

Skills Addendum 1

COMPOSITION

Composition is the ability to create works of literature or of music. It provides the ability to compose works in a structured, literary fashion which rise above the mere stringing together of words on a page, although does not imply subject mastery. The skill is actually three separate specialties and possession of one does not imply ability in another. Characters must take each specialty as a separate skill. Each specialty presupposes the ability to use a script, although it is possible that certain savants may possess skill at composition without the ability to record the work themselves (e.g. the blind, the deaf, prodigies). Composition skills fall under Lore/Craft.

Poetry [12+ months]

The ability to compose in verse. Lower mastery levels permit the creation of doggerel and other minor verses; ML60+ includes the creation of epic works. This

skill also covers the creation of lyrics to be set to music. ML70+ includes a knowledge of other works of poesy.

Prose [6+ months]

The ability to compose in works in prose. A more utilitarian skill than Poetry, Prose is common amongst scholars, heralds, and the Shek Pvar. ML70+ permit the creation of longer, more structured works. (Fiction, in the modern sense does not exist – all such works are composed in verse.)

Music [12+ months]

The ability to compose music for performance. The skill also includes the ability to use musical notation. Lower MLs allow for ditties and folk tunes with higher MLs (70+) permitting the creation of complex, multi-instrument scores.

Skill Table

Lore/Craft	Attributes	Sunsign	OML
Poetry	INT AUR WIL	Tar/Tai +2 Mas +1	SB1
Prose	INT INT WIL	Tar/Tai +1	SB1
Music	INT AUR WIL	Tar/Tai/Mas/Ang +1	SB1

Occupation Table

Occupation	Skills
Cleric	Prose/2
Cleric of Save K'nor (Hyn-Aelori, Shea-al-Aecor)	Prose/4
Cleric of Save K'nor (Rydequelyn)	Poetry/3, Prose/4
Cleric of Siem	Poetry/2, Music/2
Sage/Tutor	Poetry/2, Prose/3
Alchemist	Prose/2
Harper	Poetry/3, Music/3
Litigant	Prose/3
Shek Pvar (except Savorya)	Prose/3
Shek Pvar (Savorya)	Prose/4
Herald	Prose/2