Character Advancement

Experience Points (XP)

Experience points are given for monsters defeated, and for treasure claimed and returned to a place of safety. Players (and their NPCs) earn 1 XP for every 1 GP's worth of non-magical treasure found. Finding 300 gold pieces, an art piece worth 80 GP, and a magical sword, for instance, would net the party 380 XP for treasure found.

The following table provides XP values for monsters. Where a monster has both a character level and hit dice given, use the larger value as the monster's level. Non-combat challenges may be assigned a level, or a flat XP value assigned, as the GM wishes.

If asterisks appear after the hit dice listing for a monster, each asterisk adds the special ability bonus once; for example, a creature with a hit dice figure of 2** is worth 70 XP. For monsters with more than 19 hit dice, add 400 XP to the XP Value and 25 XP to the Special Ability Bonus per additional hit die.

After tallying the XP and GP earned in a given adventure, the amount should be divided by the number of adventurers. As described above, each retainer should receive a one-half share; so a group with four player characters and a retainer is counted as having $4\frac{1}{2}$ members. If a party earns 600 XP for defeating monsters and acquires 1400 GP of treasure, the party would split 2000 XP into $4\frac{1}{2}$ shares. Thus, each PC will earn 444 XP, and the retainer receives 222 XP.

No character may advance more than one level due to the experience points from a single adventure. For example, Barthal the Thief is 1st level and has 1,000 XP before going on an adventure; during the adventure, he earns 2,000 more XP (an amazing feat). This would make his total 3,000 XP, and he would be a 3rd level Thief. This is not allowed; instead, he advances to 2,499 XP, one short of the amount required for 3rd level, and starts his next adventure at 2nd level.

Monster Hit Dice	XP Value	Special Ability Bonus
less than 1	5	2
1	15	8
2	40	15
3	75	25
4	120	40
5	180	45
6	250	55
7	335	65
8	450	70
9	550	75
10	650	90
11	800	95
12	950	100
13	1,100	110
14	1,300	115
15	1,500	125
16	1,750	135
17	2,000	145
18	2,250	160
19	2,500	175

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