

If being right works when I go to bed... it still works at breakfast...

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

It's time we taught them a little human know-how as well as some neat engineering tricks, also knot-tying...

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

It's time we put the "I" in survival...

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk I'll make my final move if it's the last thing I do...

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

Just get this through your little hive mind...

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

We'll cross those T's when we come to them...

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

Like the math whiz said, count me in.

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

Sorry if I parted your scales too close...

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

I've spit in the eyes of hurricanes bigger than you...

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk If you're going through me, you'll have to go through me to do it...

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

Just one question...
Which garnish?

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

Maybe I'm
just not
comfortable
with the
phrase
"aquatic alien
overlords."

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk I have one rule: If I can eat it, I can kill it...

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

I'd sooner
wear commie
clothes than
give up my
humanity...

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

If I'd known
you were
coming I
would've
baked a
sweetbread...

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk I don't know
much about
science or
monsters
but... I'm
willing to
learn...

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

Mister, that won't buy you a half stick of gum at the Half Stick of Gum Store...

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

I've smoked worse things in my pipe...

Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk Hope I didn't ruin your little fondue club reunion...

> Vows, Defiance, and Tough Talk

Don't look now but my skirt just got a little longer...

> Please Enjoy This Great Portent

I'm afraid this is something even the jaded face of science hasn't gazed upon...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent

Sometimes
the solution
is in front
of us the
whole time,
laughing...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent I don't think
I've ever
bargained
with anything
quite so
hideous...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent We're going to need a bigger intellect...

> Please Enjoy This Great Portent

There's
enough
science in
there to ice a
cocktail...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent Let's just
say this is
one deadly
sea creature
we won't be
inviting home
for dinner...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent These things really put the hell in hellspawn...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent We might as well be throwing cufflinks...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent If the sun still
gets up in
the morning
and has
breakfast... so
will we...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent Some exchange recipes... others exchange minds...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent

If we don't...
this could be
the start of
the beginning
of the end...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent It's time we all snapped our suspenders in unison...

> Please Enjoy This Great Portent

Boy... you think you know an ocean...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent

Without an answer... we'll only have a lot of questions...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent Something tells me those aren't antennae...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent Correct me
if I'm wrong
but I think
everything I
ever feared is
correct...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent The term
"ultimate
aquatic
horror" comes
to mind about
now...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent If I didn't
know
better, I'd
swear we're
surrounded
by monsters...

Please Enjoy This Great Portent This isn't the pie I signed on to bake...

Quip Your Griping!

Wake me when the world is saved...

Quip Your Griping! If it isn't one thing, it's another, and probably another after that...

Quip Your Griping! Sometimes we learn the hard way, especially after we've already touched something gross...

Quip Your Griping!

I don't make the rules, I just test them...

Quip Your Griping!

We could sure
use a good
atom bomb
right about
now...

Quip Your Griping!

Remind me
to stay home
next time
we're battling
repulsive
things...

Quip Your Griping! This whole day's been stepping in one monkey pie after another!

Quip Your Griping! Now I know how a sardine feels, except for the whole oily part...

> Quip Your Griping!

And to think
I had to
skip marine
biology...

Quip Your Griping!

If you're going to defeat a fish, you'd better start thinking like one...

Quip Your Griping! If you're counting on a patsy, count me out...

> Quip Your Griping!

You don't have the tartar sauce for something like this...

> Quip Your Griping!

If we have another close one, would you mind taking it?

Quip Your Griping! If I never see another terrifying sea thing, it'll be too soon...

> Quip Your Griping!

I like drinking water alright, but fighting in it is something entirely different...

Quip Your Griping! If you need me, I'll be in a dry, monsterfree place...

> Quip Your Griping!

I'd question my own sanity if it wasn't one of my favorite things...

Why So Glib?

I've seen some aquatic nightmares in my day but this takes the caviar...

Why So Glib?

Next time you're having a pool party... don't invite me...

> Quip Your Griping!

I didn't know aliens came in disgusting...

Why So Glib?

I just find it hard to communicate with anything that's dangling...

Why So Glib?

That's one claw that will never click like a maraca...

Quip Your Griping!

Didn't expect
to touch
anything with
fins when I
left for work
this morning!

Why So Glib?

Don't look now, but we've got dinner guests!

Why So Glib?

The bottom of my shoe has scarier things than this...

Why So Glib?

If I didn't believe my own eyes, I wouldn't be seeing this!

Why So Glib?

Not exactly what I had in mind when I said let's put our heads together...

Why So Glib?

It's almost enough to make you dislike giant bulbous eyes...

Why So Glib?

Never thought
I'd be fighting
underwater
in a rented
dinner jacket!

Why So Glib?

Not to be nosy, but... do those eyes belong to you?

Why So Glib?

When I look something in the face, I prefer it has a face!

Why So Glib?

If you're the dessert, can't wait to see the topping...

Why So Glib?

Can't miss it —
just turn left
at the next
indescribable
horror...

Why So Glib?

I don't know whether to fight it or have it for lunch!

Why So Glib?

Is this any
way to run
a subversive
alien
takeover?

Why So Glib?

These things really put the "F" in fish don't they?

Why So Glib?

Don't make me open a container of fisticuffs on your posterior...

Why So Glib?

How about some ham with those eggs?

And Before You Pull That Switch And to think people laughed when I named my fists...

> And Before You Pull That Switch

Let's slap tentacle... Please, don't get up. Ever.

And Before You Pull That Switch Sorry to throw a hairnet on your evil plans...

And Before You Pull That Switch

And Before You Pull That Switch Don't kill us, we'll kill you... Pardon me, but is this your fin? I know white goes best with you... but I brought red...

And Before You Pull That Switch And Before You Pull That Switch And Before You Pull That Switch

Hold onto your bunsens, kids! Time to cut some apron strings... There's more than one way to skin a cephalopod...

And Before You Pull That Switch

And Before You Pull That Switch And Before You Pull That Switch

Time to pay the organ grinder... Glad I'm not in your webbed feet... I'd like to stay, but I've got a date with the rest of my life...

And Before You Pull That Switch And Before You Pull That Switch

And Before You Pull That Switch Never did care for seafood...

Wave when you get to the explosion...

Hope you like smoke with your shrapnel...

And Before You Pull That Switch And Before You Pull That Switch And Before You Pull That Switch

Must be Friday!

You just don't have the tentacles needed.

Have you been monster-fighting long?

And Before You Pull That Switch

And Before You Pull That Switch

The Flirtation

If all opponents of undersea invasions look like you, count me in...

We must compare encounters with the unknown sometime...

Where have you been all my longevity?

The Flirtation

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I know one figure I'd like to check...

Careful, things might be overheating... There's no one I'd rather battle deadly creatures with...

The Flirtation

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Well... the end of the world just got a little bit brighter... I've never been happier to be free of something's slimy grip... You know, you make those loathsome horrors look... even more loathsome...

The Flirtation

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The Flirtation

If we get through this, the sushi's on me... Well now...
what oyster
did you come
out of?

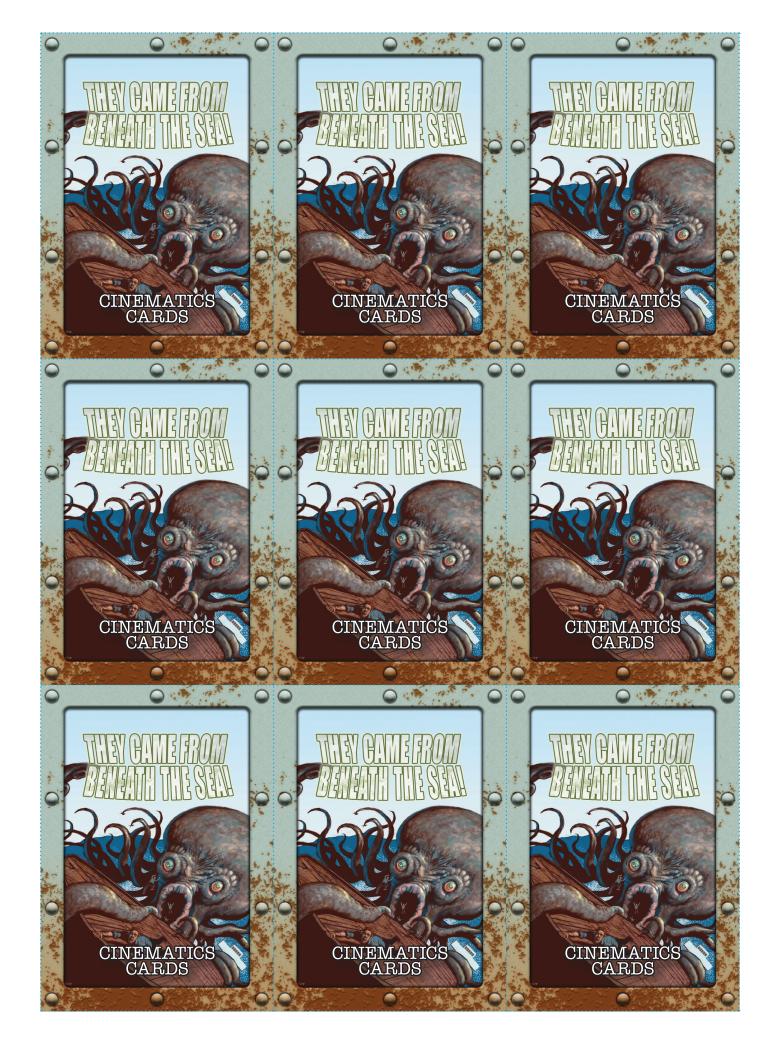
Underwater hell doesn't seem so bad... now...

The Flirtation

The Flirtation

The Flirtation

Alien So... what are takeover's no That's not the you doing match... for biology I had after foiling the takeover in mind... an invasion? of my heart... The Flirtation The Flirtation The Flirtation There's You remind You know... something me of all the you have about the just the right things I love smell of fish number of about my that just gets mother. eyes... me going. The Flirtation The Flirtation The Flirtation



ALLY OF CONVENIENCE

Cost: 1 Rewrite

Any player whose character has the Encountered status can choose to make an alien creature into an ally for the scene's duration. They may use their unwitting alien ally to escape a particularly troublesome or perilous situation, open a door, undo a lock, operate an escape vehicle, or read a vital piece of text.

BAD DUBBING

Cost: 1 Rewrite

Players with this Cinematic can activate it at an opportune time and the Director will then dub over the alien conversation in English for their benefit.

CALL THE UNDERSTUDY!

Cost: 2 Rewrites

A player can use Call the Understudy at any point during the scene, but once she does, the understudy portrays her character until the scene ends. The player can then rearrange the character's Skills as she sees fit. Any time an Understudy suffers damage, she is incapacitated and removed from the scene. The actual actor shows up for the next scene unharmed.

CHEAP SET

Cost: 1 Rewrite

A player with this Cinematic can, once per chapter, call upon some object or set piece to break or fail. A character might crash through a wall, pull a door off the hinges, shatter a car window with a single punch, or bend a metal (cardboard) bar with ease. Alternately, the character can target a device or prop in the hands of another character — a gun misfires, an evil device malfunctions, or a heavy extra falls through the floor.

DELETED SCENE

Cost: 3 Rewrites

Once per story, the player with this Cinematic can declare a Deleted Scene. This allows the character to replay or add on to a scene that has already happened, in order to introduce a new element, set up a future advantage, or provide Enhancements to an action. The character using this Cinematic must have been present in the scene that they wish to replay, or make an appearance in some direct or indirect way in the now-expanded scene. For example, the scene might now include a phone call or cutaway to the character using the Cinematic.

FAN FAVORITE: FAVORITE HERO

Cost: 2 Rewrites

When a character undergoes a Death Scene, the player can declare the character to be a Fan Favorite. The character's Death Scene continues as normal, but the character can return the next time Starring a Full Cast is invoked (typically during Wrap-Up), or during the next movie. If a character manages to undergo a Death Scene and then return to action during the same movie, Fan Favorite remains in effect for that character for the remainder of the movie and the character cannot enter another Death Scene. Her Health track cannot get any worse than That'll Leave a Scar.

FAN FAVORITE: FAVORITE VILLAIN

Cost: 2 Rewrites

If the player designates a villain or a supporting character as a Fan Favorite, that villain will return in the sequel, regardless of what happens to him during this movie. The villain might die in an explosion (no body found means he's not really dead!), get sucked into a whirlpool, or be enveloped in Suspended slime and taken to the watery depths. If the player uses Fan Favorite in this way, every character immediately gains 2 Experience points.

KILL THE EXTRA

Cost: 1 Rewrite

Players who choose this Cinematic start play with a supporting character attached to their own. A sidekick of sorts, who participates in their misadventures without being too closely involved with the party. However, should their character come into immediate danger of death, the star can activate their extra to take the hit.

OMNISCIENT NARRATOR

Cost: 2 Rewrites

This Cinematic can only be invoked for one character per story. Once a character invokes it, they are the Narrator for the duration of the film. Narrators have the ability to describe what is happening on screen, and more, importantly, why

it is happening. During narration, dialogue can still occur (though it isn't always audible to the audience), and the Director can have other players make rolls for their characters. Generally,

though, if the Narrator says it, it happens. If the Director wants to change the Narration, they must add a point to the Writer's Pool and call for a Rewrite, telling the Narrator what needs to change in their last line.

REAR SCREEN PROJECTION

Cost: 1 Rewrite

With this Cinematic, a character can declare any trip that might conceivably have a rear-screen projection "safe" — even if the characters are driving through hell. Any attacks that happen during such a trip disable or damage the vehicle, but not the passengers. The player can declare Rear Screen Projection to be in effect at any time during a travel sequence.

SCENE MISSING

Cost: 3 Rewrites

A player with this Cinematic can use it, once per story, to get out of whatever sticky situation their character is currently in.

The character and any other player-controlled characters in the scene cannot be harmed, killed, or otherwise made to suffer direct damage. The scene ends (and the appropriate title card flashes onscreen), and then the film resumes with the characters unhurt and in a new situation some time later.

STARRING A FULL CAST: THE INTRODUCTION

Cost: 1 Rewrite

The first time all of the characters are together and interact with each other, the group can activate this Cinematic to add one Rewrite per character to the Writer's Pool. This requires that every character has a chance to speak, that everyone is together and interacting (rather than everyone being the sample physical space but paired off and cross-cutting between smaller groups), and that the group as a whole discusses some mutually relevant matter.

STARRING A FULL CAST: LET'S ALL PITCH IN

Cost: 1 Rewrite

When all of the characters are together and confronted by the same complicated or problematic situation, they can work together to help solve it. This requires that the situation is a problem for all of them, though it doesn't have to be a problem in the same way. Mechanically, one character acts as the primary actor in solving the problem, setting the dice pool. Everyone else rolls the same dice pool, contributing successes to the overall result. Each member of the group should describe (after rolling the dice!) how their character's efforts help or impede the group effort.

STARRING A FULL CAST: WRAP-UP

Cost: 1 Rewrite

When a story ends, the players can choose to employ this Cinematic. All surviving characters must be gathered together, and must discuss, in brief, their experiences during the story and how they have changed. The player is encouraged to display this in the portrayal of the character rather than simply telling the other players. At the end of the scene, each character gains one additional Experience point.

SUMMON THE STUNTMAN

Cost: 2 Rewrites

A player with this Cinematic can, once per story, call in a stunt performer to undertake a physical action or a series of physical actions on their character's behalf. The stunt performer isn't being paid to act, and so cannot speak on camera. As such, their utility is limited to physical feats: running, jumping, swimming, driving, and fighting. Stunt performers can suffer horrific injury, but no wounds or damage transfer to the character.

<u>TAKE TWO!</u>

Cost: 2 Rewrites

Sometimes it's wise to shoot two different versions of a scene.

Actors have chemistry that no one expected, prompting a slight reinterpretation of the lines. A stunt performer breaks a leg, requiring an action scene be scrapped.

Whatever the justification, with this Cinematic, a player can require that scene be played twice, with potentially radically different results. This Cinematic can be used once per story. With this Cinematic, a character can start a scene over just as it ends.

TWAS BEAUTY DID SOMETHING TO THE BEAST

Cost: 1 Rewrite

Players with this Cinematic can activate it to initiate a romantic plot or subplot that, with the connivance of the Director, could alter the entire complexion of the conflict going forward. Or it might not. That depends on the motivations of the characters involved. Usually it involves aliens and involves slime.

YOU DROPPED THIS

Cost: 2 Rewrites

Encountered characters for whom this Cinematic is played gain an alien artifact at start of play or over the course of play and will always, very conveniently, be furnished with the exact knowledge they need to utilize it. Perhaps the encounter itself imbues the character with the special alien energy needed to fire their weapons or activate their devices.

