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## Human

Humans are the youngest of the common races, late to arrive on the world scene and short-lived in comparison to dwarves, elves, and dragons. But they are the innovators, the achievers, and the pioneers of the world, the most adaptable and ambitious people among the common races.

When humans settle somewhere, they stay. They build cities to last for the ages and great kingdoms that can persist for centuries. They live fully in the present—making them well suited to the adventuring life—but also plan for the future, striving to leave a lasting legacy.

Human culture varies by region. In the Forgotten Realms, the clothing, architecture, cuisine, music, and literature in the northwestern lands of Neverwinter are different from their counterparts in distant Turmish or Impiltur to the east. Human physical characteristics vary according to the ancient migrations of the earliest humans, so that the humans of Neverwinter have every possible variation of coloration and features.

Having so much more variety than other cultures, humans have no truly typical names. Some human parents give their children names from other languages, such as Dwarvish or Elvish (pronounced more or less correctly). Traditional names among different human cultures vary widely. You might be Haseid (Calishite), Kerri (Chondathan), Kosef (Damaran), Amafrey (Illuskan), So-Kehur (Mulan), Madislak (Rashemi), Mei (Shou), or Salazar (Turami).

### Fighter

Fighters are the most diverse class of characters in the worlds of DUNGEONS & DRAGONS. Questing knights, conquering overlords, royal champions, elite foot soldiers, hardened mercenaries, and bandit kings—as fighters, they all share an unparalleled mastery with weapons and armor, and a thorough knowledge of the skills of combat. And they are well acquainted with death, both meting it out and staring it defiantly in the face.

### BACKGROUND

Your family is no stranger to wealth, power, and privilege. In the glory days of Neverwinter, your parents were the count and countess of Corlinn Hill, a large estate located in the hills northeast of the city. But Mount Hotenow erupted thirty years ago, devastating Neverwinter and erasing Corlinn Hill from the map. Instead of growing up on an estate, you were raised in a small but comfortable town house in Waterdeep. As an adult, you stand to inherit a meaningless title and little else.

**Personal Goal: Civilize Phandalin.** You were meant for more than being a ruler of nothing at all. Rebuilding Corlinn Hill is impractical, thanks to the volcano. But in the last three or four years, hardy settlers have been rebuilding another ruin near the city: the old town of Phandalin, which orcs sacked five centuries ago. Clearly, what Phandalin needs now is a civilizing influence—someone to take the reins and bring law and order. Someone like you.

You're not the only one with such ideas. A knight named Sildar Hallwinter recently set out for Phandalin in the company of a dwarf named Gundren Rockseeker. They plan to reclaim an ancient mine and restore Phandalin to a civilized center of wealth and prosperity. Since your goals align, Hallwinter should be willing to assist you.

**Alignment: Lawful Neutral.** It's essential to establish law and order, even if it takes an iron fist to do it. The nobility are bound by honor and tradition to protect their people from both external and internal threats to stability. An organized society leaves no room for evil and chaos to take root.

# GAINING LEVELS

As you adventure and overcome challenges, you gain experience points (XP), as explained in the rulebook.

With each level you gain, you gain one additional Hit Die and add 1d10 + 2 to your hit point maximum.

#### 2nd Level: 300 XP

*Action Surge.* You can push yourself beyond your normal limits for a moment. On your turn, you can take one additional action on top of your regular action and a possible bonus action.

Once you use this feature, you must finish a short or long rest before you can use it again.

#### 3rd Level: 900 XP

*Improved Critical.* Your weapon attacks score a critical hit on a roll of 19 or 20.

#### 4th Level: 2,700 XP

*Ability Score Improvement.* Your Strength increases to 18, which has the following effects:

- Your Strength modifier becomes +4.
- Your attack bonus and your damage for Strength-based attacks, such as your greataxe and javelin, increase by 1.
- Your modifier to Strength saving throws increases by 1.
- Your modifier to Athletics increases by 1.

#### 5th Level: 6,500 XP

*Extra Attack.* Whenever you take the Attack action on your turn, you can make two attacks, instead of one, as part of taking that action.

**Proficiency Bonus.** Your proficiency bonus increases to +3, which has the following effects:

- Your attack bonus increases by 1 for weapons you're proficient with.
- Your modifier for saving throws and skills you're proficient in (indicated by a ●) increases by 1.
- Because the modifier for your Perception skill increased, your passive Wisdom (Perception) score increases by 1.

#### Improving Your Armor

As you acquire treasure, you can buy better armor to improve your Armor Class. The rulebook contains equipment, including armor.