

## **Roaring Rockets Character Background Handout**

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ROARING ROCKETS NEEDS role-playing MORE THAN OTHER GAMES. HERE ARE SOME CHARACTER DESIGN SUGGESTIONS:

- DESCRIBE THE PERSONALITY OF YOUR CHARACTER.
- WHY DOES THE CHARACTER DO WHAT HE/SHE DOES?
- DEFINING MOMENT: WHAT EVENT MADE THE CHARACTER INTO WHAT HE/SHE IS?
- WHAT IS THE STORY QUESTION? (SHE WANTS LOVE, WILL SHE EVER FIND IT? HE WANTS TO FIND HIS FATHER, WILL HE?)
- WHAT ARE HIS/HER QUIRKS OR MANNERISMS? WHAT DOES YOUR CHARACTER SOUND LIKE?
- WHAT DOES YOUR CHARACTER VALUE AND WHAT IS HIS/HER ATTITUDE?
- WRITE BRIEF HISTORY OF YOUR CHARACTER IN LESS THAN 100 WORDS.

TRY USING AT LEAST 3 OF THESE. THE BEST PLACE FOR THIS IS ON THE BACK OF YOUR CHARACTER SHEET.

ARTWORK HELPS. TRY ONE OF THESE SUGGESTIONS:

- COLOR THE FIGURE ON YOUR CHARACTER SHEET. GET A MATCHING CARDBOARD STANDUP AND COLOR IT TO MATCH.
- GET A LEAD OR PLASTIC MINIATURE AND PAINT IT. COLOR THE FIGURE ON YOUR CHARACTER SHEET TO MATCH.
- GET A CHARACTER SHEET WITHOUT ARTWORK AND AFFIX AN ARTWORK, ILLUSTRATION, OR PHOTOGRAPH. MAKE A CUSTOM CARDBOARD STANDUP WITH THE SAME ARTWORK. OR GET A MINIATURE WITH A SIMILAR LOOK AND PAINT IT TO MATCH.
- REMEMBER THAT THE GENRE DID NOT TOLERATE SUGGESTIVE OR SEXY ARTWORK, OR THINGS NORMALLY COVERED BY A BIKINI OR UNDERWEAR.

KEEP A CLEAN CHARACTER SHEET. IT IS HARD TO FIND WHAT YOU NEED WHEN YOU NEED IT IF YOUR SHEET IS A MESS, OR HAS WRITING & ERASURES ALL OVER THE FRONT OR BACK.

- LIST YOUR EQUIPMENT & POSSESSIONS ON A SEPARATE SHEET. USE THE ONE THAT COMES WITH THE GAME OR MAKE YOUR OWN.
- KEEP TRACK OF YOUR MONEY ON A SEPARATE SHEET. USE THE ONE THAT COMES WITH THE GAME OR MAKE YOUR OWN.
- KEEP TRACK OF YOUR EXPERIENCE POINTS ON A SEPARATE SHEET. USE THE ONE THAT COMES WITH THE GAME OR MAKE YOUR OWN.
- KEEP TRACK OF YOUR DECORATIONS AND DECORATION POINTS ON A SEPARATE SHEET. USE THE ONE THAT COMES WITH THE GAME OR MAKE YOUR OWN.

THE BACK OF YOUR CHARACTER SHEET IS A GOOD PLACE TO PUT INFORMATION THAT DOES NOT CHANGE MUCH, LIKE YOUR CHARACTER BACKGROUND.

