost	Truth	Poison	Bliss	Water	Slumber

zoof: I imagine this section was confusing to imagine. So I've included the pantheon that existed when I first was introduced to this idea on how to handle Gods in the Pokemon Universe by Paradox. Essentially, these guys are sorta like the Aztec Gods meets Lovecraft. It's an interesting concept but surely does not fit every game and takes a lot of thought to incorporate on your own part.

The Everhungry - Whiscash – Water/Ground – Slumber and Destruction

The Deciever – Macargo – Fire/Rock – Love and Decay

The Nameless – Dragonite – Dragon/Flying – Freedom and Inconsequence

The Architect – Spiritomb – Dark/Ghost – Solitude and Truth

The Stormsmith – Abomasnow – Grass/Ice – Knowledge and Bloodshed

The Dirge – Venomoth – Bug/Poison - Rebellion and Bliss

The Broken Lord – Medicham – Fighting/Psychic –Suffering and Terror

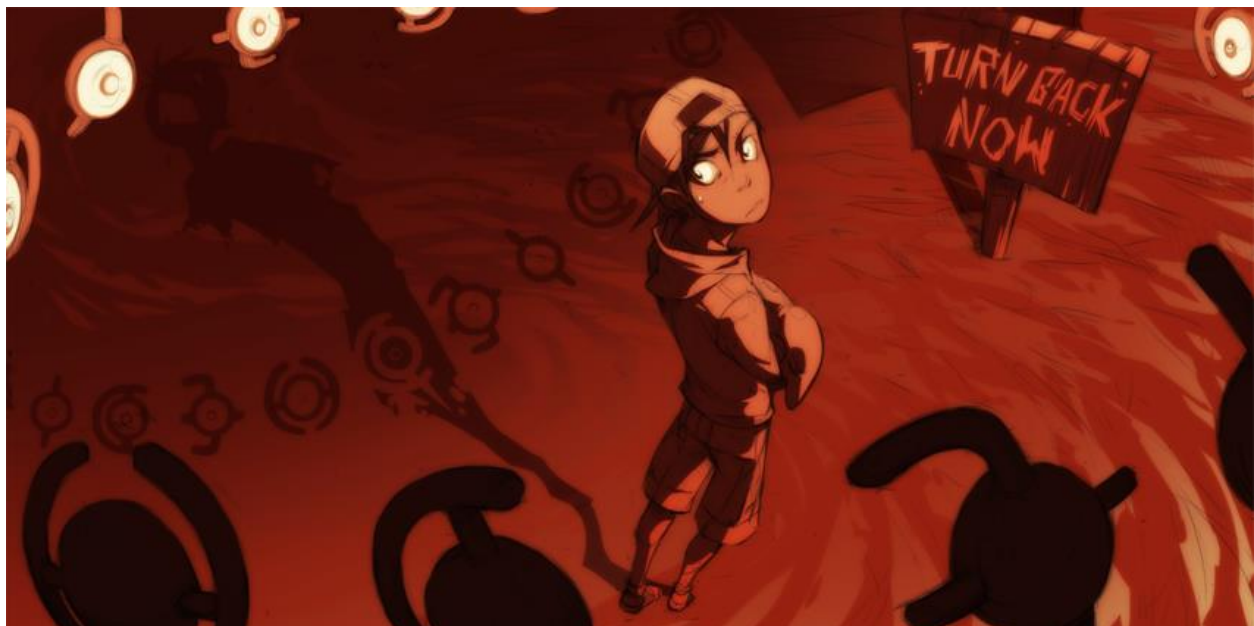
The Inquisitor – Magnezone – Steel/Electric – Creation and Verve

The Unown Hivemind

“Creepy little letter guys, ya know what I’m referrin’ to. Ever wonder why there’s entire ruins of civilizations around em, or why they are so clustered? I’ll tell ya what I think. They ain’t just individuals, but one entity split into endless parts. Makes em even creepier don’t it?”

Little is known about the nature of Unowns, even to Rune Masters. The taciturn species appears to be extremely sophisticated, but what is it that makes them tick? Why do they have the shape they do? This has eluded scholars for ages, but the eeriest of theories is these creature’s true agenda is to eventually control us, and are currently conspiring together as a single collective consciousness to shape our society as they see fit. Rune Masters, in a sense, are their chosen enforcers of such an establishment, and those who go against this...well, they tend to disappear.

Domains: Hivemind, Law, Trickery



Hunting Legends and Unwinding the Secrets

“What. I just got done tellin’ you all that horrible shit and you wanna meet one. Maybe catch one. Kid you are nuts, but alright, here we go...”

zoof: This section is less fluffy than the last one was and more guidelines to help you try to plan to introduce Legendaries, especially ones you intend to be catchable. The main goal here is to make it feel more natural than ‘nothing, nothing, nothing...okay you’re strong enough now BAM EAT GENESECT SUCKERS.’ So in a way it’s a little section on ideas to help you make it feel more like a quest.

Legendary Pokemon are generally elusive beings to encounter in the wilds. Doing so either takes considerable luck, or a great investment of time, research, and dedication. Let’s go over a few reasons why Trainers might feel the need or desire to meet, capture, ally themselves or defeat one of these beings.

- The Trainer requires the assistance of such a being for a life goal or for a matter of great importance.
- The Trainer’s family has a long lineage of worshipping and serving the god in question. Seeking out such a patron could be viewed as a coming-of-age they are expected to fulfill.
- The Trainer is a member of a church, priesthood, shrine or cult that worships the species.
- The Trainer’s own actions or interests have come to be shared by a god, or their actions oppose a god’s interest who they must come to conflict with.
- The god has wronged the Trainer in some manner that demands retribution.
- The Trainer wishes to capture a god as a proof of their competence as a Trainer.
- The Trainer wishes to become a god themselves and will go to great extremes to see this happen.
- The Trainer is just really lucky or unlucky and was in the right or wrong place at the right or wrong time.

While this is not an exhaustive list of motivations, they do all have something in common – the Trainer has a very strong emotional tie to this quest and a great desire to see it through. So how do we as Game Masters ensure this feels like a natural process and give this Trainer the development they deserve for this attachment to such a goal?

The first step should be plan ahead – you as the Game Master should have a very good idea how you see your game spanning out in terms of plot, allies, progression on the whole. If you know it’s going to be a long, long time before your Trainers can feasibly accomplish such a thing, start early with the hints and tidbits. If this motivation comes up later in the game, don’t feel like you need to draw it out to such great extent – what matters here is the overall experience, not their time investment.

Second off you should think about how this could impact the game as a whole. Even one person catching a Legendary can severely throw off the balance of parties if the others aren’t given similar ways to compensate. Maybe you rule that when captured Legendaries lose access to their Legendary Auras and are just really strong Pokemon, maybe construct the narrative or plot in a manner that everyone is intended to capture one, or possibly utilize some of the character advancement options later in to offset this.

zoof: One common gripe I've seen with PC's catching Legendary Pokemon is what I'll call the 'rocket shotgun dilemma.' Let's look at this from a meta perspective for a moment: Pokemon in this system are essentially weapons you can customize and upgrade. So starting off you have a bunch of sticks you slowly sharpen into spears, get better with, and grow an attraction to. Then suddenly you're handed a rocket launching shotgun that blows everything up effortlessly. You're torn on what to do because while this thing is awesome, it trivializes what you did to get to this point and the weapons you used and honed and bonded with were. These old weapons are your normal Pokemon, the rocketgun is the potential Legendary if left unchecked. There's a few suggestions I got to help with this though if a player doesn't really feel like they want to go through with such a thing but not get left behind, which I'll get to in a bit. That said Legendaries by raw aren't THAT awesome. I had a Giratina in a campaign near the end, and my Gengar, who was my starter, was arguably stronger than it due to TM and tutor investment (Granted, this was PTA where you could have 14 total moves!)

Now, if the Trainer has such an encounter written into their background, or their family is known to worship a certain patron, they did their job for you and it's easy to work with. Introducing this as a hook for someone else to develop can be trickier. You might have a Legendary in mind that matches a player well, but they might not be that fond of it. So be prepared if you want to go with cranking your game up this way to give them some say so and options on how to go about this. Also don't be afraid to type shift a Legendary's basic Type to match a fluff bit you had in mind better. One of the neater concepts I saw for this was Meloetta as ghost/psychic or ghost/fighting called The Banshee, and the Legendary Beasts given secondary types and a type shifted Ho-Oh to be The Four Horsemen.

Starting such a hook can be a very exciting moment for a PC. There's countless ways you can do this, but in my experience one of the most satisfying is a chance encounter early on with a Legendary. Maybe it taunts the Trainer, or beckons them for help, or even mortally threatens them, but a show of raw power and mystery can be a very compelling hook. This Legendary doesn't even have to show its true form, maybe appearing in the guise of a more common Pokemon, or as a person, or something completely alien to the player's expectations. An Azelf showing itself as a Gorgun in a garden of stone statues of terrified soldiers would be an example of the latter.

zoof: Another option is to try to constantly trick your players into becoming Branded early on, as most their many of their options for advancement are 'tricks' to try to get them out of their pacts. See the character advancement section for that! (This admittedly won't be in the initial release, sorry!)

Once this hook is established and you got a Trainer's attention, it's important to keep in mind this should be a continued effort throughout the narrative and shouldn't suddenly just appear out of the blue later on. To facilitate this, you have a lot of tools you could utilize in the form of legends and potential religious practices. Give your players plenty of opportunities to look into the lore behind these creatures via their followers, acclaimed researches, their shrines, sightings throughout the campaign. Keep it on their minds that there are forces at work on a grander scale, even if it's not relevant to your overarching plot. This can give you great ways to flesh out your settings and give a Trainer very intrinsic value to your campaign. Feel free to let them learn about what this god's auras are capable of, what sorts of feats they are, and introduce Trainers who have befriended or captured such beings themselves as role models or nemeses. They should get a feel for how big a challenge this is going to be, and that

they may fail the first couple attempts at it. If you put them in a situation where they capture and raise certain species of Pokemon to meet this goal, you're doing something right!

The eventual showdown is almost guaranteed to be a very exciting moment for a Trainer, but you can do a few things to spice it up as well. Perhaps there's a certain ritual one must perform to get the attention of this god, or they can only encounter them in a particular location at an oddly specific time. Maybe they need to first anger it with an act the god would find atrocious, or their actions against this being have finally boiled over to a point that the Trainer can be ignored no longer. If this is something a Trainer wishes to see through by themselves without assistance, try to find ways they can accomplish that given enough preparation and creativity. Whatever their goal is, remember you shouldn't make it feel hopeless to succeed.

Once a Legendary is captured, there's a few questions and concerns this may evoke based on what it was. Say, for example, a Trainer did catch Arceus. What ramifications does this have on the world as a whole? While that sort of chaos might be your intent, here's a suggestion that aid in easing the implications: Pokemon who are essentially Gods are capable of splitting off an avatar of themselves of lesser power, and when one is captured, this is what a Trainer actually captures. After all, Pokemon have been captured by humans for a very long time without the world ending, and if that is the nature of things, then certain safety nets must be in place to circumvent such a situation. This avatar is in all rights the god, in essence a shared consciousness, but being it is but an avatar does not possess its full potential. This obviously varies from setting to setting and even Legendary to Legendary, maybe they *aren't* all powerful or they are numerous enough for it not to be an issue, but in the event they are it helps to think on why such things may be possible.

zoof: While it might look like your players are going to **need** Master Balls to catch Legendaries, this really isn't the case. It certainly helps but it's very possible without one

Legendary Auras

“What, you thought it was that easy? Oh you poor soul. Let’s talk about auras, then...”

All living things possess an Aura, though that of a god is a much more powerful thing. All Legendary Pokemon possess at least three domains. These domains correlate to the essence of their Auras, and have powerful effects on the world around us.

zoof: I’m not going to step on castfromhp’s toes too much but I’m gonna talk fight design a bit here. You should probably give Legendaries HP Pools – what this means is for each Trainer they are fighting, they get an extra set of HP equal to their normal one. So if they got 300 HP by default and they are fighting 5 trainers, they got a total of 1,500 HP from 3 pools of 300 HP. This allows things like Burn and Poison to take effect without completely stomping them. It’s also probably a good idea to give them a number of turns equal to the number of Trainers as well. These can be all at once on their initiative or spread out through the initiative, but also allows Paralysis, Flinch and such to maybe affect them without completely stomping their action economy. In a manner you treat them like 5 separate Pokemon. You should also be very liberal with the Legendary in terms of PP Up’d moves, Tutor, TM options, and probably extend their move list for the sake of a boss fight. You can weaken it if it’s captured later on of course. Lackies also work great as well!

The following are basic guidelines of these Auras:

- For each Aura a Legendary Pokemon has active, they gain +2 to each of their Combat Stages
- A Legendary Pokemon may only have three Auras active at any time, even if they possess more than that.
- While a Legendary Pokemon has an aura active, they may diminish the effectiveness of a single Super Effective attack to become a neutral resistance once a round for each Aura activated (So, in most cases, 3 per round)
- When facing another Legendary Pokemon, if they share an Aura, neither is effected by that particular Aura (So a Mew’s Life Aura has no effect on Ho-Oh)
- If an Aura is disabled by any means and a Legendary Pokemon possesses more than just those three, they may activate a remaining one instantly.
- Arceus has access to every Legendary Aura.
- A captured Legenday might not have access to all, if any, of its Auras.
- A Legendary Pokemon may extend their Aura to an ally, empowering them. This may be a permanent or temporary blessing.

zoof: That last one is a great tool to utilize if one of your players doesn’t really want to capture a Legendary but you don’t want them to feel left out, a permanent blessing to one of their Pokemon or perhaps the Trainer itself! Granted, it makes less sense on a Trainer given the character advancement options. (That will come eventually I swear) The one above that on captured ones is more a tool for you as a GM to gauge how the heck you’d want these to apply with the power level of your game. You can essentially make these guys normal Pokemon, let the players choose one Aura to have and that’s it, or go balls to the wall and let them have free reign.

Below are the Auras themselves and what they do:

Chaos

Whenever an opponent rolls to hit the possessor of Chaos Aura with a Move, Struggle Attack or Feature, they roll two d20's and take the lower result. Whenever one of its combat stages would be lowered or be inflicted with a Status Effect as the result of a Move, Struggle Attack or Feature that hit it, roll d20; on a result of 11 or higher, the attacker is instead inflicted.

Concept

Concept is actually not an Aura in its own, but rather is used as a short hand to express that The Outer Gods each possess two Domains other than Fate. If there is a Domain with a name matching one of the Concepts associated for this Outer God's Type, it possesses that Domain (for example, Fire has the Love Concept, hence it has the Love Domain.) For the rest, refer to the following:

Concept	Aura	Concept	Type
Rebellion	Chaos	Inconsequence	Luck
Suffering	Predator	Truth	Law
Freedom	Heroism	Bloodshed	War
Decay	Pathogen	Bliss	Peace
Terror	Nightmare	Slumber	Dreams
Verve	Creativity		

Creation

The Possessor of the Creation Aura can both meld the world to their liking and bring forth servants of their own creation to do their bidding. Once per turn the Possessor may do one of the following:

- Place a Weather effect into play. These Weathers are always Type Shifted to one of its Types in a manner to be beneficial for the Possessor.
- Change up to five adjacent meters of terrain of the battlefield in any manner they please. This could be creating walls, making difficult terrain, conjuring water to block off a path, ect.
- Create servant to assist them in battle. This servant is a Pokemon with the same Level as the Possessor.

zoof: Things that have this aura are usually pretty friggen strong, so I tried to keep it general, but powerful. Do what makes sense. For example, Groudon probably doesn't create water, but makes walls and pits. Wording it this way just makes it easier to work with for so many varied Legendaries.

Creativity

The Possessor of the Creativity Aura may use the Feature's Nuanced Performance, Reliable Performance, Bardic Flair and Power Chord, Fabulous Max, and Rule of Cool. They may target themselves with these features, possess AP equal to $3 + (\text{Possessor level} / 5)$, and are considered to have 4d6 in all their Contest Stats.

Death

All that oppose the Possessor of Death Aura lose $1/10^{\text{th}}$ their max HP per turn. If any enemy combatants reach -100% HP, they instantly die. Those slain in such a manner may be risen by the Possessor of Death Aura as its own loyal servants. If an enemy combatant strikes the Possessor, they must roll a d20. On a result of 5 or less, they are inflicted with Heal Block.

Destruction

If the target of a Move used by the Possessor of Destruction Aura would Resist it or is Immune to it, it instead does Neutral damage. All passive damage (such as from weather effects, status effects, or spikes) the Possessor would deal is doubled, and Magic Guard, Sturdy, and other defensive Abilities are disabled.

Dreams

If the Possessor of Dream Aura hits an enemy with a Move, that target is instantly falls asleep, even if they have the Insomnia Ability. Whenever the Possessor is inflicted with a status effect, the attacker must roll d20. On a result of 10 or lower, they fall asleep. If the Possessor of Dream Aura is put to sleep, all combatants fall asleep.

Emotion

All who oppose the Possessor of Emotion Aura have one of their Abilities of the Possessor's choice replaced with Moody. Any Status Moves used by the Possessor that target an enemy or ally instead target all enemies or allies. Abilities that give Immunity to Status Effects are disabled before the Possessor of Emotion Aura.

Equilibrium

All damage inflicted to the Possessor of Equilibrium Aura is returned to the assailant. The Possessor may use Synchronize as a Free Action anytime they are inflicted with a Status Effect that would trigger Synchronize.

Fate

The Possessor of Fate Aura receives a bonus of +3 to all Attack, Skill, Feature, Status Recovery, and Opposed Rolls they make as long as the Aura is active. All that oppose them receive a -3 penalty on all of these Rolls.

Glitch

Hitting the Possessor of Glitch Aura has a 50% of increasing your Glitch by 1. At Glitch 1, all your moves turn into Metronome (with their normal frequencies. For example, Leer would become At-Will Metronome). At Glitch 2, whenever you use Metronome you roll for two moves, and the Possessor chooses the one you use. At Glitch 3, you roll for three moves, and the Possessor picks one. The Possessor of Glitch Aura always has Glitch 3.

Heroism

The Possessor of the Heroism Aura has access to all Commander Features and is treated as if their Charm and Command Skills are Master Rank. They may target themselves with these features, and possess AP equal to $3 + (\text{Possessor level} / 5)$. They are considered to always be under the effect of Leadership Aura, and gain Inspiration Points even if one of their allies makes the fainting blow.

Hivemind

The Possessor of the Hivemind Aura may use Hidden Power of any Type of their choice as if they had the Words of Power Feature and all instances of its Hidden Power are at its maximum Damage Base. The Possessor also copies any Features from Mystical and Psionic Classes from all combatants. If it acquires

Channeler and Borrow, it may Channel Trainers and Borrow Features.

Law

The Possessor of the Law Aura declares 3 rules. All enemy combatants must abide by these rules. Breaking these rules provokes the wrath of the Possessor of the Law Aura, resulting in them receiving a free priority attack against the one who broke the rule.

zoof: Don't be a COMPLETE jerk with this, like 'You may not attack me' unless you plan on not making the punishments THAT severe. Think the Judges in Final Fantasy Advanced, which was more the intent here. Also a more beer and pretzels variation for a sillier fight might be making these OOC rules like 'Every time you roll to attack you got to yell "WAKKA WAKKA" and take a drink of your booze.'

Life

Possessors of the Life Aura may revive a knocked out or dead ally once per turn as a Swift Action. This resurrected ally is healed as if they were treated at a Pokecenter and their injuries are cleared.

Possessors of the Life Aura may also use Heal Bell at EoT Frequency and have access to all Medium Features based on White Magic.

Love

Possessors of the Love Aura may inflict one enemy combatant with the Infatuation status effect per round of combat. This may effect either gender or targets without Gender. Possessors of the Love Aura are also immune to Infatuation. Whenever you hit the Possessor of the Love Aura, roll a d20. On a result of 5 or lower, treat your attack as if it had the Keyword Recoil with a value of 1/4th, even if you are immune to Recoil damage.

Loyalty

The Possessor of Loyalty Aura judges the bond between its enemies and their Pokemon partners. Any Pokemon under Loyalty 5 have all their combat stages lowered to -3. Each time a Pokemon under this duress is issued a command, roll d20. On a result of 7 or lower, their each of combat stages are lowered by another -1.

Luck

Fortune favors the Possessors of the Luck Aura. Whenever they would roll a d20, roll 2d20 and take the higher. They are always treated as being under the effect of the Super Luck Ability. The Possessor also emits pure luck, treating it and all allies as if they were holding a Luck Incense.

Knowledge

The Possessor of the Knowledge Aura Memory Saps half the Moves of their Enemies at the start of conflict. These moves are randomly chosen. While Memory Sapped, each of these moves is affected with the Disable Status Effect. All Enemies are also Suppressed while Brain Sapped. This persists as long as this Aura is active.

Matter

Possessors of the Matter Aura may add difficult terrain and physical obstructions such as walls, cliffs, pits, lava, water, and other things of this nature to the battleground as they wish. They and their allies are unaffected by these obstacles. These additional elements to the map persist even if the Aura is not active.

Nature / Oceans / Sky

Possessors of the Nature, Oceans, or Sky Aura may beckon the assistance of the wilds once per round. When this occurs, a new combatant enters the battle. This combatant's level is equal to the level of the

Possessor if it's a Pokemon, and half their level if it's a Trainer. If they possess multiple of these Auras, they may summon one ally per Aura per round.

Nightmare

Those who oppose the Possessor of the Nightmare Aura are affected by Frightened when they fall asleep. Frightened causes those afflicted with it to be treated as Paralyzed as well as Suppressed, even if they would normally be immune to these effects. This persists for the rest of combat, even if the Aura is disabled, and cannot be removed by conventional means. If the conflict occurs in the Dream World, all who oppose the Possessor are treated as Frightened as soon as combat begins.

Pathogen

Whenever you hit the Possessor of the Pathogen Aura, roll d20. On a roll of 5 or lower you become Infected. Infected individuals are considered Poisoned and Burned even if they would normally be immune to these status effects. This persists for the rest of combat, even if the Aura is disabled, and may not be removed by conventional means.

Peace

Possessors of the Peace Aura seek to end conflict with as little bloodshed as possible. Whenever you hit the Possessor with a Move, that Move becomes Disabled. If all a combatant's moves are Disabled, their Attack and Special Attack are set to -6 Combat Stages. If this Aura is disabled, these effects fade.

Predator

The Possessor of the Predator Aura has access to all Lasher Features, including Press, and is treated as if their Intimidate and Command Skills are Master Rank. They may target themselves with these features, and possess AP equal to $3 + (\text{Possessor level} / 5)$. They may use Press on themselves, and when they do they do not receive injuries and only lose $1/16^{\text{th}}$ their max HP.

Rejuvenation

The Possessor of the Rejuvenation Aura is always considered to have the Healer and Regenerator Abilities. They may use both of these Auras once per round, and may also target others with their Regenerator usage.

Rivalry

The Possessor of the Rivalry Aura cannot be brought below 1 HP, unless their paired Rival is one of their enemies. This Aura can also only be disabled by another Legendary with the Rivalry Aura, not necessarily their paired Rival.

Solitude

The Possessor of the Solitude Aura covers the arena in a heavy mist, dividing its enemies. They become unaware of the locations of their allies, and become unable to hear, communicate with them via Aura or Telepathy, or contact with them through technological or other occult means. This mist remains as long as this Aura is active.

zoof: The intent here is the Possessor of the Solitude Aura can single out its enemies and pick them off one at a time. Though this is more based on Trainers, so it would separate your Players rather than an individual Player from their Pokemon.

Storms

The Possessor of the Storms Aura is always considered to have Sandstorm or Hail, and Sunny Day or Rain Dance active at once. These Weathers are always Type Shifted to one of its Types in a manner to be

beneficial for the Possessor. For Example, Zapdos might have an Electric Sandstorm and an Electric Rain Dance that empowers Electric Moves and weakens Ground Moves. These Weather conditions cannot be over written while this Aura is active.

Symbiotic

The Possessor of the Symbiotic Aura extends this Aura to their Symbiant. The two of them are always aware of each other's locations, health and mood. They can always communicate telepathically. They may also access each other's Moves, Features, Skills and Edges, always using the higher of the two's Skills or Stats. The Combat Stage bonuses of the Aura are also applied to both parties. Unlike most Auras, this Aura cannot be disabled by normal means, and requires slaying one of the pair to undo.

Time

The Possessor of the Time Aura may manipulate the Initiative Order in any manner they wish. They may also, once per Battle for every enemy Trainer, use Freeze Time as a Free Action. This must be used at the start of a Round of Combat and prevents anyone who does not possess the Time Aura from acting that Round.

Trickery

The Possessor of the Trickery Aura is always considered to have the Abilities Prankster, Frisk, Infiltrator, Pickpocket, and Run Away. Those of these Abilities that aren't Static they may use once per Round. The Possessor also has access to any Dark Move as if they had STAB, regardless of the size of their Move List.

War

Possessors of the War Aura considers all of their Moves to be treated as if their Frequency has been increased by a PP Up. They also inflict Injuries at 25% HP Markers, and Massive Damage is also treated as 25%.

Willpower

The Possessor of the Willpower Aura may Petrify a Target a Round as a Swift Action. While Petrified, you are completely removed from the initiative order. Petrify cannot be avoided, and can only be removed by a Possessor of the Emotion, Knowledge, Life, Rejuvenation, or Willpower Aura. Petrify persists even if the Aura is Disabled.

zoof: This doesn't have to be turning people to stone, just essentially saps their motivation entirely to do anything!

The Rise and Fall of Gods

"What happens if you accidentally kill one? Or intentionally? Good question..."

Nothing lasts forever, even a god. Or, at least, in conventional manners. Much like the Phoenixes of myth, when a god lives out its natural life span, it returns to the form of an egg to be born again. While in this state they are incredibly vulnerable, so when approaching such a time they take great care to either find shelter with another of their kind, or with one of their trusted followers. Destroying this egg or preventing a Legendary from entering this state (or leaving it) can have devastating ramifications. To do so risks slaying the god indefinitely, and is a way many Usurpers attempt to complete their quests for godhood.

To actually slay a God, a number of things must happen. First, all its Legendary Auras must be disabled. Only in this state is it truly at risk of death. Disabling a Legendary Aura is not an easy task. The following are a couple of ways of doing so, but only one Aura may be disabled every Two Rounds :

- The most straight forward approach of doing this is inflicting Massive Damage with a Super Effective attack – this could potentially cause one of its Auras to waver. The problem is it's extremely difficult to hit a Legendary with such force.
- Another would be introducing another being possessing a Legendary Aura to the fight. Legendaries can disable an enemy's Auras at the cost of disabling one of their own – a sort of checks and balances among the Gods. To do so the Legendary must take a Standard Action to attempt to nullify the two forces. This is not a Move nor Struggle attack, but has an AC of 10 and may be attempted at an EoT frequency. Failure to meet the AC has no penalty, but meeting the AC instantly nullifies one Aura for each Legendary.
- Expanding on the above, The Lake Trio are very effective at nullifying the Legendary Auras of other Gods. Doing so can be done At Will with an AC of 10, and will not disable one of their own. They were created for this purpose and excel at it. However, a Legendary can still only have one Aura disabled every Two Rounds.
- Likewise, if a Legendary attempts to shatter an Aura of one of their servants (for example, Lugia and The Legendary Birds), they can without fail or disabling one of their own; Legendaries who are subservient to another simply cannot stand against their masters.

zoof: Yes, this implies Arceus can disable the Legendary Auras of any Legendary it created, or that follows it. This might not always be the case in your fluff, GM's, but it's part of my implication here.

- Finally, some Legendaries have exact rivals – The Tower Duo stand oppose to one another, as do The Tao Trio. When two rival Legendaries meet on the battlefield, they can attempt to disable the Legendary Auras of their rivals in a manner similar to the Lake Guardians (At Will, AC of 10, not disable one of their own).
- Some Legendaries have weaknesses beyond combat – the lore of such artifacts and vices differs from Region to Region, but tales of beating Giratina at a rock off for everyone's souls or a legendary blade with the power to cut away at the power of the Gods aren't exactly unheard of. These options are at the GM's discretion and based on lore they may have in place.
- The Godslayer Gift grants a Trainer the ability to break a Legendary Aura.

Once all its Auras are Disabled, the God will not become Unconscious but attempt to escape Combat when brought below 0 HP. In this state it is capable of being Coup De Graced, but will continue to fight back against it. At -100% Max HP, it dies as normal, but cannot die from excessive injuries. Auras that have been disabled take 24 hours to restore their full effect.

Completely destroying a god causes a phenomena quite like that which occurs when one of The Outer Gods is absent; their domains run rampant and chaos can ensue. There is little one can do to correct such a matter except seeking out its original creator to bring a new one into this world. In most cases that this occurs, this tends to be one of the higher Pantheon. Though if one of them might fall, then Arceus itself must be sought out, which can be a difficult, if not nearly impossible, feat of its own.

The Outsiders tend not to follow this pattern from either being true immortals, as Arceus is as well, creatures of alien origin, or synthetic beings made by man. Their demise can cause serious aftermath in the immediate area, but nothing outstanding as they tend to not have a true domain they control.

zoof: If your players somehow come into the possession of an egg of a god and a Hatcher tries to apply Natural Edge to it, well, I see no reason why not to let them. Hell the god would probably thank them for taking good care of them somehow! Heck even a baby Entei or something can make a really awesome reward in general.

Chapter Two: The Blessed and The Damned

The Chapter details the Edges and Features that make up the character advancement options for games where Legendary Pokémon have a divine presence.

zoof: You're gonna see something that says [PATRON STATS] which is a catch all for what bonus stats you get from these features. It's explained in greater detail [here](http://www.koko.or.tv/).

The Touched



The most common of those given gifts of the divine are The Touched. Often Touched individuals are devotees of their benefactor, cultists of a mysterious faith or heroes of great renown. In other instances they were simply in the right place at the right time. The Touched have been blessed by a greater being. This blessing is not just a measure of faith in the individual, but a force that changes them physically, mentally and spiritually.

Touched Edges

Touched

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You have been blessed by a Legendary and gain their Minor Gift. This Legendary is considered one of your Patrons. You may take Touched multiple times, each time for a different Patron.

Soulbound

Prerequisites: Touched

Effect: Whenever your Patron feels strong emotions (positive or negative) or pain, those sensations will be shared with you, no matter the distance between you. You may take Soulbound multiple times, each time for a different instance of Touched.

Touched Features

Major Gift

[PATRON STATS]

Prerequisites: Touched, GM Permission

Effect: You gain one of your Patron's Major Gifts. This Major Gift may be of your GM's choosing. This feat is able to be taken multiple times based on your GM's discretion.

Pact Gift

[PATRON STATS]

Prerequisites: All of your Patron's Major Gifts, GM Permission

Effect: You gain your Patron's Pact Gift. Lower Pantheon Legendaries do not have Pact Gifts.

Signers



Where The Touched themselves are changed by their Patrons, Signers more act on the behalf of a deity. Powers they gain more are channeled through them than controlled themselves, and as such they are not always as readily available as those of others.

Signer Features

Signer

[PATRON STATS]

Prerequisites: Touched, GM Permission

Effect: Choose a Rank 1 Blessing. You gain these Blessings in the form of Signs. Signs store the energy of the Divine, and may be activated as a Swift Action. Once used, a particular Sign cannot be reactivated for 24 hours.

Sign Mastery

[RANKED 4] [PATRON STATS]

Rank 1 Prerequisites: Signer, GM Permission

Rank 2 Prerequisites: A Major Gift, GM Permission

Rank 3 Prerequisites: All your Patron's Major Gifts, GM Permission

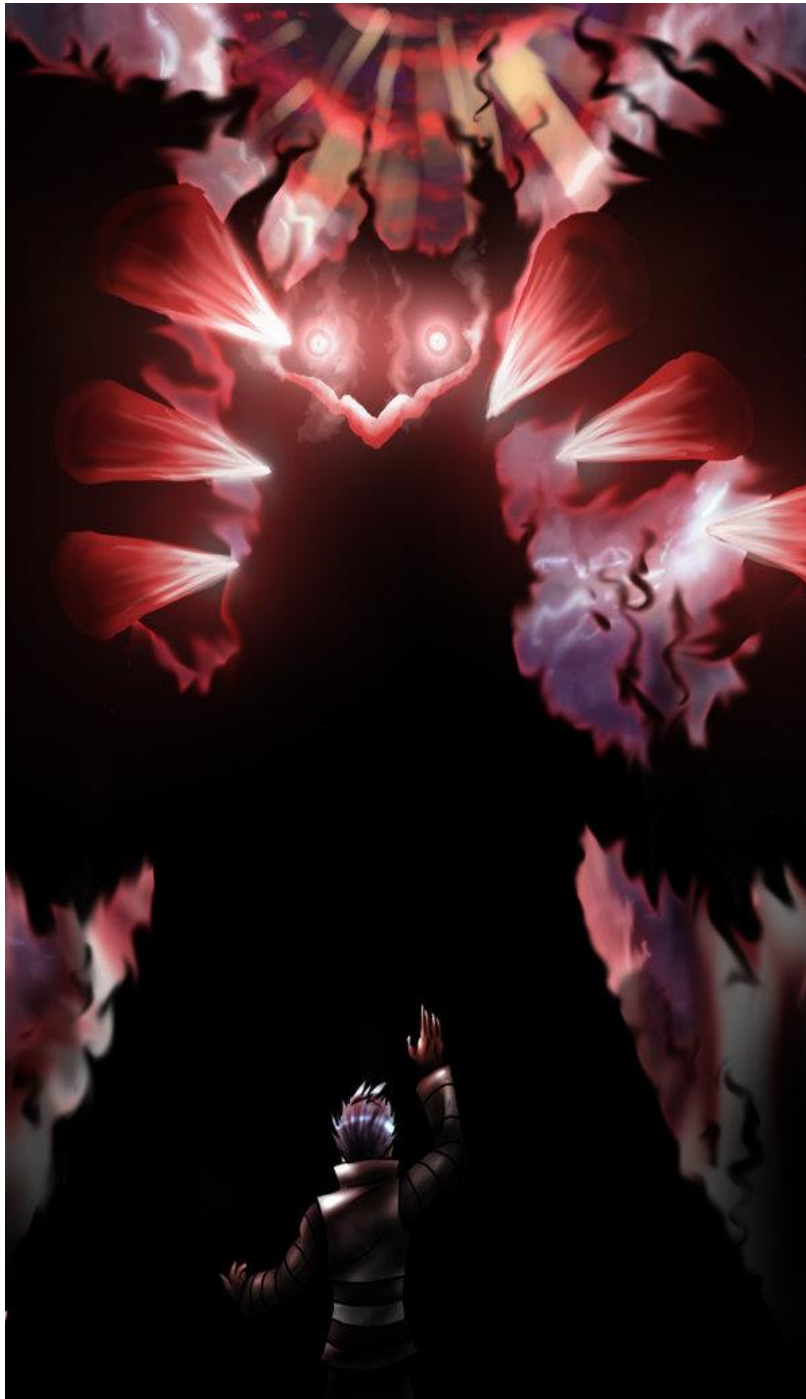
Rank 4 Prerequisites: A Pact Gift*, GM Permission

Effect: You acquire two Blessings in the form of Signs, marked with the Sign Mastery Rank you are gaining or lower. You must additionally meet any Prerequisites of the Blessing.

zoof: Both Messiahs and Signers use Blessings, but in different ways! See the section on [Blessings](#) for more information.

*If your Patron doesn't have a Pact Gift, you instead require all of their Major Gifts to attain Rank 4

The Branded



The Branded are individuals who have made a deal with a devil. They have become literally branded in some form as proof as the contract, and while they will receive what they wished for, the stakes are always high in such transactions, and the devil always gets what's due. They and their followers will constantly observe, follow, and hound you to accelerate the process, and may potentially trick or threaten into situations where you will fulfill the contract.

Branded

Branded (Trainer Feature)

[PATRON STATS]

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You have made a contract with a deity or other supernatural being and have been Branded for it. This Brand may or may not be of your choosing. The other party will uphold their side of the deal and expects you to do the same. Other Legendaries may be wary to grant you Gifts in the future based on the contents of this contract. Your Patron Stats for this feature are those of the being you made your contract with. If this being was not a typical Legendary, its Patron Stats are its two highest base stats.

zoof: I know this is very vague, it's supposed to be. This contract's contents are for you and your GM to decide, and probably were done IC before you became Branded. The big intent here isn't small things, but big ones, like 'I want the power to raise the dead,' and the cost being, 'When you eventually depart from this world yourself, your soul is mine to keep.' It's big things, big nasty things from big nasty mother hubbers you wanna eat your babies but are polite enough to be all legal like about it. Though keep in mind, GM's, this doesn't really always gotta be this way. This could be a rather interesting way to become Touched by Giratina, in a sense, by making the deal more an annoyance, a favor, or a drawback than a dire threat to your PC's existence.

The Brands

Carrion Scent

Effect: Your sense of smell is enhanced, giving you the ability to track living things, as well as deceased, with little effort. However, you will forever smell of a corpse yourself.

Mark of the Damned

Effect: You gain a literal Brand in the form of an unsettling tattoo on a noticeable part of your body, such as your face, hands, legs, arms, or torso. It may also take the form of a deformation such as one of your eyes becoming noticeably cursed or other such markings. This Brand allows the one who placed it upon you to communicate with you and locate you at any time, any they may even have advice or offer to help you on occasion.

zoof: This one is more aimed for the suggestion above on an alternate Touched method, as it's a lot less severe. Though that's debatable given what the contract was given they can find you at any time!

Stigmata

Effect: You have a permanent pain in your wrists and feet, and whenever you have more than 3 Injuries, you will bleed from these points of pain. This bleeding will not allow you to recover from these Injuries without extensive medical care and rest. However, you no longer take max HP penalties from Injuries.

Total Solitude

Effect: You completely lose your Aura and gain the Mindlock Capability. This makes you untraceable to Aura Readers, but you also cannot receive Aura Pulse or Telepathic messages at all. If you have a Psychic related class other than Type Ace, Channeler or Aura Guardian, your Feats in these classes are refunded.

Twisted Form

Effect: Your very being becomes warped, taking on aspects of the one who Branded you. You gain the Elemental Types they possess as well as a +4 to Intimidation checks, but receive a -4 penalty on Charm and Guile checks, as these deformations are unsettling to most people and Pokémon.

The Fate of the Branded

Branded might be a single feature, but its consequences are a large one. Trainers who venture down this path are faced with a lot of challenges, and often steep consequences. Their contractor is likely to harass them, pressure them, coerce them, threaten them and use guile to further ensnare them. That said, not all hope is lost. By trying to win over other Patrons and seeking out the weaknesses of their Contractor, a Branded individual might through their own due diligence win their way out of their contract via a challenge or a loop hole. How you approach this as a GM is up to you, and there are plenty of sources around you as inspiration for hooks of this nature in all sorts of flavors. Maybe they must find a way to banish their contractor to another plane, or challenge their contractor to a rock off and emerge victorious, but the key point is not even the devil himself always gets his way.

Messiahs



While all Touched individuals have been blessed on some level, Messiahs make up a very small number of the already limited Touched population. These beings have devoted large portions of their lives to assisting their Patron, and act as their right hand in matters they themselves cannot. While this may sound similar to Signers, Signers are less spiritually tied to their Patrons than Messiahs are – for while a Signer can channel Blessings through their Signs, the Messiahs require no such medium.

Messiah Features

Messiah

[PATRON STATS]

Prerequisites: Touched, Soulbound

One Time Use/5 - Extended Action

Effect: Your Connection with one of your Patrons has reached such a point that even you are capable of performing the miracles they are renowned and worshiped for. Expending a use of Messiah allows you to perform such a miracle. For example, in a Region where Shaymin is known to restore withered forests to their former glory, a Touched who is a Messiah of Shaymin might be able to cause a forest to start to rapidly recover from the aftermath of a wildfire. Such acts are usually, but not always, noticeably supernatural and divine.

In My Name

[Ranked 4] [PATRON STATS]

Rank 1 Prerequisites: Messiah

Rank 2 Prerequisites: Completed a task your Patron asked of you.

Rank 3 Prerequisites: Major Gift

Rank 4 Prerequisites: Pact Gift*

Effect: You acquire a Blessing marked with the In My Name Rank you are gaining or lower. You must additionally meet any Prerequisites of the Blessing.

zoof: Both Messiahs and Signers use Blessings, but in different ways! See the section on [Blessings](#) for more information.

*If your Patron doesn't have a Pact Gift, you instead require all of their Major Gifts to attain Rank 4

Usurpers



Some don't just seek the powers of the divine, they seek to be divine. Long in history have been tales of mortals usurping the title of Godhood, and such a pattern persists till this day. It is hardly an easy thing to accomplish, and wins one many enemies along the way. Those who claim this title had best be prepared to defend it, for they won't last long otherwise...

Usurper Edges

Assimilation

Prerequisites: Your Legendary Form is Level 20

Static

Effect: You may Pool your experience given to your Legendary Form instead of using it to level up. Experience Pooled in this method can be used for Prerequisites for Usurper Features.

Usurper Feats

Usurper

[PATRON STATS]

Prerequisites: You have slain a God and through occult ritual or technology have absorbed its essence.

Effect: Your human form is now considered your Avatar, and you gain a second set of stats for your Pokémon form. This form is that of the Legendary you usurped, starts at level 1 with the nature and abilities of your choice, and may gain experience as if it were a Pokémon you owned. Switching between your human form and this one takes a Standard Action. Usurpers cannot receive Gifts or Blessings from other Legendaries, as they are divinity themselves now. Any Touched, Branded, Messiah, and Signer Edges and Features you possessed up until this point are refunded. The Patron Stats for this Feature and all other Usurper Features matches the stats of the Legendary you Usurped.

Shared Strengths

[Ranked 3] [PATRON STATS]

Rank 1 Prerequisites: 5,000 Pooled Experience

Rank 2 Prerequisites: Shared Strengths Rank 1, 10,000 Experience

Rank 3 Prerequisites: True Power, 10,000 Experience

Static

Rank 1 Effect: You gain access to your Legendary Form's Abilities while in your Avatar form.

Rank 2 Effect: You gain your Legendary Form's Types while in your Avatar Form

Rank 3 Effect: You gain access to your Legendary Form's Move List while in your Avatar Form.

zoof: If you already possess any of these while in your Avatar form from classes, well, tough shitty said the Skitty :3

True Power

[PATRON STATS]

Prerequisites: 10,000 Pooled Experience

Static

Effect: You gain one of the Domains and its corresponding Legendary Aura associated with your Legendary Form. This may be taken multiple times, but at a cost of 25,000 Experience the second time and 50,000 the third. This may be taken multiple times.

Gift of Power

[PATRON STATS]

Prerequisites: 10,000 Pooled Experience

One Time Use

Target: A Trainer

Effect: You gift your target with a Blessing of your own. Whether this makes them Touched, a Signer, or Branded is at your digression. The actual Blessings may not need be the one listed here for your Legendary Form, but ones of your own creation at your GM's discretion.

General Legendary Features

Unlike the above Gifts, these are not necessarily specific to a species, nor can they be granted arbitrarily or without intent. Instead, they represent either an intentional devotion toward a Legendary or acting as a Legendary living mortal representative, with a spark of divinity granted to them.

Among the more general Gifts that can be granted by Legendaries, there are a number that simply aid in living in this world where humans can be touched by gods and given a spark of divinity. These such Gifts allow one to identify others who have received Gifts or even in some rare specific circumstances be able to shut down their Gifts.

Gift of Command

While many times Legendary Pokémon simply have separate domains, sometimes there is a distinct hierarchy among them. In these cases, the hierarchy passes down to the Gifted as well. While this does not allow those Gifted by, say, Ho-oh to directly command someone Gifted by Raikou or Entei, it does allow them a measure of ease in detecting those who have the Gifts of the subservient Legendary Pokémon and the ability to disable their powers.

The following Legendary Pokémon have subservient Pokémon to them.

Lugia: Articuno, Zapdos, Moltres

Ho-oh: Entei, Raikou, Suicune

Rayquaza: Groudon, Kyogre

Landorus: Thundurus, Tornadus

Regigigas: Regice, Regirock, Registeel

Cobalion: Virizion, Terrakion, Keldeo

Major Gift - Gift of Command

[Patron Stats]

Prerequisites: One Major Gift from Your Patron Legendary

Static | 2 AP - Standard Action, Interrupt

Static Effect: You sense the presence of and can identify those with Gifts coming from your patron's subservient Pokémon. You know which Gifts someone has from your patron's subservient Pokémon by looking at them.

2 AP Effect: Target Trainer within 8 meters with a Gift from your patron's subservient Pokémon has the Gift of your choice from that subservient Pokémon disabled for the next ten minutes.

Symbolsight

Each Legendary Pokémon holds dominion over a set of domains, and with these domains come particular symbols. A Legendary who presides over War may take the Spear or the Sword as its symbol, while a master of Creativity is symbolized by the Pen, and guardians of Death itself are marked by a Skull or Tombstone. Even without the blessing of a Legendary, humans can often be influential in these domains themselves, such as a powerful politician's effect on the realm of Law or a famous civil rights activist's influence upon Peace.

Symbolsight is the ability to perceive these symbolic connections between mortal and divine realms. When perceiving a Trainer or Pokémon through Symbolsight, one can see their form change to match

the symbols of their Patron's realms or, as a weaker manifestation, to match the realms they are influential in despite a lack of Legendary Gift.

Viewed through Symbolsight, a Trainer with the Gifts of Cobalion may appear to have three swords sheathed on their person, the emblem of a knight, and a scale of justice hanging above their head. A famous mechanic and artisan may appear with the stains of their work upon them, a faint imprint of their tie to the domain of Creation, whereas a Trainer Gifted by Regigigas would have a more substantial manifestation - their hands appear as a blacksmith's hammerheads, the glowing sparks of a forge fly all about them, and each step they take leaves an imprint of soot upon the ground that quickly disappears. Pokémon in the service of a Legendary or objects with a mystical connection to a Legendary or its domains also appear with the symbols of their Patron when viewed through Symbolsight. Ordinary inanimate object and mundane people and Pokémon appear as normal through Symbolsight.

Note that Symbolsight is a useful Feature to give to a PC who is otherwise uninvolved in the acquisition of Gifts from Legendaries to avoid excluding them too much from a Legendary-heavy plot-line. It especially fits highly perceptive PCs, those with mystical or psionic talents, or someone who performs extensive hands-on research on the supernatural.

Symbolsight

[Patron Stats]

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Static | 1 AP - Standard Action

Target: Self

Static: You know when there are people, Pokémon, or objects that would appear differently to you through Symbolsight within an area of you about the size of a small town. You do not know their location, number, or distance from you, only that there is at least one within the range of your sense.

1 AP Effect: For the next ten minutes, you see the world through the lens of Symbolsight. You may end this effect early as a Free Action.

Giftsapper

There are those for whom the Gifts of a Legendary are anathema. The reasons may vary greatly depending on what's possible in your campaign and setting - they may simply have had a cursed birth or were at the epicenter of a supernatural disaster, or they may have specifically studied arcane arts to combat the Gifted. Either way, these individuals have no ability to gain Gifts of their own but pose a potent danger to the Gifted by making it more difficult for them to use their powers when nearby. Giftsapper is also a potent Feature to give antagonists facing off against a Gifted party.

Giftsapper

[Patron Stats]

Prerequisites: GM Permission, No Gifts

Static

Effect: As long as Giftsapper's user is conscious, all Trainers within 10 meters must make a Focus Check with DC equal to three times the highest Skill Rank of Giftsapper's user between Focus, Intimidate, or Command in order to activate their Gifts. This Check is made each time a Trainer attempts to use an activated Gift, and a failure means neither any resources such as AP nor the frequency of the Gift is expended. For Gifts with Static or ongoing effects, the Check is made each turn, and a failure ends the effect for that turn. Giftsapper's user may never gain Gifts.

Godslayer

This gift is a very curious one – one only the Higher Pantheon, some Outsiders, and Arceus himself can bestow. Normally reserved for the greatest champions or followers of a God, this gift grants the Trainer the ability to shatter Legendary Auras. Doing so can effectively grant this mortal the power to commit decide. This gift doesn't always come in the same fashion – it might be from an artifact or a gift, such as a weapon, piece of armor or amulet. It might come from extensive training or require extremely rare and expensive reagents. Or it might just be a divine gift in its own right. The specifics are a minor detail; the gift itself is one to be handled with great care.

Godslayer

[Patron Stats]

Perquisites: GM Permission

Standard Action – EOT

Target: A Legendary Pokemon.

Effect: You may attempt to shatter one of the target's Legendary Auras. The AC of this action is 10. If you successfully disabled the Aura, but rolled a 10-15, the feedback from the action gives you an Injury.

Legendary Blessings

These Blessings are utilized by Messiah and Signer Features.

Rank 1

Ancient Wisdom

Messiah: Static

Signer: Daily / 15

Messiah Effect: You gain an extra Dice on Education: Occult checks, as well as any Check dealing with Occult topics or situations.

Signer Effect: You gain two extra Dice instead.

Blessed Strike

Messiah: Daily/5 – Free Action

Signer: Daily/15 – Free Action

Trigger: You hit an enemy with a Struggle Attack

Messiah Effect: Your Struggle Attack's Type matches that of your Patron. If your Patron has two Types, choose one.

Signer Effect: Your Struggle Attack deals Typeless Damage.

Paragon

Messiah: Static

Signer: Daily

Messiah Effect: When you take Paragon, choose either Body, Mind or Spirit. You gain +2 to that Attribute.

Signer Effect: You instead choose one of these Attributes, and gain a +1 bonus to this Attribute. This lasts until the end of that in game day. You may choose a different Attribute each time you activate Paragon.

Spirit Mending

Messiah: Daily/10 – Standard Action

Signer: Daily/20 – Standard Action

Target: A Pokémon or Trainer

Messiah Effect: When using Spirit Mending, choose one of the following: The Target is Heals 30 HP, or the Target recovers two Injuries.

Signer Effect: The target recovers 50 HP and one Injury.

Rank 2

Blessed Power

Prerequisites: Blessed Strike

Messiah: Static

Signer: Daily - Swift Action

Messiah Effect: Choose a Damaging Move on your Patron's Level Up List that has a Damage Base of 8 or lower and matches one of their Types. You learn this Move.

Signer Effect: You instead gain this chosen Move until of combat. You may choose a different Move each time you activate this Sign.

Luck of the Gods

Prerequisites: Paragon

Messiah: Daily – Free Action

Signer: Daily/25 – Free Action

Messiah Trigger – You fail a Skill Check or Accuracy Roll.

Signer Trigger – You roll a Skill Check or Accuracy Roll.

Messiah Effect: You may reroll this Skill Check or Accuracy Roll.

Signer Effect: You may add +4 to this Skill Check or +2 to this Accuracy Roll.

Soul Mending

Prerequisites: Spirit Mending

Messiah: One Time Use/10 - Extended Action

Signer: Daily - Interrupt

Messiah Trigger: A Trainer or Pokemon dies.

Signer Trigger: A Trainer or Pokemon is reduced below 0 HP.

Messiah Effect: Your divine powers allow you to intervene, saving the Target's life. They are set to 5 Injuries that will heal at half the normal rate, and 1 HP.

Signer Effect: The Target receives no further injuries after being reduced below 0 HP. If being Knocked Out alone would set them to 10 injuries, they instead are set to 9 Injuries.

Rank 3

Blessed Resilience

Prerequisites: Blessed Power

Messiah: Static

Signer: Daily

Messiah Effect: Choose two Types your Patron has Resistance or Immunity to. You gain Resistance to these types.

Signer Effect: Choose a single Type your Patron has Resistance or Immunity to. You gain this Resistance to this Type until the end of this in game day. You may choose a different Type each time you use Blessed Resilience.

Insight of the Great Ones

Prerequisites: Ancient Wisdom

Messiah: Daily - Swift Action

Signer: Daily / 15 – Swift Action

Signer Target: A Pokémon or Trainer.

Messiah Effect: You become aware of any Pacts, Patrons, or Allegiances the Target may have to a Legendary being or any organizations. If this Target has a particular weakness (Both Narrative and mechanical), you become aware of it. You also become aware of any goals or motives the Target might possess at the moment.

Signer Effect: You learn one of the Target's weaknesses (Narrative or mechanical). If this target aligned to a Legendary or an organization, you become aware of this fact, but not of who or what in particular. You also learn if this Targets motives or goals would harm your Patron or their followers.

Patron Stat Tags

Mew: [+2 Any Stat]
Mewtwo: [+SpAtk] [+Speed]
Heatran: [+SpAtk] [+Defense or SpDef]
Articuno: [+SpDef] [+Defense or SpAtk]
Zapdos: [+SpAtk] [+Speed]
Moltres: [+SpAtk] [+Attack]
Raikou: [+SpAtk] [+Speed]
Entei: [+HP] [+Attack]
Suicune: [+Defense] [+SpDef]
Regirock: [+2 Defense]
Regice: [+2 SpDef]
Registeel: [+1 Defense] [+1 SpDef]
Regigigas: [+2 Attack]
Cobalion: [+Defense] [+Speed]
Terrakion: [+Attack] [+Speed]
Virizion: [+SpDef] [+Speed]
Keldeo: [+SpAtk] [+Speed]
Uxie: [+Defense] [+SpDef]
Mesprit: [+Attack or Defense] [+SpAtk or SpDef]
Azelf: [+Attack] [+SpAtk]
Tornadus: [+SpAtk] [+Attack]
Thundurus: [+SpAtk] [+Attack]
Landorus: [+SpAtk] [+Attack]
Lugia: [+Defense] [+SpDef]
Ho-Oh: [+Attack] [+SpDef]
Latias: [+2 SpDef]
Latos: [+2 SpAtk]
Manaphy: [+2 Any Stat]
Celebi: [+2 Any Stat]
Jirachi: [+2 Any Stat]
Victini: [+2 Any Stat]
Shaymin: [+2 Any Stat]
Meloetta: [+SpAtk] [+SpDef]
Darkrai: [+SpAtk] [+Speed]
Cresselia: [+SpDef] [+HP or Defense]
Kyogre: [+SpAtk] [+SpDef]
Groudon: [+Attack] [+Defense]
Rayquaza: [+Attack] [+SpAtk]
Reshiram: [+2 SpAtk]
Zekrom: [+2 Attack]
Kyurem: [+HP] [+Attack or SpAtk]
Dialga: [+2 SpAtk]
Palkia: [+2 SpAtk]
Giratina: [+2 HP]

Legendary Gifts

No matter the intent or process involved, when a human is blessed by a Legendary Pokémon with some of its powers, use the following Legendary Gifts. These are sorted specific to species or sets of species, whereas there also exist more general Gifts that will be sorted by domain instead of species (see below).

Minor Gifts are always Edges and represent the first step toward taking in a Legendary's power. They are usually non-obvious effects or at least not overtly supernatural. It is uncommon, although possible, for Trainers to attain multiple Minor Gifts, particularly if they are from within the same set of Legendaries.

Major Gifts are Features that represent a strong alliance or blessing from a Legendary and are significant instances of granted supernatural power. They should not be attained easily, and accruing multiple Major Gifts should be very difficult. It is very rare for Trainers to attain Major Gifts from a second patron, and more than that is the stuff of legend.

Pact Gifts are Features that represent either a nearly unbreakable bond between Trainer and Legendary, or a truly divine gift. They are usually the Legendary's Signature Move and are incredibly powerful and difficult to attain. They universally require a Trainer to attain all of the Legendary's Major Gifts. It is impossible for a Trainer to gain more than one Pact Gift. Lower Pantheon Legendaries do not have Pact Gifts.

castfromhp: These aren't particularly balanced between options for various species and the like. These are somewhat in your hands as a GM to sort out what would be too powerful for their campaign and what would be sensible.

Lower Pantheon

Legendary Birds and Beasts

Minor Gift - Elemental Soul

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You can sense the presence of Pokémon of a given Type within 10 meters of you based on which Legendary Bird or Beast granted you this Edge. Articuno grants Ice, Moltres and Entei grant Fire, Zapdos and Raikou grant Electric, and Suicune grants Water.

Major Gift - Elemental Manipulation

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Elemental Soul

Effect: You gain a Capability based on which Legendary Bird or Beast granted you this Feature. Articuno grants Freezer, Moltres and Entei grant Firestarter, Zapdos and Raikou grant Zapper, and Suicune grants Fountain.

Articuno

Major Gift - Winter's Kiss

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Elemental Soul

Static

Effect: You gain the Winter's Kiss Ability.

Moltres

Major Gift - Sun Blanket

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Elemental Soul

Static

Effect: You gain the Sun Blanket Ability.

Zapdos

Major Gift - Lightningrod

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Elemental Soul

Static

Effect: You gain the Lightningrod Ability.

Entei

Major Gift - Flash Fire

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Elemental Soul

Static

Effect: You gain the Flash Fire Ability.

Raikou

Major Gift - Volt Absorb

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Elemental Soul

Static

Effect: You gain the Volt Absorb Ability.

Suicune**Major Gift - Water Absorb**

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Elemental Soul

Static

Effect: You gain the Water Absorb Ability.

Celebi**Minor Gift - Catastrophe Sense**

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You have an intuitive sense of when natural disasters or other catastrophes are likely to occur near you.

Major Gift - Probability Control

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Catastrophe Sense

Static

Effect: You gain the Probability Control Ability.

Major Gift - Sprouter

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Catastrophe Sense

Static

Effect: You gain the Sprouter Capability.

The Golems**Minor Gift - Stoic Stature**

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You subtract half of your Athletics or Focus Ranks from the number of meters Push effects move you.

Major Gift - Mark of Loyalty

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Stoic Stature

1 AP - Free Action

Target: Your Pokémon

Effect: Treat the Target as if it were one Loyalty higher for the rest of this turn.

Major Gift - Clear Body

Prerequisites: Major Gift – Mark of Loyalty

Static

Effect: You gain the Clear Body Ability

Jirachi

Minor Gift - Watchful Sleep

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You may make Perception Checks to detect imminent dangers while sleeping.

Major Gift - Eye of Truth

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Watchful Sleep

1 AP - Standard Action

Target: Trainer of Pokémon

Effect: You can determine whether or not a professed desire by the Target is being sought for altruistic reasons for not.

Major Gift - Doom Desire

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Eye of Truth

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Doom Desire.

Eon Duo:

Minor Gift - Loyal Heart

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You are immune to Infatuation.

Major Gift - Sight Sharing

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Loyal Heart, *Special

Static

Effect: You must take this Major Gift alongside another person also taking this Major Gift, one of you gaining it through Latias and the other through Latios. The two of you are considered Link Partners. Whenever you wish, you may share your senses with your Link Partner or attempt to use their senses as long as both you and your Link Partner give mental consent and are conscious. You and your Link Partner never hit each other with Area of Effect Moves unless you want to.

Latias:

Major Gift - Mist Ball

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Sight Sharing

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Mist Ball.

Latios:

Major Gift - Luster Purge

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Sight Sharing

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Luster Purge.

Lake Guardians

Azelf:

Minor Gift - Force of Will

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: Reroll all dice that result in a roll of 1 when making Focus and Command Checks.

Major Gift - Drain Will

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Force of Will

3 AP - Standard Action

Target: Pokémon or Trainer within 8 meters

Effect: You and the Target make a Contested Focus Check. If you win the Check, the Target is unable to take Shift or Standard Actions for their next 1d2 turns. Regardless of whether or not you won the Check, the Target suffers a -3 penalty to all rolls for the rest of the encounter, or for fifteen minutes outside of combat. The target becomes immune to further uses of Drain Will for 24 hours.

Uxie:

Minor Gift - Fount of Knowledge

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: Choose two Education Skills. Reroll all dice that result in a roll of 1 when making Checks with those Skills.

Major Gift - Shatter Memory

Prerequisites: Minor Gift – Fount of Knowledge

3 AP - Standard Action

Target: Pokémon or Trainer within 8 meters

Effect: Choose an effect: The Target has one Ability disabled at random or two Moves disabled at random for the remainder of the Encounter. Additionally, the Target must make a Focus Check with DC 10 to recall complex thoughts and memories for the next fifteen minutes. The target becomes immune to further uses of Shatter Memory for 24 hours.

Mesprit:

Minor Gift - Emotion's Heart

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: Reroll all dice that result in a roll of 1 when making Charm and Intuition Checks.

Major Gift - Negate Emotion

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Emotion's Heart

3 AP - Standard Action

Target: Pokémon or Trainer within 8 meters

Effect: The Target becomes immune to Enraged, Confused, and Infatuation Status for the remainder of the encounter and are cured of the Status Afflictions if they currently have them. However, the Target is treated as if their Intimidate, Charm, Intuition and Guile Skills were at Pathetic Rank for the next fifteen minutes. The target becomes immune to further uses of Negate Emotion for 24 hours.

The Sea Guardians

Minor Gift - Sailors' Guardian

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: Wild Pokémon up to a level of twice your Trainer Level will not attack or disrupt a water-borne vessel you are traveling on.

Major Gift - Hydration

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Sailors' Guardian
Static

Effect: You gain the Hydration Ability.

Manaphy

Major Gift - Heart Swap

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Sailors' Guardian
Static

Effect: You learn the Move Heart Swap.

Shaymin

Minor Gift - Plant Intuition

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You reroll all dice that result in a roll of 1 when making Survival Checks related to plants. You automatically identify all berries and apricorns on sight.

Major Gift - Pure Breathing

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Plant Intuition
Static

Effect: You are immune to the Moves Rage Powder, Poison Gas, Poisonpowder, Sleep Powder, Smog, Smokescreen, Spore, Stun Spore, and Sweet Scent.

Major Gift - Sprouter

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Plant Intuition
Static

Effect: You gain the Sprouter Capability.

Major Gift - Seed Flare

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Pure Breathing, Major Gift - Sprouter
Static

Effect: You learn the Move Seed Flare.

The Swords of Justice

Minor Gift - Spirit of Justice

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You may add your Spirit Modifier instead of your Body Modifier when making Combat Skill Checks. You get a +2 bonus to Disarming or resisting Disarming.

Major Gift - Sacred Sword

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Spirit of Justice
Static

Effect: You learn the Move Sacred Sword

Major Gift - Courage

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Spirit of Justice
Static

Effect: You gain the Courage Ability.

The Kami Trio

Minor Gift - Cloud Reading

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You get a +3 bonus to Survival Checks to discern upcoming weather from observing clouds in the sky.

Major Gift - Levitate

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Cloud Reading

Static

Effect: You gain the Levitate Ability.

Major Gift - Therian Form

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Cloud Reading

Daily - Free Action

Target: Self

Effect: Create an extra stat block for yourself, redistributing any Stat Points you gained from level ups or [+Any Stat] tags as you wish. You may activate this Major Gift during an encounter to swap your stats to the extra stat block for the rest of the encounter. Therian Form may be ended early at any time as a Standard Action. Therian Form automatically deactivates if you Faint. While Therian Form is active, you take on slight Avian, Bestial, or Draconic characteristics depending on your patron Legendary.

Meloetta

Minor Gift - Dazzling the Stage

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: Whenever you use song or dance for Intimidate, Guile, or Charm, you may add half of the highest Skill Rank you have among these Skills to your Skill Check.

Major Gift - Soundproof

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Center Stage

Static

Effect: You gain the Soundproof Ability.

Major Gift - Relic Song

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Soundproof

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Relic Song.

Upper Pantheon

Mew

Minor Gift - Motherly Compassion

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You get a +3 Bonus to all Intuition and Charm checks for the purpose of discerning emotions and comforting someone.

Major Gift - Barrier

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Motherly Compassion

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Barrier.

Major Gift - Gentle Vibe

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Motherly Compassion

Static

Effect: You gain the Gentle Vibe Ability.

Major Gift - Mirage

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Motherly Compassion

Daily/25 - Standard Action

Target: Area

Effect: You create a small Illusion, covering a cubic area two meters on each side. The Illusion can emulate visual and auditory senses only. Seeing through the Illusion is a DC 15 Perception Check, with a +5 bonus to the check if the Illusion is emulating something very familiar to the observer. The Illusion may be sustained for up to ten minutes as a Swift Action each round.

Pact Gift - Origin Tutor

Prerequisites: All Mew Major Gifts

Activate Once/10 - Extended Action

Target: Your Pokémon with at least 3 Tutor Points

Effect: Your Pokémon loses 3 Tutor Points and may make use of any TM or Tutoring effect to learn a single Move regardless of what it is normally capable of learning. It must still pay any Tutor Point costs for this effect. You may only target a Pokémon once with Origin Tutor.

The Tower Duo

Minor Gift - Tower's Rejuvenation

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: Resting now allows you to recover 1/10th of your maximum HP per half hour instead of 1/16th.

Major Gift - Tower's Blessing

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Tower's Rejuvenation

1 AP - Free Action

Trigger: You or your Pokémon use a Move with the Blessing Keyword

Effect: The Move generates one additional use of the Blessing.

Major Gift - Life Force

Prerequisites: Two Major Gifts from the Tower Duo
Static

Effect: You gain the Life Force Ability.

Ho-oh

Major Gift - Ashes of the Phoenix

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Tower's Rejuvenation
Daily - Standard Action

Target: Adjacent Pokémon or Trainer

Effect: Treat the target as if you had used a Revive on it. The target regains 25% of its maximum HP.

Pact Gift - Sacred Fire

Prerequisites: All Ho-oh and Shared Tower Duo Major Gifts
Static

Effect: You learn the Move Sacred Fire.

Lugia

Major Gift - Storm of the Century

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Tower's Rejuvenation
Daily - Standard Action

Target: Self

Effect: At the beginning of your next three turns, push all foes within 5 meters of you 1 meter away, and they lose 1/10th of their maximum HP.

Pact Gift - Aeroblast

Prerequisites: All Lugia and Shared Tower Duo Major Gifts
Static

Effect: You learn the Move Aeroblast.

Weather Trio

Groudon

Minor Gift - Landmaster

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You treat Rough Terrain that is rocky or sandy or that is created by Groundshaper as Regular Terrain.

Major Gift - Drought

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Landmaster
Static

Effect: You gain the Drought Ability.

Major Gift - Earthshaker

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Landmaster
Static

Effect: You gain the Groundshaper Capability.

Major Gift - Magma Spirit

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Landmaster

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Self

Effect: For the next three rounds, foes within 6 meters of you do not gain the benefits of Sunny Day. Their Fire Type Moves do not deal extra damage, Solar Beam retains the default charge time, Abilities based on Sunny Weather do not activate, and Moves such as Synthesis do not gain added benefit. All detrimental effects of Sunny Day still apply.

Pact Gift - Eruption

Prerequisites: All Groudon Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Eruption.

Kyogre

Minor Gift - Seamaster

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You treat deep water that you aren't fully submerged in as Regular Terrain.

Major Gift - Drizzle

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Seamaster

Static

Effect: You gain the Drizzle Ability.

Major Gift - Wavecrasher

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Seamaster

Static

Effect: You gain the Fountain Capability.

Major Gift - Aqua Spirit

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Seamaster

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Self

Effect: For the next three rounds, foes within 6 meters of you do not gain the benefits of Rain Dance. Their Water Type Moves do not deal extra damage, Hurricane and Thunder retain their usual Accuracy Check, Abilities based on Rainy Weather do not activate, and Moves such as Weather Ball do not gain added benefit. All detrimental effects of Rain Dance still apply.

Pact Gift - Water Spout

Prerequisites: All Kyogre Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Water Spout.

Rayquaza

Minor Gift - Clear Skies

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You learn the Move Defog.

Major Gift - Air Lock

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Clear Skies
Static

Effect: You gain the Air Lock Ability.

Major Gift - Air Adept

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Clear Skies
Static

Effect: You gain the Guster Capability.

Major Gift - Sky Spirit

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Clear Skies
Daily - Standard Action

Target: Self

Effect: To use Sky Spirit, the current Weather must be Clear as a result of Defog or Air Lock. For the next five rounds, foes within 10 meters of you have their Sky and Levitate Capabilities halved. Allies within 10 meters of you add 10 to their Initiative.

Pact Gift - Hyper Beam

Prerequisites: All Rayquaza Major Gifts
Static

Effect: You learn the Move Hyper Beam.

The Creation Trio

Major Gift - Realm Portal

Prerequisites: One Creation Trio Major Gift
Daily - Extended Action

Target: Area

Effect: You open a small portal through your patron's realm to any location you have visited within 20 miles. The portal lasts for two minutes, during which any living thing which voluntarily wishes to enter the portal may do so; any conscious trainers or Pokémon forced through the portal involuntarily will not be affected by the portal. After the two minutes are up or when you step through the portal, it collapses.

Dialga

Minor Gift - Perfect Timing

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You always intuitively know what time it is and can accurately act as a human stopwatch.

Major Gift - Probability Control

Prerequisites: Perfect Timing

Static

Effect: You gain the Probability Control Ability.

Major Gift - Time Stop

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Realm Portal

Daily - Swift Action, Interrupt

Effect: Take an additional Shift Action and Standard Action.

Pact Gift - Roar of Time

Prerequisites: All Dialga and Shared Creation Trio Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Roar of Time

Palkia**Minor Gift - Spatial Awareness**

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You intuitively know the size of an object or the distance between objects by sight down to the nearest centimeter for distances and lengths up to 10 meters.

Major Gift - Nomad

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Spatial Awareness

Static

Effect: You gain the Transporter Ability. Note that this automatically grants you the Move Teleport.

Major Gift - Space Distortion

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Realm Portal

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Pokémon or Trainers

Effect: Exchange the positions of up to three target Pokémon or Trainers within 10 meters.

Pact Gift - Spacial Rend

Prerequisites: All Palkia and Shared Creation Trio Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Spacial Rend.

Giratina**Minor Gift - Death Sense**

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: When encountering a corpse, you can always tell how many hours ago the Pokémon or Trainer has died, for up to a week after their death.

Major Gift - Pressure

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Death Sense

Static

Effect: You gain the Pressure Ability.

Major Gift - Banish

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Realm Portal

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Pokémon or Trainers

Effect: Remove a single Target within 8 meters from the encounter for 1d2+1 rounds. The Target experiences no loss of time. They reappear in the same spot that they disappeared from, or in the nearest unoccupied space.

Pact Gift - Shadow Force

Prerequisites: All Giratina and Shared Creation Trio Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Shadow Force.

Lunar Duo

Minor Gift - Dream Mastery

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You are immune to Hypnosis, Nightmare, and Dream Eater.

Major Gift - Oneiromancy

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Dream Mastery

2 AP - Extended Action

Target: A Sleeping Pokémon or Trainer

Effect: You may peer into the Target's dreams. If this Major Gift is gained through Cresselia, you may make small changes to the dream to make it more pleasant and guide the Target toward dreaming of positive thoughts of your choosing. If this Major Gift is gained through Darkrai, you may make small changes to the dream to make it more terrifying and guide the Target toward dreaming of frightening thoughts of your choosing.

Major Gift - Dream Augury

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Dream Mastery

2 AP - Extended Action

Target: Self

Effect: You fall into a deep sleep and dream a dream that portends of things to come. If this Major Gift is gained through Cresselia, you learn hints of a favorable situation that will arise soon. If this Major Gift is gained through Darkrai, you learn hints of a dangerous or mournful situation that will arise soon.

Cresselia

Major Gift - Dreamspinner

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Oneiromancy, Major Gift - Dream Augury

Static

Effect: You gain the Dreamspinner Ability.

Pact Gift - Lunar Dance

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Dreamspinner

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Lunar Dance.

Darkrai

Major Gift - Bad Dreams

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Oneiromancy, Major Gift - Dream Augury

Static

Effect: You gain the Bad Dreams Ability.

Pact Gift - Dark Void

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Bad Dreams

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Dark Void.

Heatran

Minor Gift - Vulcan's Intuition

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You get a +3 bonus to Perception and Survival Checks made in mountainous and volcanic areas.

Major Gift - Tremorsense

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Vulcan's Intuition

Static

Effect: You gain the Tremorsense Capability.

Major Gift - Lava-blooded

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Vulcan's Intuition

Static | Battle - Free Action, Interrupt

Static Effect: You are immune to the ambient heat of volcanic areas. Unless you come into direct contact with molten rock, you will not be harmed. You resist Fire Type Moves by one step.

Battle Effect: You may trigger Lava-blooded as an interrupt when you are hit by a Fire Type Move. You take no damage or other effects from the Move, and you make a 1 meter burst. All targets caught in the burst lose 1/16th of their maximum HP.

Major Gift - Magma Armor

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Vulcan's Intuition

Static

Effect: You gain the Magma Armor Ability.

Pact Gift - Magma Storm

Prerequisites: All Heatran Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Magma Storm

Regigigas

Minor Gift - Hands of the Creator

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You get a +3 bonus to all Knowledge: Occult or Knowledge: Petrology rolls to identify materials that would be used in crafting or the purpose of a crafted object.

Major Gift - March of the Colossus

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Hands of the Creator

2 AP - Standard Action

Target: Trainer or Pokémon

Effect: For the next three rounds, the target has their Attack and Speed halved. At the end of the third round, increase the target's Attack and Speed by two Combat Stages each.

Major Gift - Primal Craftsmanship

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Hands of the Creator

Static

Effect: You pay 20% less when crafting items.

Major Gift - Animate

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Primal Craftsmanship

Daily - Extended Action

Target: Materials

Effect: Create a small golem out of the inanimate material of your choice. The material used will determine the Type of the golem. Scrap metal may create a steel type, lava a fire type, and granite a rock type for example. Distribute a number of Stat Points to the golem equal to your Trainer Level. The golem is small size, weight class 1, and has Overland 4, Jump 0/0, Power 2, and Sinker. It can make Struggle Attacks of its Type. The golem must be verbally commanded by you to act. It cannot regain HP and is destroyed upon Fainting. At the end of the day or if you Faint, the golem crumbles and is destroyed.

Pact Gift - Crush Grip

Prerequisites: All Regigigas Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Crush Grip

Victini

Minor Gift - Chosen of Victory

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: Whenever you spend AP to raise your roll on an Accuracy Check, you get +3 bonus instead of +1.

Major Gift - Searing Blade

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Chosen of Victory

2 AP - Free Action

Effect: Your next Struggle Attack with an equipped weapon deals +2 Damage Steps and deals Fire Type damage.

Major Gift - Blaze Armor

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Chosen of Victory

2 AP - Free Action, Interrupt

Effect: You take damage from the next Attack that hits you as if you were Fire Type. If the Attack was made in melee range, your attacker loses 1/8th of their maximum HP as a Fire Type effect. Apply weakness and resistance. Do not apply stats.

Major Gift - Victory Star

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Chosen of Victory

Static

Effect: You gain the Victory Star Ability.

Pact Gift - V-Create

Prerequisites: All Victini Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move V-Create

The Tao Trio

Shared

Major Gift - Invert Balance

Prerequisites: One Tao Trio Major Gift

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Area

Effect: The area becomes Inverted for the next 1d4+1 rounds. While Inverted, all Pokémon and Trainers have their weaknesses and resistances exchanged. Double resistance and steps of resistance or immunity beyond that become 3x weaknesses, normal resistances become 2x weaknesses, 2x weaknesses become normal resistances, and 3x weaknesses become double resistance.

Reshiram

Minor Gift - Hero of Truth

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You get a +3 bonus on Intuition Checks to discern when someone is lying.

Major Gift - White Yang

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Hero of Truth

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Self

Effect: All allies within 5 meters may choose to increase all movement speeds by 2, raise their Attack and Special Attack Stats by 1 Combat Stage, and decrease their Accuracy by 2 for the next three rounds.

Major Gift - Turboblaze

Prerequisites: Major Gift - White Yang

Static

Effect: You gain the Turboblaze Ability.

Pact Gift - Blue Flare

Prerequisites: All Reshiram and Shared Tao Trio Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Blue Flare.

Zekrom

Minor Gift - Hero of Ideals

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You get a +3 bonus on Intuition Checks to discern someone's beliefs and ideals.

Major Gift - Black Yin

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Hero of Ideals

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Self

Effect: All allies within 5 meters may choose to decrease their movement speeds by 1 and raise their evasion by 2 for the next three rounds.

Major Gift - Teravolt

Prerequisites: Major Gift - Black Yin

Static

Effect: You gain the Teravolt Ability.

Pact Gift - Bolt Strike

Prerequisites: All Zekrom and Shared Tao Trio Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Bolt Strike.

Kyurem

Minor Gift - Hero of Balance

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: Others get a -3 penalty to Intuition Checks to detect your lies or discern your beliefs.

Major Gift - The Empty Tao

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Hero of Balance

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Self

Effect: For the next three rounds, all Pokémon and Trainers within 5 meters of you have all Combat Stages locked to zero.

Major Gift - Winter's Kiss

Prerequisites: Major Gift - The Empty Tao

Static

Effect: You gain the Winter's Kiss Ability.

Pact Gift - Glaciate

Prerequisites: All Kyurem and Shared Tao Trio Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Glaciate

Pact Gift - Freeze Shock

Prerequisites: All Kyurem and Shared Tao Trio Major Gifts, Minor Gift - Hero of Ideals

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Freeze Shock.

Pact Gift - Ice Burn

Prerequisites: All Kyurem and Shared Tao Trio Major Gifts, Minor Gift - Hero of Truth

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Ice Burn.

The Outsiders

Mewtwo, Genesect, and Deoxys

...don't grant gifts. They're aliens and science experiments that are extremely powerful, but they are not part of the Pantheon nor do they have any other way of granting divine gifts.

While Mewtwo does not grant gifts, a Mewtwo's symbiant does have access to the following gifts via Touched edges and features.

Minor Gift – Twin Souls

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Static

Effect: You and the Mewtwo you are bound to may communicate telepathically, no matter the distance between you. You are also gifted the Soulbound Edge.

Major Gift – Expanded Horizons

Prerequisites: Minor Gift – Twin Souls

Static

Effect: You gain either the Telepath or Telekinetic Capability. If you possess both of these from their respected Trainer Classes, you instead gain the Godslayer Feature.

Major Gift – Mental Suggestion

Prerequisites: Major Gift – Expanded Horizons

Daily – Extended Action

Effect: Mental Suggestion requires both you and the Mewtwo you are bound to be in the same vicinity. Make a Focus check as if you were using Telepath. On a success, you instill a thought or action into the Target's mind as if it were one of their own. They may not immediately act on it, and will question it if it is too alien from how they would normally act, but the thought will persist as long as they are unaware of its origin.

Pact Gift – Psystrike

Prerequisites: Twin Souls, Expanded Horizons, Mental Suggestion

Static

Effect: You learn the Move Psystrike.

MissingNo

MissingNo is a unique case in that there are multiple interpretations offered in this book, and one set of Gifts would not be able to cover all of them. Some interpretations may not offer any Gifts at all, much like the other Outsiders don't. For example, if MissingNo were simply a literal glitch in the system of reality and not even a sentient being, one could hardly expect to receive a blessing from it. Some interpretations, such as the fallen creator or the network god, would, however, and so what will be offered here is a mixture of Gift ideas fitting various interpretations of MissingNo that can be used as a springboard for your own creations.

MissingNo as Cosmic Horror**Minor Gift - Alien Countenance**

Prerequisites: GM Permission

Effect: You may add your Mind Modifier instead of your Body Modifier to your Intimidate Checks. You get a +2 bonus to Intimidate Checks against Pokémon.

Major Gift - Amorphous

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Alien Countenance

Static

Effect: You gain the Amorphous Capability.

Major Gift - Phasing

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Alien Countenance

Static

Effect: You gain the Phasing Capability.

Major Gift - Mind Lock

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Alien Countenance

Static

Effect: You gain the Mind Lock Capability.

Pact Gift - Hypergeometry

Prerequisites: All MissingNo Major Gifts

Static | Battle - Standard Action, Interrupt

Static Effect: You may always treat the distance between you and any other Trainer or Pokémon as one meter greater or one meter less as you choose for the purpose of calculating range or distance of travel. You may not use this to avoid melee attacks by switching between making their distance greater or less - a value is chosen when an action is announced and cannot be changed afterwards.

Battle Effect: You may activate this Pact Gift once per battle when hit by a single target attack. The attack instead hits a target of your choice in an adjacent square to you.

MissingNo as Fallen Creator

Minor Gift - Detect Heretic

Effect: You intuitively sense the presence of those with non-MissingNo Gifts around you, though you have no way of telling who they might be. The more Gifts someone has, the further away you can sense them, though you generally cannot sense even the strongest of Gift holders at a distance of more than 15 meters away from you.

Major Gift - Knight of the Fallen God

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Detect Heretic

Static

Effect: You gain the Giftsapper Feature regardless of prerequisites, and you are not bound by its requirements with respect to Gifts. Giftsapper when gained this way has no effect on Gifts granted by MissingNo.

Major Gift - Corrupt Existence

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Detect Heretic

X AP - Standard Action

Target: Trainer or Pokémon within 6 meters

Effect: For each AP spent on Corrupt Existence up to a maximum of 3, roll 1d20. The Target becomes one step weaker against a Type for each roll as follows: Bug on a result of 1; Dark on 2; Dragon on 3; Electric on 4; Fighting on 5; Fire on 6; Flying on 7; Ghost on 8; Grass on 9; Ground on 10; Ice on 11; Normal on 12; Poison on 13; Psychic on 14; Rock on 15; Steel on 16; Water on 17; and on a result of 18-20, reroll the 1d20. This effect lasts until the end of the encounter, even if the target is recalled.

Major Gift - Storm of the Fallen World

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Detect Heretic

Battle - Standard Action

Target: Area

Effect: For 1d4+1 rounds, the area becomes Bugged. While Bugged, all combatants are treated as if they have had the Move Heal Block applied to them, all combatants become Typeless and all effects deal only Typeless damage. At the beginning of each round, all combatants lose 1/16th of their maximum HP.

Pact Gift - Slayer of the False Gods

Prerequisites: All MissingNo Major Gifts

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Legendary Pokémon

Effect: Dispel one of the target's Legendary Auras for the rest of the encounter.

MissingNo as New God of the Network Society

Minor Gift - Intuitive Sabotage

Effect: Whenever you make a Knowledge: Technology Check to destroy, sabotage, or otherwise disrupt modern electronics, you get a +3 bonus to your roll.

Major Gift - Glitch Message

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Intuitive Sabotage

2 AP - Standard Action

Target: Electronic Communication

Effect: You must use Glitch Message targeting one instance of electronic communication you are currently aware of in your vicinity, such as an email being typed at the computer next to you or a text message someone is sending. You may view and edit the contents of the message before it gets electronically transmitted without the sender being aware of an issue. On extended communications such as a phone call or video conference, Glitch Message works on one minute's worth of communication per activation.

Major Gift - Dead Zone

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Intuitive Sabotage

Daily/15 - Standard Action

Target: Area

Effect: For the next ten minutes, all wireless communication within ten meters of you fails to work. Radios stop receiving, WiFi shuts down, and cell signals fail to reach phones.

Major Gift - See the Wired

Prerequisites: Minor Gift - Intuitive Sabotage

Daily - Standard Action

Target: Self

Effect: For the next 5 minutes you can see networks as a visual overlay when you look at people communicating electronically. You view this in the form of lines of light arcing from devices to the other devices they are communicating with.

Pact Gift - Ghost in the Machine

Prerequisites: All MissingNo Major Gifts

Static

Effect: You gain the Wired capability. Electronics you are occupying gradually degrade and begin to malfunction over time.

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- Added the Godslayer Gift
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