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# ENCOUNTER 1: THREE IF BY AIR? (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

3 Midnight Arrows	Level 18 Artillery
Medium shadow humanoid (human)	XP 2,000
HP 130; Bloodied 65	Initiative +14
AC 32, Fortitude 29, Reflex 31, Will 30	Perception +13
Speed 6. climb 3	
TRAITS	
<b>Street Agility</b>	
The arrow ignores difficult terrain that consists of rubble, debris, uneven pavement, or similar terrain.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Club</b> (weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 damage.	
r <b>Glancing Shot</b> (weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 15 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d6 + 9 damage, and another creature within 3 squares of the target takes 15 damage.	
R <b>Double Shot</b> • <b>Recharge</b> 5-6	
Effect: The arrow uses <i>glancing shot</i> twice.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
R <b>Vengeful Arrow</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
Trigger: An enemy hits the arrow with a ranged or area attack.	
Effect (Immediate Reaction): The arrow uses <i>glancing shot</i> against the triggering enemy.	
Skills Acrobatics +19, Athletics +15, Stealth +19	
Str 12 (+10) Dex 21 (+14) Wis 18 (+13)	
Con 16 (+12) Int 10 (+9) Cha 10 (+9)	
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese	
Equipment arrow x20, club, leather armor, longbow	

6 Ghost Talon Thugs	Level 18 Minion Brute
Medium shadow humanoid (shadar-kai)	XP 500
HP 1; a missed attack never damages a minion.	Initiative +13
AC 30, Fortitude 31, Reflex 30, Will 29	Perception +10
Speed 6	Low-light vision
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Heavy Flail</b> (weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 12 damage, or 17 on a critical hit. The thug becomes insubstantial until the start of its next turn.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
<b>Shadow Jaunt</b> (teleportation) • <b>Encounter</b>	
Effect: The thug teleports 3 squares and becomes insubstantial until the start of its next turn.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Blood Phase</b> • <b>Encounter</b>	
Trigger: The thug takes damage while it is insubstantial.	
Effect (Immediate Interrupt): The thug makes a saving throw. If it saves, it ignores the triggering damage.	
Str 20 (+14) Dex 18 (+13) Wis 12 (+10)	
Con 15 (+11) Int 11 (+9) Cha 16 (+12)	
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese	
Equipment: heavy flail, hide armor.	

3 Shadar-Kai Blacksouls	Level 18 Controller
Medium shadow humanoid (shadar-kai)	XP 2,000
HP 170; Bloodied 85	Initiative +12
AC 30, Fortitude 29, Reflex 32, Will 32	Perception +10
Speed 7	Low-light vision
TRAITS	
<b>Shrouded in Gloom</b>	
While shrouded in gloom, a creature takes a -2 penalty to attack rolls and gains no benefit of healing effects.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Corrupting Blackfire</b> (fire, necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d6 + 9 fire and necrotic damage, and the target is shrouded in gloom (save ends).	
r <b>Shadowbolt</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +21 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 necrotic damage, and the target is shrouded in gloom (save ends).	
R <b>Corrupt Soul</b> (charm, psychic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature shrouded in gloom); +21 vs. Will	
Hit: The target is slide 3 squares and makes a melee basic attack against a target of the blacksouls choice. If the target misses, the target takes 25 psychic damage.	
A <b>Shadowburst</b> (necrotic) • <b>Recharge</b> 6	
Attack: Area burst 2 within 10 (enemies in the burst); +21 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d6 + 9 necrotic damage, and the target is shrouded in gloom (save ends).	
Miss: Half damage.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
<b>Shadow Jaunt</b> (teleportation) • <b>Encounter</b>	
Effect: The shadar-kai black soul teleports 3 squares and becomes insubstantial until the start of its next turn.	
Skills Arcana +21, Stealth +17	
Str 12 (+10) Dex 16 (+12) Wis 12 (+10)	
Con 18 (+13) Int 24 (+16) Cha 20 (+14)	
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese	
Equipment leather armor	

12 Vesperabs	Level 17 Lurker
Large shadow beast	XP 1,600
HP 125; Bloodied 62	Initiative +14
AC 31, Fortitude 31, Reflex 28, Will 28	Perception +16
Speed 4, fly 8	Blindsight 20
TRAITS	
<b>Dark Wings</b>	
When mounted by a friendly rider of 20 <sup>th</sup> level or higher, the veserab grants its rider resist 15 poison and is immune to the effects of any veserab's noxious breath.	
Skills Stealth +17	
Str 20 (+13) Dex 18 (+12) Wis 17 (+11)	
Con 17 (+11) Int 2 (+4) Cha 4 (+5)	
Alignment unaligned Languages none	
Note: Simplified veserab (it is not going to attack).	

## ENCOUNTER 4: ATTACKING THE MAIN (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

Sergeant at Arms (T)	Level 19 Controller
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2400
HP 175; Bloodied 87	Initiative +12
AC 31, Fortitude 29, Reflex 29, Will 29	Perception +14
Speed 6; phasing	Darkvision
TRAITS	
O <b>Intimidating Aura</b> (psychic) • <b>Aura 10</b>	
Enemies in the aura take a -2 penalty to all defenses.	
Insubstantial	
The sergeant at arms takes half damage from any damage source, except those that deal force or radiant damage. In addition, if the sergeant takes radiant damage, he loses the insubstantial trait until the end of its next turn.	
Unrelenting	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the sergeant, the sergeant gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the ends of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Mind-Wracking Touch</b> (necrotic, psychic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 psychic damage, and the target is wracked in pain (save ends). While wracked in pain, the target gains vulnerable psychic 10 and is dazed.	
R <b>Stare Down</b> (psychic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +23 vs. Will	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 psychic damage, and the target takes a -2 penalty to attack rolls (save ends).	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
C <b>Fit of Rage</b> (psychic) • <b>Encounter</b>	
Trigger: The sergeant at arms is bloodied.	
Attack (free action): Close burst 5 (enemies in the burst); +22 vs. Will	
Hit: 4d6 + 16 psychic damage, and the target is wracked in pain (save ends). While wracked in pain, the target gains vulnerable psychic 10 and is dazed.	
<b>Skills</b> Insight +18, Stealth +17	
<b>Str</b> 17 (+12)	<b>Dex</b> 17 (+12) <b>Wis</b> 18 (+13)
<b>Con</b> 15 (+13)	<b>Int</b> 12 (+10) <b>Cha</b> 18 (+13)
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned <b>Languages</b> Common	

Based on Hiro Yun from *Dungeon Magazine* 195. Removed undead subtype and immunities. Remove fly speed and added speed 6 and phasing. Change defenses to level appropriate and upgraded to MM3 damage expressions. Added unrelenting trait. Increased vulnerable to 10 at paragon.

Starspawned Lightdrinker (S)	Level 19 Brute
Large shadow beast	XP 2400
HP 220; Bloodied 110	Initiative +13
AC 31, Fortitude 32, Reflex 29, Will 31	Perception +15
Speed 6	Darkvision
Resist 10 radiant	
TRAITS	
<b>Grounding Opportunist</b>	
If the lightdrinker hits with an opportunity attack, the target also falls prone.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Bite</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d8 + 16 damage.	
C <b>Inhale Light</b> • <b>Recharge 5 6</b>	
Attack: Close blast 5 (enemies in the blast); +22 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 4d6 + 16 damage, and the lightdrinker pulls the target up to 4 squares.	
Effect: The target's space fills with darkness until the end of the lightdrinker's next turn. For creatures without darkvision, the area blocks line of sight and is totally obscured. Creatures without darkvision are blinded while in the area. Light sources do not function in the darkness.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
C <b>Light Burst</b> (radiant) • <b>Encounter</b>	
Trigger: The lightdrinker drops to 0 hit points.	
Attack (No Action): Close burst 1 (creatures in burst); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 4d6 + 16 radiant damage, and the target is blinded until the end of its next turn.	
<b>Skills</b> Athletics +21, Stealth +18	
<b>Str</b> 24 (+16)	<b>Dex</b> 17 (+12) <b>Wis</b> 21 (+14)
<b>Con</b> 20 (+14)	<b>Int</b> 2 (+5) <b>Cha</b> 6 (+7)
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned <b>Languages</b> -	

From *Dungeon Magazine* 190. Updated to MM3 damage values.

Netherese Knight (K)	Level 19 Soldier
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2400
HP 136; Bloodied 68	Initiative +14
AC 35, Fortitude 32, Reflex 29, Will 31	Perception +19
Speed 6; phasing	Darkvision
TRAITS	
<b>Insubstantial</b>	
The knight takes half damage from any damage source, except those that deal force or radiant damage. In addition, if the knight takes radiant damage, he loses the insubstantial trait until the end of its next turn.	
<b>Unrelenting</b>	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the knight, the knight gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the ends of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Keening Soulbound Backsword</b> (psychic, thunder, weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 psychic and thunder damage.	
Effect: the target is marked until the end of the knight's next turn.	
M <b>Soul Strike</b> (psychic, weapon) • <b>Recharge 5 6</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d10 + 19 psychic damage, and the knight gains 10 temporary hit points.	
C <b>Oath of Shar</b> (psychic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Close burst 1 (enemies in burst); +22 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d6 + 10 psychic damage.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Call to Arms • At-Will</b>	
Trigger: An enemy marked by the knight and within 2 squares of it uses an attack power that doesn't include it as a target.	
Effect (Immediate Reaction): Close burst 5 (one ally in burst): The target can take a free action to shift up to 3 squares and make a melee basic attack against the triggering enemy.	
Str 23 (+15)	Dex 17 (+12)
Con 17 (+12)	Int 19 (+13)
	Cha 20 (+14)
Alignment unaligned	Languages Common

Based on phantom brigade knight-commander from the Monster Vault: Threats to the Nentir Vale. Removed undead subtype and immunities. Changed insubstantial trait to be consistent.

Netherese Sailor (R)	Level 19 Minion Soldier
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 600
HP 1; a missed attack never damages a minion.	Initiative +11
AC 35, Fortitude 33, Reflex 30, Will 30	Perception +9
Speed 6; phasing	Darkvision
TRAITS	
<b>Unrelenting</b>	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the sailor, the sailor gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the ends of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Soulbound Short Sword</b> (psychic, weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 13 psychic damage.	
r <b>Spectral Crossbow</b> (psychic, weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 13 psychic damage.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Shielding Martyr • At-Will</b>	
Trigger: An enemy hits an ally adjacent to the sailor with a melee attack.	
Effect (immediate interrupt): The sailor becomes the target of the attack.	
<b>Insubstantial Defense • At-Will</b>	
Trigger: An enemy hits the sailor with an attack that does not deal force or radiant damage.	
Effect (Free Action): The sailor makes a saving throw. If the save is successful, the attack passes harmlessly thorough the sailor.	
Str 19 (+13)	Dex 12 (+10)
Con 16 (+12)	Int 14 (+11)
	Cha 11 (+9)
Alignment unaligned	Languages Common

Based on phantom brigade squire from the Monster Vault: Threats to the Nentir Vale. Removed undead subtype and immunities. Updated MM3 damage. Added insubstantial defense from ghost worg packmate.

## ENCOUNTER 4C: GREEN GLOBES (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

Shield Room Supervisor (S)	Level 18 Elite Skirmisher
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 4,000
<b>HP</b> 340; <b>Bloodied</b> 170	<b>Initiative</b> +18
<b>AC</b> 32, <b>Fortitude</b> 30, <b>Reflex</b> 31, <b>Will</b> 27	<b>Perception</b> +16
<b>Speed</b> 6; phasing	Darkvision
TRAITS	
<b>O Slow Healing • Aura 2</b>	
Any enemy that spend a healing surge while in the aura is slowed until the end of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Sucker Punch • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 damage.	
<b>M Grab and Move • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 damage, and the supervisor can shift half his speed, pulling the target with him. The target remains adjacent to the supervisor during the movement.	
<b>M Punch and Grab • At-Will</b>	
Effect: The supervisor uses <i>sucker punch</i> then <i>grab and move</i> against the same target,	
<b>C Command of Doom (psychic, thunder) • Encounter</b>	
Attack: Close blast 5 (creatures in blast); +21 vs. Will	
Hit: 3d6+9 thunder damage, and the target is doomed. Until the target is no longer doomed, it takes 10 psychic damage whenever it misses every target with an attack power. Doomed ends at the end of the encounter.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
<b>Ghostly Travel (illusion) • Recharge</b> when first bloodied	
Effect: the supervisor becomes invisible and moves up to his speed. He remains invisible until the end of his next turn.	
<b>Skills:</b> Acrobatics +21, Perception +16	
<b>Str</b> 22 (+15)	<b>Dex</b> 24 (+16) <b>Wis</b> 15 (+11)
<b>Con</b> 18 (+13)	<b>Int</b> 5 (+6) <b>Cha</b> 16 (+12)
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned <b>Languages</b> Common	
<b>Note:</b> Based on bregga, hound of ill omen. Removed undead subtype, insubstantial and immunities. Changed insubstantial trait to be consistent.	

Shield Operator (O)	Level 18 Minion Brute
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 1000
<b>HP</b> 1; a missed attack never damages a minion.	<b>Initiative</b> +13
<b>AC</b> 30, <b>Fortitude</b> 31, <b>Reflex</b> 28, <b>Will</b> 30	<b>Perception</b> +10
<b>Speed</b> 6	Low-light vision
TRAITS	
<b>Operating Together</b>	
The operator can score a critical hit on a roll of 19-20 against an enemy that has one or more of the operator's allies adjacent to it.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Pipe (weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 15 damage, or 22 on a critical hit.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Don't Touch That • At-Will</b>	
Trigger: An enemy pulls a lever the shield operator is adjacent too.	
Effect ( <i>Immediate Interrupt</i> ): The enemy must make a save. If the save is failed, the action is spent and the lever is not pulled.	
<b>Str</b> 22 (+15)	<b>Dex</b> 18 (+13) <b>Wis</b> 12 (+10)
<b>Con</b> 15 (+11)	<b>Int</b> 10 (+9) <b>Cha</b> 20 (+14)
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned <b>Languages</b> Common	
<b>Equipment</b> pipe	
<b>Note:</b> Based on ebony initiate. Added don't touch that power.	

## ENCOUNTER 5: DEFENDING THE MAIN (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

Netherese Raid Leader (L) Level 19 Elite Controller	
Medium shadow humanoid (shadar-kai)	XP 4,800
HP 370; Bloodied 185	Initiative +10
AC 35, Fortitude 36, Reflex 30, Will 33	Perception +18
Speed 6	Darkvision
Saving Throws +2; Action Points 1	
TRAITS	
O <b>Shar's Boon</b> • Aura 10	
Allies who start their turns in the aura gain a +2 bonus to attack rolls.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Bone-Slicing Spiked Chain</b> (fear, weapon) • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 damage, and the target is weakened until the end of the raid leader's next turn.	
M <b>Wrap Around Attack</b> (weapon) • At-Will	
Effect: The raid leader makes two <i>bone-slicing spiked chain</i> attacks and can shift before or after both attacks. If both attacks hit the same target, the target is slowed (save ends).	
R <b>Savage Shadows</b> (charm, psychic) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +23 vs. Will	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 psychic damage, the target takes ongoing 10 psychic damage and at the start of the target's turn it makes a melee basic attack against one random adjacent creature (save ends both). If this attack hits, it deals normal damage and the target of the basic attack gains the same condition (save ends).	
C <b>Unholy Shadows</b> (necrotic) • Recharge when bloodied	
Attack: Close blast 5 (each creature); +23 vs. Will	
Hit: 4d6 + 15 necrotic damage, and the target makes a melee basic attack against one of its adjacent allies as a free action.	
Miss: Half damage.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
Shadow Jaunt (teleportation) • Encounter	
Effect: The raid leader teleports up to 3 squares and becomes insubstantial until the start of its next turn.	
Skills Dungeoneering +16, Intimidate +18, Nature +18, Religion +18	
Str 28 (+18)	Dex 12 (+10) Wis 15 (+11)
Con 25 (+16)	Int 18 (+13) Cha 23 (+15)
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese	
Equipment robes, spiked chain	

Master Enigma of Shar (E) Level 19 Controller	
Medium natural humanoid	XP 2,400
HP 179; Bloodied 89	Initiative +14
AC 33, Fortitude 30, Reflex 31, Will 32	Perception +17
Speed 6	Darkvision
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Dagger</b> (weapon) • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 damage.	
m <b>Rend Flesh</b> • At-Will	
Requirement: The enigma must be affected by <i>horrific visage</i> .	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d10 + 19 damage.	
R <b>Memory Ripper</b> (psychic) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 5 (one creature); +23 vs. Will	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 psychic damage, and the target cannot use encounter attack powers, daily attack powers, or utility powers (save ends).	
R <b>Shock Bolt</b> (lightning) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +23 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 lightning damage and the target is dazed (save ends).	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	

C <b>Horrific Visage</b> (psychic) • Encounter		
Trigger: The enigma is first bloodied.		
Attack (No Action): Close burst 2 (enemies in the burst); +23 vs. Will		
Hit: 4d6 + 16 psychic damage, and the enigma pushes the target 3 squares.		
Effect: Until the end of the encounter, the enigma cannot use any power except <i>rend flesh</i> .		
Skills Arcana +19		
Str 12 (+10)	Dex 15 (+11)	Wis 15 (+11)
Con 12 (+10)	Int 20 (+14)	Cha 16 (+12)
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese		
Equipment dagger		

Netherese Master Slayer (S) Level 19 Soldier	
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,400
HP 180; Bloodied 90	Initiative +20
AC 35, Fortitude 34, Reflex 30, Will 30	Perception +5
Resist 5 radiant	Darkvision
Speed 6	
TRAITS	
O <b>Deranging Aura</b> (charm) • Aura 5	
Enemies within the aura take a -2 penalty to attack rolls and gain a +2 bonus to damage rolls. Each enemy whose attack misses the slayer must make a melee basic attack against the nearest ally within reach as a free action.	
O <b>Shadow Scream Aura</b> (psychic) • Aura 1	
An enemy that starts its turn in the aura takes 10 psychic damage.	
Shadow Charge	
When the slayer charges, it deals an extra 2d8 damage and is insubstantial until the end of the charge.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Claw</b> • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 damage and the target is marked until the end of the slayer's next turn.	
r <b>Beam of Shadows</b> (radiant) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 radiant damage and the target slides 1 square.	
M <b>Slaying Frenzy</b> • Recharge 5-6	
Effect: The slayer makes two <i>claw</i> attacks. If either attack hits a target marked by the slayer, or if both attacks hit the same target, that target is also dazed until the end of the slayer's next turn.	
C <b>Stomp of Shadows</b> (radiant) • Encounter	
Attack: Close burst 5 (each creature in burst); +24 vs. Will	
Hit: 4d6 + 16 damage plus 1d6 radiant, and the target is pushed 1 square and knocked prone.	
Miss: Half damage.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
M <b>Focused Killer</b> • At-Will	
Trigger: An adjacent enemy marked by the slayer shifts.	
Effect (Opportunity Action): The slayer makes a <i>claw</i> attack against that enemy.	
R <b>Parting Gift</b> • At-Will	
Trigger: The slayer is reduced to 0 hit points.	
Effect (No Action): Ranged 10; one of the slayer's allies makes a basic attack.	
Str 26 (+17)	Dex 23 (+15) Wis 3 (+5)
Con 20 (+14)	Int 6 (+7) Cha 20 (+14)
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese	



## ENCOUNTER 6: CLEANING OUT THE POOP (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

Netherese Sky Commander (C)	Level 19 Skirmisher
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,400
HP 182; Bloodied 91	Initiative +16
AC 33, Fortitude 31, Reflex 30, Will 32	Perception +14
Immune fear	Darkvision
Speed 6; fly 9 (hover)	
TRAITS	
<b>Unrelenting</b>	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the sergeant, the sergeant gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the ends of its next turn.	
<b>Bewildering Chains</b>	
Any creature hit by the commander cannot make opportunity attacks against it until the start of the commander's next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Spiked Chain (weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 damage, or 4d10 + 19 when the commander is bloodied.	
<b>M Lashing Chaos Chains • At-Will</b>	
Effect: The commander flies its speed and uses <i>spiked chain</i> against 3 different targets at any point during the move. Whenever the commander hits one of these targets, it deals 1d8 extra damage with any subsequent attacks made before the end of its turn. This extra damage is cumulative.	
<b>C Gaze of Shadows • Recharge 5-6</b>	
Attack: Close burst 5 (one creature in burst); +22 vs. Will	
Hit: The target loses a healing surge and the commander gains 20 temporary hit points.	
MINOR ACTIONS	
<b>C Mantle of Shadows • At-Will</b>	
Requirement: The commander must be bloodied.	
Trigger: The commander is hit by an enemy that is adjacent to it.	
Attack (Immediate Reaction): Close burst 1 (enemies in burst); +22 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 5 force damage and the commander pushes the target 4 squares.	
Skills Intimidate +22	
Str 25 (+16)	Dex 21 (+14)
Con 22 (+15)	Int 17 (+12)
	Cha 27 (+17)
Alignment unaligned	Languages Common, Netherese
Equipment pendant of Shar, leather armor, short sword x2	
Note: Based on Zovvut from Demonomicon.	

Netherese Striker (S)	Level 19 Brute
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,400
HP 222; Bloodied 111	Initiative +10
AC 31, Fortitude 33, Reflex 28, Will 26	Perception +11
Speed 6; phasing	Darkvision
TRAITS	
<b>Insubstantial</b>	
The striker takes half damage from any damage source, except those that deal force or radiant damage. In addition, if the striker takes radiant damage, he loses the insubstantial trait until the end of its next turn.	
<b>Unrelenting</b>	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the striker, the striker gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the ends of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Soulbound Spiked Chain (psychic, weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d8 + 16 psychic damage.	
<b>M Charging Rebuke (psychic, weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Effect: The striker charges and makes the following attack in place of a melee basic attack.	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d8 + 16 psychic damage, and the striker can push the target up to 1 square and knock it prone.	
<b>M Furious Sweep (psychic, weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Close blast 2 (creatures in the blast); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 4d6 + 12 psychic damage.	
Skills Endurance +22	
Str 20 (+14)	Dex 14 (+11)
Con 26 (+17)	Int 15 (+11)
	Cha 15 (+11)
Alignment unaligned	Languages Common, Netherese
Note: Based on phantom brigade armiger.	

Oblivion Wraith (E)	Level 19 Brute
Large shadow humanoid	XP 2,400
<b>HP</b> 166; <b>Bloodied</b> 86	<b>Initiative</b> +15
<b>AC</b> 31, <b>Fortitude</b> 30, <b>Reflex</b> 32, <b>Will</b> 29	<b>Perception</b> +9
<b>Speed</b> 6	Darkvision
TRAITS	
<b>O Nihil</b> (necrotic) • <b>Aura</b> 2	
Any enemy that starts its turn in the aura takes 10 necrotic damage and cannot spend healing surges until the start of its next turn.	
<b>Insubstantial</b>	
The wraith takes half damage from any damage source, except those that deal force or radiant damage. In addition, if the wraith takes radiant damage, he loses the insubstantial trait until the end of its next turn.	
<b>Regeneration</b>	
The wraith regains 10 hit points whenever it starts its turn and has at least 1 hit point. Whenever the wraith takes radiant damage, its regeneration doesn't function until the end of its next turn.	
<b>Spawn Wraith</b>	
When the wraith kills a humanoid, that humanoid becomes a wraith at the start of this wraith's next turn. The new wraith appears in the space where the humanoid died or in the nearest unoccupied squares, and its rolls a new initiative check. The new wraiths acts under the Dungeon Master's control.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Nihil Strike</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
<i>Attack:</i> Melee 1 (one creature); +20 vs. Reflex	
<i>Hit:</i> 4d8 + 16 necrotic damage, and the wraith is invisible to the target until the end of the wraith's next turn.	
<b>M Obliviate</b> (necrotic) • <b>Recharge</b> 5-6	
<i>Attack:</i> Melee 1 (one creature); +20 vs. Reflex	
<i>Hit:</i> 4d10 + 19 necrotic damage, and the target takes ongoing 15 necrotic damage and a -2 penalty to saving throws (save ends both).	
MOVE ACTIONS	
<b>Shadow Glide</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
<i>Effect:</i> The wraith shifts up to 6 squares.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>C Death Blast</b> (necrotic) • <b>Encounter</b>	
<i>Trigger:</i> The wraith drops to 0 hit points.	
<i>Attack (No Action):</i> Close blast 3 (enemies in burst); +20 vs. Fortitude	
<i>Hit:</i> The target loses two healing surges.	
<i>Miss:</i> The target loses one healing surge.	
<b>Skills</b> Stealth +20	
<b>Str</b> 20 (+15)	<b>Dex</b> 23 (+15) <b>Wis</b> 10 (+9)
<b>Con</b> 16 (+12)	<b>Int</b> 10 (+9) <b>Cha</b> 18 (+13)
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned	<b>Languages</b> -

Netherese Sailor (R)	Level 19 Minion Soldier
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 600
<b>HP</b> 1; a missed attack never damages a minion.	<b>Initiative</b> +11
<b>AC</b> 35, <b>Fortitude</b> 33, <b>Reflex</b> 30, <b>Will</b> 30	<b>Perception</b> +9
<b>Speed</b> 6; phasing	Darkvision
TRAITS	
<b>Unrelenting</b>	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the sailor, the sailor gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the ends of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Soulbound Short Sword</b> (psychic, weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>	
<i>Attack:</i> Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
<i>Hit:</i> 13 psychic damage.	
<b>r Spectral Crossbow</b> (psychic, weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>	
<i>Attack:</i> Ranged 10 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
<i>Hit:</i> 13 psychic damage.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Shielding Martyr</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
<i>Trigger:</i> An enemy hits an ally adjacent to the sailor with a melee attack.	
<i>Effect (Immediate Interrupt):</i> The sailor becomes the target of the attack.	
<b>Insubstantial Defense</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
<i>Trigger:</i> An enemy hits the sailor with an attack that does not deal force or radiant damage.	
<i>Effect (Free Action):</i> The sailor makes a saving throw. If the save is successful, the attack passes harmlessly thorough the sailor.	
<b>Str</b> 19 (+13)	<b>Dex</b> 12 (+10) <b>Wis</b> 12 (+10)
<b>Con</b> 16 (+12)	<b>Int</b> 14 (+11) <b>Cha</b> 11 (+9)
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned	<b>Languages</b> Common



## ENCOUNTER 9: WHAT THE HECK IS A FO'C'SLE? (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

Shadow Strangler (T)	Level 19 Artillery
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,400
HP 116; Bloodied 58	Initiative +15
AC 33, Fortitude 28, Reflex 31, Will 32	Perception +12
Speed 8	Darkvision
Resist insubstantial; Vulnerable 10 radiant	
TRAITS	
Born of Shadows	
The strangler can make a Stealth check to become hidden when it has concealment instead of needing total concealment.	
Insubstantial	
The strangler takes half damage from any damage source, except those that deal force or radiant damage. In addition, if the strangler takes radiant damage, he loses the insubstantial trait until the end of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Shadowy Touch</b> (necrotic) • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 necrotic damage, and the strangler becomes invisible to the target until the end of the strangler's next turn.	
R <b>Blinding Shadows</b> (necrotic) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: The 3d8 + 14 necrotic damage, and the target cannot see anything more than 3 squares away from it until the end of the strangler's next turn.	
R <b>Strangling Darkness</b> (necrotic) • Recharge 5-6	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +22 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: The target is restrained and takes ongoing 15 necrotic damage (save ends both).	
R <b>Devouring Dark</b> (necrotic) • Encounter	
Attack: Area burst 2 within 10 (enemies in burst); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 4d6 + 16 necrotic damage, and the target is blinded until the end of the strangler's next turn.	
Miss: Half damage	
Skills: Arcana +16, Stealth +20	
Str 14 (+11)	Dex 23 (+15) Wis 16 (+12)
Con 19 (+13)	Int 14 (+11) Cha 23 (+15)
Alignment evil	Languages Common

Master Chief (M)	Level 19 Elite Soldier (Leader)
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 4,800
HP 370; Bloodied 185	Initiative +12
AC 37, Fortitude 33, Reflex 32, Will 34	Perception +14
Speed 5	Darkvision
Saving Throws +2; Action Points 1	
TRAITS	
O Deathshadow Fervor • Aura 5	
Whenever an ally in the aura scores a critical hit against an enemy, that enemy is also dazed (save ends).	
Steely-Eyed	
The master chief can score a critical hit with all ranged attacks on a 18-20.	
Unrelenting	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the master chief, the chief gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the ends of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Dagger</b> (weapon) • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d6 + 12 damage	
Effect: Master Chief marks the target until the end of his next turn.	
r <b>Shock Bolt</b> (lightning, weapon) • At-Will	
Attack: Range 10 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 lightning damage, and the target is dazed (save ends).	
R <b>Rapid Fire</b> • Recharge when first bloodied	
Effect: Master chief makes a <i>shock bolt</i> attack against up to three enemies within range.	
C <b>Voice of Command</b> • Recharge 5-6	
Attack: Close burst 3 (one bloodied enemy in burst); +22 vs. Will	
Hit: Target is stunned until the end of the master chief's next turn.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
Shadow Jaunt (teleportation) • Encounter	
Effect: Master chief teleports up to 3 squares and becomes insubstantial until the start of his next turn.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
R <b>Memory Rage</b> (weapon) • At-Will	
Trigger: An enemy marked by master chief makes an attack that does not include master chief.	
Attack (Immediate Interrupt): Range 10 (target creature); +22 vs. Will	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 lightning damage, and the target cannot use encounter attack powers, daily attack powers, or utility powers (save ends).	
Skills Athletics +17, Acrobatics +16, Intimidate +18	
Str 17 (+12)	Dex 14 (+11) Wis 21 (+14)
Con 16 (+12)	Int 17 (+12) Cha 21 (+14)
Alignment unaligned	Languages Common, Netherese
Equipment scale armor, dagger, hand crossbow	

<b>Netherese Petty Officer (P)</b>	<b>Level 19 Soldier</b>
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,400
<b>HP 174; Bloodied 87</b>	<b>Initiative +12</b>
<b>AC 35, Fortitude 32, Reflex 27, Will 29</b>	<b>Perception +14</b>
<b>Speed 5; phasing</b>	<b>Darkvision</b>
<b>TRAITS</b>	
<b>Insubstantial</b>	
The petty officer takes half damage from any damage source, except those that deal force or radiant damage. In addition, if the petty officer takes radiant damage, he loses the insubstantial trait until the end of its next turn.	
<b>Unrelenting</b>	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the petty officer, the petty officer gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the end of its next turn.	
<b>STANDARD ACTIONS</b>	
<b>m Soulbound Tulwar (psychic, radiant, weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 psychic and radiant damage, and the target is marked. If the target makes an attack that does not include the veteran on its next turn, it takes 10 damage and the petty officer can shift 1 square as a free action.	
<b>r Crossbow (weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 damage.	
<b>Skills: Athletics +23</b>	
<b>Str 28 (+18)</b>	<b>Dex 17 (+12) Wis 21 (+14)</b>
<b>Con 17 (+12)</b>	<b>Int 19 (+13) Cha 15 (+11)</b>
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned <b>Languages</b> Common, Netherese	
<b>Equipment</b> crossbow, crossbow bolt x10, heavy shield, scale armor, tulwar.	

<b>Netherese Striker (S)</b>	<b>Level 19 Brute</b>
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,400
<b>HP 222; Bloodied 111</b>	<b>Initiative +10</b>
<b>AC 31, Fortitude 33, Reflex 28, Will 26</b>	<b>Perception +11</b>
<b>Speed 6; phasing</b>	<b>Darkvision</b>
<b>TRAITS</b>	
<b>Insubstantial</b>	
The striker takes half damage from any damage source, except those that deal force or radiant damage. In addition, if the striker takes radiant damage, he loses the insubstantial trait until the end of its next turn.	
<b>Unrelenting</b>	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the striker, the striker gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the ends of its next turn.	
<b>STANDARD ACTIONS</b>	
<b>m Soulbound Spiked Chain (psychic, weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d8 + 16 psychic damage.	
<b>M Charging Rebuke (psychic, weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Effect: The striker charges and makes the following attack in place of a melee basic attack.	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d8 + 16 psychic damage, and the striker can push the target up to 1 square and knock it prone.	
<b>M Furious Sweep (psychic, weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Close blast 2 (creatures in the blast); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 4d6 + 12 psychic damage.	
<b>Skills</b> Endurance +22	
<b>Str 20 (+14)</b>	<b>Dex 14 (+11) Wis 18 (+13)</b>
<b>Con 26 (+17)</b>	<b>Int 15 (+11) Cha 15 (+11)</b>

<b>Alignment</b> unaligned	<b>Languages</b> Common, Netherese
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<b>Ammo Loader (A)</b>	<b>Level 19 Brute</b>
Large natural animate (blind, construct)	XP 2,400
<b>HP 215; Bloodied 107</b>	<b>Initiative +11</b>
<b>AC 29, Fortitude 30, Reflex 26, Will 27</b>	<b>Perception +12</b>
<b>Speed 6</b>	<b>Blindsight 10</b>
<b>Immune</b> charm, disease, fear, poison; <b>Resist 10</b> all	
<b>STANDARD ACTIONS</b>	
<b>m Elongated Grasp • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 3 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d8 + 16 damage, and if the ammo loader is grabbing fewer than two targets, it can grab the target (escape DC 24). Until the grab ends, the target takes ongoing 10 damage.	
<b>MOVE ACTIONS</b>	
<b>M Retract • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 3 (creatures grabbed by the ammo loader); +22 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: The ammo loader pulls the target to a space adjacent to the ammo loader.	
<b>TRIGGERED ACTIONS</b>	
<b>Magic Growth • Encounter</b>	
Trigger: An arcane attack hits the ammo loader	
Effect: (Immediate Reaction): Until the end of the encounter, the ammo loader grows an extra arm and can grab with elongated grasp if grabbing fewer than three targets.	
<b>Skills</b> Athletics +21	
<b>Str 23 (+15)</b>	<b>Dex 15 (+11) Wis 16 (+12)</b>
<b>Con 20 (+14)</b>	<b>Int 11 (+9) Cha 12 (+10)</b>
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned	<b>Languages</b> Common, Netherese

## ENCOUNTER 11: WE HAVE HOW LONG TO STOP THAT THING? (AL 18)

Arturas Shadowghast		Level 20 Elite Brute (Leader)	
Medium shadow humanoid		XP 5,600	
HP 450; Bloodied 225		Initiative +13	
AC 32, Fortitude 32, Reflex 31, Will 33		Perception +11	
Speed 5		Low-light vision	
Saving Throws +2; Action Points 1			
TRAITS			
O <b>Bloodthirsty Shadow</b> (cold, necrotic) • <b>Aura 1</b>			
When a bloodied enemy is hit by an attack, that enemy takes 10 extra cold and necrotic damage from the attack.			
STANDARD ACTIONS			
m <b>Dread Flail</b> (cold, necrotic, weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>			
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC			
Hit: The 4d8 + 17 damage, and Arturas can slide the target 1 square.			
If Arturas has combat advantage against the target, the target also takes ongoing 5 cold and necrotic damage (save ends).			
M <b>Whirling Flai</b> • <b>At-Will</b>			
Effect: Arturas used <i>dread flail</i> twice.			
M <b>Shadow Contamination</b> • <b>Recharge 5-6</b>			
Attack: Melee 1; +23 vs. Will			
Hit: 4d12 + 16 cold and necrotic damage, ongoing 10 cold and necrotic damage (save ends), and Arturas pushed the target up to 3 squares. While the target is taking the ongoing damage, any of its allies adjacent to it at the start of its turn take 10 cold and necrotic damage.			
Miss: Half damage.			
MINOR ACTIONS			
Ruby Shroud • <b>Recharge</b> when first bloodied			
Effect: Arturas gains partial concealment until the end of his next turn.			
Skills Arcana +15, History +15, Religion +15			
Str 22 (+16)		Dex 16 (+13) Wis 13 (+11)	
Con 15 (+12)		Int 11 (+10) Cha 24 (+17)	
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese			
Equipment scale armor, flail, symbol of Shar			

Netherese Fireman		Level 20 Soldier Minion	
Medium Shadow Humanoid		XP 700	
HP 1; a missed attack never damages a minion		Initiative +13	
AC 35, Fortitude 33, Reflex 31, Will 30		Perception +11	
Speed 6; phasing		Darkvision	
Immune disease, poison			
TRAITS			
Comrades in Arms			
Whenever an ally with this trait drops to 0 hit points within five squares of the fireman, the fireman gains a +2 power bonus to attack rolls until the next of its next turn.			
STANDARD ACTIONS			
m <b>Soulbound Short Sword</b> (psychic, weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>			
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC			
Hit: 20 psychic damage.			
M <b>Crushing Charge</b> (weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>			
Requirement: The fireman charges and makes this attack at the end of the charge.			
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC			
Hit: 20 psychic damage and the target is knocked prone.			
M <b>Dogpile</b> • <b>At Will</b>			
Attack: Melee 1 (one prone creature); +23 vs. AC			
Hit: 10 damage and the fireman ends up in the same square as the target. The target must make an escape check (as if he were grabbed) during his turn to stand up. Up to three firemen may pile			

on a single target in this fashion; every fireman beyond the first adds a cumulative -3 penalty to the escape check.

**Skills** Athletics +22

**Str** 24 (+17) **Dex** 13 (+11) **Wis** 13 (+11)

**Con** 21 (+14) **Int** 15 (+13) **Cha** 12 (+10)

**Alignment** evil **Languages** Common, Netherese

**Equipment** short sword, leather armor

**Note:** Phantom Brigade Squire reflavored as a Netherse Fireman.

Shadar-Kai Weaponmaster		Level 20 Skirmisher	
Medium shadow humanoid		XP 2,800	
HP 180; Bloodied 90		Initiative +19	
AC 34, Fortitude 32, Reflex 33, Will 32		Perception +14	
Speed 6		Low-light vision	
TRAITS			
Weapon Master			
The shadar-kai weapon master is considered to be proficient with all weapons.			
STANDARD ACTIONS			
m	<b>Shadar-Kai Short Sword</b> (weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>		
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC			
Hit: 3d8 + 15 damage (crit 2d6 + 39).			
r	<b>Hurl Weapon</b> (weapon) • <b>At-Will</b>		
Attack: Ranged 5/10 (one creature); +25 vs. AC			
Hit: 3d8 + 15 damage; the weaponmaster can use any melee weapon for this attack.			
M	<b>Disarming Strike</b> (weapon) • <b>Recharge 5-6</b>		
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature) +19 vs. Reflex			
Hit: 4d10 + 18 damage (crit 2d6 + 58) and the target drops one weapon it is holding. The shadar-kai weapon master can choose to catch this weapon in a free hand or have it land on the ground at his feet (in his square).			
MOVE ACTIONS			
Shadow Jaunt (teleportation) • <b>Encounter</b>			
Effect: The shadar-kai weaponmaster teleports 3 squares and becomes insubstantial until the start of his next turn.			
TRIGGERED ACTIONS			
My Weapon Now • <b>At-Will</b>			
Trigger: when the shadar-kai weaponmaster successfully catches a weapon a target drops.			
Effect (Free Action): The shadar-kai weaponmaster makes a basic attack with the weapon his target just dropped.			
Skills: Acrobatics +22			
Str 21 (+15)		Dex 24 (+17)	
Con 14 (+12)		Int 12 (+11)	
		Wis 18 (+14)	
		Cha 12 (+11)	
Alignment unaligned Languages Common, Netherese			
Equipment shadar-kai short sword, leather armor			

## ENCOUNTER 12: ENEMY YACHTS (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

2 Shadow Giants (S)	Level 20 Soldier
Large shadow humanoid (giant, undead)	XP 2,800
<b>HP</b> 201; <b>Bloodied</b> 100	<b>Initiative</b> +15
<b>AC</b> 33, <b>Fortitude</b> 33, <b>Reflex</b> 32, <b>Will</b> 33	<b>Perception</b> +16
<b>Speed</b> 7, fly 3 (hover)	<b>Darkvision</b>
<b>Immune</b> disease, poison; <b>Resist</b> 20 necrotic, insubstantial	
TRAITS	
<b>O Shadow Malaise</b> (fear) • <b>Aura</b> 5	
Enemies within the aura regain half the normal hit points from healing powers.	
<b>Revealed by Radiance</b>	
Whenever the shadow giant takes radiant damage, it loses insubstantial until the end of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Necrotic Touch</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
<b>Attack:</b> Melee 2 (one creature); +23 vs. Reflex	
<b>Hit:</b> 3d8 + 15 necrotic damage, and the target is marked (save ends).	
<b>M Death Touch</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
<b>Attack:</b> Melee 2 (one creature); +23 vs. Reflex	
<b>Hit:</b> 3d8 + 15 damage, and the target is marked and takes ongoing 10 necrotic damage (save ends both).	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Cast into Shadow</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
<b>Trigger:</b> An enemy marked by the shadow giant makes an attack that does not include the giant as a target.	
<b>Attack (Immediate Reaction):</b> Melee 2 (the triggering enemy); +23 vs. Reflex	
<b>Hit:</b> The target is removed from play and is stunned until the end of its next turn. It then appears in its last location or in the nearest unoccupied space.	
<b>Str</b> 22 (+16)	<b>Dex</b> 21 (+15) <b>Wis</b> 16 (+13)
<b>Con</b> 23 (+14)	<b>Int</b> 10 (+10) <b>Cha</b> 23 (+16)
<b>Alignment</b> evil <b>Languages</b> Common, Giant	

1 Netherese Inquisitor (C)	Level 20 Controller
Medium shadow humanoid (shade)	XP 2,800
<b>HP</b> 188; <b>Bloodied</b> 94	<b>Initiative</b> +13
<b>AC</b> 34, <b>Fortitude</b> 32, <b>Reflex</b> 34, <b>Will</b> 32	<b>Perception</b> +11
<b>Speed</b> 6	<b>Low-light vision</b>
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Inquiring Grip</b> (psychic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
<b>Attack:</b> Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. Reflex	
<b>Hit:</b> 3d8 + 15 psychic damage, and the target is immobilized until the end of the inquisitor's next turn.	
<b>r Call to Answer</b> (psychic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
<b>Attack:</b> Ranged 10 (one creature); +24 vs. Reflex	
<b>Hit:</b> 3d6 + 11 psychic damage, and the target is immobilized (save ends).	
<b>R Under the Question</b> (charm, psychic) • <b>Recharge</b> 5-6	
<b>Attack:</b> Ranged 10 (one immobilized creature); +24 vs. Will	
<b>Hit:</b> The target takes ongoing 15 psychic damage and is restrained (save ends both). A target reduced to 0 hit points by this attack's ongoing damage is dominated by the inquisitor. A dominated target does not fall unconscious and does not need to make death saving throws. It dies only when reduced to negative hit points equal to its bloodied value. If the target under the inquisitor's control regains hit points so that it is no longer dying, or if the inquisitor is reduced to 0 hit points, the inquisitor's domination of the target ends.	
<b>Str</b> 12 (+11)	<b>Dex</b> 16 (+13) <b>Wis</b> 12 (+11)
<b>Con</b> 20 (+15)	<b>Int</b> 24 (+17) <b>Cha</b> 20 (+15)
<b>Alignment</b> evil <b>Languages</b> Common, Netherese	
<b>Equipment</b> robes	

2 Ebony Raven Speaker (A)	Level 20 Artillery
Medium shadow humanoid (shade)	XP 2,800
HP 152; Bloodied 76	Initiative +10
AC 34, Fortitude 31, Reflex 32, Will 33	Perception +16
Speed 6	Low-light vision
TRAITS	
<b>Furious Flock</b>	
The speaker can score a critical hit on a roll of 19-20 against an enemy that has one or more of the speaker's allies adjacent to it.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Morningstar</b> • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 2d10 + 16 damage.	
r <b>Midwinter Wind</b> (cold, necrotic) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +25 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 2d12 + 16 cold and necrotic damage, and the speaker can slide the target 1 square.	
A <b>Swirling Ravens</b> (zone) • Encounter	
Attack: Area burst 2 within 10 (enemies in the burst); +25 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d10 + 10 damage.	
Miss: Half damage.	
Effect: The burst creates a zone that lasts until the end of the speaker's next turn. Enemies in the zone are slowed and take a -5 penalty to attack rolls against creatures not adjacent to them.	
Sustain Minor: The zone persists until the end of the speaker's next turn.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Unkind Flight</b> (polymorph) • Encounter	
Requirement: The raven speaker must be bloodied.	
Trigger: The raven speaker is damaged by a melee attack.	
Effect (Immediate Reaction): The raven speaker assumes the form of a flock of swirling ravens and flies up to 8 squares. While in this form, the raven speaker is insubstantial and can move through enemies' spaces. Each time the raven speaker enters an enemy's space during this movement, that enemy takes ongoing 10 damage (save ends). The form ends at the end of this movement.	
Str 12 (+11)	Dex 10 (+10) Wis 24 (+17)
Con 18 (+14)	Int 21 (+15) Cha 12 (+11)
Alignment evil	Languages Common, Netherese
Equipment robes, morningstar	

1 Shadovar Shadow Captain (B)	Level 20 Skirmisher
Medium shadow humanoid (shade)	XP 2,800
HP 186; Bloodied 93	Initiative +16
AC 34, Fortitude 33, Reflex 31, Will 32	Perception +17
Speed 5	darkvision
TRAITS	
O <b>Benighted Presence</b> • Aura 10	
Light-producing effects within the aura whose level is lower than the shadow captain's level can create only dim light.	
<b>Coalescing Darkness</b>	
When the Shadovar shadow captain moves 3 or more squares by any means, he gains total concealment until the end of his next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Greatsword</b> (weapon) • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 15 damage.	
r <b>Shortbow</b> (weapon) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 5 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 15 damage.	
M <b>Shadow Strike</b> (necrotic, weapon) • Recharge 6	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 4d8 + 17 damage plus ongoing 10 necrotic damage (save ends).	
MOVE ACTIONS	
<b>Shadow Stride</b> (teleportation) • Recharge 5-6	
Effect: The shadow captain can teleport 20 squares but must end this movement in dim light or darkness.	
Skills Acrobatics +19, Diplomacy +20, Intimidate +20, Stealth +19	
Str 23 (+16)	Dex 18 (+14) Wis 14 (+12)
Con 18 (+14)	Int 12 (+11) Cha 21 (+15)
Alignment unaligned	Languages Common, Netherese
Equipment chainmail, light shield, greatsword, shortbow, 20 arrows	

# ENCOUNTER 13: AHEAD OF THE TROOPS (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

Ironwing Kir-Lanans (I)	Level 18 Skirmisher
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,000
HP 176; Bloodied 88	Initiative +19
AC 33, Fortitude 31, Reflex 31, Will 31	Perception +15
Speed 6, fly 8	Darkvision
Vulnerable 10 radiant	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Claw • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 damage.	
R <b>Enfeebling Strike (necrotic) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +21 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 necrotic damage, and the target takes a -2 penalty to attack and damage rolls (save ends).	
M <b>Crashing Glide • At-Will</b>	
Attack: The kir-lanan shifts 6 squares and uses <i>claw</i> against two different targets at any point during the shift. When an attack hits, the kir-lanan slides the target 3 square and knocks it prone.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
Leaping Glide • At-Will	
Effect: The kir-lanan flies 4 squares without provoking opportunity attacks.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
Necrotic Healing (healing) • Encounter	
Trigger: The kir-lanan takes necrotic damage.	
Effect (Immediate Reaction): The kir-lanan heals 44 hit points.	
Skills Athletics +20, Stealth +24	
Str 27 (+17)	Dex 26 (+17) Wis 22 (+15)
Con 24 (+16)	Int 12 (+10) Cha 15 (+11)
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese	
Note: Re-flavored ironstone gargyle, changed into kir-lanan.	

99 Recruits on clumsy veserabs (R)	Level 18 Minion Soldier
Medium shadow humanoid	XP -
HP 1; a missed attack never damages a minion	Initiative +11
AC 31, Fortitude 31, Reflex 30, Will 29	Perception +15
Speed 6, fly 8	Darkvision
TRAITS	
By The Skin Of Their Teeth	
Whenever an enemy kills a recruit they gain a +2 power bonus to their next skill check to scare away the recruits.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Strength in Numbers • At-Will</b>	
Effect: The recruit does not flee, yet.	
Str 16 (+12)	Dex 14 (+11) Wis 12 (+10)
Con 16 (+12)	Int 12 (+10) Cha 10 (+9)
Alignment neutral scared Languages Common, Netherese	

Kir-Lanan Shadow Hurlers (S)	Level 18 Artillery
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,000
HP 133; Bloodied 66	Initiative +15
AC 33, Fortitude 29, Reflex 27, Will 27	Perception +19
Speed 6, fly 8	Darkvision
Vulnerable 10 radiant	
TRAITS	
Shadow Defense	
The kir-lanan has resist 15 to all damage from attacks originating at least 5 squares away.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Claw • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 2d10 + 12 damage.	
r <b>Hurled Shadow (necrotic) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 20 (one creature); +21 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 necrotic damage, and the target is dazed (save ends).	
A <b>Bursting Shadow (necrotic) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Area burst 1 within 10 (creatures in the burst); +21 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d6 + 9 necrotic damage, and the target is slowed and takes a -2 penalty to attack rolls (save ends).	
Miss: Half damage.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
Necrotic Healing (healing) • Encounter	
Trigger: The kir-lanan takes necrotic damage.	
Effect (Immediate Reaction): The kir-lanan heals 33 hit points.	
Skills Stealth +22	
Str 22 (+15)	Dex 22 (+15) Wis 21 (+14)
Con 19 (+13)	Int 10 (+9) Cha 17 (+12)
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese	
Note: Re-flavored gargyle rock hurler, changed into kir-lanan.	

Netherese Artillery	Level 20 Artillery
Large natural animate (construct)	XP 2800
HP 141; Bloodied 70	Initiative +15
AC 32, Fortitude 31, Reflex 32, Will 29	Perception +12
Speed 0	low-light vision
Immune charm, disease, fear, poison, sleep; Resist 15 all	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
r <b>Arcane Bolt (force) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 20/40 (one creature); +25 vs. Reflex. This attack does not provoke opportunity attacks.	
Hit: 3d8 + 15 force damage.	
A <b>Lightning Burst (lightning) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Area burst 2 within 15 (creatures in burst); +25 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d6 + 11 lightning damage.	
Str 19 (+13)	Dex 20 (+14) Wis 14 (+11)
Con 15 (+11)	Int 3 (+5) Cha 6 (+7)
Alignment unaligned Languages none	
Equipment none	



## ENCOUNTER 14: SWARMS OF DARKNESS (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

2 Sword Wraiths	Level 19 Lurker
Medium shadow humanoid (undead)	XP 2,400
HP 138; Bloodied 69	Initiative +20
AC 32, Fortitude 31, Reflex 32, Will 33	Perception +15
Speed 0, fly 8 (hover)	Darkvision
Immune disease, poison; Resist 20 necrotic; Vulnerable 10 radiant	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>Combat Advantage</b> (necrotic)	
The sword wraith deals 3d8 extra necrotic damage against any creature granting combat advantage to it.	
<b>Insubstantial</b>	
The wraith takes half damage from all attacks, except those that deal force damage. Whenever the wraith takes radiant damage, it loses this trait until the start of its next turn.	
<b>Spawn Wraith</b>	
When the wraith kills a humanoid, that humanoid becomes a wraith figment at the start of this wraith's next turn. The new wraith appears in the space where the humanoid died or in the nearest unoccupied square, and it rolls a new initiative check. The new wraith acts under the Dungeon Master's command.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Shadow Sword</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 necrotic damage, and the wraith is invisible to the target until the end of the wraith's next turn.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
<b>Shadow Glide</b> • <b>Encounter</b>	
Effect: The wraith shifts up to 6 squares.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
M <b>Death Strike</b> (necrotic) • <b>Encounter</b>	
Trigger: The wraith drops to 0 hit points.	
Effect (No Action): The wraith shifts 4 squares and makes a melee basic attack, dealing 3d8 extra necrotic damage on a hit.	
Skills Stealth +21	
Str 14 (+11)	Dex 24 (+16) Wis 12 (+10)
Con 18 (+13)	Int 11 (+9) Cha 24 (+16)
Alignment chaotic evil Languages Common, Netherese	

6 Shattered Wraiths	Level 19 Minion Lurkers
Medium shadow humanoid (undead)	XP 600
HP 1; a missed attack never damages a minion	Initiative +19
AC 34, Fortitude 28, Reflex 32, Will 31	Perception +11
Speed 0, fly 8 (hover); phasing	Darkvision
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Shatter Touch</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. AC	
Hit: 10 necrotic damage, and the target gains vulnerable necrotic 10.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
<b>Shadow Glide</b> • <b>Encounter</b>	
Effect: The wraith shifts up to 6 squares.	
Str 4 (+5)	Dex 23 (+15) Wis 15 (+10)
Con 15 (+10)	Int 6 (+6) Cha 20 (+13)
Alignment chaotic evil Languages -	

2 Oblivion Wraiths	Level 19 Brute
Large shadow humanoid (undead)	XP 2,400
HP 206; Bloodied 108	Initiative +15
AC 31, Fortitude 30, Reflex 32, Will 29	Perception +9
Speed 0, fly 6 (hover), phasing	Darkvision
Immune disease, poison; Resist 10 necrotic; Vulnerable 10 radiant	
TRAITS	
O <b>Nihil</b> (necrotic) • <b>Aura 2</b>	
Any enemy that starts its turn in the aura takes 10 necrotic damage and cannot spend a healing surge until the start of its next turn.	
<b>Insubstantial</b>	
The wraith takes half damage from all attacks, except those that deal force damage. Whenever the wraith takes radiant damage, it loses this trait until the start of its next turn.	
<b>Spawn Wraith</b>	
When the wraith kills a humanoid, that humanoid becomes a wraith figment at the start of this wraith's next turn. The new wraith appears in the space where the humanoid died or in the nearest unoccupied square, and it rolls a new initiative check. The new wraith acts under the Dungeon Master's command.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Nihil Strike</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +20 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d12 + 13 necrotic damage, and the wraith is invisible to the target until the end of wraith's next turn.	
M <b>Obliviate</b> (necrotic) • <b>Recharge 5-6</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +22 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d12 + 9 necrotic damage, and the target takes ongoing 15 necrotic damage and a -2 penalty to saving throws (save ends both).	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
C <b>Death Blast</b> (necrotic) • <b>Encounter</b>	
Trigger: The wraith drops to 0 hit points.	
Attack (Free Action): Close blast 3 (enemies in the blast); +22 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: The target loses two healing surges.	
Miss: The target loses one healing surge	
Skills Stealth +20	
Str 20 (+14)	Dex 23 (+15) Wis 10 (+9)
Con 16 (+12)	Int 10 (+9) Cha 18 (+13)
Alignment chaotic evil Languages Common, Netherese	

<b>1 Black Cloud</b>	<b>Level 19 Elite Artillery</b>
Large natural magical beast (undead)	XP 4,800
<b>HP 270; Bloodied 135</b>	<b>Initiative +14</b>
<b>AC 30, Fortitude 29, Reflex 30, Will 31</b>	<b>Perception +12</b>
<b>Speed 6, fly 6 (hover)</b>	<b>Darkvision</b>
<b>Immune</b> disease, poison; <b>Resist</b> 10 necrotic, 5 lightning, 5 thunder, half damage from melee and ranged attacks; <b>Vulnerable</b> 10 radiant, 10 against close and area attacks.	
<b>TRAITS</b>	
<b>Squeezing Swarm</b>	
By altering its shape the black cloud can squeeze through small openings as though it were a tiny creature.	
<b>STANDARD ACTIONS</b>	
<b>m Corrupting Touch</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +22 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 necrotic damage.	
<b>R Black Lightning</b> (lightning, necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +26 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 14 lightning and necrotic damage, or 6d8 + 14 lightning and necrotic damage if the target is bloodied.	
<b>A Crushing Thunder</b> (necrotic, thunder) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Area burst 1 within 10 (creatures in the burst); +24 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d6 + 10 necrotic and thunder damage.	
<b>R Worm's Feast</b> (illusion) • <b>Recharge 6</b>	
Attack: Ranged 5 (one creature); +24 vs. Will	
Hit: 6d8 + 14 damage. If this damage doesn't reduce the target to 0 or fewer hit points, the target takes no damage but is stunned until the end of its next turn.	
<b>MINOR ACTIONS</b>	
<b>R Horrific Visage</b> (fear) • <b>Recharge 4-6</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +24 vs. Will	
Hit: The target cannot attack the black cloud until the end of its next turn and is immobilized (save ends).	
<b>Skills</b> Arcana +23, History +23, Religion +23	
<b>Str 14 (+11)</b>	<b>Dex 16 (+12)</b>
<b>Con 20 (+14)</b>	<b>Int 26 (+17)</b>
<b>Wis 14 (+11)</b>	<b>Cha 15 (+11)</b>
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned	<b>Languages</b> none
<b>Equipment</b> none	

## ENCOUNTER 15: SHADY HARRIERS (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

Adventure Level 2 to 14 only.



## ENCOUNTER 17: REPEL BOARDERS (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

Ebony Shar Speaker (S) <span style="float: right;">Level 18 Artillery</span>	
Medium shadow humanoid (shade)	XP 2,000
HP 136; Bloodied 68	Initiative +9
AC 32, Fortitude 29, Reflex 30, Will 31	Perception +15
Speed 6	Low-light vision
TRAITS	
<b>Furious Flock</b>	
The speaker can score a critical hit on a roll of 19-20 against an enemy that has one or more of the speaker's allies adjacent to it.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Morningstar</b> • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 2d10 + 14 damage.	
r <b>Midwinter Wind</b> (cold, necrotic) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +23 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 2d12 + 14 cold and necrotic damage, and the speaker can slide the target 1 square.	
A <b>Swirling Ravens</b> (zone) • Encounter	
Attack: Area burst 2 within 10 (enemies in the burst); +23 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d10 + 8 damage.	
Miss: Half damage.	
Effect: The burst creates a zone that lasts until the end of the speaker's next turn. Enemies in the zone are slowed and take a -5 penalty to attack rolls against creatures not adjacent to them.	
Sustain Minor: The zone persists until the end of the speaker's next turn.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Unkind Flight</b> (polymorph) • Encounter	
Requirement: The speaker must be bloodied.	
Trigger: The speaker is damaged by a melee attack.	
Effect (Immediate Reaction): The speaker assumes the form of a flock of swirling ravens and flies up to 8 squares. While in this form, the speaker is insubstantial and can move through enemies' spaces. Each time the speaker enters an enemy's space during this movement, that enemy takes ongoing 10 damage (save ends). The form ends at the end of this movement.	
Str 12 (+10)	Dex 10 (+9) Wis 24 (+16)
Con 18 (+13)	Int 21 (+14) Cha 12 (+10)
Alignment evil Languages Common, Netherese	
Equipment robes, morningstar	

Shadovar Shadow Captain (H) <span style="float: right;">Level 18 Skirmisher</span>	
Medium shadow humanoid (shade)	XP 2,000
HP 170; Bloodied 85	Initiative +15
AC 32, Fortitude 31, Reflex 29, Will 30	Perception +16
Speed 5	Darkvision
TRAITS	
O <b>Benighted Presence</b> • Aura 10	
Light-producing effects within the aura whose level is lower than the shadow captain's level can create only dim light.	
<b>Coalescing Darkness</b>	
When the Shadovar shadow captain moves 3 or more squares by any means, he gains total concealment until the end of his next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Greatsword</b> (weapon) • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 damage.	
r <b>Shortbow</b> (weapon) • At-Will	
Attack: Ranged 5 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	

Hit: 3d8 + 13 damage.		
M <b>Shadow Strike</b> (necrotic, weapon) • Recharge 6		
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC		
Hit: 4d6 + 19 damage plus ongoing 10 necrotic damage (save ends).		
MOVE ACTIONS		
<b>Shadow Stride</b> (teleportation) • Recharge 5-6		
Effect: The shadow captain can teleport 20 squares but must end this movement in dim light or darkness.		
Skills Acrobatics +18, Diplomacy +19, Intimidate +19, Stealth +18		
Str 23 (+15)	Dex 18 (+13)	Wis 14 (+11)
Con 18 (+13)	Int 12 (+10)	Cha 21 (+14)
Alignment unaligned Languages Common, Netherese		
Equipment chainmail, light shield, greatsword, shortbow, 20 arrows		

Shadow Giant (V) <span style="float: right;">Level 18 Soldier</span>	
Large shadow humanoid (giant, undead)	XP 2,000
HP 185; Bloodied 92	Initiative +14
AC 31, Fortitude 31, Reflex 30, Will 31	Perception +15
Speed 7, fly 3 (hover)	Darkvision
Immune disease, poison; Resist 20 necrotic, insubstantial	
TRAITS	
O <b>Shadow Malaise</b> (fear) • Aura 5	
Enemies within the aura regain half the normal hit points from healing powers.	
<b>Revealed by Radiance</b>	
Whenever the shadow giant takes radiant damage, it loses insubstantial until the end of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Necrotic Touch</b> (necrotic) • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +21 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 necrotic damage, and the target is marked (save ends).	
M <b>Death Touch</b> (necrotic) • At-Will	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +21 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 damage, and the target is marked and takes ongoing 10 necrotic damage (save ends both).	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Cast into Shadow</b> • At-Will	
Trigger: An enemy marked by the shadow giant makes an attack that does not include the giant as a target.	
Attack (Immediate Reaction): Melee 2 (the triggering enemy); +21 vs. Reflex	
Hit: The target is removed from play and is stunned until the end of its next turn. It then appears in its last location or in the nearest unoccupied space.	
Str 22 (+15)	Dex 21 (+14) Wis 16 (+12)
Con 23 (+13)	Int 10 (+9) Cha 23 (+15)
Alignment evil Languages Common, Giant	

## ENCOUNTER 18: NETHERESE REINFORCEMENTS (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

2 Ironwing Kir-Lanans (I)	Level 18 Skirmisher
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,000
<b>HP</b> 176; <b>Bloodied</b> 88	<b>Initiative</b> +19
<b>AC</b> 33, <b>Fortitude</b> 31, <b>Reflex</b> 31, <b>Will</b> 31	<b>Perception</b> +15
<b>Speed</b> 6, fly 8	<b>Darkvision</b>
<b>Vulnerable</b> 10 radiant	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Claw • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 damage.	
<b>R Enfeebling Strike (necrotic) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +21 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 necrotic damage, and the target takes a -2 penalty to attack and damage rolls (save ends).	
<b>M Crashing Glide • At-Will</b>	
Attack: The kir-lanan shifts 6 squares and uses <i>claw</i> against two different targets at any point during the shift. When an attack hits, the kir-lanan slides the target 3 square and knocks it prone.	
MOVE ACTIONS	
<b>Leaping Glide • At-Will</b>	
Effect: The kir-lanan flies 4 squares without provoking opportunity attacks.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Necrotic Healing (healing) • Encounter</b>	
Trigger: The kir-lanan takes necrotic damage.	
Effect (Immediate Reaction): The kir-lanan heals 44 hit points.	
<b>Skills</b> Athletics +20, Stealth +24	
<b>Str</b> 27 (+17)	<b>Dex</b> 26 (+17) <b>Wis</b> 22 (+15)
<b>Con</b> 24 (+16)	<b>Int</b> 12 (+10) <b>Cha</b> 15 (+11)
<b>Alignment</b> evil <b>Languages</b> Common, Netherese	
<b>Note:</b> Reffavored ironstone gargoyle, changed into kir-lanan.	

99 Rrecruits on clumsy veserabs (R)	Level 18 Minion Soldier
Medium shadow humanoid	XP -
<b>HP</b> 1; a missed attack never damages a minion	<b>Initiative</b> +11
<b>AC</b> 31, <b>Fortitude</b> 31, <b>Reflex</b> 30, <b>Will</b> 29	<b>Perception</b> +15
<b>Speed</b> 6, fly 8	<b>Darkvision</b>
TRAITS	
<b>By The Skin Of Their Teeth</b>	
Whenever an enemy kills a recruit they gain a +2 power bonus to their next skill check to scare away the recruits.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Strength in Numbers • At-Will</b>	
Effect: The recruit does not flee, yet.	
<b>Str</b> 16 (+12)	<b>Dex</b> 14 (+11) <b>Wis</b> 12 (+10)
<b>Con</b> 16 (+12)	<b>Int</b> 12 (+10) <b>Cha</b> 10 (+9)
<b>Alignment</b> neutral scared <b>Languages</b> Common, Netherese	

2 Kir-Lanan Shadow Hurlers (S)	Level 18 Artillery
Medium shadow humanoid	XP 2,000
<b>HP</b> 133; <b>Bloodied</b> 66	<b>Initiative</b> +15
<b>AC</b> 33, <b>Fortitude</b> 29, <b>Reflex</b> 27, <b>Will</b> 27	<b>Perception</b> +19
<b>Speed</b> 6, fly 8	<b>Darkvision</b>
<b>Vulnerable</b> 10 radiant	
TRAITS	
<b>Shadow Defense</b>	
The kir-lanan has resist 15 to all damage from attacks originating at least 5 squares away.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
<b>m Claw • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 2d10 + 12 damage.	
<b>r Hurlled Shadow (necrotic) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 20 (one creature); +21 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d8 + 13 necrotic damage, and the target is dazed (save ends).	
<b>A Bursting Shadow (necrotic) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Area burst 1 within 10 (creatures in the burst); +21 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: 3d6 + 9 necrotic damage, and the target is slowed and takes a -2 penalty to attack rolls (save ends).	
Miss: Half damage.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
<b>Necrotic Healing (healing) • Encounter</b>	
Trigger: The kir-lanan takes necrotic damage.	
Effect (Immediate Reaction): The kir-lanan heals 33 hit points.	
<b>Skills</b> Stealth +22	
<b>Str</b> 22 (+15)	<b>Dex</b> 22 (+15) <b>Wis</b> 21 (+14)
<b>Con</b> 19 (+13)	<b>Int</b> 10 (+9) <b>Cha</b> 17 (+12)
<b>Alignment</b> evil <b>Languages</b> Common, Netherese	
<b>Note:</b> Reffavored gargoyle rock hurler, changed into kir-lanan.	



## ENCOUNTER 20: TAKING THE FIGHT TO THE ENEMY (AL 18)

Captain XXX	Level 18 Elite Soldier (Leader)
Medium shadow humanoid (shadar-kai)	XP 4,000
HP 340; Bloodied 170	Initiative +14
AC 34, Fortitude 32, Reflex 31, Will 33	Perception +14
Speed 5	Low-Light vision
Saving throws +2; Action Points 1	
TRAITS	
O <b>Deathshadow Fervor • Aura 5</b>	
Whenever an ally in the aura scores a critical hit against an enemy, that enemy takes 15 extra damage and is also dazed (save ends).	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Halberd (weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d10 + 10 damage.	
Effect: Captain marks the target until the end of his next turn.	
M <b>Double Attack • At-Will</b>	
Effect: Captain uses <i>halberd</i> twice.	
C <b>Sundering Sweep (weapon) • Recharge 5-6</b>	
Attack: Close burst 2 (enemies in the burst); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d10 + 12 damage, the target is knocked prone and takes a -2 penalty to AC (save ends).	
MOVE ACTIONS	
Shadow Jaunt (teleportation) • Encounter	
Effect: The captain teleports 3 squares and becomes insubstantial until the start of its next turn.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
Deathtrap • At-Will	
Trigger: An enemy within 2 squares of the captain that is marked by him either moves or uses an attack power that doesn't include him as a target.	
Effect (Immediate Interrupt): Captain uses <i>halberd</i> against the triggering enemy. The attack can score a critical hit on a roll of 17-20.	
Skills Diplomacy +18, Intimidate +18	
Str 20 (+14)	Dex 16 (+12)
Con 18 (+13)	Int 15 (+11)
	Wis 21 (+14)
	Cha 18 (+13)
Alignment evil	Languages Common, Netherese
Equipment chainmail, halberd	
Source: Samminel renamed to captain.	

Add the following for Brirgund:

TRAITS
O <b>Vicious Aura • Aura 1</b>
An enemy that starts its turn within the aura and moves takes 15 damage.

Add the following for Sondhas:

STANDARD ACTIONS
C <b>Come and Get It (weapon) • Recharge 5-6</b>
Attack: Close burst 3 (enemies in the burst); +21 vs. Will
Hit: 3d6 + 9 damage, the target is pulled 2 squares adjacent to Sondhas and dazed (save ends).
Effect: The target is marked.

Add the following for Thendos:

MINOR ACTIONS
Inspired Action • Recharge 5-6
Effect: An ally within 5 squares of Thendos can make a basic melee Attack with a +2 bonus on attack and a +4 bonus on damage.

Phantom Brigade Squire	Level 18 Minion Soldier
Medium shadow humanoid (human)	XP 500
HP 1; a missed attack never damages a minion.	Initiative +12
AC 34, Fortitude 32, Reflex 30, Will 29	Perception +10
Speed 6	
TRAITS	
Unrelenting Brigade	
Whenever an ally who also has this trait drops to 0 hit points within 5 squares of the squire, the squire gains a +2 bonus to attack rolls until the end of its next turn.	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Short Sword (weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 15 damage.	
r <b>Crossbow (weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 15 damage.	
TRIGGERED ACTIONS	
Shielding Martyr • At-Will	
Trigger: An enemy hits an ally adjacent to the squire with a melee attack.	
Effect (Immediate Interrupt): The squire becomes the target of the attack.	
Str 19 (+13)	Dex 12 (+10)
Con 16 (+12)	Int 14 (+11)
	Wis 12 (+10)
	Cha 11 (+9)
Alignment evil	Languages Common, Netherese
Equipment short sword, crossbow, hide armor.	
Source: Phantom Brigade squire, removed the undead trait and psychic damage.	

Raven Roost Outlaw Veteran	Level 18 Brute
Medium natural humanoid (human)	XP 2,000
HP 210; Bloodied 105	Initiative +12
AC 30, Fortitude 32, Reflex 30, Will 28	Perception +11
Speed 6	
STANDARD ACTIONS	
m <b>Bastard Sword (weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d12 + 10 damage.	
M <b>Mighty Blow (weapon) • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d12 + 10 damage, and the veteran can push the target 1 square and then shift 1 square to a square the target vacated.	
M <b>Swath of Death • Recharge if either attack misses</b>	
Effect: The veteran uses <i>mighty blow</i> twice.	
MINOR ACTIONS	
M <b>Forceful Shove • At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +21 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: The veteran pushes the target 3 square.	
Skills Athletics +20, Stealth +17	
Str 23 (+15)	Dex 17 (+12)
Con 20 (+14)	Int 7 (+7)
	Wis 14 (+11)
	Cha 10 (+9)
Alignment evil	Languages Common, Netherese
Equipment studded leather, bastard sword	

## ENCOUNTER 21: BESIEGED (ADVENTURE LEVEL 18)

<b>3 Shadow Giants (S)</b>	<b>Level 20 Soldier</b>
Large shadow humanoid (giant, undead)	XP 2,800
<b>HP 201; Bloodied 100</b>	<b>Initiative +15</b>
<b>AC 33, Fortitude 33, Reflex 32, Will 33</b>	<b>Perception +16</b>
<b>Speed 7, fly 3 (hover)</b>	<b>Darkvision</b>
<b>Immune</b> disease, poison; <b>Resist</b> 20 necrotic, insubstantial	
<b>TRAITS</b>	
O <b>Shadow Malaise</b> (fear) • <b>Aura 5</b>	
Enemies within the aura regain half the normal hit points from healing powers.	
<b>Revealed by Radiance</b>	
Whenever the shadow giant takes radiant damage, it loses insubstantial until the end of its next turn.	
<b>STANDARD ACTIONS</b>	
m <b>Necrotic Touch</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +23 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 15 necrotic damage, and the target is marked (save ends).	
M <b>Death Touch</b> (necrotic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 2 (one creature); +23 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 15 damage, and the target is marked and takes ongoing 10 necrotic damage (save ends both).	
<b>TRIGGERED ACTIONS</b>	
<b>Cast into Shadow</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
Trigger: An enemy marked by the shadow giant makes an attack that does not include the giant as a target.	
Attack (Immediate Reaction): Melee 2 (the triggering enemy); +23 vs. Reflex	
Hit: The target is removed from play and is stunned until the end of its next turn. It then appears in its last location or in the nearest unoccupied space.	
<b>Str 22 (+16)</b>	<b>Dex 21 (+15)</b>
<b>Con 23 (+14)</b>	<b>Int 10 (+10)</b>
	<b>Wis 16 (+13)</b>
	<b>Cha 23 (+16)</b>
<b>Alignment</b> evil	<b>Languages</b> Common, Giant

<b>1 Netherese Inquisitor (C)</b>	<b>Level 20 Controller</b>
Medium shadow humanoid (shade)	XP 2,800
<b>HP 188; Bloodied 94</b>	<b>Initiative +13</b>
<b>AC 34, Fortitude 32, Reflex 34, Will 32</b>	<b>Perception +11</b>
<b>Speed 6</b>	<b>Low-light vision</b>
<b>STANDARD ACTIONS</b>	
m <b>Inquiring Grip</b> (psychic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 1 (one creature); +24 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d8 + 15 psychic damage, and the target is immobilized until the end of the inquisitor's next turn.	
r <b>Call to Answer</b> (psychic) • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one creature); +24 vs. Reflex	
Hit: 3d6 + 11 psychic damage, and the target is immobilized (save ends).	
R <b>Under the Question</b> (charm, psychic) • <b>Recharge 5-6</b>	
Attack: Ranged 10 (one immobilized creature); +24 vs. Will	
Hit: The target takes ongoing 15 psychic damage and is restrained (save ends both). A target reduced to 0 hit points by this attack's ongoing damage is dominated by the inquisitor. A dominated target does not fall unconscious and does not need to make death saving throws. It dies only when reduced to negative hit points equal to its bloodied value. If the target under the inquisitor's control regains hit points so that it is no longer dying, or if the inquisitor is reduced to 0 hit points, the inquisitor's domination of the target ends.	
<b>Str 12 (+11)</b>	<b>Dex 16 (+13)</b>
<b>Con 20 (+15)</b>	<b>Int 24 (+17)</b>
	<b>Wis 12 (+11)</b>
	<b>Cha 20 (+15)</b>

<b>Alignment</b> evil	<b>Languages</b> Common, Netherese
<b>Equipment</b> robes	
<b>1 Greater Silt Elemental (E)</b>	<b>Level 20 Skirmisher</b>
Large shadow beast	XP 2,800
<b>HP 143; Bloodied 71</b>	<b>Initiative +17</b>
<b>AC 34, Fortitude 33, Reflex 31, Will 30</b>	<b>Perception +14</b>
<b>Speed 8</b>	<b>Tremorsense 5</b>
<b>Vulnerable</b> 15 force (see <i>incoherent form</i> )	
<b>TRAITS</b>	
<b>Camouflage</b>	
A silt elemental gains a +10 bonus to Stealth checks when completely within an area of silt or dust.	
<b>Incoherent Form</b>	
A silt elemental takes half damage from melee and ranged attacks. Whenever a silt elemental takes force damage, it takes full damage from the attack, even if it is from a melee or ranged attack.	
<b>Silt Stride</b>	
A silt elemental can walk on silt as though it were solid ground.	
<b>STANDARD ACTIONS</b>	
m <b>Silt Tentacle</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 3 (one creature); +25 vs. AC	
Hit: 2d10 + 3 damage, plus an additional 3d6 damage if the target is slowed or immobilized.	
M <b>Swing Tentacles</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
Attack: Melee 3 (one, two, three or four creatures); +23 vs. AC	
Hit: 3d6 + 11 damage.	
C <b>Silt Whirlpool</b> • <b>Recharge</b> when first bloodied	
Attack: Close blast 3 (enemies in blast); +23 vs. Fortitude	
Hit: The silt elemental pulls the creature 2 squares, and can pull creatures into its own space. Any creature pulled into the silt elemental's space is grabbed by the silt elemental (escape DC 34).	
Miss: The target is immobilized until the end of the silt elemental's next turn.	
Sustain Standard: The silt elemental sustains all of its grabs, and each grabbed creature takes 4d10 + 6 damage. Creatures that do not breathe, or those immune to suffocation, are also immune to the damage dealt by this attack.	
<b>MOVE ACTIONS</b>	
<b>Silt Shift</b> • <b>At-Will</b>	
Effect: The silt elemental shifts 5 squares, and can shift through enemies' spaces. The first time during this shift that the silt elemental enters an enemy's space, that enemy takes 10 damage and is slowed until the end of the silt elemental's next turn.	
<b>Str 23 (+16)</b>	<b>Dex 21 (+15)</b>
<b>Con 26 (+18)</b>	<b>Int 4 (+7)</b>
	<b>Wis 19 (+14)</b>
	<b>Cha 6 (+8)</b>
<b>Alignment</b> unaligned	<b>Languages</b> Primordial

