

GAME RULES

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Ship Tokens Color Key White

Non-warships

Gray

Early-design Warships (these are located on the reverse side of the White Ship tokens)



Pale Yellow Early Warships



Blue and Green Warships brought into play via Notoriety



Dark Yellow, Orange, and Red Increasingly more modern Warships brought into play over time



Black Special Event Warships



Purple

These are the up-gunned (i.e., greater Attack Strength) sides of the above Warships (excluding Gray)



1. INTRODUCTION

This **Operations Manual** is the core rules book for **Nemo's War**. It features the instructions you will need to actually play the game turn-by-turn.

Highlight Keys

Nautilus Upgrade Card Effects

Nautilus Upgrade cards, when referenced, are highlighted in this aqua color (see Appendix A for a complete listing).



Motive Effects

These have titles matching the color of the Motive and show an image of the VP tile, and apply only while that is Nemo's current **Motive** (see Appendix B for a summary of Motives that require special rules).



OPTIONAL RULE are shown in this box.

DIFFICULTY

Optional Rules Optional Rules are included where applicable but are separate from the main corpus of these rules and

Especially when first learning the game, feel free to skip past these references when you do not wish to use a particular Optional Rule (see *Appendix C* for a complete listing).

Difficulty Settings

Many facets of the game offer you three levels of **Difficulty** to choose from. From easiest to hardest these are: SAILOR, OFFICER, and CAPTAIN.

Most of these are in Rule 3 - GAME SETUP, as these are decisions made when establishing the parameters of your voyage (see Appendix D for a complete listing).

You need not be consistent when choosing! When determining which difficulty level to apply to each aspect, you may freely mix-and-match. We have even seen players "adjust" their Difficulty Level decisions mid-game as a dynamic play-balancing device!

If you don't know or can't decide, apply the default Difficulty: OFFICER (i.e., "medium").

When you have a Difficulty Level Setting choice, you will see the following:

[ASPECT NAME] DIFFICULTY LEVEL SETTING

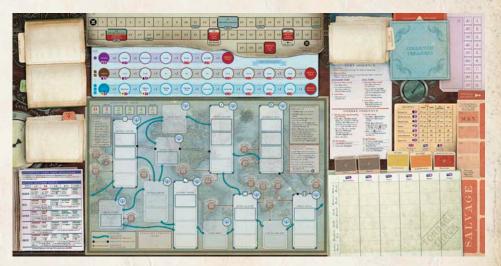
SAILOR: Do X. OFFICER: Do Y. CAPTAIN: Do Z.

Before proceeding, you must choose. If you can't decide, the default level is always **OFFICER**.

2. GAME EQUIPMENT

Game Map and Scale

The map represents the world from about 1870. Each Action Point you spend represents a few days' activity and each complete Game Turn represents roughly two weeks of real time. When the Finalé card ends the game, approximately one year's voyage aboard the Nautilus has occurred.



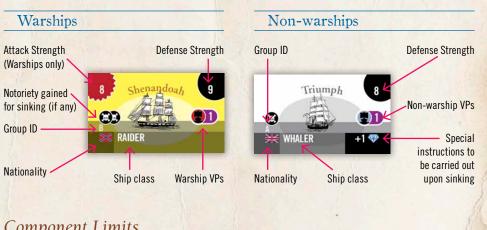
General Course of Play

Each turn, you must address the seas' challenges in a grand adventure, confront the growing pressure of the Imperialist powers' navies, undertake Actions with the Nautilus and her crew – all while maintaining Captain Nemo's spirit to continue.

You are questing for the greatest number of Victory Points (VPs) that you can acquire, as modified by Captain Nemo's Motive, while avoiding the many ways to suffer defeat. VPs are earned in several ways (e.g., sinking enemy ships, passing TEST Events, collecting Treasures, inciting oppressed peoples, making scientific discoveries, etc.).

Ship Tokens

The rectangular **Ship** tokens represent high seas ships and nautical events of this era that are encountered during play.



Component Limits

Do not create additional components. The number of **Ship** tokens, gemstones, etc., is finite by design!

How the Rules Evolved

Nemo's War was originally published in 2009 for a wargame audience. Thus, the rules adhered to the standard wargame Case System (e.g., Rule 15.2.1) for their style and organization. However, numerous Euro gamers created a groundswell desire for an edition of Nemo's War more suited to their Euro tastes. (Wargamers, in aggregate, just want "a great game" and are used to standard, precise wargame rules and accept lower component quality than wooden and plastic bits and bobs to save on costs).

The second edition of Nemo's War's rules were redrafted with Euro gamers in mind. The question became how to take, essentially, a solitaire wargame's rules and "Euro-ize" them. The second edition rules were published and many Euro gamers still lament their length because this game requires some study to get playing. Please know that the rules being as you see them was a deliberate design decision. Why?

Successful game documentation is composed for two distinct moments: 1) When first read, cover-to-cover like a book, to assimilate them and commence play, and 2) When later referenced to find an answer to a rules question, seek play variations, strategy tips, etc.

Because Nemo's War is a solitaire game, you are absolutely on your own. Most of the time you spend with Nemo's War will be, once learned, actually playing it. Because of that, these rules are organized with a distinct emphasis for that second time of use. That is, when you find yourself playing solitaire and have a rules question or want to try a variant, etc. we have done our utmost to facilitate that need as a priority.

Establishing the Calendar

During Setup, you are instructed to build the Draw Pile in a certain way. It will include a fixed number of the game's many Adventure cards. These are, essentially, resolved at the rate of one per turn until, at last, you are instructed that the game ends.

Thus, the **Draw Pile** you create functions as the game's calendar (or "turn track," to use the gaming vernacular), measuring the amount of time (number of turns) remaining for your voyage. The exact number is designed to vary a bit, but it should be between 25 and 30 turns or so.

At roughly one fortnight per turn, this represents the approximately one-year voyage of the Nautilus in the Jules Verne novel 20,000 Leagues Under the Seas.

What's in a Name?

We refer to the Jules Verne novel by its proper title: 20,000 Leagues Under the Seas, implying a voyage that is, roughly, twice around the Earth's circumference at four kilometers per league. Thus, the original title is "Seas," plural, with an s at the end.

When first translated into English, however, that last s was dropped, and the title was erroneously 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea, which, when measured as a depth, represents a good distance From the Earth to the Moon – but that is the title of another Jules Verne work of speculative fiction, a genre that we know today as science-fiction.

Take a Look

During play, you are allowed to inspect a good many things that can help you make a decision about what to do or what your chances are. You can freely inspect at any time:

The Ship and Treasure Draw Pools, each of the Pass, Fail, and Discard **Piles**, and the reverse-sides of the Ship tokens.

No Peeking

This is what you **cannot** inspect during play:

1. The Draw Pile and Adventure Deck;

2. The set-aside Event, Finalé, and Nautilus Upgrade cards.

Adventure Cards

Adventure cards are typically **Event** cards that initiate both **TEST** and **Event** activities.

There are also **Special Adventure** cards (i.e., *Prologue*, *First* and *Second Intermission*, *Rising Action*, and Finalés) that are seeded into the deck while setting up the game (see Rule 3 in the Between Voyages Guide - GAME SETUP).



3. GAME SETUP & RELATED INSTRUCTIONS (see the **Between Voyages Guide**)

4. DEFINITIONS AND CONVENTIONS

Note: Many of the terms described below will not make perfect sense to you until you actually read the corresponding section later in this **Operations Manual**. We are introducing these terms here so that you will be familiar with them when the time comes and later reference them when parsing out the meaning of the terminology used on the game's cards and tables.

Add

Examine all the possibilities and then select/choose which to enter play.

Adventure Deck

A stack of 25 Adventure cards (separate from the Draw Pile which measures time) that you can draw from should you "take the time" (i.e., spending your **Action Points**) to do so. Particularly when questing for Science and Wonder Victory Points, engaging the Adventure Deck can be very rewarding.

Available Upgrade

A Nautilus **Upgrade** card can be purchased with **Salvage Points**. These are placed, face-up, along the lower-right edge of the game board. Although there are only four places shown for them, there **can** be more than four available (this seldom happens).

Character Resource

There are seven **Character Resource** tiles (called **Characters** for short), six of which can be "Sacrificed" in an emergency (see Rule 13 – EMERGENCY HELP). These include the three captives aboard the Nautilus: Professor Aronnax; his servant, Conseil; and the Canadian whaler, Ned Land. In addition, there are three ship's officers: the First Officer, the Second Officer, and the **Chief Engineer**. Character cards are different than these Character tiles. Character cards are not Sacrificed per this rule, but as explained on those cards.

Sacrificing a Character provides emergency benefits that can stave off disasters or provide crucial initiative during play. Note: some Adventure cards also reference the survival and even return of these Characters after being Sacrificed, so be mindful about Sacrificing them!



Characters can be Sacrificed throughout the game to aid players in their time of need.

Choose See "Add."

Colors Several colors are used throughout **Nemo's War**. Here is a key to their meanings:

Headers are in brown.

SUBHEADS are in blue

Text in red is there for attention/emphasis

Nemo, Crew, and Hull are color-coded as specific Ship Resources.

PASS and FAIL Piles and outcomes are also distinguished by color.

Nautilus Upgrade card references have an aqua background color as a reference reminder.

Special Motive Instructions

Special Motive Instructions appear with the relevant VP tile illustrated next to the text and a matching title colour.

OPTIONAL RULES have a special title and box, and appear in brown text with a light yellow background.

DIFFICULTY LEVELS appear in blue text with a blue border.

Cup

An opaque container such as a coffee mug or draw bag suitable for holding the Ship and Treasure tokens in a "draw pool." When called for, selection from a "cup" is a random draw from the pool of tokens in it.

OPTIONAL RULE

The Mid-voyage **Character Addition**

The seventh Character tile represents Nadeen Dakkar whose participation is a **Setup** decision (See Rule 3 in the **Between Voyages** Guide – GAME SETUP). His variable entry and abilities emerge as the game unfolds. His loss is an automatic Defeat condition, so avoid that!

EXAMPLE

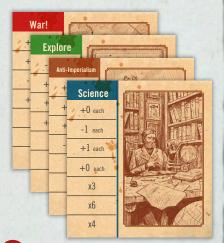
To generate the number of **Actions** you receive each turn, you make a Differential **Roll** using the two white dice you rolled during Act I for Ship placements. This turn, you roll a \bigcirc and a \bigcirc , giving you a Differential Roll of 4 minus 1, which is 3 Actions. Note that if you rolled doubles, the difference is **0**.

EXAMPLE

A Warship in your Ocean causes a -1 DRM; however, you exert a Ship **Resource** to gain a +2 DRM; therefore, you would apply the net result of a + 1**DRM** to that dice roll.

Yes, the **PASS** and **FAIL** Piles matter. You only score points at the end of the game from the upper-left corner of cards in the PASS Pile. Also, the 20,000 Leagues Under the Seas **Finalé** *compares* the number of cards in each **Pile** to determine your end-game scoring bonus.

Sample motive tiles



Die and Dice Rolls

1d6: Rolling "**1d6**" or simply a "**die roll**" means rolling a single six-sided die () and using its result.

1d3: When asked to roll "1d3," roll a single d6 (🎲) and use half its value, rounded up, for the result (i.e., a \bullet or $\bullet = 1$; a \bullet or $\bullet = 2$; and a \bullet or $\bullet = 3$).

2d6: When the game calls for a "**2d6**" roll or a "**dice roll**," roll two dice (is is) and add them together; the result is their sum.

Differential Roll: This means comparing two of the dice rolled (😂 😂) and subtracting the lower number rolled from the higher numbered rolled; their difference is the result. Thus, the differential is 0 if you roll doubles.

Dice Roll Modifier

Abbreviated "DRM," a Dice Roll Modifier is the value added to or subtracted from the result of a specific die or dice roll. When multiple **DRMs** are in effect, apply their combined (net) value.

Draw Pile

During setup (see Rule 3 - GAME SETUP & RELATED INSTRUCTIONS in the Between Voyages Guide), you create a 3-Act pre-built stack of cards and reveal them, one new Event per turn, until reaching the finale's conclusion (or you are otherwise Defeated). Essentially, the Draw Pile is "the clock" by which time is measured in Game Turns.

Exert

To "bet" (at risk of loss) a Ship Resource (Nemo, Crew, or Hull) in order to gain its DRM.



The Ship Resource markers track the condition of each of the three Ship Resources throughout the game.

Fail **F**

This symbol means that you place that card in the FAIL Pile.

Gain

Add or increase by the number stated.

Gemstone

Also known as Treasure Available gemstones and Treasure Available tokens, the small gemstone pieces, when placed on the map in Oceans or atop the Adventure Deck, denote a reward (drawing **Treasure** tokens) for performing a corresponding **Search** or **Adventure** Action. In other instances, they represent influence and, at the game's end, Victory Points.

Their different colors do **not** matter. A gemstone is a gemstone is a gemstone.

Hidden Ship Tokens (also known as "Contact Tokens")

These represent existing contacts at sea in the Ocean where they reside. They do not challenge the Nautilus at sea as they have not yet been revealed as a specific Ship token.

Lose

Subtract or decrease by the amount stated.

Motive

The **Motive** tile in play indicates Nemo's **Motive** representing his (i.e., your) objective or "mission" for the voyage; it defines what emphasis is placed on different aspects of play to achieve success and how long Captain Nemo perseveres before resigning as a global pariah. Motives are described in Rule 3 – SETUP in the Between Voyages Guide).

Notoriety





Ahoy, First Time Players!

Don't worry, it is worth it! Perhaps this overview will help you understand all the bits and how they work when you fit them together.

First, there is a Big Decision you must make during setup: what will Captain Nemo's Motive be for your voyage? The details are in the setup instructions, but this determines the very nature of the game!

Second, each turn's "housekeeping" in the Sequence of Play is very minimal (especially for a solitaire game!) so you will spend most of your time enjoying the gameplay where you can do so many things (many of which are suboptimal for a high score, but all of which are fun and, at different points, if not absolutely necessary, become very tempting to try). So, for now, just learn "the controls" of the Nautilus and experience will improve your score later.

Third, there is only **one core mechanic** in Nemo's War. That is, resolving a TEST. Each test has a success value and your job is to roll two six-sided dice to achieve at least that value. In Nemo's War, high rolls are almost-always good and low rolls are almost-always bad (especially snake eyes). And you will be resolving a lot of **TESTS** over the course of a game. But any fool can throw dice and find themselves lucky (or unlucky); where is the skill in that?

There are two key skill elements to piloting your submarine: 1) Exerting resources to provide favorable Dice Roll Modifiers to improve your chances of passing a **TEST**, and **2**) Understanding the probabilities, risks, and rewards for each **TEST** and to what degree Passing or Failing it helps or hinders your quest. Here, you must develop discernment and discretion because your good judgment at each **TEST** will ultimately be the reason for your mission's success or failure.

Fourth, perhaps the greatest skill element in **Nemo's War** is what we call "painting the board." That is, where you place newly added Ship tokens to the map is *crucial* to establishing your chances for a high score (a reward for your foresight born of experience). Which **Oceans** to populate (and, through combat, denude) is the vital strategic chess game you are playing with the Imperialist powers who oppose you. As you gain experience in this aspect of the game your situations and score will improve steadily, so apply your mind to it!

Select See "Gain."

Ship Resources

You have three Ship Resources that can be "exerted." Captain Nemo (N), the ship's Crew (C), and the Nautilus' Hull (H). Doing so provides Dice Roll Modifiers (DRMs) helpful in favorably resolving the game's obstacles and adventures. Avoid having any of these tracks decline to their "Defeat!" spaces.

Ship Tokens

These are revealed, specific **Warship** and **Non-warship** Ship tokens challenging the *Nautilus* at sea in their **Ocean** and rewarding you when sunk.

Spend

To remove something of value from play (e.g., discard an Adventure, Ally, or Treasure token, flip a Character Resource tile, PASS or FAIL an acquired Adventure card, etc.) to gain its benefit.

Tableau

The area of the table between you and the bottom edge of the map where you place certain Adventure cards, Characters, and Adventure, Ally, and, if desired, Retain Treasure tokens, etc. That is, your **Tableau** is where you keep unresolved items such as **Keep** cards, **Crew** tiles, Nautilus Upgrade cards, etc.

Track Adjustment and/or Scoring Icons (for Victory Points or "VPs")

- Warships (military naval vessels) sunk. The impact on the Imperialist nations' ability to project naval power around the world. Each scores its Motive-modified value in Warship Sunk VPs at the end of the game.
- Non-warships (commerce vessels, etc.) sunk. The effects on ordinary people of transoceanic commerce, travel, and communication. Each scores its **Motive**-modified value in Non-warship Sunk VPs at the end of the game.
- Adventure. The value of an Adventure is to have lived it (and then score its Motivemodified value in **Adventure VPs** at the end of the game).
- **Treasure.** The gem symbol denotes drawing a number of **Treasure** tokens or scoring its $\langle \mathbf{r} \rangle$ Motive-modified value in Treasure VPs at the end of the game.
- **Notoriety.** Gaining **Notoriety** is bad; it increases pressure on your success and could break Nemo's spirit ending your Mission in defeat. Conversely, reducing Notoriety and staying beyond the notice of the Imperialists is good.
- **Uprising.** The physical manifestation/location of peoples and events on land acting in line with Nemo's Motive. These are shown by the placement of **Uprising** cubes on the small square **Land** spaces on the map.
- Liberation. At the end of the game, each placed Uprising cube is scored for its Motivedefined Liberation VPs.
- Science. Discovering how the world works through natural and mechanical science. Each K scores its Motive-defined Science VPs at the end of the game.
- Wonder. Life-changing sites beheld in a world full of natural and mechanical marvels. O Each scores its **Motive**-defined **Wonder VPs** at the end of the game.
 - **Scouring the Seas.** The threat to the Imperialist powers' dominance of the seas from the Nautilus. The last column completely filled shows your bonus **VP** score.
- Character. The people who shape and change our lives for having encountered them. Each scores its value in **Character VPs** at the end of the game.

Warship

A Ship token that has an Attack Strength as well as a Defense Strength. Those ships with only a Defense Strength are Non-warships.

5. TURN SEQUENCE

Repeat the following **Phases** (Event, Placement, and Action) until the game ends with your early defeat (see Rule 14 - HOW THE GAME ENDS) or you reveal the Finalé card that ultimately instructs you: "The game ends!"

- 1. Begin each turn with an **Event Phase** by revealing the top card of the **Draw Pile** (on the top left of the board) and resolving that card's Event, TEST, or other instructions (see Rules 6 and 7 - TESTS). Most turns (excluding the Prologue and Act cards) continue with a Placement Phase, followed by your Action Phase.
- 2. During the **Placement Phase**, you roll the dice indicated for the game's current Act (plus one additional **black** die when your **Notoriety** marker reaches #44 on its track). The dice results indicate the Oceans for Ship token placement that turn. If the two (selected) white dice rolled are doubles, a Lull Turn takes place (see Rule 10 – PLACEMENT PHASE). You receive the Differential Roll result of the two white dice in Action Points for that turn.
- 3. During the Action Phase, you spend your Action Points to Move, Attack, etc. and by doing so advance Nemo's goals.

When the game is over, check your score (see Rule 15 in the Between Voyages Guide – DEFEAT, VICTORY, AND SCORING).

6. EVENT PHASE AND TESTS

Important: Rules on the cards take precedence over the rules in the manuals.

Begin each turn with the **Event Phase** by revealing the top card of the **Draw Pile** (on the top left of the board) and carrying out that card's **Event**, **TEST**, or other instructions.

There are two different varieties of Event, Rising Action, and Finalé cards:

- Event cards (marked PLAY or KEEP) and
- TEST cards (featuring a white number in a red circle and including a PASS or a FAIL outcome).

Place **KEEP** cards in your **Tableau** for later resolution.

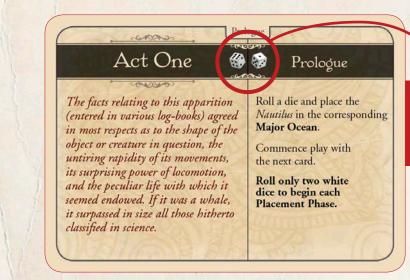
You must resolve **PLAY** and **TEST** cards immediately (although some instruct you to move them to your Tableau where they become, in effect, KEEP cards).

Act Cards

When you draw an Act card (Acts I, II, or III), perform their instructions and note what dice you will be rolling from now on to begin the Placement Phase during that Act.

Afterward, place that **Act** card, face up, on top of its own stack (off the board to the left of the Draw Pile). By looking here, you are reminded what dice you need to roll each Placement Phase and where the story arc is currently.

After setting aside an Act card, immediately draw the next card from the Draw Pile and continue play normally.



This is a shorthand term for "Discard / Remove from Play."

The current **Act** card shows the dice you should roll to begin the Placement Phase.

Turn Sequence

- Event Phase
- Placement Phase
- Action Phase



< PLAY >

Important: During A Hollow Explosion, the first three Notoriety levels referred to are located at 26, 36, and 44 on the Notoriety track (shown below).





OPTIONAL RULE

"That's not like the Captain."

You may change Nemo's Motive between the **Honorable** and **Stern** categories, but this dissonance causes problems between the Captain and his crew.

Note the current **Crew DRM** (as shown to the right of the Crew Resource marker's present location). You must lose that many **Nemo** when changing from an Honorable to a Stern Motive or that many **Crew** when changing from a Stern to an Honorable Motive.

Act III: Changing Motives

At the beginning of Act III, you may change Nemo's starting Motive.

Before continuing Act III, you must immediately decide whether to keep Nemo's current Motive or change it to any of the others in its category (Honorable or Stern, as listed below) that would not cause an instant Notoriety Defeat (see Rule 9 - GAINING NOTORIETY).

This is a one-time opportunity and, if you do not switch Motives, you may instead select any one set aside (i.e., returned to the box) Nautilus Upgrade card and add it to those available for purchase; there can be more than four purchasable Nautilus Upgrade cards.

Whatever you decide, you have had your one chance to change your mind and there is no turning back! Proceed through the final Act of the game!

Motive Categories

Nemo's Motives are divided into two broad categories:

- · Honorable: Adventure, Explore, Humanist, and Science.
- Stern: Anti-Imperialist, Piracy, War!, and World Order (which immediately adds the Ally Tokens to the Treasure cup if you switch to it at the start of Act III).

PLAY Event Cards

Immediately follow the instructions on a **PLAY** Event card. Afterward, place it face up as instructed and proceed with the next activity. Note that some **PLAY** Event cards are retained in your **Tableau** as a reminder of their ongoing effect (e.g., Nadar, The Hinomaru, The War Office Act, *Q-Ships Deployed, etc.).*

Mandatory Attacks

Events #4 (A Frigate's Demise), #38 (A Capital Encounter), and the Rising Action card (A Hollow Explosion), and Finalé J (The Trap) require you to perform free, mandatory attacks. Similarly, during the **Placement Phase** (see Rule 10 – PLACEMENT PHASE), when a newly placed Warship token Goes Hunting and is placed in the same Ocean as the Nautilus, you must immediately attack it (see Rule 12 - COMBAT).

- If you succeed in sinking that mandatory attack target, you can continue to Attack other Ship tokens (allowed only after a Bold Attack or, if you have the Nautilus upgrade Periscope Device, after a Stalk Attack).
- If that mandatory attack target survives your encounter, add it to the **Ocean** where the Nautilus is located, even if there are no **Open** boxes there; it remains "overstacked" there until later culled. If and when a space in that **Ocean** opens up, simply move an overstacked **Ship** token in it into that newly opened space.

Event 4 anons. A Fridate's Demise - PLAY > Add the (black background) Frigate to the Nautilus' current Ocean and fight it immediately. This is a mandatory "free" Stalk Attack Action. B. .. two enormous waterspouts crashed onto the deck of the frigate, racing like

a torrent from stem to stern, toppling

crewmen, breaking spare masts and

yardarms from their lashings.

A PLAY Event card has an immediate effect when revealed. The (F) tells you to place this card in the FAIL Pile after resolving

KEEP Event Cards

Place KEEP Event cards (or other Event cards directing you to a KEEP instruction) in the Tableau, face up, until you decide to play them (or simply hold on to them until the end of the game); in the meantime, play proceeds to the next activity.

You may play / resolve a **KEEP** card any time that you meet the requirements, including immediately after drawing it, if ever (e.g., a card might require that the Nautilus be located in a specific **Ocean** to be played).

After performing a **KEEP** card, place it face up in the appropriate **PASS** or **FAIL Pile** as instructed and proceed to the next activity.

Diving Apparatus upgrade: After playing/resolving a KEEP card in its specified Ocean (and only if it has one), place 1 Treasure Available gemstone on the Adventure Deck but only if it currently has **none**.

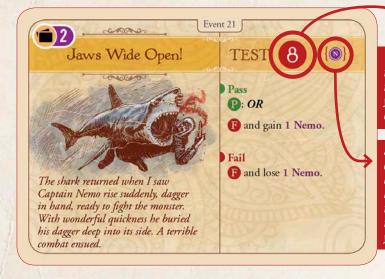
You may also simply hold on to a **KEEP** card for its end-game scoring value (if it has any).



Important: Some *KEEP* Event cards increase your score only if they *are* played, while others increase your score only if they are **not** played. Read them carefully!

TEST Event Cards

You must perform **TEST** Event cards immediately (see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS, below). After performing a TEST card, place it face up, in the appropriate PASS or FAIL Pile as instructed and proceed to the next activity.





indicates under what circumstances it is placed in the PASS or FAIL Pile.

The large number is the **TEST Value**. It is the total of two dice you need to equal or exceed to PASS.

Ship Resources that can be Exerted for their DRMs to your TEST dice roll are listed here. Note that none, any, or all of them can be Exerted as vou desire.

Keep, Test, and Play Cards

KEEP cards are usually interesting things you can do at some future time, typically at a specific **Ocean**. They are added to your Tableau and, there, seek to remind you of their possibilities and rewards. Note that some reward you for *not* playing them to gain their abilities! All of their opportunities challenge your discernment. Should you set sail and take advantage or is it better long-term to do nothing about that particular **KEEP** card?

TEST cards challenge you to make more than a high dice roll. The real test is weighing up the rewards for **PASSING** versus the penalty for **FAILING**. After assessing that, you must decide whether to add more risk by exerting Resource(s) to improve your chances. Canny players consider questions such as these:

- Is it more important to PASS or not FAIL?
- Can you afford additional **Resource** losses if you take on additional risk through exertion?
- Do you have at least one **Emergency Resource** that can save you (just in case)?
- Will it be worth it to spend that **Emergency Resource** for this **TEST** or it is wiser to accept ignoble FAILURE now so you still have that **Emergency Resource** when the stakes are higher?

PLAY cards are a roughly even mixture of "kisses" and "kicks" that help narrate the story. There is nothing you can do about them except to make the most of whatever opportunities they present.

Experience will teach you what degree of harm lurks in some PLAY events (so that you can prepare for their potential consequences). Typically, PLAY events are a blend of manageable obstacles and small opportunities, but some can change the very tenor of your voyage as the **Imperialist** opponent reacts via **PLAY** cards to the threat of the Nautilus

Yes, you roll a lot of dice while travelling 20,000 Leagues Under the Seas. However, Nemo's War is not a mere "dice chucker" game. The judicious application (and withholding!) of **DRMs** is a vital decision at every moment of play and has a significant bearing upon your ultimate success (or failure).

OPTIONAL RULE

Imperialist Naval Coordination

This rule puts you at a disadvantage.

Whenever you suffer a penalty of -1 **DRM** if there are *any* revealed Ship tokens in the Nautilus' Ocean, change it to **-1 DRM** for *each* such revealed **Ship** token there!

OPTIONAL RULE

At All Costs!

This option puts you at a strong advantage during the endgame.

For +1 , you may **Sacrifice** (i.e., return to the box) any one Nautilus Upgrade card (maximum once per occasion), either equipped or available for purchase, **before** any **TEST** or Combat **2d6** roll for a **+2 DRM**.

7. RESOLVING TESTS

In addition to **TEST** cards, many other game activities (e.g., attacking with the *Nautilus*, searching for treasure, inciting an uprising, etc.) are also **TESTS** with pass or fail / hit or miss outcomes. This is Nemo's War's core mechanic and this procedure applies generally to all TEST activities.

TEST Procedure

Determine all applicable modifiers, roll **2d6**, apply the modifier to their sum (including any postroll **Emergency Resources**; See Rule 13 – EMERGENCY HELP), and compare the result to the **TEST Value** (e.g., the white number in the red circle, the target ship's Defense Strength, etc.).

Result

Ultimately, every **TEST** is **PASS / FAIL**.

- For **Event** cards and **Attack Actions**, you either succeed in performing the test or you do not.
- For Action TESTS (i.e., Search, Incite, Rest, Repair, and Refit), however, you PASS to varying degrees if you roll a **7+** and **FAIL** to varying degrees if you roll **6 or less** per the Action Success Table printed on the lower-left corner of the game board.

If the modified result is **equal to or greater than** (\geq) the **TEST Value**, you have **Passed** and immediately follow its PASS instructions. Hurrah!

If the modified result is **less than** (<) the **TEST Value**, you have failed and must immediately follow its **FAIL** instructions.

Important: Some results instruct you to place a card you PASSED in the FAIL Pile or vice-versa. *These instructions are correct!*

Ultimate Failure: A natural TEST dice roll result of 2 (i.e., •, •, *snake eyes") always FAILS, regardless of modifications. For Actions with "degrees" of failure (e.g., Search, Incite, etc.), you automatically suffer the worst one (i.e., a roll of " ≤ 2 "), regardless of any roll modifiers.

Dice Roll Modifiers (DRMs)

Dice Roll Modifiers (DRMs) are generally determined *before* rolling the dice.

Important: The following DRMs apply to all TESTS (unless otherwise specified):

-1 if there are any revealed **Warship** tokens in the same **Ocean** as the *Nautilus*. **Important**: This modifier also applies when performing TEST cards! Hidden ship and revealed Nonwarship tokens generally cause no DRMs unless otherwise noted on the list of that TEST's specific DRMs.



Piracy: The Eyes of the World are Upon You While **Piracy** is Captain Nemo's **Motive** (i.e., the world is paying some attention to the Nautilus), collectively treat the presence of one or more Hidden Ship tokens in the Nautilus' **Ocean** as *one* **Warship** token (total, not each) for all **DRM** purposes (i.e., there will be a -1 DRM for almost everything).

- +X for Event and/or Nautilus Upgrade cards used to modify the result, as specified on those cards. E.g., Adventurer's League, Armory, and Diving Apparatus modify Adventure card TEST DRMs.
- +X for exerting specific Ship Resources. You can only exert any Ship Resources (i.e., Nemo, Crew, and/or Hull) permitted for that TEST as indicated on that TEST card. Most TEST Actions limit you to only one Ship Resource as indicated; if you do exert any, add their DRMs as indicated on the Ship Resources tracks (see Exerting Ship Resource DRMs below).
- +X for Spending Treasure. You can only spend (i.e., discard) a maximum of one Treasure token (()) when performing a Rest, Refit, Repair, or Incite TEST Action (spending Treasure for other TESTS is not permitted) and that Treasure token must have a Treasure Victory Point (VP) value on it. You receive that spent token's Treasure VP value as a +DRM for that TEST. Nemo's Motive only modifies your Victory Point score at the end of the game, not the value of Treasure tokens spent for DRMs during play.

You can spend Retain Treasure tokens for their Treasure value, when appropriate.

Map Room upgrade: You may return any discarded (i.e., lost, removed, spent, etc.) Treasure token that has a **Treasure VP** value to the **Treasure** cup instead.

Also note that there is **Emergency Help** (see Rule 13) for things you can do to alter matters after determining the result!

Exerting Ship Resource DRMs

Each TEST card indicates which Ship Resource(s) you can exert, if any, to assist with their DRMs. Ship Resources are listed below:

S for Nemo; for Crew; and for Hull

- You need not exert *any* **Ship Resources** during a **TEST**; it is entirely your option, but you must decide **before rolling the dice**.
- You can exert none, any, or all of the Ship Resources listed as available to help with that specific TEST card.
- Note that TEST Actions (e.g., Search, Refit, etc.) allow you to risk only one Ship **Resource**, maximum, but you may *choose* which type.

Procedure

You indicate the exertion of a Ship Resource by moving its marker one-half a position to the right along its track to highlight its **+X DRM** value as shown in the example to the right (in this case a +1 DRM will be gained for exerting the Hull Ship Resource). That +X DRM value is gained for exerting that Ship Resource.

Double Hull upgrade: Gain an additional +1 DRM when exerting your Hull Resource.

Risk

Every time you exert a Ship Resource to gain its DRM (and there are many different occasions when this can occur; it is a constant quandary), you have, in fact, "bet it" on the outcome of that **TEST**.

Result

If you PASS that TEST, immediately reclaim the Ship Resource(s) you exerted on it (see Rule 8 - GAINING AND LOSING SHIP RESOURCES). That is, return the wagered Ship Resource marker one-half a position to the left.

If you FAIL the TEST, or your Attack fails, or your TEST Action result has a red title (see Rule 11 – ACTION PHASE), you lose an amount of each Ship Resource type wagered (see Rule 8 – GAINING AND LOSING SHIP RESOURCES; if you wagered no Ship Resources, then you lose no additional/wagered Ship Resources). This amount varies by Difficulty Level as shown below (and see Rule 12 – COMBAT, on "Applying Hits").

TEST FAILURE DIFFICULTY SETTING

This is a **critically important** Difficulty Level setting! Remember, when you can't decide, all Difficulty Level settings default to OFFICER.

SAILOR: Failed TEST losses from each Ship Resource exerted are always 1.

OFFICER: Failed **TEST** losses from *each* **Ship Resource** exerted equals 1 if the result of the *lowest die* rolled for the TEST was a •, otherwise the loss equals **2**.

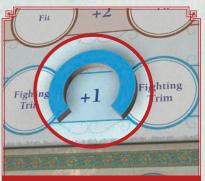
CAPTAIN: Failed TEST losses from each Ship Resource exerted are equal to the full amount of the lowest die's result.

Important: These lost Ship Resources are in addition to penalties listed for FAILING that TEST! (See example to the right.) Which means this could be quite disastrous!

8. GAINING AND LOSING SHIP RESOURCES

If you gain a Ship Resource, move its marker along its track one full position (i.e., to the next circle) to the left, but never above its highest, leftmost (starting) position; ignore any gains past that.

If you spend or lose a Ship Resource, move its marker along the track one full position (i.e., to the next circle) to the right. The game immediately ends in **Defeat** if any **Ship Resource** reaches the rightmost space on its track (i.e., Nemo is Broken, the Crew is Killed, or the Hull is Shattered, see Rule 14 – HOW THE GAME ENDS).



In this instance, the Hull **Ship Resource** is being exerted for a +1 DRM.

EXAMPLE

You reveal The Whales (Event 29). It is a TEST card with a TEST Value of 9, and indicates that you can exert the Crew and/ or **Hull** to contribute their **DRMs**.

Before you roll the dice, you decide to exert only the **Hull**, and doing so currently provides a measly (but much needed) +1 DRM. You move the Hull Resource marker over to the right half a position, indicating that you are wagering your already-battered Hull on this **TEST's** outcome.

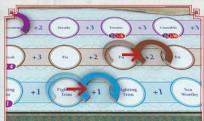
With no revealed Warship tokens in that **Ocean** (to penalize your dice roll), nor *applicable* Nautilus *upgrades*, *the net* **DRM** is **+1**. You throw the dice, rolling a and 🖸 (with a +1 DRM from risking the exerted **Hull**) for a modified total of **8**, which is not enough - you FAIL!

Because you are playing at the **OFFICER** Difficulty Level, to FAIL costs you four Hull Resources (i.e., two Hull hits as indicated on the card as the penalty for FAILING this TEST, plus two more from your just-exerted **Hull** loss due to not rolling a • in your failed exertion). Hmm... that is looking pretty ugly for the Nautilus as this outcome would cause your **Defeat** (by shattering the Nautilus' Hull).

You are left with no choice but to Sacrifice a Character to save your situation (see Rule 13 – EMERGENCY HELP). Ned Land with his +1 DRM would be sufficient, but you have previously Sacrificed him, so he is not available! Conseil is available and would get you a re-roll, but you could end up no better off after **Sacrificing** him, so you decide that **Professor Aronnax** must make the needed Sacrifice and lend his +2DRM to increase your TEST result to a 10 and save the day. You flip his Character tile and gain one Notoriety () for doing so.

Now, having successfully resolved the **TEST** of The Whales, you receive its PASS reward, opting to gain 1 **Crew** (instead of **2 Treasures**) and then place this card in the **PASS** Pile. A Pyrrhic victory, indeed.

EXAMPLE



In this example, the **Crew Ship Resource** is **Exerted** (for a +2 DRM), as well as the Hull Ship Resource (for a +1 DRM), giving a +3 **DRM** in total. This is indicated by moving both Ship Resource markers as shown.

You **FAIL** the **TEST**, having exerted both the Crew and Hull of the Nautilus. The **TEST** number is a **10**, and you roll a • and a • , which is a total of 6, +3for your exerted Ship Resources = 9. Not enough to PASS!

Consequently (as you are playing at the OFFICER Difficulty Level for TEST results), your FAIL costs you two each of your exerted **Crew** and **Hull Resources** since the lowest die result in your failed dice roll was not a 🖸 (it was a 💽) Then, after losing those combined four Resources, you also lose any additional Ship Resources indicated on that card for failing this **TEST**. A calamity (which would have been even worse were you playing at the **CAPTAIN** Difficulty Level for **TEST** results)!

Note that, at the **OFFICER** Difficulty Level, if the loss roll had been a total of 6, but from a dice roll of 🖬 and 🔀 , you would only lose **one each** of the exerted Crew and Hull Resources, which would have been much less painful.

To help you avoid such calamities, Emergency Help is available (see Rule 13). These are things you can do to alter matters after determining the result.



In this example. a FAIL result costs two of each Ship Resource Exerted, as the lowest die of the failed roll was not a 💽 . If it had been a • , only one of each Ship Resource would have been lost.

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Reaching the rightmost space on any of the Ship Resource tracks will end the game in a Defeat.

9. GAINING NOTORIETY

If you gain **Notoriety** (abbreviated by the symbol 🕥), advance the **Notoriety** marker along the track to the next numbered box(es). Notoriety can never go below zero. Reaching certain Notoriety thresholds triggers their events as described in this Rule.

Humanist Motive: Bad Press



The Price of Nice: While Nemo's Motive is Humanist, during the Action Phase (only!), triple all Notoriety gains. Use caution when initiating Attack and Adventure Actions. Captain Nemo cannot endure a lot of bad press!

Ship Group Reinforcements

When the **Notoriety** marker reaches the #14* box, immediately add the **Blue Ship** group to the **Ship** cup and mix them in.

Similarly, when the Notoriety marker reaches the #26* box, add the Green Ship group to the **Ship** cup and mix them in.

*These numbers might vary with the Difficulty Level you select for them during setup (see Rule 3 #7 – GAME SETUP).

One Way Ticket: Reinforcement ships, once added to the **Ship** cup, remain there even if your Notoriety is reduced below the level required to add them.



When the **Notoriety** marker reaches the spaces indicated here, the corresponding **Ship group** is added to the Ship Draw Pool.

Allied Navies Upgrade

When the **Notoriety** marker reaches the **#36** box, if that is *not* your Defeat! Level, immediately flip all the Warships on the map that are not colored Gray. Use only such ships' stronger Purple sides for the remainder of the game, including when placing Ship tokens.

Imperialist Determination

At the beginning of a turn, when the **Notoriety** marker is in the **#44** box or higher, if that is not your Defeat! Level, roll one additional black die (🎲) during each future turn's Placement Phase.

Game Over: Defeat

The game immediately ends in **Defeat** if the **Notoriety** marker reaches the indicated box of that track based upon Nemo's current Motive. At that moment, Nemo loses his spirit to carry on, sensing that he has become notorious as a global **Pariah** (see Rule 14 – HOW THE GAME ENDS).

When Act III begins, you cannot change Nemo's Motive to one causing an automatic Notoriety Defeat (see Rule 15 in the Between Voyages Guide – DEFEAT, VICTORY, AND SCORING).





Piracy: Never Say Die!

There is no Notoriety Defeat when Nemo's Motive is Piracy. Instead, when the Notoriety marker reaches the #51 box (i.e., the end of the Notoriety track), it remains frozen there and the game rules are modified as follows:

- 1. Infamy to Infinity: Treat all future Notoriety fluctuations as +0 Notoriety.
- 2. Limited Options: When offered a choice between affecting Notoriety or some other aspect, you *must* choose the other.
- **3.** Imperialist Retaliation: For the rest of the game, determine your Action Points using the differential of the **black** dice (instead of the **white** dice) each **Placement Phase** (and ignore the white dice during Lull turns).

Limiting Gains and Reducing Notoriety

- Use Incite Actions to successfully place Uprising cubes (see Rule 11 ACTION PHASE, INCITE). You have distracted the Imperialists' attention away from your endeavors.
- There are many **Nautilus Upgrade** cards that you might acquire which can help keep your **Notoriety** manageable (see Appendix A – NAUTILUS BLUEPRINTS and Rule 11 – ACTION PHASE, REFIT). Examples include Electric Horns, Fog Machine, Monstrous Design, Nemo's Manifesto, and Periscope Device.
- Adventure cards might also occasionally help (or hinder) you.

10. PLACEMENT PHASE

Placement Dice Roll

Begin the **Placement Phase** by rolling the dice indicated on the current **Act** card on the top of its stack (off the board to the left of the Draw Pile). This will always include two white dice and, as the game progresses, a **black** and the **third white** die (plus one additional **black** die if your Notoriety is currently #44 or higher).

Crystalline Sensors upgrade: You may reroll one Placement die one time and apply that result.

After rolling all the dice indicated for that Act's turn, note the results for the two white dice first.* If you rolled three white dice that turn, you must choose any two of them and perform the first two of these three functions (and use all the dice rolled for the third function):

- 1. Their differential determines how many Action Points (APs) you receive that turn (see Rule 11 – ACTION PHASE, ACTION POINTS).
- 2. If the two (selected) white dice both show the same result (i.e., you rolled or selected doubles), it is a **Lull Turn** (see "A **Lull Turn**" later in this Rule).
- 3. Conduct Ship placement for each die thrown (i.e., all the white dice, regardless of which two were selected; include all the **black** dice if it is *not* a **Lull Turn**) in the **Oceans** corresponding with their respective results. You will conduct multiple placements every turn!



*Piracy: Imperialist Constraints

As there is no Notoriety Defeat when Nemo's Motive is Piracy, when the Notoriety marker reaches the #51 box at the end of the Notoriety track, it remains frozen there and, for the rest of the game, you determine your **Action Points** using the differential of the **black** dice (instead of the white dice differential) each Placement Phase (and instead ignoring the white dice during Lull Turns).





The current Act card shows which dice you roll. An additional black die is rolled if the **Notoriety** marker has reached space **44** on the **Notoriety** track (shown below).





Based on a roll of 📰 , and the corresponding **Ocean** having a free space, a Hidden Ship token is placed there.

Summary List When a Full Ocean Gains Another Ship:

- A. Place a Hidden Ship token in an adjacent Ocean.
- **B.** Draw a **Ship** token from the **Ship** cup, examine it, and replace a Hidden **Ship** token with it in that or an adjacent Ocean.
- **C.** Flip a revealed **Non-warship** to its Warship side (i.e., flip a white Ship token to its Gray side) in that or an adjacent Ocean.
- **D.** Draw a **Warship** from the **Ship** cup, examine it, and place it in any **Open** space anywhere in the world; if there are no **Open** spaces remaining, you lose (see Rule 14 – HOW THE GAME ENDS)! If you place it in the same **Ocean** as the *Nautilus*, you must fight it immediately.

This is a **crucial strategy element** in the game! How you decide to "paint the board" with the growing number of increasingly lethal **Ship** tokens is often the difference between the success or failure of your *Motive*. When you have a choice, consider these placements carefully!

Placing Ship Tokens

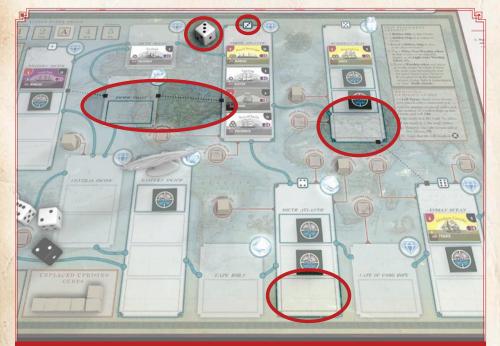
When conducting multiple placements, do them in order from lowest-to-highest-numbered Oceans (i.e., placement goes from , the **Western Pacific**, to **H**, the **Indian Ocean**). When performing more than one placement in a particular **Ocean**, perform them one at a time (it matters).

For each placement, take one **Hidden Ship** token and place it in an **Open** space in the indicated Major Ocean (based on the die roll's result).

If there are no open spaces in that **Major Ocean**, then you must do the first possible item on the list (**A**, **B**, **C**, or **D**) below:

A. Spread Out

Place a **Hidden Ship** token in an empty **Ocean** space in an *adjacent* **Ocean**, if any are available. Note that the dotted line connecting some **Oceans** (e.g., the **Pacific Coast** to the **North Atlantic**) exists only for the purpose of placement (not movement).



Based on a roll of 🔽 , and the corresponding **Ocean** already being full, the options for placing a **Hidden Ship** token are those highlighted in the adiacent **Oceans**. Note the black dotted line allows placement.

B. Reveal

If there is no **Open** space to place that **Hidden Ship** token in an adjacent **Ocean** (*A*), then draw one Ship token from the Ship cup. After examining it, replace one Hidden Ship token in that or an adjacent Ocean (remember that dotted lines are usable) of your choice with that newly-drawn Ship token.

If it has a white (i.e., **Non-warship**) side, place it with that side showing. If it does not have a white side, place it so that it is showing its non-Purple side if the **Notoriety** marker has not yet passed #36 on the Notoriety track, or showing its Purple side after reaching that threshold.

C. Get Hostile

If there are no **Open** spaces to place a **Hidden Ship** token in that or a neighboring **Ocean** (*A*), and all of the spaces in those **Oceans** contain revealed **Ship** tokens (B), then flip over one white Non-warship token there to show its Gray Warship side.

D. Go Hunting

If there are no **Open** spaces to place a **Hidden Ship** token in that or a neighboring **Ocean** (*A*), all of the spaces in those **Oceans** contain revealed **Ship** tokens (B), and there are no white **Non**warships among them (C), then draw one Ship token from the Ship cup and examine it.

- If it has a white Non-warship side, place it on the map with its Gray Warship side showing instead. They're going hunting!
- If it does not have a white **Non-warship** side, you must place it showing its non-Purple side if the **Notoriety** marker has not yet passed **#36** on the **Notoriety** track, or place it showing its Purple side after reaching that threshold.

You must place a Hunting Ship in an Open space anywhere in the world (i.e., regardless of proximity).

- If you place it in the same Ocean as the Nautilus, you must immediately Stalk Attack that Ship token as a free Action (see Rule 6 – EVENT PHASE AND TESTS, PLAY Event Cards).
- If there are no **Open** spaces left on the map, you immediately lose the game (this is an Imperialist Powers' Victory; see Rule 14 – HOW THE GAME ENDS).

When There Are No Ship Tokens Left to Draw: When the Ship cup is exhausted, use all the Ships in the Ship Discard Pile to restock the cup. If there are no discarded Ships remaining, then all of the uncommitted Green, Blue, Dark Yellow, and Orange ships not yet in play are immediately added to the cup.

OPTIONAL RULE

Deadly Seas Expansion



Any time a **Deadly Seas** token is pulled from the **Ship** cup you must immediately reveal and resolve it (this can occur at other times than the **Placement Phase**, but we are explaining it here as this is the most common time). This option is a net disadvantage but there are benefits as well as risks.

- Most **Deadly Seas** tokens are events to immediately resolve and then discard.
- o The **Hidden Ship** token which would have been revealed, is not. Instead, it remains in play, undisturbed, on the map.
- o If you were attacking it (see Rule 11- ACTION PHASE, ATTACK), your Action Point is spent instead dealing with the **Deadly Seas** event (and this also ends your string of multiple **Bold** Attacks per Rule 11).
- Only a Ship Group token (see below) replaces a Hidden Ship token on the map when drawn at times other than the **Placement Phase**. It is/can be attacked normally when revealed.

Most of the **Deadly Seas** tokens are self-explanatory; here is a closer look at each:

Coastal Village

If there is a space to place an **Uprising** cube () in that **Ocean**, and you have an **Uprising** cube available, you may place one there for free.

Cyclone!

This weather event, while not a Warship, attacks the Nautilus in the same way. Afterward, discard it and all of the other hidden and revealed **Ship** tokens in the Nautilus' **Ocean**!

Fire Aboard!

You must lose one Ship Resource or Sacrifice one available Character tile of your choice.

Nautilus Breakdown!

Immediately place the **Action Point** marker in its **#0** box and skip (the remainder of) your Action Phase this turn. You cannot use Resources that give you additional or free Actions this turn. Is there a saboteur on board?

Red Sky at Night

Retain this as an **Emergency Resource**. It works in the same manner as **Professor Aronnax** (i.e., discard it for a **+2 DRM** after the dice roll).

The title comes from the ancient weather saying: "Red sky at night, sailors' delight; Red sky at morning, sailors take warning."

Rogue Wave!

Sacrifice one available Character tile of your choice (if you have any remaining) without receiving its benefit. Note that losing Nadeen Dakkar is a defeat condition!

Ship Group Tokens

The **Ship Group** tokens function as other **Ship** tokens do; they do not have a Purple side to convert to, so don't bother with them when the time comes. When placed, they expand commerce and automatically trigger the placement of two more **Ship** tokens in that **Ocean** using the usual Placement protocols (see Rule 10 - PLACEMENT PHASE).

Uncharted Island

Revealing this **Deadly Seas** token interrupts the game; you must immediately resolve **one** free Adventure Action (see Rule 11 – ACTION PHASE, ADVENTURE). Afterward, continue play normally.



A Lull Turn

If the two **white** dice used for that turn are doubles (e.g., 🔀 and 💽; which, in this case, makes Ocean #5, The European Seas, the "doubles" Ocean), place one Ship token for each white die rolled (which means multiple ships in the doubles **Ocean**). All of the following **Lull Turn** activities apply:

1. Hidden Ship Placement

Place **Ships** only using the (two or three) **white** dice roll numbers and ignore the **black** die (or dice) results that turn.



While Nemo's **Motive** is **Piracy** and the **Notoriety** marker is in the **#51** box at the end of the **Notoriety** track, reverse these colors; use only the **black** dice results for ship placement in the **Lull Turn** and ignore the white dice results.

2. Treasure Placement

THE DOUBLES OCEAN

corresponding to the number you rolled

E.g., if you rolled double "•• s," then the

The "doubles **Ocean**" is the **Ocean**

doubles of, triggering the Lull Turn.

North Atlantic is the "doubles Ocean."

The two **Oceans** highlighted here both

have a Treasure Available gemstone.

This denotes that a **Search Action** is

possible in these locations.

Place one **Treasure Available** gemstone in each of the following, in this order while the stock lasts:

- A. One in the doubles Ocean (see "Adding Treasure Gemstones to the Map" below).
- **B.** One on top of the **Adventure Deck** as an extra reward when performing its next card.
- C. Guilds Deck upgrade: One on the next empty space on the Salvage track (if it is not full) where each such gemstone counts as one Salvage Point.

3. The Imperialists' World Order: Uprising Cube Removal

The Imperialist Powers take advantage of the lull to crush uprisings (see "Removing Uprising" Cubes" below).

4. Actions

Lull Turns also affect your **Action Phase** (see Rule 11 – ACTION PHASE). You will have fewer Action Points to spend that turn (because you gained none*), but expensive Actions are cheaper that turn if you can find some Action Points to spend. Also see Adventure Motive, below.

*Nemo Cell Batteries upgrade: You instead gain one Action Point each Lull Turn. This is cumulative with those gained while Nemo's Motive is Adventure (see below).



Adventure Motive: Never a Lull Moment

While Nemo's **Motive** is **Adventure**, **Lull Turns** are handled a little differently:

• You receive 2 Action Points (not 0).

- You do not receive the Lull Turn "discount" for normal Actions during a Lull Turn.
- That is, normal Actions reduced in cost to only **1** Action Point during a Lull Turn (e.g., Rest) always cost 2 Action Points during a Lull Turn while Nemo's Motive is Adventure. However, events which reduce costs to only **1** Action Point during a Lull Turn still apply normally (e.g., The Grecian Archipelago or The South Pole would still cost **1** Action Point during an Adventure Motive Lull Turn).
- You also place **1** Adventure token (if possible), face down, in the doubles Ocean. If that **Ocean** already has a face down **Adventure** token in it, place it in an adjacent **Ocean** that does not have one; if there is no such **Ocean**, do not place that **Adventure** token; it is forfeit.
- Otherwise, it is still a Lull Turn; conduct all other aspects of it normally (Ship Placement, Treasure Gemstones Placement, and Uprising Cube Removal).

Adding Treasure Gemstones to the Map

Oceans either do or do not have Treasure in them. Think of this as a "bit" in computer programming: it is either yes or no.

When an Ocean has a Treasure Available gemstone, it does have Treasure and you may search for it (see Rule 11 – ACTION PHASE, SEARCH). Remove an Ocean's Treasure Available gemstone (returning it to the stock) after a successful Search Action there or when instructed to by an event.

When an **Ocean** gains **Treasure** (e.g., during a **Lull Turn**), place a **Treasure Available** gemstone there to indicate this happy status. If that **Ocean** already has a **Treasure Available** gemstone in it, place it in an adjacent **Ocean** that does not have one; if there is no such **Ocean**, do not place that gemstone: it is forfeit.

Note: Because gemstones are a limited resource in the game, if you are ever required to place one when the stock is empty, simply ignore that placement.

Removing Uprising Cubes (the Imperialists' World Order) The Imperialists opposing you are not asleep during a Lull Turn!

At the end of the Placement Phase of a Lull Turn, for each Ocean that has a Land space with an Uprising cube connected to it, check to see if the Imperialist Powers are busy crushing an uprising there.

Add the number of **Uprising** cubes AND every revealed Ship token in that **Ocean**, and roll **1d6**:

- If the result is **greater than or equal to** (\geq) the sum, the Imperialist Powers' efforts fail and there is no effect.
- If the result is **less than** (<) the sum, the Imperialist Powers have succeeded in pushing back against your ventures on land. Now you must either:
- A. Abandon your support and **remove one Uprising cube** from a **Land** space connected to that **Ocean** (returning it to the stock), OR
- B. Press your support and immediately gain **Notoriety** () equal to the just-rolled result.

For more information on **Uprising** cubes, see page 8 and refer to the **Incite Action** in Rule 11 -ACTION PHASE. In general, Uprising cubes are used to reduce your Notoriety during the game and to increase your Liberation score at the end of the game.

11. ACTION PHASE

During the Action Phase, you perform Actions to advance Nemo's cause and lead the Nautilus and her crew through dramatic adventures.

Nemo Prism Binoculars upgrade: Once per Action Phase, when you reveal a Hidden Ship token, you may redraw it, returning the first **Ship** token drawn to the **Ship** cup afterward.

Action Points

At the beginning of your Placement Phase, you make a Differential Roll (see Rule 4 -DEFINITONS AND CONVENTIONS, DIE AND DICE ROLLS). When rolling three white dice during Act III, you must choose which two to use for the Differential Roll result; use the third white die only for Ship placement that turn.

At that time, you add the **Differential Roll** result to your **Action Point** track on the upper-left corner of the map. This is the number of **Action Points** you are allotted this turn to spend as you see fit.



which is recorded on the Action Point track.

Maximum Action Points

The maximum Action Points allowed on the Action Point track is five. If you ever have more than five Action Points (e.g., you saved one from the previous turn and luckily rolled five more this turn), the excess is forfeit unless otherwise specified (some events allow you to temporarily exceed this limit),

Rolling Doubles & Lull Turns

If you roll doubles for your **Differential Roll** (when rolling three **white** dice, you may select two with the same result to achieve doubles), you gain **0** Action Points and that turn is a Lull Turn. (see Rule 10 – PLACEMENT PHASE, and note the difference when Nemo's current Motive is Adventure).



This roll of 🔀 is enough to allow the Uprising cube to remain, as it exceeds the sum of Uprising cubes and revealed Ship tokens (in this case four).

ACTIONS PROBABILITY

The percentages shown on the Action Point track are the approximate chance of receiving that many **Action Points** on a given turn when the Differential Roll uses two white dice. In Act III, when a third white die is added, the math is approximately:

0 AP:	3% (44% if you want a Lull)
1 AP:	14%
2 AP:	22%
3 AP:	25%
4 AP:	22%
5 AP:	14%

ACTIONS LIST

Perform the following Actions at the indicated Action Point (AP) costs:

AP Cost	Action	
2*	Adventure (draw an Adventure card	
-	from the Adventure Deck)	
1	Attack (Bold or Stalk)	
1	Incite (Uprising cube placement)	
1	Move (one Ocean)	
2*	Rest (to regain Crew)	
2*	Repair (to regain Hull)	
2*	Refit (to upgrade the <i>Nautilus</i>)	
1	Search (for Treasure)	
*Costs only 1 AP during a Lull Turn .		

Lull Turns

Lull Turns are like cough drops; very handy when you need one, but most of the time you don't.

The way probabilities work, prior to Act **III**, one-sixth (about 17%) of the time you will roll doubles on the white dice and must conduct a **Lull Turn**. That means, on average, once during Act I and once more during Act II, there will be a Lull Turn.

Should you save 1 Action Point

between turns during this period (Acts I and II)? Unless there is a compelling reason to spend this turn's last Action **Point** now instead of banking it for next turn, you may want to. You are three times more likely to roll another Lull **Turn** than a "5-banger" (i.e., a 1 + 6 combination which gives you 5 Action Points).

During Act III, developer Wes Erni states there is a 44% chance that you will be able to choose to take a Lull Turn. Most times you probably won't due to the high likelihood of achieving a 4- or 5-Action turn that is just too tempting not to take.

Adventure Deck "Camping"

Motives that score bonus Victory Points for the Adventure, Science, and Wonders categories often do well to "camp" on the Adventure Deck and plow through it questing for those **VPs**. This works well with Honorable Motives in particular pursuing a Lull Turn strategy, as this places gemstones on the Adventure Deck and reduces the cost of drawing from 2 Action Points to only 1. Another plus to Adventure Deck camping is that you can ignore any bad or excessively risky cards drawn and instead cherry-pick just the good ones.

There are times when even Stern Motives might use this tactic to quest for the three Nautilus Upgrade cards potentially hiding among the **Adventure** cards or to actually find trouble with the **Imperialists** that will generate an opportunity for higher rewards sinking their ships!

During a Lull Turn, Actions that normally cost 2 Action Points each (including Adventure, Rest, Repair, and/or Refit) only cost 1 Action Point each. You will either have had to save 1 Action Point from the previous turn or scrounge up **Action Points** by other means to keep the Nautilus busy during a Lull Turn.

Spending Action Points

You can perform your **Actions** that turn in any order desired, including conducting the same type of Action multiple times per turn. You must pay each Action's cost in Action Points to perform it. If you do not have sufficient **Action Points** to pay its cost, you cannot perform that **Action**.

Saving Action Points

Between turns, you can save a maximum of 1 Action Point. Any additional unspent Action Points at the end of a turn are lost.

Nothing overrides this rule. When an **Event** requires you to skip (the rest of) your Action Phase, you must still forfeit any Action Points you might have remaining down to 1.

OPTIONAL RULE

Relentless Pursuit

This option puts you at a disadvantage.

At the *beginning* of your **Action Phase** each turn (i.e., *before* conducting *any* **Action**), designate each revealed Warship token in the Nautilus' Ocean, one at a time, roll 1d6 for it, and compare the result to its Warship Victory Point (VP) value. If the result is...

- **Equal to or greater than** (\geq) its **VP** value, there is no effect.
- *Less than* (<) its **VP** value, you must fight it immediately.

This is a mandatory "free" Bold Attack Action (i.e., it costs 0 Action Points) following the **Combat Sequence** per *Rule 12 - COMBAT.* Success *does* allow you to continue making (free) **Bold** Attacks at that Ocean as usual, if desired (see Bold Attacks, below).

Example: The Kõtetsu and the Nautilus begin the **Action Phase** in the same **Ocean**. You make a Relentless Pursuit check to see if the Kõtetsu aggressively pursues the Nautilus. Since the Kõtetsu is worth **2 VPs**, only on a die roll of • will it immediately attack the Nautilus!

ADVENTURE

Spend 2 Action Points (or **1** during a **Lull Turn**). Draw the top card from the **Adventure Deck** (not the **Draw Pile**!) along the right side of the map and read it. Then, you may either:

- **A.** Perform that card's activity and, afterward, collect **one Treasure** token () for each Treasure Available gemstone on top of the Adventure Deck (returning these to the stock)
- **B**. Decline to perform that card's activity and simply return it, face down, to the bottom of the Adventure Deck, leaving any Treasure Available gemstones there uncollected.
- You cannot choose this Action if there are no cards left in the Adventure Deck.
- All Adventure TEST rolls have the following DRMs:
- -1 if there are any revealed **Warship** tokens in that **Ocean** (and see Rule 7 RESOLVING TESTS regarding the **Piracy Motive**).

Adventurer's League upgrade: +1 DRM to all Adventure card TEST die rolls.



Adventure Motive: Seeing the World

While Nemo's **Motive** is **Adventure**, after performing an **Adventure** Action (it must be performed and cannot be declined, and regardless of **PASSING** or **FAILING** any **TEST Event** card drawn), you may also claim a revealed Adventure token in the Nautilus' Ocean as a **bonus reward**. Consider it a "**Retain**" **Treasure** token; i.e., you have the option to discard it ("X") for an excellent benefit or score it at the end for both of its Victory Point categories.

ATTACK (INITIATE COMBAT)

Spend 1 Action Point to conduct a Bold or Stalk Attack

If you have the Nautilus upgrades Steam Torpedoes and/or Hospital Machines, each allows you to conduct one free (i.e., 0 Action Points) Torpedo or Diplomacy Attack (repectively) per turn.

You must first designate the target ship and type of attack you are attempting and then perform the Combat Sequence (see Rule 12 – COMBAT).

BURY TREASURE

OPTIONAL RULE

Buried Treasure

This option puts you at a variable advantage.

While Nemo's Motive is "Stern" (Anti-Imperialism, Piracy, War!, or World Order), you may perform this special Bury Treasure Action:

- A. Burying Time: It costs 2 Action Points* (or 1 during a Lull Turn).
- *Officer's Mess upgrade: Afterward you may immediately conduct a free Move Action.
- **B. Treasure Maps:** You can only bury **Treasure Map** tokens (i.e., plain treasures having 0 to 5 Treasure VPs only; these are easily identified by the map on their background). You can bury any or all such tokens in your **Collected Treasures** box when you perform this Action.
- C. "X" Marks the Spot: Remove Buried Treasure tokens from the Collected Treasures box and place them on the **Motive** tile where they are out of play until scoring.

If, optionally (see 15 – DEFEAT, VICTORY, AND SCORING, Nemo's Motive), at the beginning of Act III, Nemo changes to an Honorable Motive (Adventure, Explore, Humanist, or **Science**), immediately "dig up" any buried treasures and return them to the **Collected** Treasures box.

D.Dead Men Tell No Tales: When scoring, count the number of spaces the **Crew Resource** marker is below its maximum; you may choose up to that many Buried Treasure tokens to score **DOUBLE** their value in **Treasure VPs**. Additional **Buried Treasure** tokens still score their (undoubled) **VPs** normally.

For example, at the game's end your **Crew Resource** track is down **4** positions below its maximum showing the middle "Fit" space; thus, you can score up to 4 Treasure Map tokens at double their VP value.

CLOCKWORK CIPHER

This is a free Action while equipped with the **Clockwork Cipher** upgrade. Once during each Action Phase, you may flip any one revealed Ship token in the Nautilus' Ocean (i.e., changing the color of its currently-revealed) sides. This can turn gray Warships back into white Nonwarships and vice-versa, or change a Warship into its stronger or weaker version.

INCITE

The Incite Action lets you place Uprising cubes on the board in an effort to distract the Imperialists and thereby reducing your Notoriety. They are also worth Liberation Victory Points at the end of the game.

Spend 1 Action Point. If an Uprising cube is available in their holding box, perform an Incite TEST (see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS and also see the Action Success Table at the lower-left corner of the board). If successful, place one **Uprising** cube () in an empty **Land** space connected to the **Ocean** where the *Nautilus* is located and reduce your **Notoriety** ((a)) per the result.

Note that **each** revealed **Ship** token (not just **Warship** tokens) in the *Nautilus*' **Ocean** contributes a -1 DRM, as does *each* already placed Uprising cube in that Ocean (only; so there can be multiple -1 DRMs applied).

Whenever you place an Uprising cube for any other reason (by an event, etc.), your Notoriety (🔝) is unaffected.

Arcane Library upgrade: +1 DRM to all Incite TEST die rolls. Armory upgrade: +1 DRM to all Incite TEST die rolls.



A sample Treasure Map token suitable for burying.

EXAMPLE

For example, Nemo has a Stern Motive at the game's end and your Crew Resource track is down 4 positions below its maximum showing the middle "**Fit**" space: as a result, you can score up to 4 Treasure Map tokens at double their VP value.



The Action Success Table on the board provides the modifiers and results for the Search, Rest, Repair, Refit, and Incite Actions.



Ship tokens

Reminder: When there is a conflict, the Rules on cards and tokens supersede other Rules. That is, they can "break" the Rules.

EXAMPLE



Upgrading the Nautilus: After spending 2 Action Points to Refit the Nautilus, you consult the Actions Success Table and check the **Dice Roll Modifiers**. There are no Warships in your Ocean; you risk the Nemo Ship Resource for a +2 DRM and discard a 1 value **Treasure** token for a total **DRM** of **+3**. Your dice roll of **5** is modified to an **8**, which is an **Expensive Success**, forcing you to immediately discard another **Treasure** token (you discard a collected Wonder as it isn't worth much with your current motive of War!).

Discarding 2 Salvaged Ship tokens from along the right side of the board, you purchase the available Fog Machine upgrade and soon employ it to combat your growing Notoriety problem.

Nemo's Manifesto upgrade: After PASSING an Incite Action, you may then spend any 1 Ship **Resource** using its **DRM** as a *further reduction* in (a) (e.g., if it would have provided a **+3 DRM**, you instead receive an additional -3 🛋).

War Room upgrade: After an **Incite** roll, you may change either die's result to a before determining the outcome. A **War Room** plan can be invaluable in close situations!



World Order: Every Crowd Has a Silver Lining

While your Motive is **World Order**, when you place an **Uprising** cube () via a successful Incite Action, you also draw 1 Treasure token (courtesy of your new allies there).

MOVE

Spend 1 Action Point. Move the Nautilus marker to an adjacent connected Ocean (Major or Transitional)

Note that the dotted lines between **Oceans** are not used for movement (they are used for Imperialist Ship placement during the Placement Phase).

Gas Turbine upgrade: You may make one free Move Action per turn.

Hydro Drive upgrade: You can move the Nautilus up to two Oceans per Move Action.

Officer's Mess upgrade: After completing another Action that you paid 2 Action Points to perform, you may immediately conduct a free Move Action.

REST

Spend 2* Action Points (or 1 during a Lull Turn). Perform a Rest TEST (see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS and the **Action Success Table** at the lower-left corner of the board) in an effort to gain **Crew**.

All Rest TEST rolls have the following DRMs:

-1 if there are any revealed **Warship** tokens in that **Ocean** (and see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS regarding the **Piracy Motive**).

*Officer's Mess upgrade: Afterward you may immediately conduct a free Move Action.

Prize Crew Quarters upgrade: Whether you are Successful or not, you may also discard one Salvaged Ship token on this card to "train" (i.e., gain) 1 Crew Resource.

REPAIR

Spend 2* Action Points (or 1 during a Lull Turn). Perform a Repair TEST (see Rule 7 -RESOLVING TESTS and the Actions Success Table at the lower-left corner of the board) in an effort to gain Hull.

All Repair TEST rolls have the following DRMs:

-1 if there are any revealed **Warship** tokens in that **Ocean** (and see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS regarding the **Piracy Motive**).

*Officer's Mess upgrade: Afterward you may immediately conduct a free Move Action.

Expensive

If you **PASS** with an "**Expensive**" result, you must discard one of your available **Treasure** tokens (()) of any type. This is *in addition to* the **Treasure** token you may have just spent to modify the dice roll. If you have none available to lose, you still PASS that TEST.

REFIT

Spend 2* Action Points (or 1 during a Lull Turn). Perform a Refit TEST (see Rule 7 -**RESOLVING TESTS** and the **Action Success Table** at the lower-left corner of the board) in an effort to gain an available **Nautilus Upgrade** card. You can only purchase one **Nautilus Upgrade** card per successful **Refit Action**. For a listing of **Nautilus Upgrade** cards and their gameplay effects, see the Blueprint Appendix A at the end of this book.

All Refit TEST rolls have the following DRMs:

-1 if there are any revealed **Warship** tokens in that **Ocean** (and see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS regarding the Piracy Motive).

*Officer's Mess upgrade: Afterward you may immediately conduct a free Move Action.

Expensive

If you **PASS** with an "**Expensive**" result, you must discard one of your available **Treasure** tokens (💎) of any type. This is *in addition to* the **Treasure** token you may have just spent to modify the dice roll. If you have none available to lose, you still PASS that TEST.

Success

If you are successful, discard the desired Upgrade's cost in Salvaged Ships (see Rule 12 -COMBAT, Sunken Ships as Salvage) off to the right side of the board to pay for it. Then add that Upgrade card to your Tableau to show it is now equipped and usable.

Nemo Prism Binoculars upgrade: Available for free when any other Nautilus Upgrade card is **Refit** onto the *Nautilus*.

Scarcity

Do not restock the Available Upgrades area after Refitting the Nautilus. Only certain circumstances adjust the Available Upgrades area. It can hold more than four cards, if needed.

REFLECT

Requires the **Nemo's Sanctorum** upgrade. Once during each **Action Phase**, you may either:

A. Gain 2 Action Points by reducing the Nemo Resource by 1, OR

B. Gain 1 Nemo Resource by expending 2 Action Points* (or 1 during a Lull Turn).

*Officer's Mess upgrade: Afterward you may immediately conduct a free Move Action.

SEARCH

Spend 1 Action Point. Perform a Search TEST (see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS and see the Action Success Table at the lower-left corner of the board) in an effort to collect a Treasure token (**(**) from the *Nautilus*' **Ocean**. There must be a **Treasure Available** gemstone there indicating that treasure is present to be searched for!

All Search TEST rolls have the following DRMs:

-1 for each revealed **Ship** token in that **Ocean** (and see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS regarding a Piracy Motive). This can result in multiple negative DRMs!

*Officer's Mess upgrade: Afterward you may immediately conduct a free Move Action. Map Room upgrade: +1 DRM to all Search TEST die rolls.

After successfully collecting that Ocean's Treasure, return its Treasure Available gemstone to the stock. **Treasure** availability could be replenished later (see Rule 10 – PLACEMENT PHASE) during a Lull Turn or via an Event, thus allowing you to search there again.

When you gain a **Treasure** token (), place it in the **Collected Treasures** box unless it is an event.

- Those beginning with an X are performed immediately and discarded.
- You may place "Retain" Treasure tokens in the Collected Treasures box or in your Tableau to keep a closer eye on their special abilities.
- A **Retain Treasure** token allows you to either keep it until the end of the game for its **Treasure** value or discard it at any time for its **X** effect to receive that alternate benefit (sacrificing that Treasure's Victory Point value).

Map Room upgrade: Immediately after drawing and examining each Treasure token you may draw a second one for +1 Notoriety (); keep one and return the other to the Treasure cup.



Adventure Motive: Search for Adventure Finders

When Nemo's Motive is Adventure, if there is an Adventure token in the Nautilus Ocean, reveal it after performing a successful Search Action there. Doing this still entitles you to collect that Ocean's Treasure (if any).

Keepers

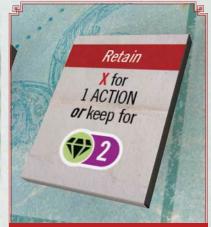
Once revealed, immediately place that Adventure token in its specified Ocean regardless of the presence or absence of other tokens there. You have "searched for" and discovered that adventure, now you must claim it with an Adventure or successful Attack Action in that Ocean.



Steam Torpedoes are not of the WWII variety! Having no torpedo tubes, to fire a torpedo the Nautilus must surface, prepare, place it in the water, aim, and then launch it. They are effective, but not quick-firing.

EXAMPLE

A **Treasure** token that reads "Retain: **X** for 1 Action OR keep for 2 Treasure VPs" means that you may remove that Treasure token from play (now or in the future) to receive **1** free **Action Point** OR simply retain it until the end of the game to receive its 2 Treasure Victory Points.

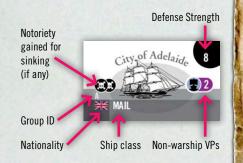


Some Treasure tokens can be Retained until the game's end for their VP value or discarded during the game for their listed enefit.

Warships



Non-warships





This Ship grants Wonder VPs as well as its Non-warship VPs



Special instructions to be carried out upon sinking this Ship, in this case, drawing a Treasure token

12. COMBAT

When engaging in battle (including when conducting Torpedo or Diplomacy Attacks), follow the Combat Sequence below. One Hit sinks any Ship token, while the Nautilus takes several Hits to be destroyed.

Targeting a Ship

Designate (i.e., "target") one revealed or Hidden Ship token in the Ocean where the Nautilus is located, placing the appropriate Attack! marker (i.e., Bold, Stalk, Torpedo, or Diplomacy) on it.

If targeting a **Hidden Ship** token, immediately replace it with a revealed **Ship** token from the Ship cup:

- If that newly drawn **Ship** token has a white (i.e., **Non-warship**) side, place it with that side showing.
- If it does not have a white side, place it so that it is showing its non-purple side, if the Notoriety marker has not passed space #36 on the Notoriety track, or showing its purple side after reaching that threshold.

Nemo Prism Binoculars upgrade: Once per Action Phase, when you reveal a Hidden Ship token, you may redraw it, returning the first **Ship** token drawn to the **Ship** cup afterward.

Combat Sequence

There are only two steps in the **Combat Sequence**:

1. If the designated **Ship** is a **Warship** (i.e., it has both an **Attack** and **Defense Strength**), it attacks the Nautilus first. After applying any damage, proceed to Step 2.

If the designated ship is a **Non-warship**, skip this step and go directly to Step 2.

2. The Nautilus attacks the designated Ship.

Magnetic Mines upgrade: The Combat Sequence for Bold and Stalk Attacks is reversed (i.e., the Nautilus attacks first) versus Armored ships (i.e., those with "Iron," "Armored," or "Battle" in their class name). These ships, having a cuirass of armor on their sides, were not armored below the waterline! They only "return fire" if the Nautilus FAILS its Attack.



Warships are denoted by a red Attack Strength in the top left corner. In this example, the Pale Yellow Ship is a Warship, while the White Ship is a Non-warship.

Step 1: How Warships Attack the Nautilus

Non-warships do not attack the Nautilus. If the targeted ship is a Non-warship, proceed directly to Step 2.

During **Step 1**, if the targeted ship is a **Warship**, it takes the first shot. It attacks the *Nautilus* using this procedure:

A. Enemy Attack TEST: Roll 2d6 and compare the modified result to that Warship's Attack Strength. The DRMs are:

Reinforced Armor upgrade: +1 DRM.

-1 if there is any other revealed **Warship** token in that **Ocean** (and see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS regarding a **Piracy Motive**).

Important: There are no other DRMs relating to Warship attacks on the Nautilus! You cannot exert a **Resource** to reduce its chance of success against you.

When the Nautilus is conducting a **Diplomacy Attack** (only when it is equipped with the Hospital Machines Upgrade card), roll 3d6 and you choose which two to use to resolve their attack against you). The Imperialists still shoot first and respect your Flag of Truce later, but at least they are more likely to be curious!

B. Results: If the natural result is:

• • •, this is a disaster. The **Combat Test FAILS** and the Nautilus immediately suffers 1d6 Hits.

Otherwise, if the modified result is:

- Less than the Attack Strength (<), the Nautilus always suffers a number of Hits equal to the lowest die's result of that Warship's Attack dice roll.
- Equal to or greater than the Attack Strength (\geq) , there is no effect; the Warship missed.

C. Applying Hits: Per Hit suffered, the Nautilus loses one random Ship Resource.

To determine which **Ship Resource** is lost, roll **1d6** for each **Hit**, one at a time, and compare its result to the left side of the Ship Resource tracks (i.e., on a result of **I**, lose one Nemo; on a **I**, or , lose one Crew; and on a , or *, lose one Hull).

For each **Hit** suffered by the Nautilus, move the marker on that track 1 full position to the right.

Apply all Hits suffered by the Nautilus before proceeding to Combat Step 2.

*Double Hull upgrade: Ignore all damage application die rolls of

Sacrificing Upgrades: After determining where a Hit occurs, you may immediately Destroy (i.e., discard) an acquired Nautilus Upgrade card instead of applying that Hit.



Which **Ship Resource** takes a **Hit** is indicated by the die symbols shown here.

Step 2: How the Nautilus Attacks Other Ships During **Step 2** the *Nautilus* **Attacks** using these procedures depending on the type of attack made.

A. Nautilus Non-Torpedo/Non-Diplomacy Attack TEST: Roll 2d6 and compare the modified result to the target's **Defense Strength**. The **DRM**s are:

Strengthened Prow upgrade: +1 DRM.

Armory upgrade: +1 DRM to an Attack TEST die roll vs. the Sea Monster "Ship" token (only).

- +1 if making a Stalk Attack.
- +X for an exerted Ship Resource (maximum of one Resource).
- -1 if there is any other revealed **Warship** in that **Ocean** (and see Rule 7 RESOLVING TESTS regarding the **Piracy Motive**).

B. Results: If the natural result is:

• •, this is a disaster. The target is unaffected regardless of **DRMs**. You gain *two* **Notoriety** (📾 📾 ; the survivors' stories of this encounter are consistent, featured in newspapers, and make your efforts seem pathetic) AND lose two Ship Resources of the type you exerted, if you exerted any (see the example on page 28).

How She Fights

Understand that there are no guns

on the Nautilus! She sinks ships by ramming them with her prow below their waterline or by crossing under a ship so that her top scrapes along the target ship's hull. In those days, most ships with iron defenses still had wooden hulls below the waterline. This is why Warships, with their guns, get to fire first as the Nautilus approaches.

Roll High!

You generally benefit from rolling high during Actions and Combat (and you "win" ties vs. target numbers). Thus, when a Warship fires at the Nautilus, you want to roll *equal to or greater* **than** (\geq) its **Attack Strength** so that it misses.

Again, you want to roll high versus its Defense Strength because if your roll is equal to or greater than (\geq) that number, you sink the Ship.

War Room upgrade: From any 2d6 **Combat** roll (whether attacked or attacking), you may change either die's result to a **b**efore determining the outcome. A War Room plan can be invaluable in close situations!

Failing your Attack! Roll

At the **OFFICER** Difficulty Level setting, if you FAIL your Attack TEST, you lose an amount of the Ship **Resource** type **Exerted** (see Rules 7 and 8; if you exerted no **Resources**, this does not apply) equal to 1 if the lowest die's roll result of the failed dice roll was a •, or **2** if the lowest die's roll result was any other value.

Otherwise, if the modified result is:

• Less than the Defense Strength (<), the target is unaffected; you gain one Notoriety (🕲 the survivors live to tell various tales) AND lose one or more Ship Resources of the type you exerted in this attack depending on your TEST Failure Difficulty Level Setting (see Rule 7 -RESOLVING TESTS).

• **Equal to or greater than the Defense Strength** (\geq) , your attack succeeds and the target is sunk.

Adventure Motive: Victory at Sea

categories.

While Nemo's Motive is Adventure, after any successful Attack Action you may also claim a revealed Adventure token in the Nautilus' **Ocean** as a **bonus reward**. Consider it a "**Retain**" **Treasure** token; i.e., you have the option to discard it ("X") for an excellent benefit or score it at the end for both of its Victory Point

C. Disposing of Sunk Ships: When you sink the target, you immediately gain its Notoriety Value (i.e., add the number of that token's symbols to the Notoriety track).

Electro Coil Bolts upgrade: During each occasion when you sink a Ship token, you may instead change its **Notoriety** impact to a -1 🛞 *reduction* by suffering **one Hull Hit**.

Monstrous Design upgrade: Gain one fewer Notoriety (😧) per Ship token that you sink (as shown on that Ship token) via a Stalk Attack (only, down to a minimum Notoriety of 0).

If that ship grants you a "Gain 1 _____" effect, you receive it immediately after sinking that ship.

Then you must pause and make a decision as to how you will dispose of that sunken Ship token: either send it straight to Davy Jones' locker as **Tonnage OR** forfeit its **Victory Points** (see Rule 15 in the Between Voyages Guide – DEFEAT, VICTORY, AND SCORING) and Salvage it so that you might **Refit** the Nautilus later. These are both explained below:

Sunken Ships as **Tonnage**

If you sink a **Ship** token outright for **Tonnage**, it will help you fill the **Tonnage** track and you will gain its Victory Points at the end of the game (see Rule 15 in the Between Voyages Guide -DEFEAT, VICTORY, AND SCORING).

Place **Ship** tokens (showing the side that you actually sank) on the **Tonnage** track in the leftmost vacant box for the **Major Ocean** where it sank; if it sank in a **Transitional Ocean**, you may choose either connected Major Ocean's row in which to place that Tonnage Ship token (e.g., Ship tokens sunk in the **Pacific Coast** may be placed on the **Western Pacific** or **North Atlantic** Tonnage track).

If all of that **Ocean's Tonnage** token boxes are filled, stack additional **Ship** tokens up in its sixth column's box.



Ship tokens used as Tonnage are placed on the leftmost space available in the row of the Nautilus' current Major Ocean. Above, a Ship sunk in the Eastern Pacific (second row) would be placed in the third column.



World Order Motive (Scourging with Ally Tokens) Special Ally Token Rules: Retain all Ally Tokens drawn from the Treasure cup. While Nemo's Motive is World Order and the Nautilus is in any **Ocean** where a cube is in a **Land** space there (i.e., a "Cube Ocean"):

- 1. You may spend any desired Ally Tokens as Emergency Resources (Rule 13 EMERGENCY HELP).
- 2. You may place **Ally** tokens face down on the Tonnage track as if they were **Ship** tokens sunk in that **Cube Ocean** where the *Nautilus* currently resides. To do this, occupy that **Tonnage** track space with the **Ally** token showing its **Ship VPs** side and apply its **Notoriety** effect (if any). This can improve your **Scourging VPs** which can be potentially huge with this **Motive**!

Otherwise, an Ally token scores its VPs shown on its front side at the end of the game.

Sunken Ships as **Salvage**

If you pillage a sunken Ship token for Salvage, you forgo placing it on the Tonnage track for its Victory Points to use it as 1 Salvage Point. Place a Salvaged Ship token in an empty Salvage Point box, filling these boxes from bottom to top. Each ship counts as 1 Salvage Point toward purchasing a Nautilus Upgrade card during a Refit Action.

If there are no empty **Salvage Point** boxes (there are only four, and that is the limit), that **Ship** token must be taken as Tonnage (see above).

Note that Salvaging a just-sunk **Ship** token automatically ends your **Bold Attack** streak (see below). It also means you will not score any Victory Points for it at the end of the game (see Rule 15 in the Between Voyages Guide – DEFEAT, VICTORY, AND SCORING).

Prize Crew Quarters upgrade: Instead of placing a Sunken Ship token as Salvage, you may place it on this Nautilus Upgrade card. After each Rest Action (whether Successful or not), you may discard one of them to "train" (i.e., gain) 1 Crew Resource.

"Sunken" Ships from **Parley**

See Conducting Diplomacy Attacks, below, for resolving a successful Diplomacy Attack.

Conducting Bold Attacks

After designating the targeted **Ship** token in the **Ocean** where the *Nautilus* is located by placing the red Bold Attack! marker on it, you must immediately initiate combat with it (see Rule 12 - COMBAT).

If you succeed, you may immediately conduct another Bold Attack in that Ocean for 0 Action **Points** and +1 Notoriety (see Rule 9 - GAINING NOTORIETY). You can sink a lot of ships for only **1** Action Point, but with a steady cost in Notoriety!

Periscope Device upgrade: You no longer gain 1 Notoriety (🙆) between consecutive Bold Attacks.

You may continue engaging ships via **Bold Attacks** in that **Ocean** until either:

- 1. The Hidden Ship token is revealed to be a Deadly Seas event (see Rule 10 PLACEMENT PHASE, Deadly Seas); or
- 2. You have destroyed all of the Ship tokens there; or
- 3. You decide to Salvage a Ship token you just defeated instead of scoring it as Tonnage (see Rule 12 - COMBAT, Sunken Ships as Tonnage); or
- 4. Your attack fails to sink the targeted **Ship** token; or
- 5. You decide to stop.

Conducting Stalk (Cautious) Attacks

After designating the targeted **Ship** token in the **Ocean** where the *Nautilus* is located, place the blue Stalk Attack marker on it. Unless otherwise instructed, you may immediately fight that ship. If you fight, you gain a +1 DRM in combat for your careful approach (see Rule 12 -COMBAT). If you decline to conduct a **Stalk Attack**, leave the target **Ship** token in that **Ocean** undisturbed. You can decline a Stalk Attack which you paid an Action Point for, but not those thrust upon you by **Event** cards for free!

Unlike a Bold Attack, however, you receive no free follow-up attacks if your Stalk Attack is successful.

Periscope Device upgrade: You can make consecutive successful Stalk Attacks (exactly as you do Bold Attacks), but you do gain 1 Notoriety (📾) between each of these.



Ship tokens kept as Salvage are placed on a **Salvage Point** box and can be spent during a Refit Action to purchase a Nautilus Upgrade card.

ATTACK TYPES **Bold Attack!**



With a **Bold Attack**, you can combat every Ship token in that Ocean for only **1** Action Point (if your luck holds out), but you will become notorious doing so!

Stalk Attack



A Stalk Attack gives you the option to Attack (in case you reveal something too hard to handle). And, although you only conduct one battle, it is with a +1 DRM which can be very helpful.

Torpedo Attack!



Firing torpedoes requires the Nautilus to surface, prepare, aim, and launch them in a somewhat involved process.

OPTIONAL RULE

For a more realistic game, you cannot attack the Sea Serpent or Airship with Torpedoes!

COMBAT EXAMPLE



The Nautilus is located in the Western Pacific, along with a revealed Warship Ship token (the Victoria, Attack Strength: 8, Defense Strength: 11) and two unrevealed Ship tokens.

You (role-playing Captain Nemo) choose a Bold Attack Action and target one of the Hidden Ship tokens, which you now reveal to be a Passenger Ship token (the Donau, Defense Strength: 8).

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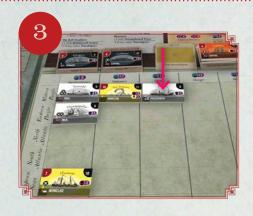
You must attack the Donau (you have no choice when revealing a Ship token via Bold Attack), but since it is a **Non-warship**, at least it does not attack you first! The Nautilus does not have a Strengthened Prow and, feeling irrationally confident (now you're really channeling Captain Nemo!), you decide not to risk any Ship Resources for their DRM. The -1 DRM for there being any revealed Warships in that Ocean (the Victoria in this case) applies, so now you must roll a 9 or higher on 2d6 (weighted down by the -1 DRM) to equal or exceed the Donau's Defense Value. The dice roll is 🔀 and , so the Attack FAILS by 1; this would normally end matters in your defeat, but you decide instead to Sacrifice Ned Land for a +1 DRM after the dice roll result is known (see Rule 13 - EMERGENCY HELP). The Ned Land Character Resource tile is flipped to show its Spent side and you gain 1 Notoriety () due to Ned's commitment.



This means (at OFFICER Difficulty, see Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS) the Kotetsu scored one Hit (but no more, for although the modified sum is **2**, the Kõtetsu must roll a natural **1**, **1** to inflict the disastrous 1d6 Hits). To apply the damage, you roll 1d6 and compare it to the table to the left of the Ship Resources track to determine which Ship Resource was lost; the result is a **H** and costs the Nautilus one **Hull Resource**. (If the Nautilus was upgraded with a **Double Hull**, that **H** would have had no effect!).



It is now your turn to fire back at the Kõtetsu so you check your **DRMs**. You exert the **Crew** for a +2 DRM bonus which, combined with that damnable -1 DRM for the still-skulking Victoria, nets out to a favorable +1 DRM.



Although the Donau is worth only **1 Victory** Point (VP), you sink it as Tonnage so that you can continue attacking. (Had you taken it as Salvage your Bold Attack Action would be over and you would need to spend another Action to keep attacking.) You place the Donau, face up, on the left-most open space along the Western Pacific row of the Tonnage track.

Fortunately for you, the world does not suspect anything untoward with the loss of this Passenger Ship token, and you suffer 0 gains in Notoriety (😸) for its sinking.

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But you then advance the **Notoriety** marker () by **one** to continue attacking **Boldly** and decide to target the remaining Hidden Ship token, which is revealed to be an Ironclad Ship token (the Kõtetsu, Attack Strength: 7, Defense Strength: 10).

and the result is a **•** and **•**.



The dice bow to your will, rolling a 🞛 and Sinking the Kõtetsu and, as a result of that calamity for the Imperialist Powers, you must gain **1** Notoriety () as shown on its Ship token.

from. Good work!



Because it is a **Warship** (i.e., it has guns), the Kõtetsu attacks the Nautilus first! Checking the **Dice** Roll Modifiers, the Nautilus is not outfitted with Reinforced Armor and your Notoriety is still below #36 (but barely), so this ship is not yet showing its purple (enhanced) side. There is, again, a -1 DRM for there being any revealed Warships in that Ocean (the Victoria), and so you roll 2d6 with a -1 DRM



Your exerted **Crew Resource** is then safely returned to the **Fit** space that it was exerted



You opt to **Salvage** this sunken **Ship** and place it in an empty Salvage Point box. Taking a sunken Ship token as Salvage automatically ends your Bold Attack Action. The Victoria remains defiantly patrolling the Western Pacific Ocean.

OPTIONAL RULE

Britannia Rules the Waves

The **British** *Royal Navy dominated* the world's stage at this time. This risk/reward option is neutral.

- +1 to all **British** Ship values (**Attack** – if it is a Warship, Defense, Notoriety, and Victory Points). Bonus rewards (e.g., Treasure, Crew, Nemo) are not increased.
- When placing a **British** Ship token on the Tonnage track, you may arrange it so that it covers **two** spaces *horizontally* for that Ocean (making it easier to obtain the next *Scouring the* Seas VP level).
- When placing a **British** Ship token on the **Salvage** track, you may arrange it so that it covers **two** spaces *vertically* representing that, by itself, it is worth 2 Salvage Points. You can still never have more than 4 total Salvage Points (so do not rotate it when placing it in the "Max" Salvage space). If you only spend 1 of its 2 points upgrading the *Nautilus*, then it "makes change" by rotating it back horizontally so that it occupies a single Salvage space normally.

Conducting Torpedo Attacks

Usable only if the Nautilus is equipped with the Steam Torpedoes Upgrade card.

Steam Torpedoes are **not** of a modern variety! Having no torpedo tubes, to fire a steam torpedo the Nautilus must first surface, prepare the torpedo's steam propulsion, place it in the water, aim it (done more by feel than calculation), and then launch it. They have proven effective, but not quick-firing.

A **Torpedo Attack** costs **0 Actions** but can only be performed once per turn. After designating the targeted **Ship** token in the **Ocean** where the *Nautilus* is located, place the red and black Torpedo Attack! marker on it. Torpedo Attacks follow the normal Attack sequence (i.e., if you are targeting a Warship, it fires first and applies the usual DRMs).

The Torpedo Attack dice/die is always unmodified when rolled. However, when your Torpedo Attack is a 2d6 roll, once that die/dice roll is made, it can be "saved" by Emergency Help (see Rule 13 - EMERGENCY HELP).

You must roll, sinking the targeted **Non-warship** on a **5+** result, or the targeted **Warship** on a **6+** result. Roll **2d6**, and apply their sum. If your **Torpedo Attack** succeeds, you sink the targeted Ship token.

After your first miss, flip the **Torpedo** marker over to show its **1d6** side. For the rest of the game, roll only 1d6 for Torpedo Attacks (sinking Non-warships on a roll of 🔀 or 🎛, and Warships only on a roll of 🔳). The *Imperialists* have started developing counter-tactics!

There is no (**0**) **Notoriety** (**(a)**) increase when a **Torpedo Attack** misses.

Conducting Diplomacy Attacks

Usable only if the Nautilus is equipped with the Hospital Machines Upgrade card.

A **Diplomacy Attack** costs **0 Actions** but can only be performed once per turn. After designating the targeted **Ship** token in the **Ocean** where the *Nautilus* is located, place the red and purple **Diplomacy Attack** marker on it. **Diplomacy Attacks** follow the normal **Attack** sequence (i.e., if you are targeting a Warship, it fires first and applies the usual DRMs, but it also rolls 3d6 and you choose which two to use to resolve their attack against you). The Imperialists still shoot first and respect your Flag of Truce later, but at least they are more likely to be curious!

The **Diplomacy Attack** dice/die is always unmodified when rolled. However, when your **Diplomacy Attack** is a **2d6** roll, once that die/dice roll is made, it can be "saved" by Emergency Help (see Rule 13 - EMERGENCY HELP).

You must roll, achieving a **Parley** with the targeted **Non-warship** on a **5**+ result, or the targeted Warship on a 6+ result. Roll 2d6, and apply their sum.

Parley

If your **Diplomacy Attack** succeeds (i.e., you **Parley**), your options are to do one of the following

- **A. Further Diplomatic Relations:** Place that **Ship** token in the correct space on the **Tonnage** track, rotating it 180 degrees (i.e., so it appears "upside down").
- Ignore any Notoriety increase from that Ship token (i.e., it has a 0 Notoriety) as it is not sunk, per se.
- Do **not** collect any immediate additional benefits from that ship (e.g., Treasure, Crew, Nemo, etc.; end-of-game scoring benefits such as Science and Wonder do still apply). See Rule 15 in the Between Voyages Guide – DEFEAT, VICTORY, AND SCORING.
- **B. Create a Diplomatic Incident:** Place that **Ship** token on the **Salvage** Track normally (*i.e.*, *do* not rotate it; you do suffer its **Notoriety** gain).

C. Gather Support for Your Good Intentions: Discard that Ship token, ignoring its Notoriety gain (consider it a 0) and place one **cube** in the Nautilus' **Ocean**, if able.

Diplomatic Failure

After you miss, flip the **Diplomacy** marker over to show its **1d6** side and roll only **1d6** for Diplomacy Attacks until and unless you mend your reputation (Parleying with Non-warships on a roll of 🖸 or 🔠, and Warships only on a roll of 🖽). Note that you can mend your damaged reputation (see below).

There is no (0) Notoriety (() increase when a Diplomacy Attack misses.

Reputation Mending

While Nemo has an "Honorable" Motive (i.e., Science, Explore, Adventure, and Humanist) and **Hospital Machines**, you may, at any time, return **1 Uprising cube** from any **Land** space to its available box and "repair" the **Diplomacy Attack** marker from its **1d6** side back to its 2d6 side.

13. EMERGENCY HELP

When needs must, especially *after* an outcome is known (e.g., after you fail a **TEST** or have depleted your Action Points for that turn and desperately require more), you seek "Emergency Help" to alter the circumstance. That is, you may...

- 1. X (i.e., discard) your applicable Event cards, Adventure, Ally, or Character Attribute tokens, etc.,
- 2. Sacrifice (i.e., flip) immediately useful available Character tiles, and/or
- 3. Destroy (discard to the FAIL Pile) equipped Nautilus Upgrade cards

...and gain their benefits for doing so in any combination you desire.

Yes, you could lavishly use your **Emergency Help** to assure smooth sailing in **Act I**, but it might be better to accept those early reversals and save your **Emergency Help** for when the stakes are higher later in the game.

Electro-Powered Crew Armor upgrade:

- You may use this card once during each **Bold Attack** Action (i.e., once during that series of battles) for a **+1 DRM** after any dice roll (whether attacking or being attacked), OR
- Destroy this **Nautilus Upgrade** card (i.e., remove it from the game) for a +2 DRM after a dice roll.

What is an "Emergency Resource?"

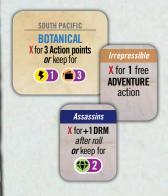
There are a few cards and several tokens that could alter the outcome of a known result. Keep in mind those you have and stay alert to them when you FAIL a TEST!

Emergency Resources granting "Action(s)" mean that you immediately gain that many Action Points.

Sacrificing Character Tiles

When sacrificed for its benefit, flip that **Character** tile to show its coffin side. In addition to the Character VPs you will not be scoring for them at the game's end...

- You may Sacrifice the Second Officer at any time during the Action Phase to gain 1 Action Point.
- You may Sacrifice the Chief Engineer at any time during the Action Phase to gain 2 Action Points.
- You may Sacrifice the First Officer at any time during the Action Phase to gain 3 Action Points OR, after any 2d6 roll, for a +3 DRM. Her sacrifice costs 1 Nemo. A loyal and trusted survivor, the Captain thinks of First Officer Rojas as his ward and protégée.
- You may Sacrifice Conseil after a 2d6 roll to re-roll both dice one time.
- You may Sacrifice Ned Land after any 2d6 roll for a +1 DRM. His sacrifice gains you 1 📾 Ned is well-known among sailors as an experienced seaman and fearless whaler.
- You may **Sacrifice Professor Aronnax** *after* any **2d6** roll for a +2 DRM. His sacrifice gains you $1 \bigoplus$ and also costs you his $1 \oiint$ which you will *not* be scoring at the game's end. The professor is a marine scientist of some renown and the narrator of our story



"Is possession of the Accident or Incident card an Emergency Resource and, therefore, does it work identically?"

Use your player's intuition to resolve edge cases: If it looks like an Emergency Resource, feels like an Emergency **Resource**, and you think it could play like an **Emergency Resource**, treat it as an **Emergency Resource**.

Emergency Resources granting "Action(s)" mean that you immediately gain that many Action Points.



Defeat vs. High Score

The tension in **Nemo's War** comes from knowing when, and how far, to push your luck. In your quest to triumph toward achieving Nemo's Motive, that hard-won path to victory is fought through a minefield of defeat conditions. In much the same way as a doctor's Hippocratic Oath is, "First, do no harm," for you, the player in command of the Nautilus and shaping its destiny, your oath must be, "First, avoid defeat."

This means always being mindful of what will tragically end your mission. Most players will try to keep the Nautilus itself in good shape (although it is very temping to flirt with Captain Nemo's sanity breaking as applying his instability yields better die roll modifiers), but most players tend to suffer defeat by these more common methods:

Notoriety is the first plate on the pressure cooker. All Motives are advised to watch this carefully. Learn the tools that mitigate **Notoriety** gain or, better still, actually reduce your Notoriety (such as a successful Incite Action). Unfortunately for those with a cunning plan to press close to the edge of **Notoriety** defeat, there are several sudden **Notoriety** increases that can occur unexpectedly among the Adventure cards and Treasure tokens. If you're too close to breaking Nemo's spirit and becoming a global pariah when one of these events occur you will be looking at an ignoble defeat.

Imperialist Victory is the second plate on the pressure cooker. As the **Oceans** fill and Ship tokens are revealed, eventually the Imperialists cut off your "windpipe" and suffocate the Nautilus. This means that, even as you play an Honorable Motive, purging Oceans of their **Ship** tokens is a constant concern (particularly during **Act III** when many are being placed each turn). Like the parent who says, "Hey! I just cleaned up in there! Can you not make a mess in it for a while?" the **Imperialists** are constantly messing up the **Oceans** and leaving you with another and another to purge.

Remember that mitigation is not just for any old **Combat** and **Adventure** card **TESTS**. It is a wise player who holds these aces up their sleeve until Act III when they can, literally, stave off defeat. When, during Acts I and II, you want to mitigate some calamity or other, think of "future you" during Act III needing those resources to not lose the game; in that light, a setback can be recovered from, defeat cannot be.

14. HOW THE GAME ENDS

The game ends **immediately** when any of the following occurs:

1. You exhaust the last Nemo (Broken), Crew (Killed), or Hull (Shattered) Ship Resource.

These various endings represent a tragic failure for your vaunted expedition and end the game in Defeat, without scoring.

2. If your **Notoriety** reaches the threshold shown on the **Notoriety** track (Pariah) for Nemo's Final Motive as follows: #26 for Science; #36 for Adventure, Explore, and Humanist; #44 for Anti-Imperialism, and World Order; and #51 for War!

At that moment, Nemo loses spirit to carry on, sensing that he has become notorious as a global **Pariah**, ending the game in Defeat without scoring.

3. Nadeen Dakkar is killed. This happens when you must Sacrifice a Character tile and his is the last one left

The loss of his son, with whom Nemo has been newly reacquainted, leads to grievous consequences for all, ending the game in Defeat without scoring.

3. Every **Ocean** is completely full of **Ship** tokens (revealed or unrevealed) when a **Warship** needs to be placed anywhere in the world (see Rule 10-D - PLACEMENT PHASE, Going Hunting).

This represents an Imperialist Powers' Victory as they succeed in their global hunt for the Nautilus, ending the game in Defeat without scoring.

4. Conducting the game's **Finalé** card. If none of the above occur as a result of that **Finalé** (ending the game in automatic Defeat), then the game is scored, your level of victory determined, and your epilogue read (see Rule 15 in the Between Voyages Guide – DEFEAT, VICTORY, AND SCORING).

If the Nautilus is in the Western Pacific Ocean when you reveal the Finalé card Return to Mystery Island, the game ends immediately.

If the game is automatically ended in Defeat, read that **Motive's Defeat** paragraph (EPILOGUES in the Between Voyages Guide).

APPENDIX A: NAUTILUS BLUEPRINTS

This listing of **Nautilus Upgrade** cards includes some elaboration for each.

Adventurer's League

COST: 3; VPs: 2 Adventure

+1 DRM to all Adventure card TEST dice rolls. Regardless of where they were played from or when those TESTS occurred.

Arcane Library

COST: 2; VPs: 1 Wonder Add one to the dice roll (+1 DRM) when performing a Search or Incite Action.

Armory (Event)

COST: 3; VPs: 2 Science

When conducting an Attack, Incite, or TEST roll vs. dangerous animals or peoples (e.g., sharks, hostile natives, etc.) you may receive +1 DRMs for each +1 Notoriety () or -1 Hull you wish to suffer.

Clockwork Cipher

COST: 3: VPs: 1 Wonder

Once during each Action Phase, you may flip any one revealed Ship token in the Nautilus' Ocean for free.

Crystalline Sensors

COST: 3; VPs: 3 Treasure

Each **Placement Phase**, you may reroll *one* die *one* time and apply that result.

Diving Apparatus (Adventure)

COST: 3; VPs: 1 Science

- A. +1 DRM to all TEST dice rolls resulting from Actions that you have spent 2 Action Points to perform. This does not include Actions "discounted" from 2 Action Points to only 1!
- B. After playing a **KEEP** card in its specified **Ocean** (if it has one), place 1 **Treasure Available** gemstone on the Adventure deck but only if it currently has none.

Double Hull (Anti-Imperialism)

COST: 3; VPs: 1 Adventure

- A. Gain an additional +1 DRM when exerting your Hull Resource (see Rule 7 RESOLVING TESTS).
- B. Ignore all **H** results (i.e., treat them as "no effect") when rolling to apply **Hits** to the *Nautilus*. That is, your **Double Hull** provides some "Hit immunity."

Electric Horns

COST: 1: VPs: None

Once per Action Phase, you may spend 1 Action Point for -1 🛞 (or -2 🛞 during a Lull Turn).

Electro Coil Bolts

COST: 2: VPs: 1 Science

During each occasion when you sink a **Ship** token, you may change its **Notoriety** impact to a -1 📾 reduction instead by suffering one Hull Hit.

Electro-Powered Crew Armor

COST: 3; VPs: 1 Science

A. You may use this card once during each **Bold Attack Action** (i.e., once during that series of battles) for a **+1 DRM** after any dice roll (whether attacking or being attacked), OR

B. Destroy this **Nautilus Upgrade** card (i.e., remove it from the game) for a +2 **DRM** after a dice roll.

Fog Machine

COST: 2: VPs: None

For **1** Action Point, you may remove this card from the game during your Action Phase to decrease your Notoriety (📾) by 2d6.

Reinforcement ships, once added to the Ship cup, remain there even if your Notoriety is reduced below the level required to add them.

Gas Turbines (Event)

COST: 3; VPs: 1 Science The Nautilus may make one free Move Action each turn.

Guilds Deck

COST: 2: VPs: 2 Treasure

- A. Immediately select one set-aside Nautilus Upgrade card of your choice and place it as an available **Upgrade**. There can be more than four **Nautilus Upgrade** cards available.
- B. During each Lull Turn, place one Treasure Available gemstone (if available) on the next empty space on the Salvage track (if it is not full). Each such gemstone counts as one Salvage Point.

Hospital Machines (Humanist)

COST: 4; VPs: 1 Science

- A. Immediately place/return all **Uprising** cubes on **Land** spaces to their holding box.
- B. These are now "Goodwill" cubes and play exactly the same way as always.
- C. You receive the **Diplomacy Attack** marker and can use it per its rules for Attacking and Scoring. This upgrade's Attacks do not combine with Magnetic Mines and never use any DRMs.





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Hydro Drive (Explore)

COST: 3; VPs: 1 Science

Each time you perform a **Move Action**, you can move the *Nautilus* up to two consecutive Oceans.

Magnetic Mines (Event)

COST: 2: VPs: 1 Science

The **Combat Sequence** for **Bold** and **Stalk Attacks** is reversed (i.e., the *Nautilus* attacks first) versus Armored ships (i.e., those with "Iron," "Armored," or "Battle" in their class name). These ships, having a cuirass of armor on their sides, were not armored below the waterline! They only "return fire" if the Nautilus FAILS its Attack.

Map Room (Piracy)

COST: 4; VPs: 3 Non-warships A. +1 DRM for Search Actions

B. Immediately after drawing and examining each **Treasure** token, you may draw a second one for +1 Notoriety () or -1 Nemo; keep one and return the other to the Treasure cup.

C. You may return any discarded (i.e., lost, removed, spent, etc.) Treasure token having a **Treasure VP** value to the **Treasure** cup if you desire.

Monstrous Design (Science)

COST: 3; VPs: 1 Adventure

Gain one fewer Notoriety (🕃) per Ship token that you sink (as shown on that Ship token) via a Stalk Attack (only, down to a minimum Notoriety of 0).

Nemo Cell Batteries

COST: 1: VPs: 1 Science

During each Lull Turn, you gain one Action Point. This is cumulative with those gained while Nemo's Motive is Adventure.

Nemo Prism Binoculars

In order to receive the free **Nemo Prism Binoculars**, they must be one of the current available upgrades.

COST: 0*; VPs: None

- A. *Available free as a free "bonus upgrade" when any other **Nautilus Upgrade** card is **Refit** onto the Nautilus. This means receiving two upgrades for one successful **Refit Action**.
- B. Once per **Action Phase**, when you reveal a **Hidden Ship** token, you may redraw it, returning the initial **Ship** token drawn to the **Ship** cup afterward. You *must* place the redrawn **Ship** token.

Nemo's Manifesto

COST: 1; VPs: 1 Liberation

After **PASSING** an **Incite Action**, you may then spend 1 **Ship Resource** using its **DRM** as a further reduction in 🕃 (e.g., if it would have provided a +3 DRM, you instead receive an additional -3 (2).

Nemo's Sanctorum

COST: 2; VPs: 1 Wonder

Once during each Action Phase, you may perform a Reflect Action and either:

A. Gain 2 Action Points by reducing the Nemo Resource by 1, OR

B. Gain 1 Nemo Resource by expending 2 Action Points (or 1 during a Lull Turn).

Officer's Mess

COST: 2; VPs: 1 Adventure

After completing an Action that you paid 2 Action Points to perform, you may immediately conduct a free Move Action

Periscope Device (War!)

COST: 3; VPs: 1 Adventure

- A. You no longer gain 1 Notoriety (🝙) between consecutive Bold Attacks (see Rule 12 COMBAT).
- B. You can also make consecutive successful **Stalk Attacks** (following the rules for consecutive Bold Attacks), but you do gain 1 Notoriety (🕥) between each of these.
- C. This is usable during all attacks, even those forced upon you.

Prize Crew Quarters

COST: 2; VPs: 4 Character

A. Instead of placing a **Sunken Ship** token as **Salvage**, you may place it on this card.

B. After each Rest Action (whether Successful or not), you may discard one of them to "train" (i.e., gain) 1 Crew Resource.

Reinforced Armor

COST: 4; VPs: 2 Adventure Add one (+1 DRM) to all Warships' Attack dice rolls.

Steam Torpedoes

COST: 4; VPs: 1 Science

This upgrade's Attacks do not combine with Magnetic Mines and never use any DRMs.

A. Once per Action Phase, you may make one free Torpedo Attack at the Nautilus' location. Roll **2d6** and sink the targeted **Non-warship** on a roll of **5+** or, if you still possess this card after enduring their Attack (you could sacrifice it), sink the targeted Warship on a 6+.

Reminder: A Steam Torpedo Attack follows the normal Combat Sequence. That is, if you target a **Warship**, it will shoot before you do!

B. After your first miss, flip the marker over to show its **1d6** side and roll only **1d6** for **Torpedo** Attacks for the rest of the game (sinking Non-warships on a roll of 🖸 or 🖽, and Warships only on a roll of 📰)

Strengthened Prow

COST: 4; VPs: 2 Adventure

Add one (+1 DRM) to all Nautilus non-Torpedo and non-Diplomacy Attack dice rolls.

War Room (World Order)

COST: 4; VPs: 3 Warship

For any **2d6 Combat** (whether attacked or attacking) or **Incite** roll, you may change either die's result to a 🔁 before determining the outcome.

You need to think about that for a minute; in addition to being "snake eyes" insurance to avoid disasters, a War Room plan can be invaluable in close situations!

APPENDIX B: MOTIVE RULES CHANGES INDEX

The special rules for these four motives are summarized below.



Place 1 Adventure token face down in a random Major Ocean.

Call to Adventure

Lull Turns are handled a bit differently but only in these ways:

- You receive 2 Action Points, not 0.
- You never receive the Lull Turn "discount" for normal Actions. That is, normal (e.g., Rest) Actions reduced in cost to only 1 Action Point during a Lull Turn always cost 2 Action Points during a Lull Turn while Nemo's Motive is Adventure. Other events that reduce their cost to only 1 Action Point during a Lull turn, such as for The Grecian Archipelago or The South Pole Event card, still apply normally.















- You also place 1 Adventure token (if possible), face down, in the doubles Ocean. If that Ocean already has a face down Adventure token in it, place it in an adjacent Ocean that does not have one; if there is no such **Ocean**, do not place that **Adventure** token.
- These above changes notwithstanding, it is still a **Lull Turn**; conduct all other aspects of it normally.

The High Seas

There are **12** Adventure tokens for this motive.

- To reveal an **Adventure** token, the *Nautilus* must be in that **Ocean** and perform a successful **Search Action** – this also entitles you to collect **Treasure** token(s) if there is a **Treasure** Available gemstone there. This is a "search for adventure."
- Once revealed, place that **Adventure** token in its specified **Ocean** regardless of the presence or absence of other tokens there.
- To claim an **Adventure** token, move the *Nautilus* to the **Ocean** with that revealed **Adventure** token and either: 1) Perform a successful Attack Action, OR 2) Conduct an Adventure Action there; afterward, also collect that revealed **Adventure** token as a bonus reward. Consider it a "Retain" Treasure token; i.e., you have the option to discard it ("X") for an excellent benefit or score it at the end for both of its point categories.



Humanist

Deeds Not Words

While Nemo's Motive is **Humanist**, during the Action Phase (only!), triple all **Notoriety** gains. Use caution when initiating **Attack** and Adventure Actions!

Fresh Motive Change

When changing to or from **Humanist** at the beginning of **Act III**, return all the cubes on **Land** spaces to their available box. In other words, cube placement becomes a complete, **Act III** do-over.

Goodwill Missions

Your Incite Actions are now "Goodwill" Actions (with identical game effects and outcomes).

Diplomacy "Attacks"

Courtesy of having Hospital Machines:

Treat Hospital Machines like Steam Torpedoes in all ways, except a Diplomacy Attack differs from a Torpedo Attacks thus:

A. For each Warship's Attack against the Nautilus, apply the usual DRMS, but instead, roll 3d6 and choose which two to use to resolve their Attack. They still shoot first and respect your Truce Flag later, but at least they are more likely to be curious!

B. Apply Diplomacy Attack failures exactly as you would Torpedo Attack failures.

C. If your Diplomacy (Torpedo) Attack succeeds (i.e., you Parley), your options are to:

- Further Diplomatic Relations: Place that Ship token in the correct space on the Tonnage track, rotating it 180 degrees (i.e., so it is "upside down"). Ignore any Notoriety increase from that **Ship** token (i.e., it has a **0** Notoriety) as it is not sunk. Do not collect any immediate additional benefits from that ship (e.g., **Treasure**, **Crew**, **Nemo**, etc.; end-of-game scoring benefits such as Science and Wonder do still apply). See Diplomatic Scoring, below.
- Create a Diplomatic Incident: Place that Ship token on the Salvage track normally (i.e., it is not rotated and you suffer that motive's **Notoriety** gain), OR
- Gather Support for Your Good Intentions: Discard that Ship token, ignoring its Notoriety gain (consider it a 0) and place one **Goodwill** cube in the *Nautilus*' Ocean, if able.

Reputation Mending

Honorable Motives (i.e., Science, Explore, Adventure, and Humanist) with Hospital Machines may, at any time, return 1 cube from any Land space to its available box to "repair" the Diplomacy Attack marker from its 1d6 side back to its 2d6 side.

Diplomatic Scoring

At the end of the game, when scoring, the rotated (i.e., upside down) ships on the Tonnage track are neither sunken "Warships" nor "Non-warships," but are instead still-floating "Relations Ships."

- All Ship tokens on the Tonnage track contribute to your Scouring the Seas bonus points at the top of each column on the Tonnage track, although this is now "Securing" the Seas (instead of Scouring). This involves a combination of navigation treaties and enforcement, with new column headings representing the success of your naval treaties reading: **Bending** (8), **Recognition** (12), Consent (17), Compliance (23), Deference (30), and Honor (40).
- Relations Ships score 1 Securing (Scouring) VP per different Nationality type among your **Relations Ships** (i.e., check their flags and score **1 VP** for each different one).

Relations Ships also score +1 Securing (Scouring) VP each IF you decline to score any of the individual Warship and Non-warship VPs from the Tonnage track. You still earn Ship VPs normally from other sources (e.g., Adventure cards).



Piracy Arrr!

While **Piracy** is Captain Nemo's **Motive** you cannot suffer a Notoriety Defeat. Instead, freeze the Notoriety marker in place upon reaching the War! Defeat box (#51). These rules remain in effect for the rest of the game:

- Infamy to Infinity: Treat all future fluctuations as +0 Notoriety but, when offered a choice between affecting Notoriety or some other penalty, you must choose the other.
- Imperialist Retaliation: For the rest of the game, determine your Action Points using the two black dice's differential (not the three white dice) each Placement Phase (ignoring the white dice during Lull turns).

Imperialist Patrols

While **Piracy** is Captain Nemo's **Motive**, collectively treat the presence of one or more **Hidden** Ship tokens in the Nautilus' Ocean as one Warship token (total, not each) for all DRM purposes (i.e., a -1 DRM for almost everything).



World Order Setup

Remove all thirteen Wonder Tokens from the Treasure cup and place one each on Notoriety space 10 and on each third space after that (i.e., 13, 16, 19... through to 46).

When reached, those Notoriety levels also add that Wonder Token to the Treasure cup (thus increasingly "polluting" it). Rising notoriety makes it more difficult to obtain dependable allies.

Ignore this placement when switching to this Motive during Act III (it's too late for that) and leave these **Wonder** Tokens on the **Notoriety** track (to be removed as described above) when switching from this Motive during Act III (it's too late for that, too).

Add all of the Ally Tokens (these are a special type of "Retain" Treasure Tokens) to the Treasure cup. Do this immediately when switching to this Motive at the start of Act III.

Fear and Respect

At the end of the game, you score Scourge VPs for the two right-most columns you fill on the Tonnage Track. For example, if your two rightmost columns filled are **Danger** and **Menace**, you would score **53** Scourge VPs at the end of the game!

The Value of Unity

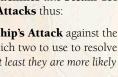
While your Motive is **World Order**, when you place a cube via an **Incite Action**, you also draw **1 Treasure** token (courtesy of your new allies there).

What Good are Allies if You Don't Use Them?

Retain Ally tokens when drawn. While Nemo's Motive is World Order and the Nautilus is in any Ocean where a cube is in a Land space there (i.e., a "Cube Ocean"):

- You can spend Ally tokens as Emergency Resources.
- You can place Ally tokens face down on the Tonnage track as if they were Ship tokens sunk there (to occupy that space on the Tonnage track and for its Ship VPs at the end of the game, but at a cost in **Notoriety**).

Otherwise, an Ally Token just scores the VPs listed on its front side at the end of the game.

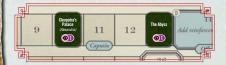




Score +1 bonus VP per Relations *Ship nationality!*









APPENDIX C: OPTIONAL RULES INDEX

The Optional rules are listed and indexed here:

Nadeen Dakkar

See Rule 3, #2.B and 2.D in the **Between Voyages Guide** – GAME SETUP.

The seventh Character tile represents Nadeen Dakkar whose participation is a Setup decision (See Rule 3 in the Between Voyages Guide – GAME SETUP). His variable entry and abilities emerge as the game unfolds. His loss is an automatic Defeat condition, so avoid that!

Each **Character** symbol has its own individual **VP** scoring value. If **Nadeen Dakkar** is aboard the Nautilus you score +1 VP per instance when scoring Character symbols (except for **Attribute** tokens; those are just modifications to that **Character** tile's **VP** value *before* it is scored). Thus, if you had the following **Character** scores at the game's end: 1, 2, 2, 3, and 4, you would score a total 17 Character VPs (i.e., +5 VPs more than their face value) thanks to Nadeen.

Ships' Officers Attribute Tokens

See Rule 3, #13 in the Between Voyages Guide – GAME SETUP for adding these tiles to play and how they are used.

Act III Motive Switching

You may change Nemo's Motive between the **Honorable** and **Stern** categories, but this dissonance causes problems between the Captain and his crew.

Note the current **Crew DRM** (as show to the right of the **Crew Resource** marker's present location). You must lose that many **Nemo** when changing from an **Honorable** to a **Stern** Motive or that many **Crew** when changing from a **Stern** to an **Honorable** Motive.

Imperialist Naval Coordination

This rule puts you at a disadvantage.

Whenever you suffer a penalty of **-1 DRM**, if there are any revealed **Ship** tokens in the Nautilus' Ocean, change it to -1 DRM for each such revealed Ship token there!

At All Costs!

This option puts you at a strong advantage during the endgame.

For +1 (a), you may Sacrifice (i.e., return to the box) any one Nautilus Upgrade card (maximum once per occasion), either equipped or available for purchase, before any TEST or Combat 2d6 roll for a +2 DRM. This is the only exception for modifying Diplomacy and Torpedo Attacks.

Deadly Seas

See Rule 3, #5 in the Between Voyages Guide – GAME SETUP for adding these tiles to play.

See Rule 10 – PLACEMENT PHASE for revealing these tiles and their effects.

Relentless Pursuit

This option puts you at a disadvantage.

At the beginning of your Action Phase each turn (i.e., before conducting any Actions), designate each revealed Warship token in the Nautilus' Ocean, one at a time, roll 1d6 for it, and compare the result to the Ship's Victory Point (VP) value. If the result is...

• **Equal to or greater than** (\geq) its **VP** value, there is no effect.

• Less than (<) its VP value, you must fight it immediately.

This is a mandatory "free" **Bold Attack** Action (i.e., it costs **0** Action Points). Victory does allow you to continue making (free) Bold Attacks in that Ocean as usual, if desired (see Bold Attacks).

Buried Treasure

See Rule 11 – ACTION PHASE, Buried Treasure Action.

If you, optionally, buried **Treasure** tokens and Nemo's Motive is still "Stern" when scoring, count the number of spaces the **Crew Resource** marker is below its maximum; up to that many **Buried** Treasure tokens score DOUBLE their value in Treasure VPs. Additional Buried Treasure tokens still score their (undoubled) VPs normally.

Britannia Rules the Waves

The British Royal Navy dominated the world's stage at this time. This risk/reward option is neutral.

- +1 to all British Ship values (Attack if it is a Warship, Defense, Notoriety, and Victory Points).
- When placing a **British** Ship token on the **Tonnage** track, you may arrange it so that it covers two spaces horizontally for that Ocean (making it easier to obtain the next Scouring the Seas VP level).
- When placing a **British** Ship token on the **Salvage** track, you may arrange it so that it covers two spaces vertically representing that, by itself, it is worth **2 Salvage** Points. You can still never have more than 4 total Salvage Points (so do not rotate it when placing it in the "Max" Salvage space). If you only spend 1 of its 2 points upgrading the *Nautilus*, then it "makes change" by rotating it back horizontally so that it occupies a single Salvage space normally.

APPENDIX D: DIFFICULTY LEVELS INDEX

The decision points to customize the game to be easier or more difficult are listed below.

Adventure Deck See Rule 3, #2.H in the Between Voyages Guide -GAME SETUP.

Starting Nautilus Upgrade Card See Rule 3, #4 in the Between Voyages Guide -GAME SETUP.

Remaining Nautilus Upgrade Cards See Rule 3, #4 in the Between Voyages Guide -GAME SETUP.

Deadly Seas Setup See Rule 3, #5 in the Between Voyages Guide -GAME SETUP.

Blue & Green Ship Groups Setup See Rule 3, #7 in the Between Voyages Guide – GAME SETUP.

Initial Hidden Ships See Rule 3, #9 in the Between Voyages Guide – GAME SETUP.

Initial Officer Personality Tokens See Rule 3, #13 in the **Between Voyages Guide** – GAME SETUP.

Initial Action Points See Rule 3, #14 in the Between Voyages Guide - GAME SETUP.

Test Failures See Rule 7 – RESOLVING TESTS.

Epilogue Balancing See Appendix E in the Between Voyages Guide - EPILOGUES.

EXAMPLE



The Kõtetsu and the Nautilus begin the Action Phase in the same Ocean. You make a **Relentless Pursuit** check to see if the Kõtetsu aggressively pursues the Nautilus. Since the Kõtetsu is worth 2 VPs, on a die roll of . , it will immediately attack the Nautilus!





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