

elcome to the World of RuneScape

This guide covers all aspects of the free to play version of RuneScape. When you enter the world of RuneScape, you enter a richly detailed world of fantasy. After you sign up, you become one of the millions of characters in RuneScape. After a short tutorial, you enter the world and interact with nonplayer characters (NPCs) and players from all over the world who have logged on to experience one of RuneScape's many adventures.

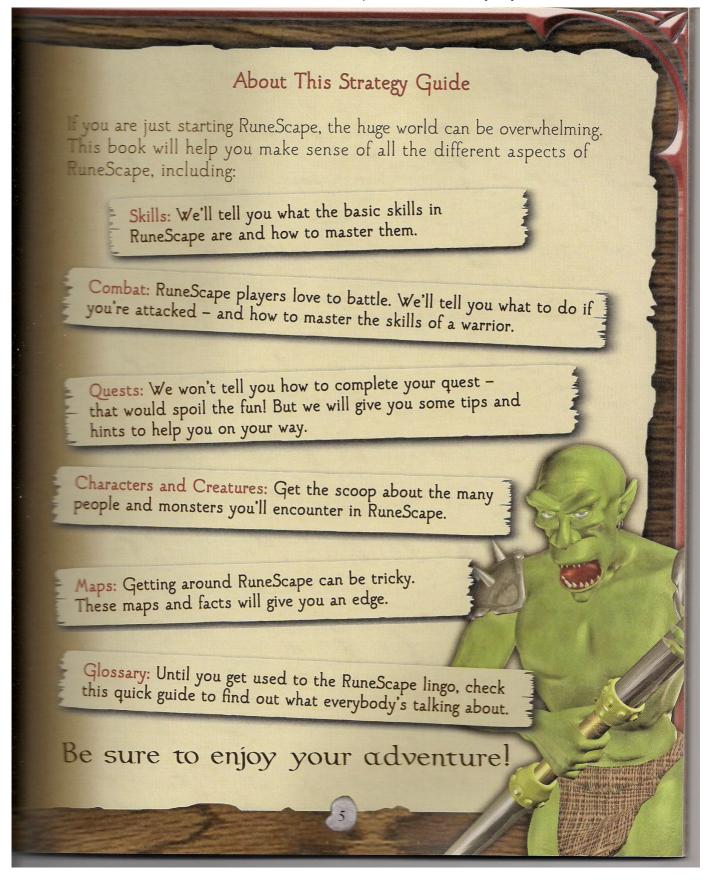
As you travel around RuneScape, you will meet Wizards, Goblins, Dwarves, and other characters and creatures. You will have the chance to learn skills such as combat, mining, cooking, and runecrafting. You will be able to make goods to sell in stores or trade with other players. You can craft ancient runes and use them in magic spells. You can become a warrior and battle for glory and riches. Just about anything you can imagine, you can do as your RuneScape character.

The Origins of RuneScape

RuneScape began in 1998 as an idea by two brothers: Paul and Andrew Gower. In 2001, the game began to be run by a company called Jagex Limited. The game changed over the years and in 2004 RuneScape became the game most players know today.

There are millions of registered players on RuneScape, and hundreds of thousands of them are playing the game at any one time. These players are from all over the world, although the game is most popular in the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, the Netherlands, and Australia.

New skills, quests, characters, and places to visit are being added to RuneScape all the time, so a player is guaranteed a unique experience each time they play.

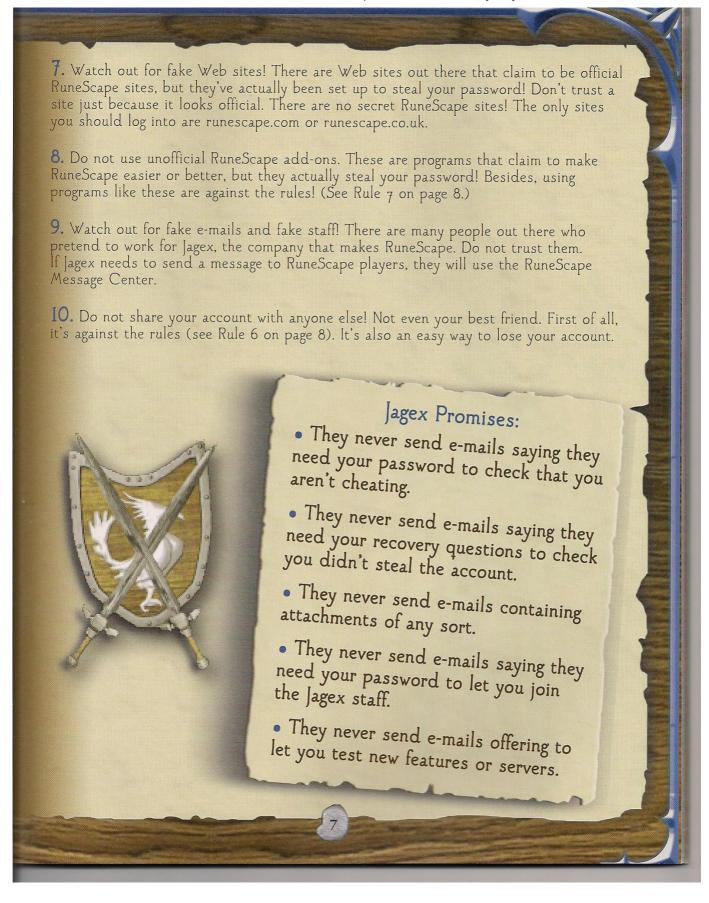


nline Safety and Security Guidelines

First things first. RuneScape is an online game, which means it's a lot different from playing a game at home with your friends and family. Even though you might make friends in the game, remember that you DO NOT know these people in real life. It's important and best to keep a safe distance from other RuneScape players.



- 1. NEVER ever give other players your personal information. Don't tell them your real name, e-mail address, home address, or any phone numbers. If you get a message from someone claiming to work for RuneScape, don't believe it! Jagex, the company that makes RuneScape, will never ask you for this information.
- 2. NEVER ever make plans to meet a RuneScape player in real life. There is no way for you to know if the player is really who they say they are. If a player asks to meet with you in real life, let your parent or guardian know about it right away.
 - **3.** Using your game friends list is the safest way to chat with players. But if someone makes you feel uncomfortable, STOP chatting right away! You can block all messages from that player by clicking on the ignore button it's a picture that looks like an unhappy face. You can also report a player in the game by clicking the report abuse button.
 - **4.** ALWAYS let a parent or guardian know what you are doing online. Spend some time showing your parents the world of RuneScape. Ask them to check on you regularly to see if you're having any problems. And if you do have a problem, share it with them.
 - 5. Do not give your password to any other player! Period. Don't tell them your password recovery questions, either. Remember, Jagex staff will never e-mail you and ask you for your password or any other personal information. If you get an e-mail from someone claiming to be from Jagex who wants personal info, they're lying!
 - **6.** Think before using your password. Never enter your password or recovery questions into ANY Web site other than runescape.com or runescape.co.uk. When you choose your password, make sure it's different from passwords you use on other sites.



he Rules of RuneScape

Rule 1: No Offensive Language

You must not use any language that others might consider to be offensive, racist, or obscene. This includes swearing.

Rule 2: No Item Scamming

You must not trick other players into giving you their items or steal items from other players. Lying to other players for your own personal gain is not in the spirit of the game.

Rule 3: No Password Scamming

Asking or trying to persuade another player to give you their password for ANY reason is against the rules.

Rule 4: No Cheating/Bug Abuse

You must not use or attempt to use any cheats or errors that you find in Jagex's software. If you find one, report it immediately to Jagex Customer Support through the main menu.

Rule 5: No Impersonating Jagex Staff

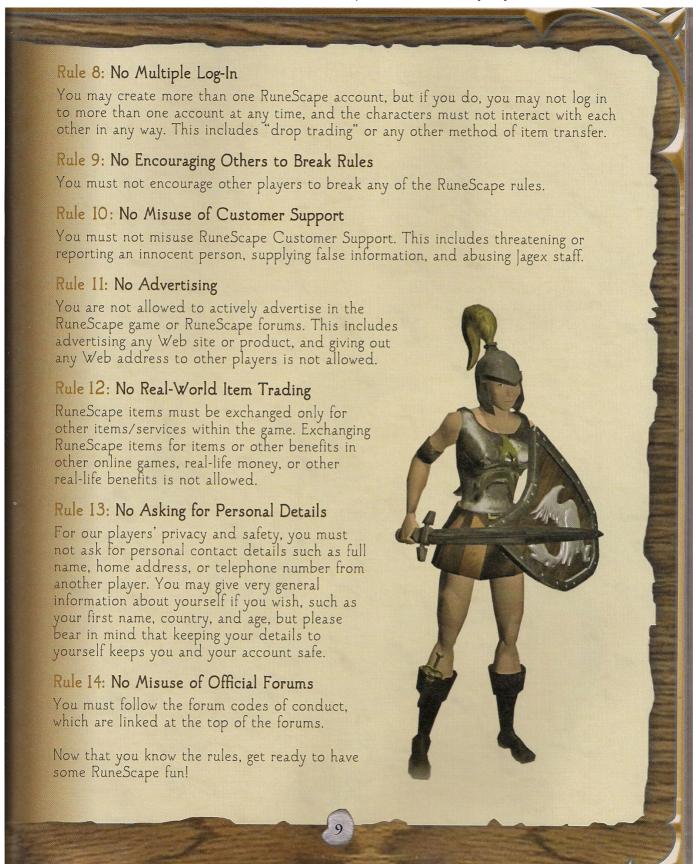
You should not attempt to impersonate Jagex staff in any way, for any reason. Jagex staff members will have a gold crown next to their names when speaking in the game. Anyone who does not have a gold crown next to their name is not Jagex staff. This applies to both private chat and general in-game chat.

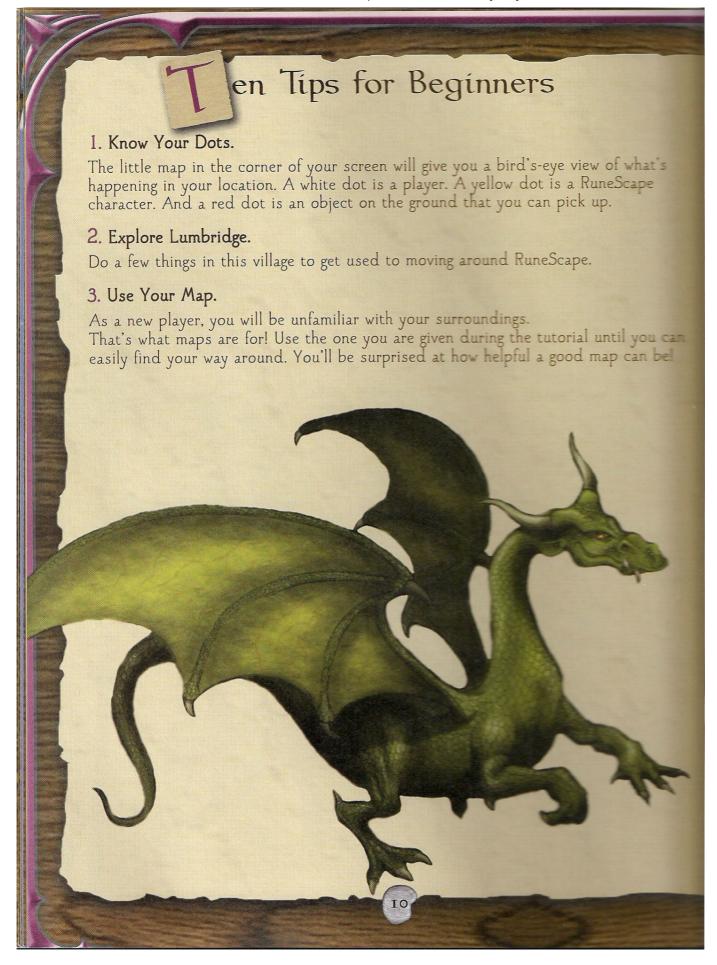
Rule 6: No Account Sharing/Trading

Each account should be used by only one person. Account sharing is not allowed, you may not sell, transfer, or lend your account to anyone else, or permit anyone else to use your account, and you may not accept an account that anyondy else offers you.

Rule 7: No Macroing

You must not attempt to use other programs, such as bots, macros, or autominers to give yourself an unfair advantage in the game. You also may not circumvent any Jagex mechanisms designed to log out inactive users automatically.





4. Sell Your Stuff.

Just like the real world, money makes the RuneScape world go 'round. You can sell just about anything you catch or make to stores or other players. A good way to practice is to kill a chicken in Lumbridge. Chop down a tree, then cook the chicken over a fire. You can eat the cooked chicken, of course, or you can sell it to the general store for I GP (or gold piece). It's not much, but you can kill and cook more chickens until the GPs add up, and you'll also get experience (known as XP, or experience points, in RuneScape talk)!

5. Goblins Are Easy Targets.

There are lots of level 2 Goblins running around Lumbridge. If you slay them, they will drop money and other items - which you can pick up!

6. Know Your Specialty Shops.

The general store will buy just about anything, but if you try to sell a cooked chicken to Bob's Brilliant Axes, you'll be out of luck. If you get an item a specialty shop will buy, you might be able to get a better price for it there than at the general store.

7. Check Prices.

You can sell or trade your items to other players in the game, but be sure you don't get ripped off! A good way to check is to see what the item is selling for in stores, then sell your item for close or a little less. If you are trading, check the prices of both items to make sure they're about the same. You may also find that for certain items, higher-level players will pay even more than shop prices. It's definitely worth looking out for opportunities like this.

8. More XP Equals More GPs.

The more skilled you are at a craft, the more money you can make by selling the things you create by cooking, crafting, mining, or other skills.

9. Beware of the Wilderness.

North of Varrock is the Wilderness, where players can attack one another. If you're new, some players might lure you into the Wilderness so they can attack you. Don't go unless you're prepared. And it's good advice to leave any equipment that you don't want to lose in the bank.

10. Get to a Bank.

If by some chance your character dies (and it probably will), don't freak out. You will end up back in Lumbridge – but any GPs you were carrying will be gone. Keep most of your GPs in a bank and you will have something to fall back on in times of trouble. You can find a bank on the top floor of Lumbridge Castle.

Using Your Controls

The RuneScape tutorial will teach you the basic skills you need to know to get around the game. But there are a few additional features you will use again and again. Here are some tips to get you familiar with these controls.

Camera Controls

You can rotate the camera on your screen to get the best view of the action. Sometime it's necessary to see objects that you'd otherwise miss. Rotating the camera is easy.

- 1. Press the LEFT and RIGHT arrows to rotate the camera from left to right.
- 2. Use the UP and DOWN arrow keys to adjust the vertical height of the camera. With the feature, you can move from a behind-the-player view to a bird's-eye view from above.

Trading with Other Players

Why should you trade items with other players? You can usually sell or buy your items at a better price than the shops offer. You can also get items through trading that mignot be available in the shops. Follow these easy steps to earn how to trade:

- I. Find a buyer or a seller. If you have mined some coal and want to sell it, go to a busy area and yell, "Coal for sale!"
- 2. If somebody wants to buy your coal, right-click on their character. Select the Trade option. The other player will be informed of your request. They will click on your character and also select the "Trade" option.
- 3. A screen will appear. The items on the left are what was a second trade The items on the right are what the other player is offering to an account of a click on it in the inventory box. To add multiples of the second to remove an item from the trade, just click on it in the Offer was and it will be removed.
- 4. Are you happy with the trade? Then press the green ACCES better that the your mind, just hit DECLINE.
- 5. If you do accept, a final confirmation screen will appear. This experience chance to check the trade you are about to complete. Make sure what is being offered. Then press ACCEPT for the last time.

Be careful when trading! There is no way to reverse a trade once the second players may try to trick you by saying they'll give you information to give the item right back to you. It's best not to trust offers to the second promising to give the item right back to you.

Shops

You can buy and sell almost anything in RuneScape's many shops. Follow these steps to make shop transactions:

- Talk to the shopkeeper of a store and choose the "Talk-to" option. Or right-click the mouse and choose the "Trade" option. That will take you straight to the Shop screen.
- The Shop screen will show you all of the items you can buy in the current shop. Next to each item is a number that shows how many of the item is for sale. If there is no number next to the item, that means there is only one left, so buy it quickly if you want it!
- Check out your inventory, which will be displayed on the screen. Do you have enough room to buy what you want?
- If you want to buy an item, left-click on it to find out how many GPs the shopkeeper wants. If you like the price, right-click and choose one of the "Buy" options. Sold!
- If you want to sell an item to the shop, click on the item in your inventory. You will see how much the shop is willing to pay, or even if the shop wants to buy it at all. If you like the price offered, right-click on your item. Choose the number you want to sell with the "Sell" option.

Understanding Prices: If the shop has 500 swords in stock, for example, it will probably sell them to you at a low price. But if you try to sell a sword to the shop, you might not get the high price for it that you want. Wait until the shop is low on swords and try again.

Banks

Using a bank is important if you want to do a lot in RuneScape. You can carry only 28 items in your inventory at a time (not including weapons and clothing). If you die, you will lose whatever GPs you are carrying. So using a bank allows you to store extra inventory and keep your GPs safe.



Here's how to use the RuneScape banks:

- Find and walk to the nearest bank. When you get there, right-click on any of the booths there. The bank screen will appear. Now you can choose to deposit and withdraw items.
- Any items you have deposited in the bank will appear on the screen. If you have more than one of an item, the number will appear next to it.
- To deposit an item, right-click on the item in your inventory and choose the "Deposit" option. Select the number you wish to deposit from the list. It's that easy!



- 4. If you want to withdraw an item from your inventory, you will have two choices. You can simply withdraw the item. If it is a tradeable item that does not stack in inventory, such as ore or food, you can withdraw it as a "Note." The advantage of is that the item won't take up a lot of space in your inventory, but you can still se trade it. For the most part, though, you can't use or wield an item that has been will drawn as a note.
- 5. The SWAP and INSERT buttons on the screen are there to help you organize your sold from the screen are there to help you organize your sold from the screen on top of and item; they will swap positions. Choose INSERT to drag and drop an item to a new put the items will shuffle positions to make room for it.

Friends

You can keep in contact with the other players you make friends with in RuneScap using your Friends List. It's easy:

- 1. Click on the smiley face on your player interface to call up the Friends List scr
- 2. To add a friend to the list, click on the button marked ADD FRIENDS and type in name of the player you want to add. You can also right-click on the name of a play a Chat window and select the appropriate option.
- 3. To remove a friend from the list, just click on the DEL FRIEND button and type in name of the player you want to remove.

Ignoring Players

You can also prevent other players from messaging you if you don't want to hear them. That's easy, too:

- 1. Click on the sad-face button on your player interface to call up the Ignore List screen.
- 2. To add a player to the list, click on the button marked ADD NAME and type in to name of the player you want to add. You can also right-click on the name of a play a Chat window and select the correct

option.

Chat Options

There are three options on the bottom of the RuneScape screen that control how other players interact with you:

1. "Public Chat": This controls how much chat you can receive from other players. Choose from ON, FRIEND ONLY, OFF, or HIDE.



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- 2. "Private Chat": This controls how players contact you with private messages. If set to ON, anyone can contact you, whether they are a friend or not. You can also choose FRIENDS ONLY and OFF.
- 3. "Trade/Complete": This controls whether other players can send you trade requests or challenge you to duels. The options are ON, FRIENDS ONLY, or OFF.

Taking Your Own Screenshots

Want to remember a moment from your game forever? Here's how you can take screenshots from your game, so you can show your friends your most awesome RuneScape accomplishments.

Taking screenshots is super easy, but how you do it depends on whether you use Windows or a Macintosh operating system.

If you use Windows:

1. Press the PRINT SCREEN key on your key-board. This is located next to the F12 key. Pressing this will put whatever is on your screen onto your computer's clipboard.

2. Then open up a graphics program such as Paint or Photoshop. Paste your screenshot by pressing CTRL + V.

3. Save your picture. To make it a smaller file size, try saving it as a .gif or .png file.

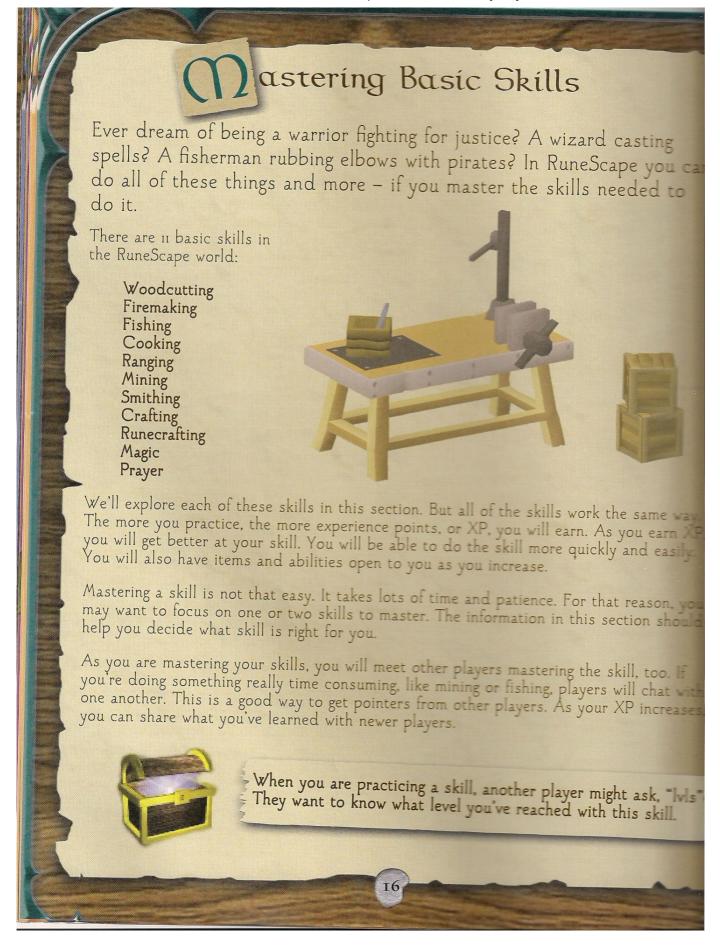
If you use Macintosh:

- Press down the SHIFT + COMMAND (apple) + 3 keys.
- 2. What happens next depends on which Mac system you use. If you use Mac OS IO.x, a .pdf file with your screenshot in it will be saved to your desktop. You can then open it and choose "Export" from the File menu. Then pick a new format to save it as. If you use Mac OS 9.x and below, your screenshot will be saved as an image on your desktop.

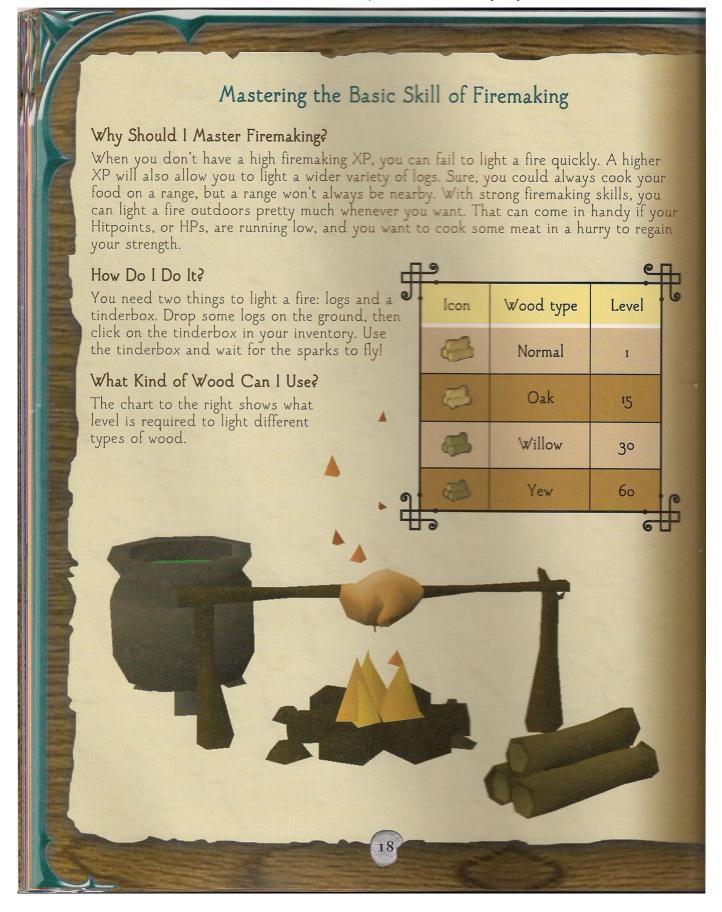
The Members Version of the Game

As you play the game, you may come across messages such as, "You need to be on a members server to use this feature." RuneScape membership requires you to pay a monthly subscription fee of \$5. This will give you access to many new game features, including skills such as agility, fletching, herblore, thieving, slayer, and farming. It also expands many of the free server skills and also gives access to many new quests, items, towns, dungeons, minigames, and more.

This handbook covers the free version of the game, which you can play for as long as you like with no obligation to become a member. But if you do feel you're ready for a new challenge, becoming a member might be for you.







Mastering the Basic Skill of Fishing

Why Should I Master Fishing?

when you need to heal yourself, you need food. Fishing is a quick way of getting the food you need. Players who battle a lot especially value expensive fish like lobster and swordfish, which heal more HPs than fish like shrimp and sardines. If you master fishing, you can sell fish to these players and watch your GPs multiply!

How Do I Do It?

You'll need to find a fishing spot. Once you get there, right-click to see what options there are, or left-click to perform the default option. Net, Bait, Harpoon, Lure, and Cage. If you have the necessary equipment in your inventory, click on the option and try to eatch the fish. The kind of fish you can catch depends on your fishing evel. If you don't have the right equipment, you can buy it from a fishing shop. Try Gerrant's Fishing Business in Port Sarim.

What Types of Fishing Can I Master?

}	Туре	pe Location Required Items		Extra Cost
0	Net Fishing	Many sea fishing locations	Net Net	None
	Sea Bait Fishing	Many sea fishing locations	Fishing rod, Fishing bait	None
	Fly Fishing	Many river fishing locations	Fly Fishing rod, Feathers	ı feather every time you catch a fish
	River Bait Fishing	Many river fishing locations	Fishing rod, Fishing bait	1 bait every time you catch a fish
	Harpoon Fishing	Karamja Island	Harpoon	None
_	Lobster Fishing	Karamja Island	Cage, Lobster	None



Mastering the Basic Skills of Cooking

Why Should I Master Cooking?

When you cook, you can eat food, and when you eat food, it will heal lost HPs (Hitpoints). Knowing how to cook your own food is essential early in the game. It's also very handy later on if you need to eat something and can't afford to buy something to eat. As you gain more cooking XP, you'll become a better cook. You won't burn your food as much, and you'll be able to make more complicated and interesting dishes as you progress.



You'll also be able to cook a greater variety of foods. Let's say you've got high fishing XP and can catch lobsters. You can't cook them without a cooking level of 40! If you want to sell your lobster rather than eat it, you'll probably get more money for a cooked one. You'll also be able to cook energy-packed foods like anchovy pizza, which is great for healing yourself after a battle. You can also sell your high-level creations to rake in the GPs.

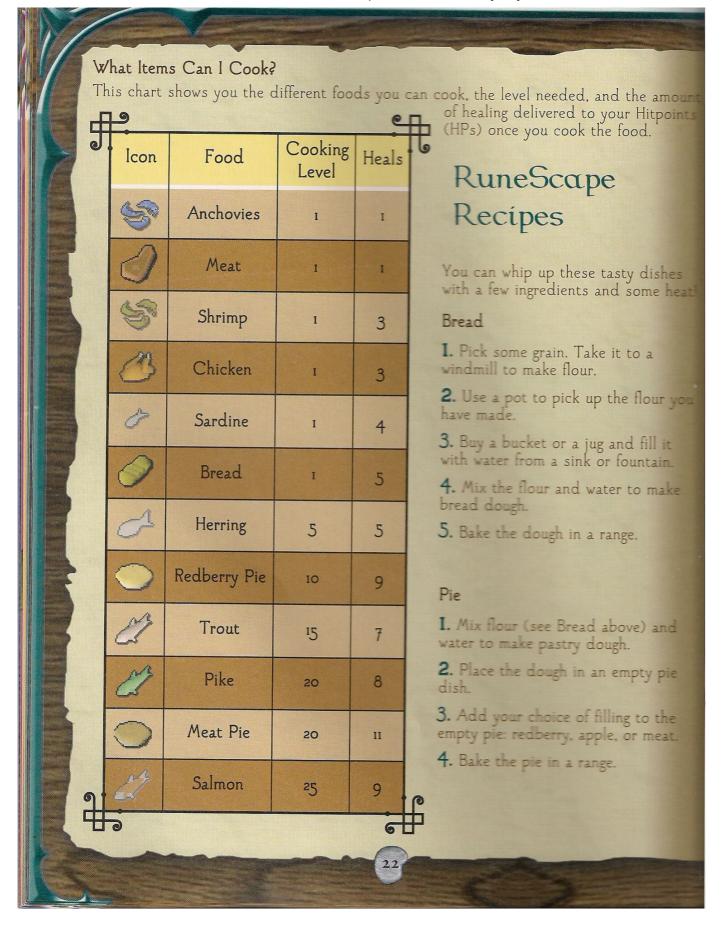
Where Can I Cook Food?

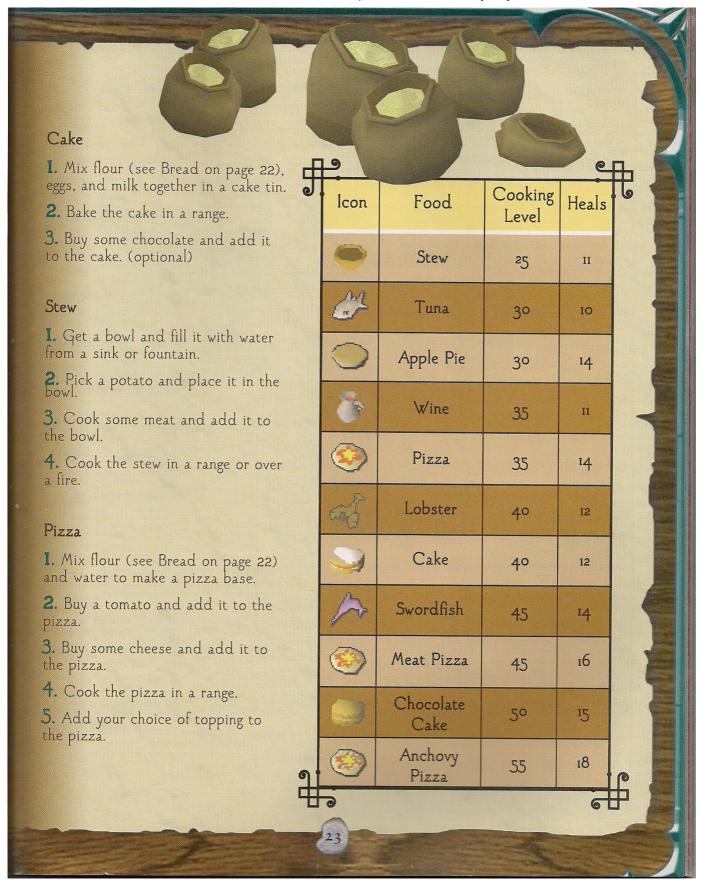
Almost every city and village in RuneScape has a range you can use to cook your food. You can also cook over an open fire if you've got some logs and a tinderbox.

Can I Join a Guild?

Sure, if you have level 32 cooking! The cooking guild is located west of Varrock. Once you enter, you'll have access to a flour mill, water, ranges, ingredients, and supplies like dishes and pans. Besides the level requirement, you need to wear a chef's hat before you can enter.







Mastering the Basic Skill of Ranging

Why Should I Master Ranging?

The ranging skill allows you to attack players or monsters from a distance, using special weapons, such as a bow and arrow. When you hit a foe from a distance, you can use hit-and-run tactics to avoid damage in the battle. It's also a good skill to know when you are fighting magic users, because it can be very effective against Mages. Another bonus is that with high ranging XP, you get to wear cool armor!

How Do I Do It?

First, you need the right equipment: a bow and some arrows or bolts to shoot from it. To use the weapons in battle, left-click on the item and chose the "Wield" option. Then click to attack a monster or another player and you will shoot your arrows or bolts until you do something else or are attacked. It's important that there be a clean line of sight between you and your target. If there is something in the way, you won't be able to attack.

After you attack, your opponent will try to run right at you for some hand-to-hand combat. If your opponent does not have any ranged attacks, you can keep shooting without taking any damage. When the fight is over, you can pick up any arrows on the ground and use

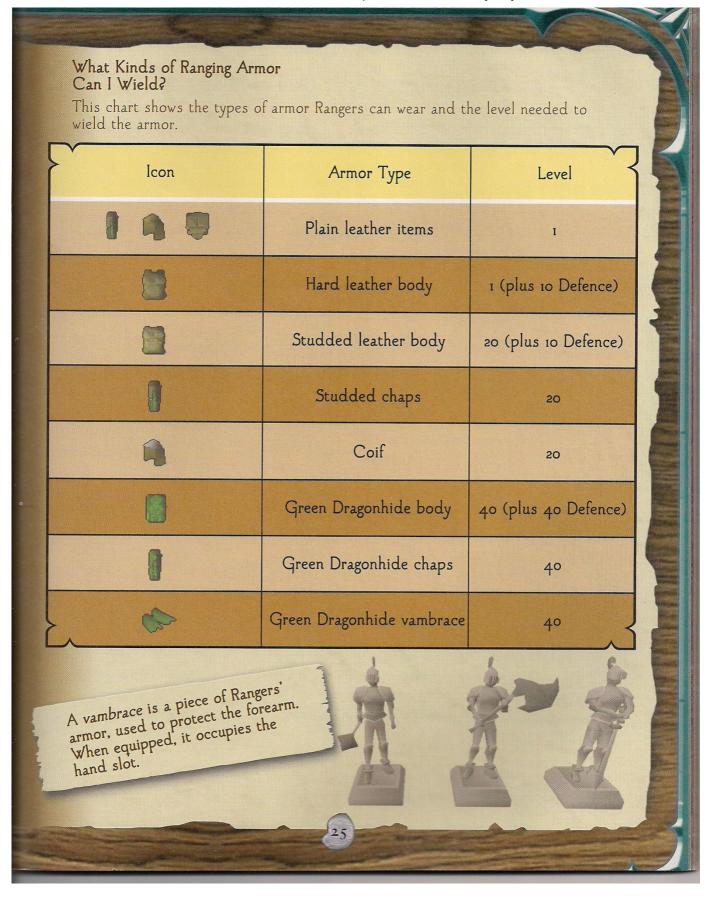
them again (unless they are broken).

lcon	Bow Type	Level
AS .	Standard	I
B	Oak	5
	Willow	20
	Maple	30 {

A good Ranger will use the land around him to get an advantage over his opponents. Attacking from higher ground or from the other side of a fence, for example, will keep your opponent at a distance so you can keep using your ranging attacks.

What Types of Bows Can I Wield?

The chart to the left shows you the types of bows available and the level needed to wield them.



Mastering the Basic Skill of Mining

Why Should I Master Mining?

The mining skill is used to get ores and metals from rocks. You can sell the ores and metals or use them to make weapons or other terms. Weapons are in high demand in RuneScape, so a skilled miner will have an advantage in the game.

The higher your mining level, the more valuable metas and ores you can mine. With level 40, for example, you can mine gold to sell or to can into valuable jewelry. Other ores, such as mithril, adamantite, and runite, are prize to making highly effective weapons. If you can master mining these metals, you'll be sought after by other players.

How Do I Do It?

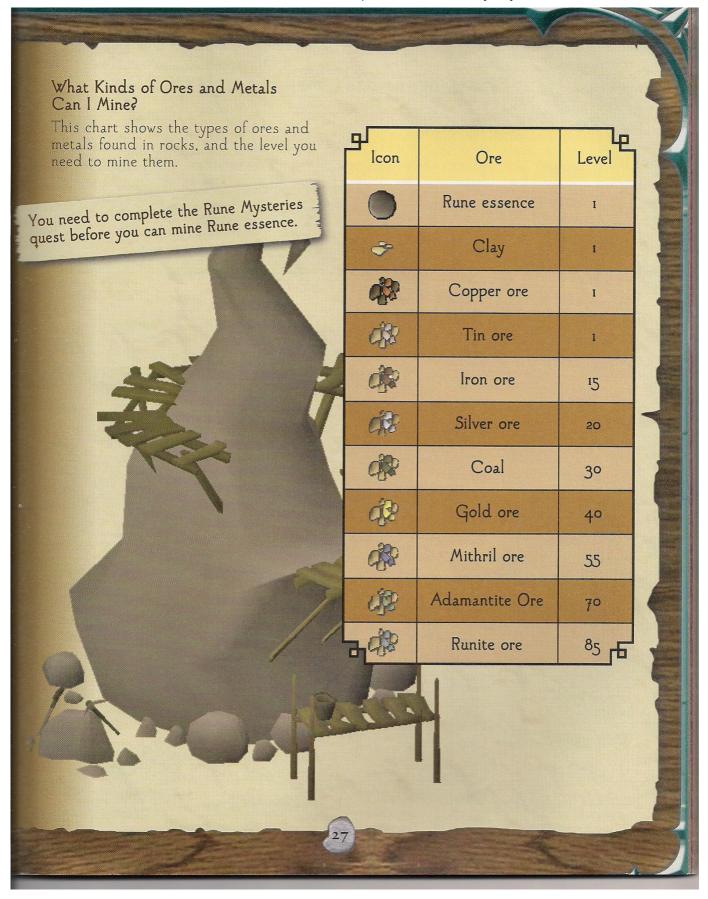
First, you need a pickaxe. You will receive one during the tutorial and can get a replacement from the mining tutor, south of Lumbridge. Eventually you will want a better pickaxe. You can purchase many kinds at the pickaxe shop in the Dwarven Mines. Once you have a pickaxe, head to one of the mining sites in RuneScape to start mining rocks. Right-click on a rock and then click on the "Prospect" option. That will tell you what kinds of ores are in the rock. Then click the "Mine" option to mine the ore. The kind of ore you can mine depends on the level of mining XP you have (see the chart on page 27). It's not easy to get ore from rocks, so keep trying until you succeed. Once your mining XP increases, mining will be easier.

lcon	Туре	Level
7	Bronze pickaxe	ī
7	Iron pickaxe	I
7	Steel pickaxe	6
7	Mithril pickaxe	21
7	Adamant pickaxe	31
7	Rune pickaxe	41 6

Once someone has mined a rock, there will be no ore available from it for a short while. Wait a bit, and you can mine the rock again.

Can I Join a Guild?

You can enter the mining guild in Falador if your mining is level 60 or above. You will find a number of items useful for miners, including coal rocks and mithril rocks. You will also have access to the main Dwarven Mines from there.



Mastering the Basic Skill of Smithing

Why Should I Master Smithing?

If you want to create something with the metals you've mined, you should learn how to smith. Smithing allows you to create a variety of weapons and armor, which are in high demand from other players. It's a good way to make GPs while building up your XP.

A good strategy would be to develop your mining and smithing skills at the same time. If you can combine a high mining level with a great smithing level, you'll be able to create powerful weapons that every player in RuneScape will want!

How Do I Do It?

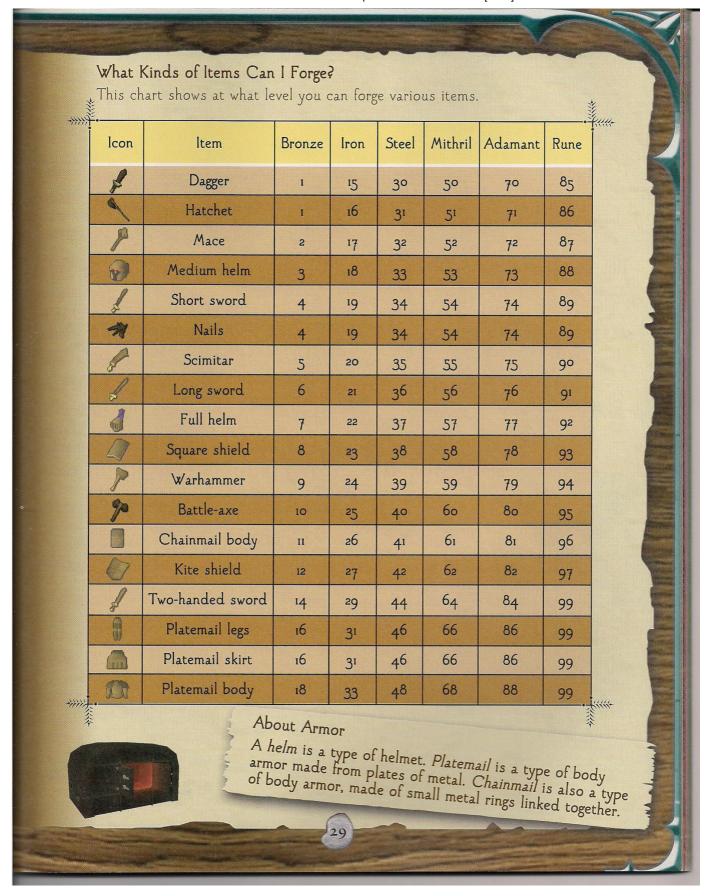
Smithing has two stages: smelting and forging. Smelting converts your ores into bars. First, you need an ore. (If you mine your own ore, you'll save GPs and gain experience at the same time.) Go to a furnace and select an ore from your inventory. Left-click on the furnace to choose the kind of bar you want to make from your ore. You can smelt more than one kind of ore together.

Once you have made your bar, you'll need to forge it. First, you'll need a hammer, which you can buy at a general store. Head to an anvil. Select a bar from your inventory, then click on the anvil. You will be given a list of items you can make from your bar. If you don't have enough bars to make the item, it will be written in red. If the item is written in green, you're all set. Choose the item you want, then hammer away.

What Kinds of Bars Can I Make?

The chart above shows you how to combine ores to make bars. Each bar requires a different level of experience in order to smelt it.

lcon	Bar	Ores Required	Level
	Bronze	1 Tin ore, 1 Copper ore	1
0	Iron	1 Iron ore	15
	Silver	1 Silver ore	20
	Steel	2 Coal, 1 Iron ore	30
	Gold	ı Gold ore	40
0	Mithril	4 Coal, 1 Mithril ore	50
	Adamantite	6 Coal, 1 Adamantite ore	70
	Runite	8 Coal, 1 Runite ore	85



Mastering the Basic Skill of Crafting

Why Should I Master Crafting?

You can make a lot of GPs forging metals and cres into weapons, and you can also use the skill of crafting to turn metals into jewelry. Players love to adorn their characters with necklaces and amulets, so a master jewelry maker can become a very wealthy player.

Crafting also has many practical applications. If you love cooking, you can craft your own pie dishes. If you like to battle, knowing how to craft leather armor is a handy skill.

How Do I Do It?

There are different methods for crafting different items:

Pottery: Start with clay, which you can get by mining. Soften the clay with water. Take the clay to a potter's wheel (try the Barbarian Village). Use the clay on the potter's wheel and select what object you want to make. If you have the necessary level, you will be able to make the item. Take the item to a pottery oven to fire it.

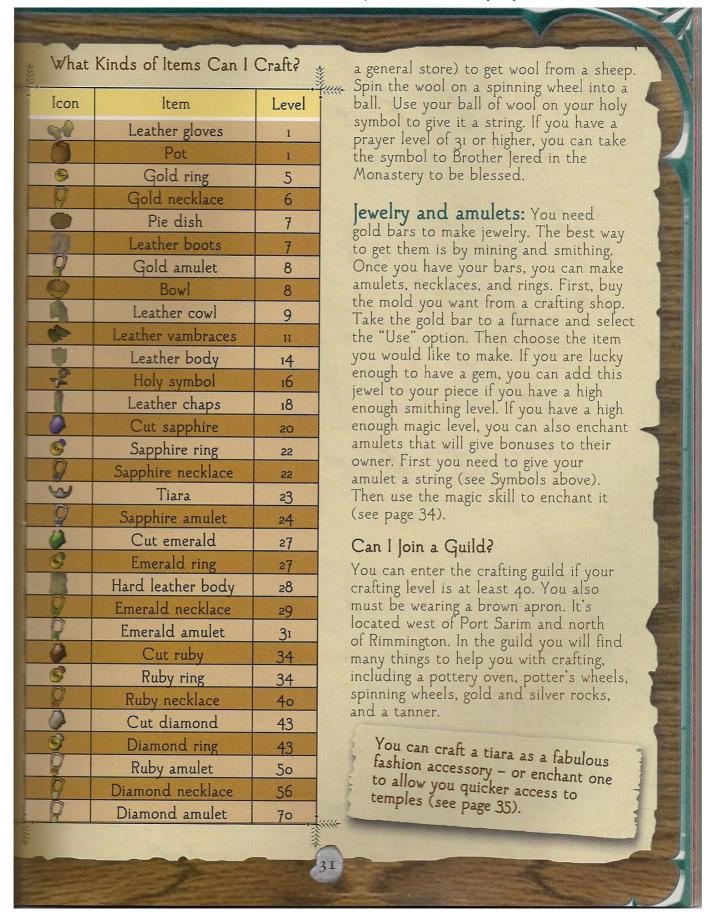
If it doesn't crack upon heating, you'll end up with a nice piece of pottery.

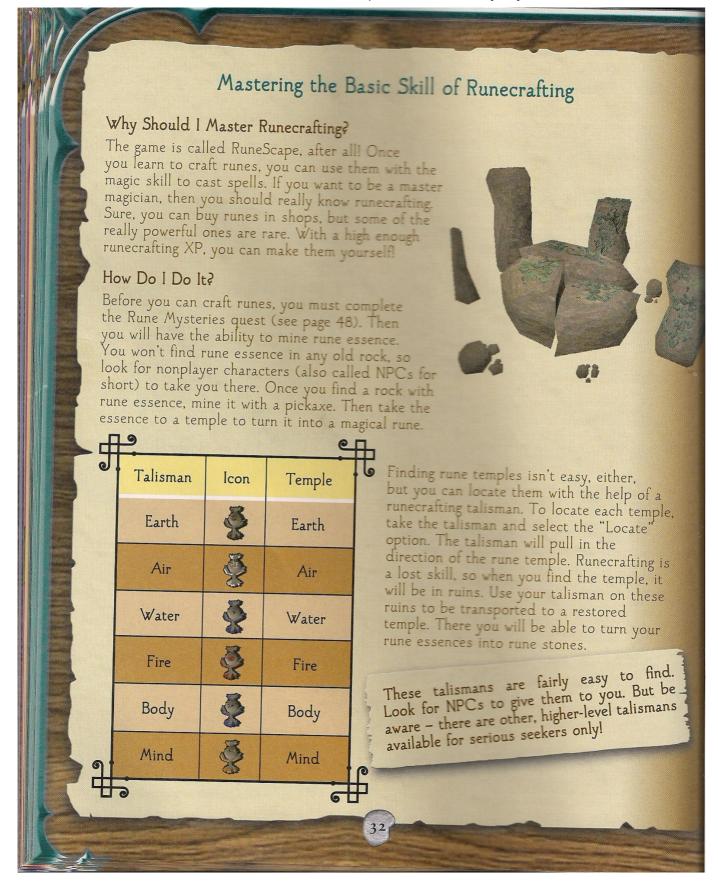
Leather: Start with cowhides, which you can get by going to a cow field and killing some cows. Take the cow-

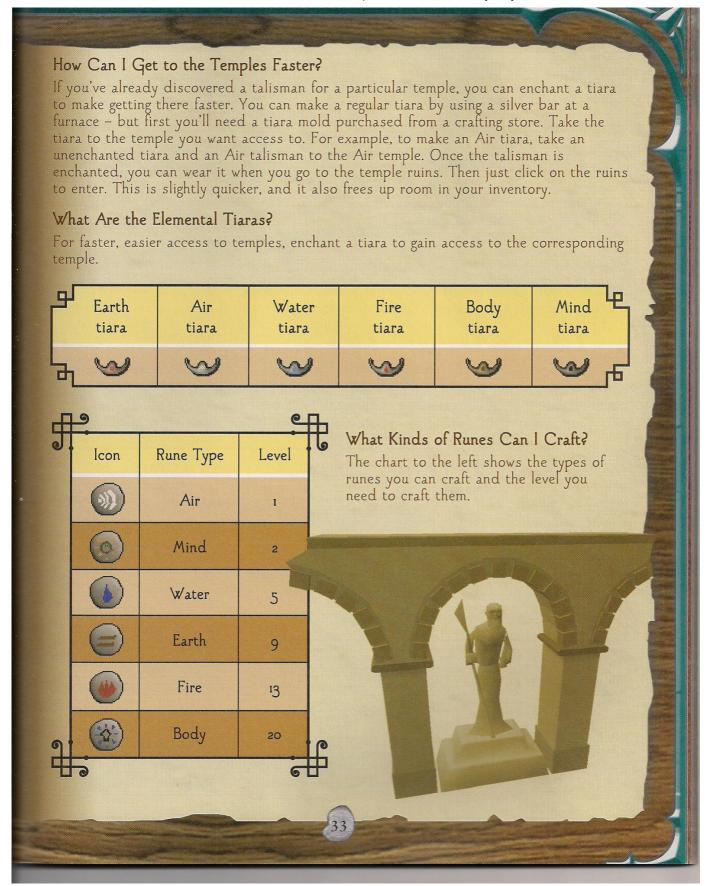
hide to Ellis the tanner in Al-Kharid. There you can turn the hide into normal or hard leather. Hard leather is stronger but costs a little more to make. Once you turn your hide into leather, you can craft it into a useful item, like a pair of boots or piece of armor. If you have enough thread in your inventory, click on the item you want to make to craft it.

Gems: If you are lucky enough to find a gem (during a Random Event, for instance), you can make it more valuable by cutting it. You can use a cut gem when you are making gold jewelry. First, buy a chisel from a general store or crafting shop. Select the chisel from your inventory and then the gem you wish to cut. If your crafting level is not high enough to cut the gem, you might want to make some more pottery to increase your XP.

Symbols: You can use silver bars to make symbols that will make your prayers last longer. These are called holy symbols. Use your silver bar on a furnace to make your holy symbol. To finish the symbol, you will need to make some string. Use shears (from







Mastering the Basic Skill of Magic

Why Should I Master Magic?

It's fun to be a wizard! But if you're looking for a more serious reason, consider this: Magic spells cast with runes can give you a real advantage in battle. You can attack foes from a distance and destroy them before the wear more what hit them. You can also cast spells to confuse and weaken your opponents – something nonmagical foes can't do. And if your opponent is wearing heavy a more it actually puts him at a disadvantage. Armor can make the spells you use even more effective.

How Do I Do It?

Almost all magic spells need runes. First, click on the Spell Book in your inventory to get the Magic menu. You'll see a bunch of pictures representing spells. If the picture is darkened, it means you don't have a high enough magic evel to cast the spell or enough runes in your inventory. If the spell is lit up, it means you have everything you need. You're in business!

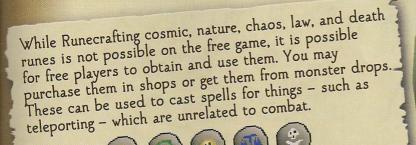
Run your cursor over the spell to get a description of it and pictures of the rune you will need. You'll also see two numbers. The number on the left shows how many of that rune you have, and the number on the right shows how many you need to cast the spell.

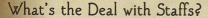
No two spells are alike. Some can be cast only on unfriendly monsters, and others can be cast only on yourself or your inventory. Try out a few and see what happens. If your spell fails, don't worry. That happens sometimes. You will still get XP from casting it, and you will fail less often as you gain more XP.

What Kinds of Runes Can I Use?

This chart tells you a little bit about each of the runes and what they do.

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lco	Icon Rune		What Should I Know?	
6)	Earth rune	One of the four elemental runes. Can be replaced by a staff of earth.	
(3)	Air rune		One of the four elemental runes. Can be replaced by a staff of air.	
()	Water rune	One of the four elemental runes. Can be replaced by a staff of water.	
()	Fire rune	One of the four elemental runes. Can be replaced by a staff of fire.	
4		Body rune	Required for curse spells.	
0		Mind rune	Required for strike spells.	





Staffs are a quicker way to cast spells than using runes. They have an option called "Recast" which lets you cast a spell repeatedly during a battle.

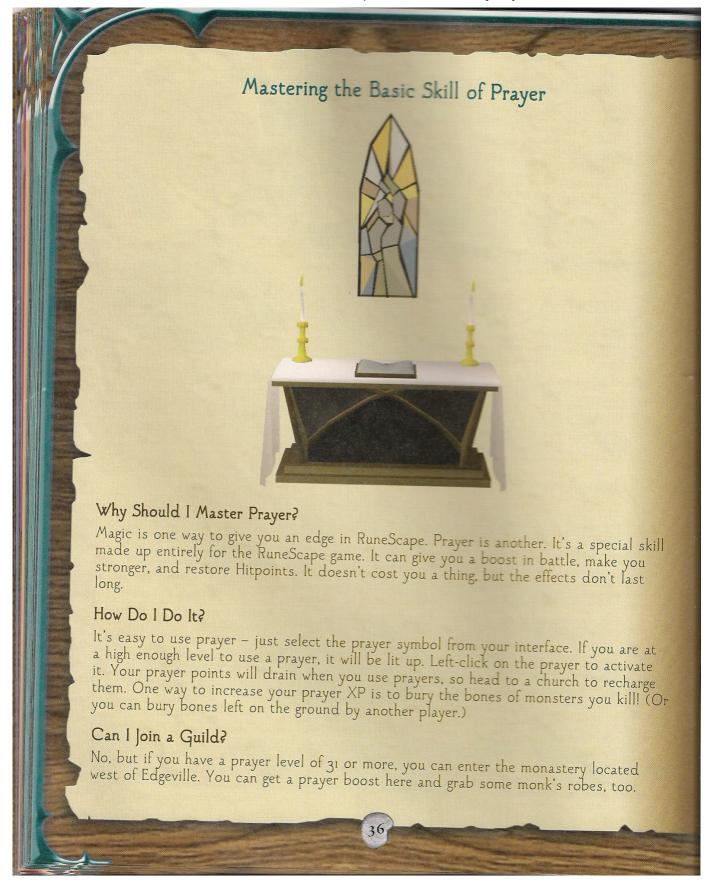
lets you cast a spell repeatedly during a battle.

First, you need to wield a staff. Select the Combat Style menu, which is represented by crossed swords. Choose any of the elemental spells you want to use and tie them to your staff. Then select the "Attack With" option on your staff and you will automatically fight by casting that spell when you enter combat.

What Kinds of Jewelry Can I Enchant?

If you have the necessary magic levels, you can enchant ordinary pieces of jewelry and make them magical items. This chart shows what happens when you enchant different types of jewelry.

Icon	Item	Level to Enchant	Effect When Equipped	Length of Enchantment
9	Amulet of Magic	7	While worn, player's magic attack is boosted by 10.	Permanent. Works whenever it is equipped.
8	Amulet of Defence	27	While worn, player's defence is boosted by 7.	Permanent. Works whenever it is equipped.
9	Amulet of Strength	49	While worn, player's strength is boosted by 10.	Permanent. Works whenever it is equipped.
	Amulet of Power	57	While worn, player's attack, strength, and defence are boosted by 6.	Permanent. Works whenever it is equipped.



Mastering Combat

Why Should I Battle?

Let's face it - the combat option is one of the most popular features on RuneScape. It's a way for ordinary people to unleash their inner warrior in a safe environment. In RuneScape, you can slay monsters and battle fierce warriors in competitions of skill and strength.

Whether or not you want to fight, it's a good idea to build up your overall combat level. You never know when a Skeleton, Scorpion, or some other creature will attack you out of nowhere. It's good to know how to defend yourself.

How Do I Do It?

To fight a monster or character in the game, just point your mouse at your opponent and select the "Attack" option. Not all characters can be attacked, and you can't attack other players unless you're in the Wilderness. If you're able to attack a character, you'll see their combat level next to their name.

Then it's time to make a decision. If your opponent's combat level is a lot higher than yours, you probably don't want to fight. There are color codes to help you: A weaker opponent will have a green number, an equal opponent will have a yellow number, and a strong opponent will have a red number.

If you decide to fight, click on the crossed swords icon on your player interface. This will show what weapons you have and what moves you can do with them. When you choose your move, the battle begins!

How Do I Know If I'm Winning or Losing?

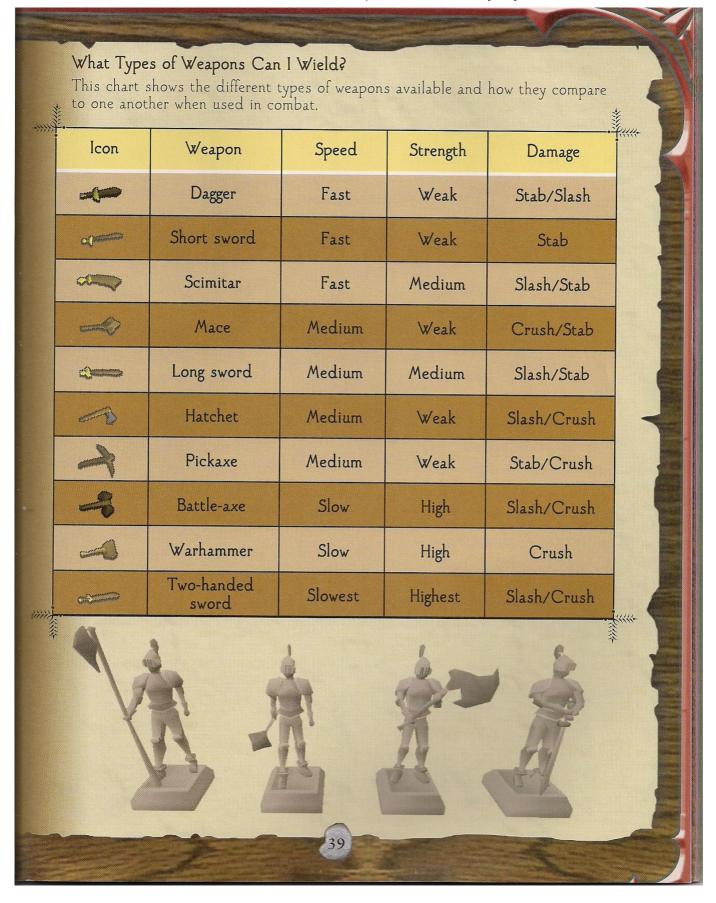
Each fighting character will have a horizontal bar above his head. The color green means you're healthy. If the bar starts turning red, it means you're taking damage. If your bar is red, and your opponent's is still pretty green, you can run away from the battle if you want. Keep moving, because monsters will chase you when you run!

What Happens If I Die?

Don't panic. If you lose all of your Hitpoints in a battle, your character will "die." But you won't be out of the game. You'll soon turn up in Lumbridge, alive and well. You will keep all of your stats and skills, but you'll lose all of the items you're carrying! That's why it's a good idea to keep most of your stuff in the bank.

There is a bonus for nonviolent players: If you haven't attacked any other players recently, you will get to keep your three most valuable items when your character dies.

	What Kin	nds of	Combat Skill	Ranging skills ca	(page 24) and magic (page 32 In also be used in combat.				
	Skill		What It Does		How to Build it Up				
	Attack		Advancing this skill increases your chances of hitting an opponent.		You can concentrate on training your Attack skill by selecting "Accurate" attack styles.				
	Strength		Advancing this skill increases the amount of damage you can do.		You can concentrate on training your Strength skill by selecting "Aggressive" attack styles.				
B	Defence decreases being hit This is damage		Advancing this skill decreases your chances of being hit by an opponent.		You can concentrate on training your Defence skill by selecting "Defencive" attack styles.				
			damage y	e amount of ou can take character dies.	Your Hitpoints will increase as you get more combat experience.				
	What Are Some Battle Strategies I Can Use? Here are some things to know when battling different types of players.								
	Skill Go		od Against	Bad Against		Tip 4			
	Fighter	Rangers, who have trouble penetrating their plate armor. Fighters. A Mage will attack from a safe distance. His spells will be made stronger by the Fighter's plate armor.		Mages, who attack fro distance. Plate conducts m	m a e armor	When fighting a Mage, a Fighter should remove plate armor, then try to run in for some close combat			
	Mage			Rangers. Their leather armor is a good defense against spells. And a Mage's robes are not arrow-proof.		When facing a Fighter, a Mage should blast away with his best damage spells and hope for the best!			
	Ranger	armor i agains longbow	Rangers' leather s a good defense st spells, and a can snag a Mage s running away.	Fighter, although it's a close fight. A Fighter's plate armor can't be penetrated by arrows. If a fighter gets close enough, he will hack through a Ranger's leather armor with his powerful weapons.		A Ranger should be sure to keep his distance when fighting a Fighter. If all else fails, he can distract the Fighter and run away.			
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Why Do I Need Armor?

If you're going to be in battle, you're going to need some armor to protect you. You can buy armor in a shop, or learn how to make it with the skills of smithing and crafting. The kind of armor you wear depends on the kind of fighting you want to do.

Fighting Armor

Armor for melee Fighters is made from a wide range of materials, usually metals. These are the types of armor available for Fighters:

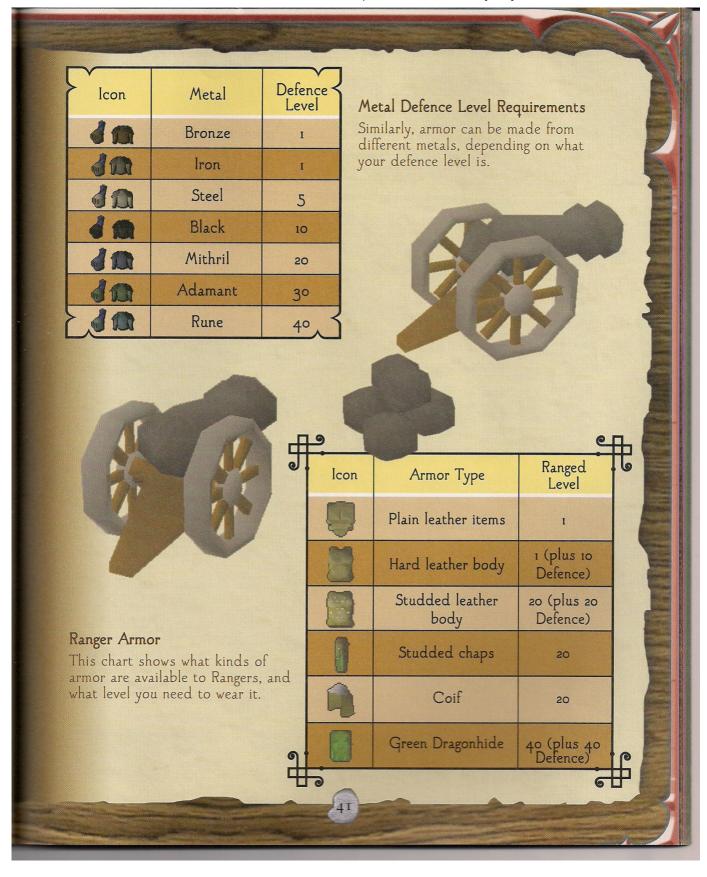
Icon	Armor	Advantage	Disadvantage				
	Full helmet	Offers good protection from attacks.	Can obstruct your vision.				
	Medium helmet	Easier to see what you're doing	Offers less protection than a full helmet				
	Chainmail	Flexible. Good against slashing weapons and crushing attacks.	Not effective against stabbing weapons and small pointy blades.				
	Plate armor	Stronger than chainmail. Good against slashing and stabbing attacks.	Weak against crushing attacks. Makes it difficult to fire arrows or cast spells.				
	Kite Shield	Good against slashing attacks.	Weak against crushing attacks.				

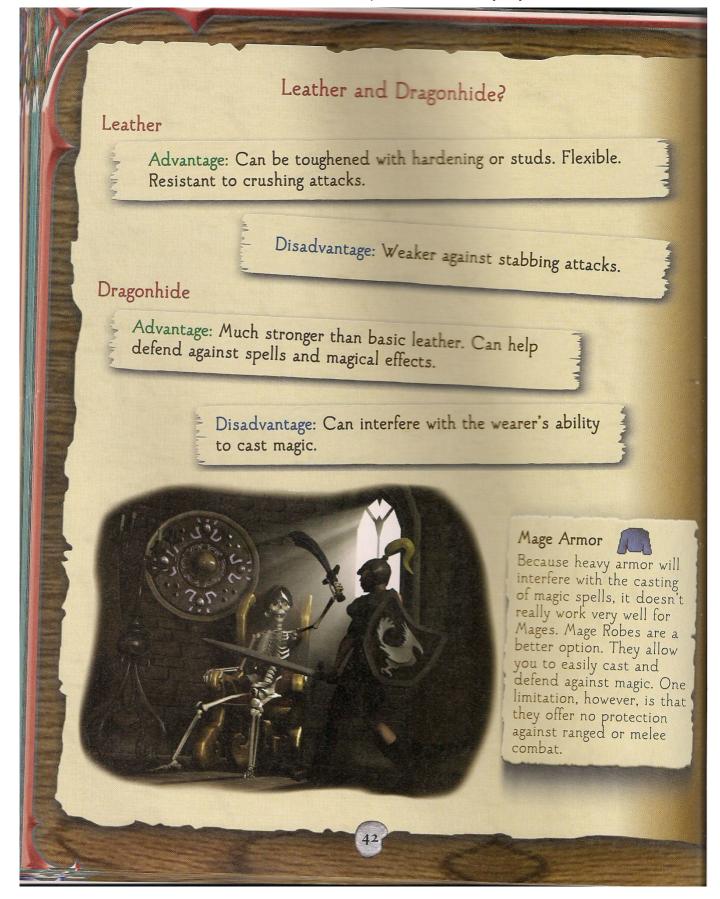
Icon	Metal	Attack Level
9-	Bronze	1
90	Iron	I
90	Steel	5
90	Black	10
9-	Mithril	20
90	Adamant	30
%	Rune	40, 3

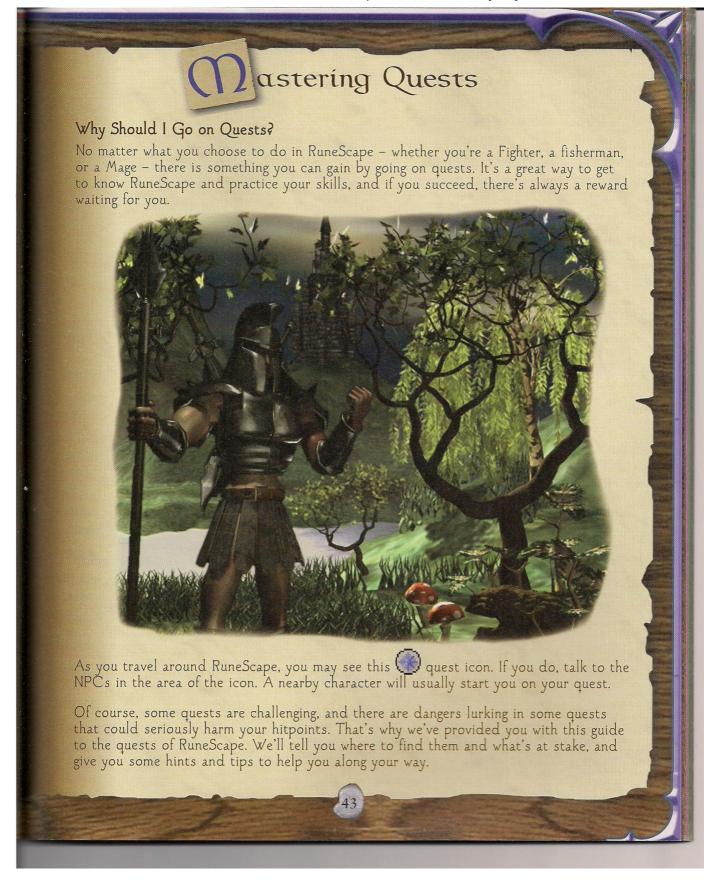
Metal Attack-Level Requirements

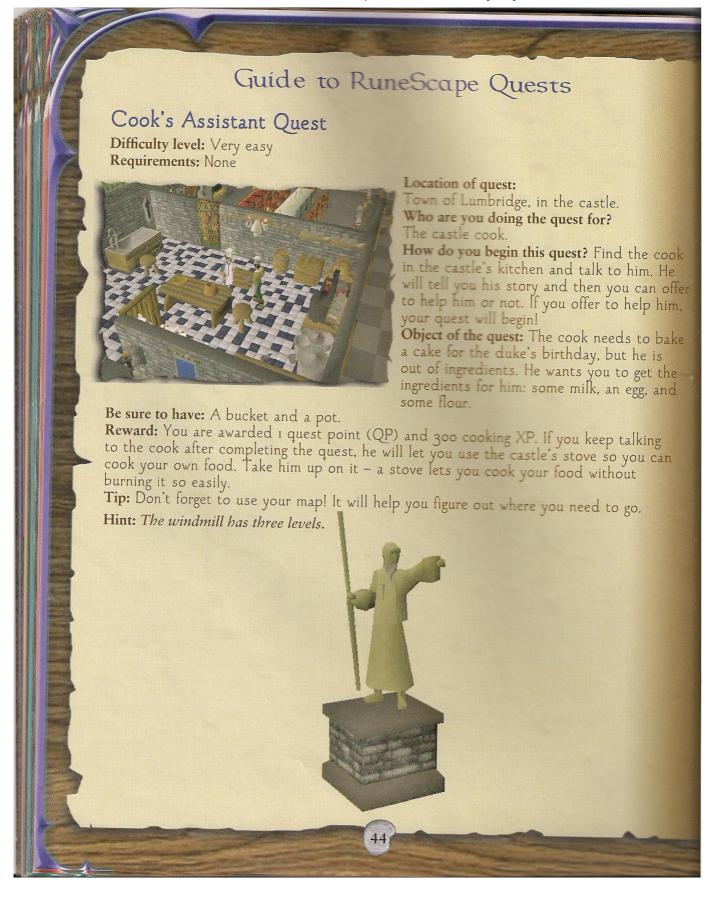
Your weapons can be made from different metals, depending on what your attack level is.











Romeo & Juliet

Difficulty level: Very easy Requirements: None



Location of quest:

Juliet's house in Varrock.

Who are you doing the quest for?

Juliet and Romeo.

How do you begin this quest? Find Juliet in her house in northwest Varrock.

Object of the quest: Juliet wants you to give a message to Romeo. Juliet's father doesn't approve of their relationship and they want to run away together. First you must deliver a message from Juliet to Romeo, then make a potion to give to Juliet which will help them to run away.

Reward: 5 QPs

Tip: All NPCs appear as yellow dots on your map screen. If you can't find Romeo in the crowded town square, walk in the direction of the yellow dot.

Hint: Cadava berries can be found in the woods.

Sheep Shearer

Difficulty level: Very easy Requirements: None



Location of quest: Northwest of Lumbridge, in the house next to the chicken coop.

Who are you doing the quest for? Fred the farmer.

How do you begin this quest? Go to the house next to the chicken coop. Talk to Fred, whom you'll find either inside or outside of the house.

Object of the quest: Fred the farmer needs help shearing his sheep. He wants you to shear some sheep and bring him back 20 balls of wool.

Be sure to get: One pair of shears, which cost I GP at the general store.

Reward: 1 QP, 150 crafting XP, and 60 GPs

Tip: If a sheep runs away while you're trying to shear it, don't give up! You'll get it eventually.



Doric's Quest

Difficulty level: Easy

Requirements: None, but it's easier to do with a higher mining XP



Location of quest:

In a house north of Falador.

Who are you doing the quest for?

Doric the dwarf.

How do you begin this quest?

Speak to Doric in his house and ask if you can use his anvils.

Object of the quest:

Doric will let you use his anvils on one condition: if you get him 6 clay, 4 copper ores, and 2 iron ores.

Be sure to have: A mining tool, such as a

Reward: You are awarded 1 QP, 1,300 mining XP, 180 GPs, and use of Doric's anvil. Tip: It's easy to get lost in the mines, so remember where you entered!

Hint: If you can't mine the iron, check out the store in the mine.

Goblin Diplomacy

Difficulty level: Easy Requirements: None



Location of quest:

Rusty Anchor Bar in Port Sarim. Who are you doing the quest for? The bartender.

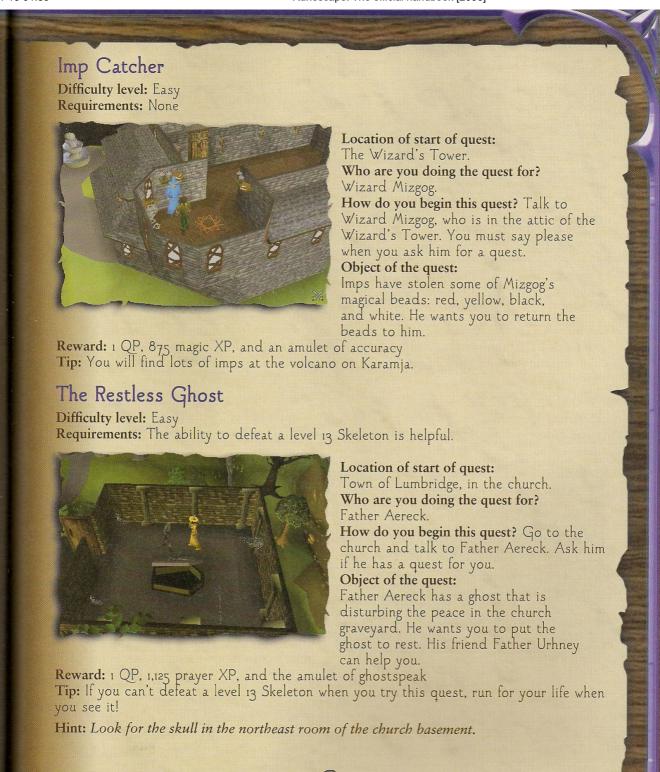
How do you begin this quest? Talk to the bartender at the Rusty Anchor.

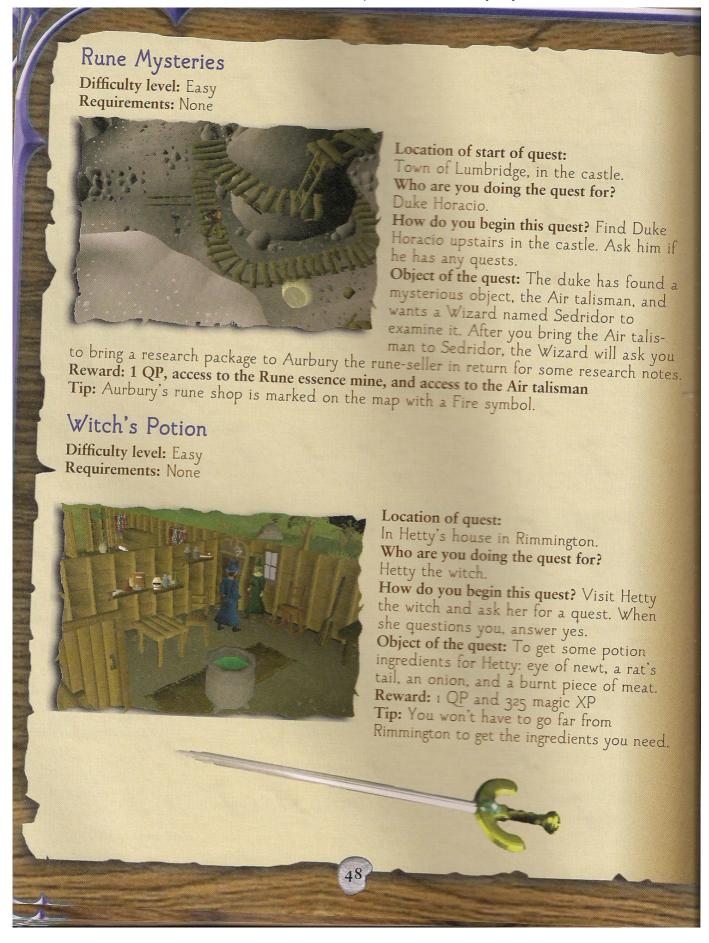
Object of the quest: Business has been bad at the bar, because the threat of a goblin war has scared away the customers. The goblins have been arguing about what color their armor should be. You need to help the goblin generals decide on an armor color.

Be sure to have: About 50 GPs, on you, so you can purchase the things you need. Reward: 5 QP, 200 crafting XP, and a gold bar

Tip: An easy way to get goblin mail is to kill a goblin in the village.

Hint: Goblin generals are hard to please! Having a backup choice will save you time.





Black Knights' Fortress

Difficulty level: Medium

Requirements: 12 QP and the ability to defeat level 33 Black Knights.



Location of quest:

In the second floor of the White Knights' Castle in Falador.

Who are you doing the quest for?

The White Knights.

How do you begin this quest?

Talk to Sir Amik Varze on the third floor of the castle.

Object of the quest: The Black Knights are up to no good. The White Knights want you to spy on them and uncover their evil scheme.

Reward: 3 QPs and 2,500 GPs

Tip: A disguise can help you sneak into the Black Knights' Fortress.

Hint: A cabbage can save the day!

Ernest the Chicken

Difficulty level: Medium Requirements: None



Location of quest: Outside of Draynor Manor, in northern Draynor Village. Who are you doing the quest for? Veronica.

How do you begin this quest? Speak to Veronica outside of Draynor Manor.

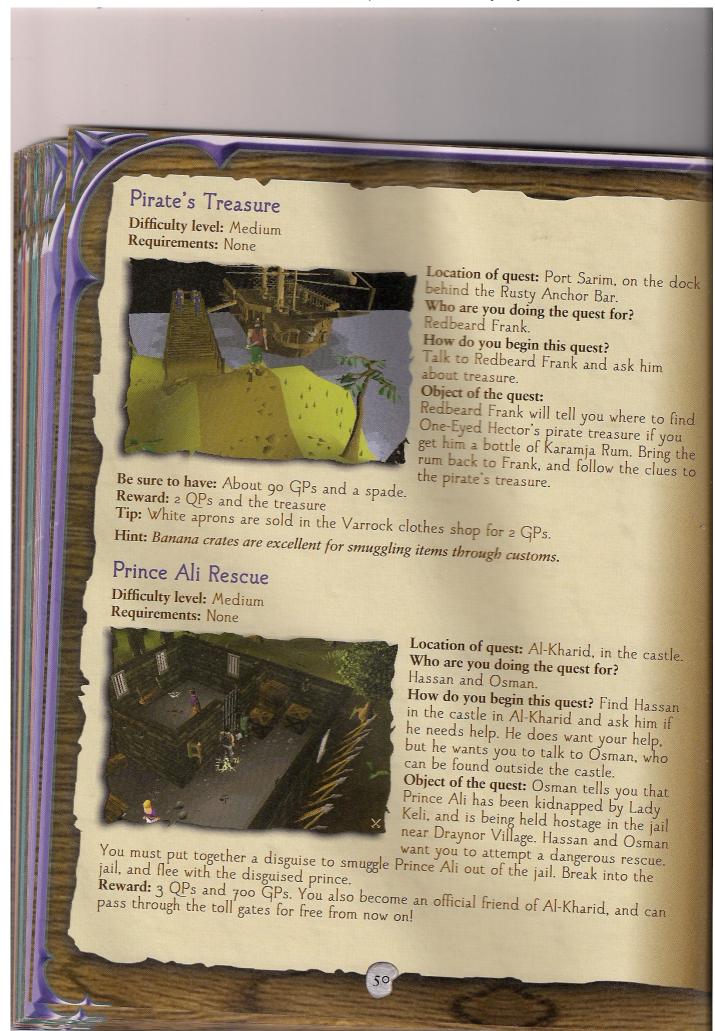
Object of the quest: Veronica and her fiancé, Ernest, were lost. Ernest went inside the spooky-looking manor to ask for directions, but he never came out. You must agree to go into the manor to find Ernest. When you enter, you'll find out he's been turned into a chicken by Professor Oddenstein. You need

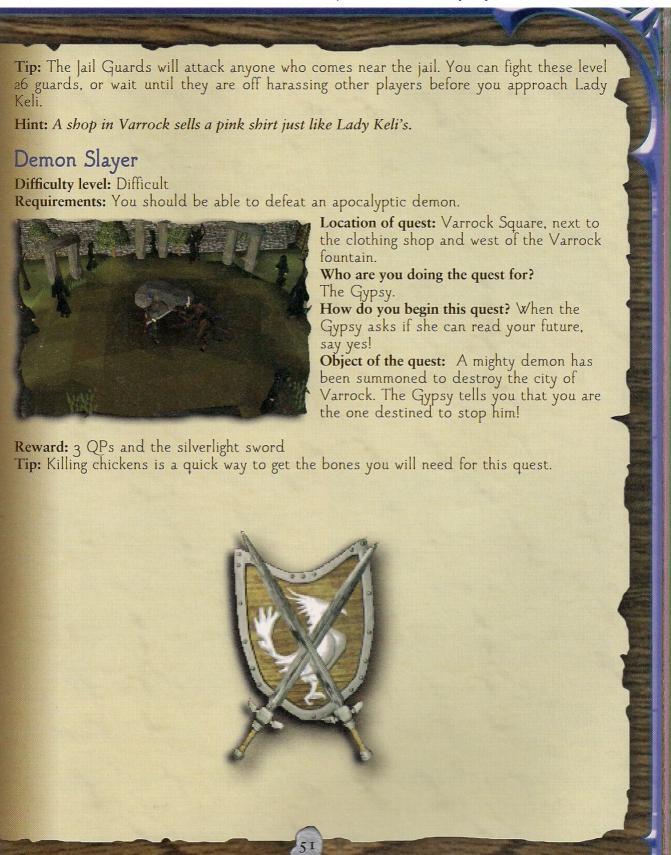
to help the professor turn Ernest back into a human by gathering three things for his machine: a pressure gauge, a rubber tube, and an oil can.

Reward: 4 QPs and 300 GPs

Tip: Pick up any interesting items you find in the mansion. They may help you get the items you need.

Hint: There is a secret door in the mansion!





Shield of Array

Difficulty level: Novice

Requirements: One friend who has not started the quest yet



Location of quest: In Varrock Castle, in the library (the northernmost room).

Who are you doing the quest for? Reldo the librarian.

How do you begin this quest? You and your friend both should visit Reldo and ask him if he has a quest for you.

Object of the quest: A valuable shield has been stolen from the museum of Varrock by a gang of professional thieves. You and your friend will have to go undercover to try to track down the shield and return it to the museum.

Be sure to have: 20 GPs Reward: 1 QP and 600 GPs

Tip: The friend with the highest combat XP should join the Phoenix gang of thieves.

Vampire Slayer

Difficulty level: Difficult

Requirements: You should be able to defeat a vampire.



Location of quest:

In Morgan's house in Draynor Village.

Who are you doing the quest for? A villager named Morgan.

How do you begin this quest?

Find Morgan's house in the center of the village and talk to him. Tell him you will help him with his problem.

Object of the quest:

A vampire is terrorizing the people of Draynor Village. Morgan will send you to Dr. Harlow, who will tell you how to slay the vampire. Be

sure to have: some food with you, to restore hit points while you are fighting. Be sure to have: One pair of shears, which cost I GP at the general store

Reward: 3 QPs and 4,825 attack XP

Tip: If you don't want to end up as vampire food, don't attempt this quest unless you have a high overall combat XP!

Hint: Morgan has some garlic in his house.

The Knight's Sword

Difficulty level: Intermediate

Requirements: Mining level of 10 or above; must not be afraid of level 57 lce Warriors



Location of quest: In the courtyard of the White Knights' Castle in Falador.

Who are you doing the quest for?

Sir Vyvin's squire.

How do you begin this quest? You can usually find the squire in the castle gardens. Ask him how he's doing, and he'll tell you his troubles. Offer to help him to begin your quest.

Object of the quest: Sir Vyvin's squire has lost his master's sword. You need to find one of the Imcando Dwarves to help you make a new sword.

Reward: 1 QP and 12,725 smithing XP

Tip: The dwarf swordmaker will make an extra sword for you if you have extra materials and ask nicely!

Hint: The portrait of the sword can be found inside a cupboard.

Dragon Slayer

Difficulty level: Most difficult; an experienced quest

Requirements: You must be a member of the Champion's Guild and have the ability to kill a level 83 Dragon!



Location of quest: The Champion's Guild, which is located southwest of Varrock's south exit. To enter you need at least 32 QPs.

Who are you doing the quest for?
Oziach, a friend of the Guild Master.

How do you begin this quest? Find the Guild Master and ask him about rune platemail. He will send you to his friend Oziach. Ask him how to prove you're a hero.

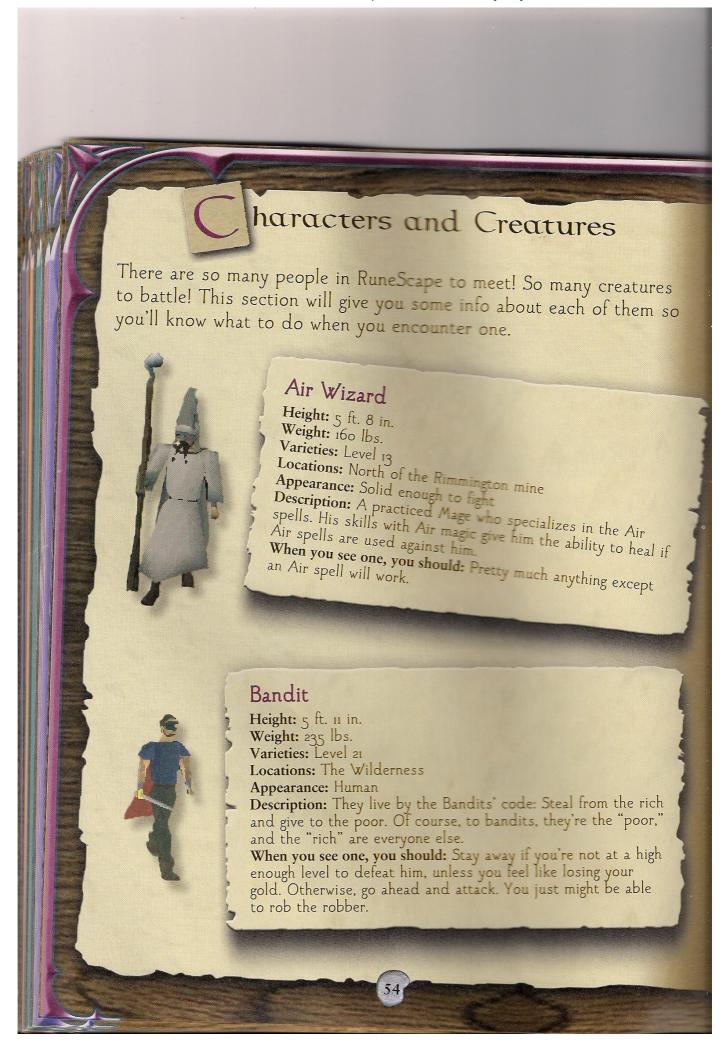
Object of the quest: Oziach will tell you to kill Elvarg the Dragon on Crandor Isle.

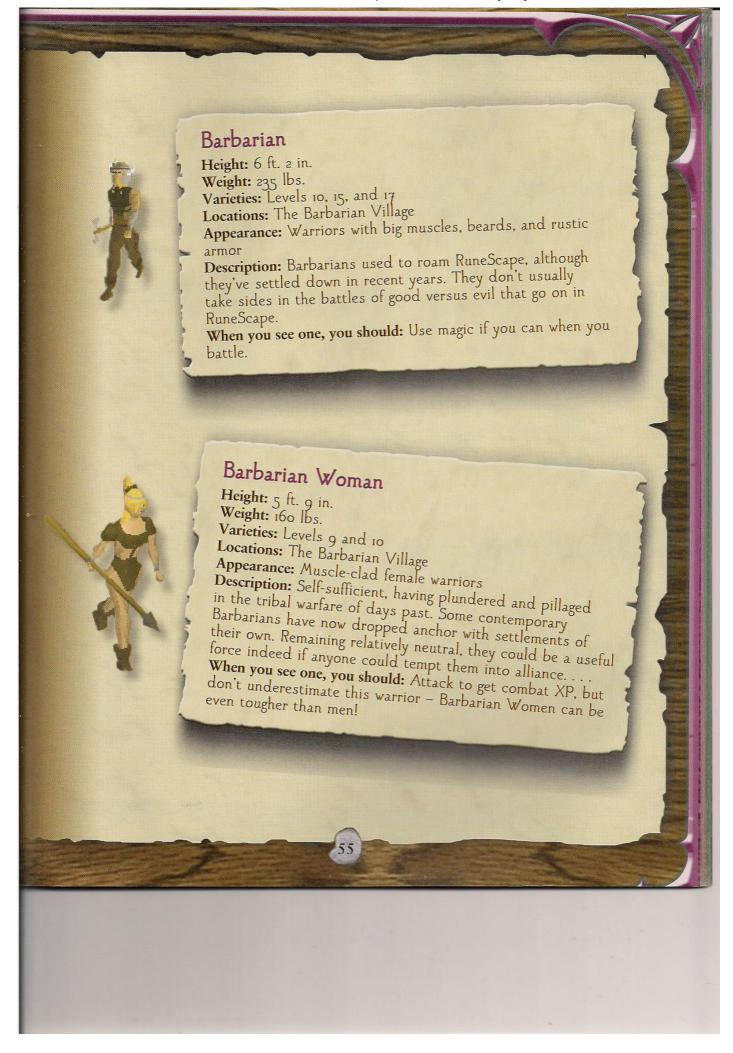
Reward: 2 QPs; the ability to wear Rune

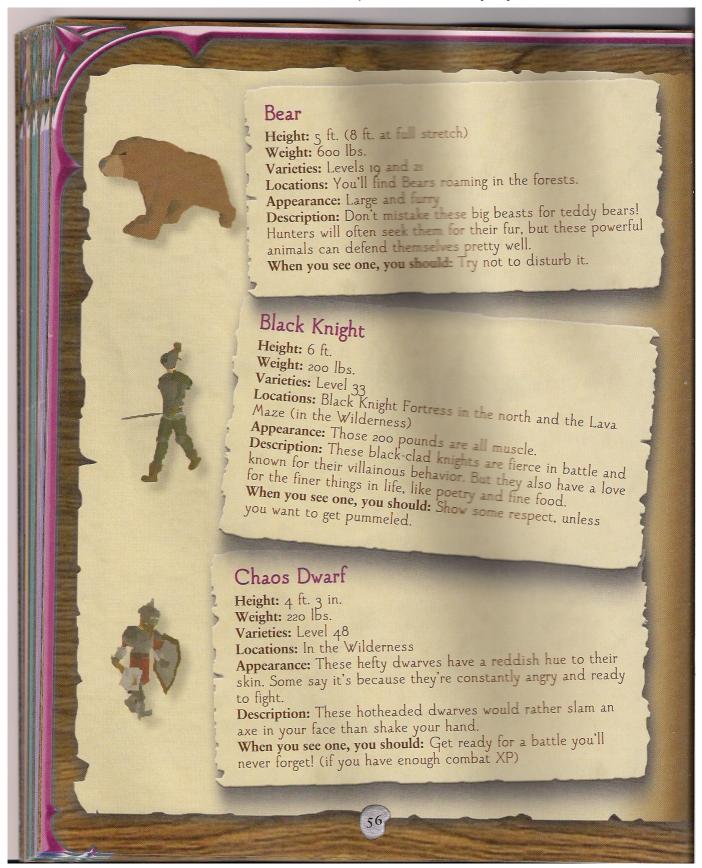
Platemail and Dragon Leather, and lots and lots of extra combat XP!

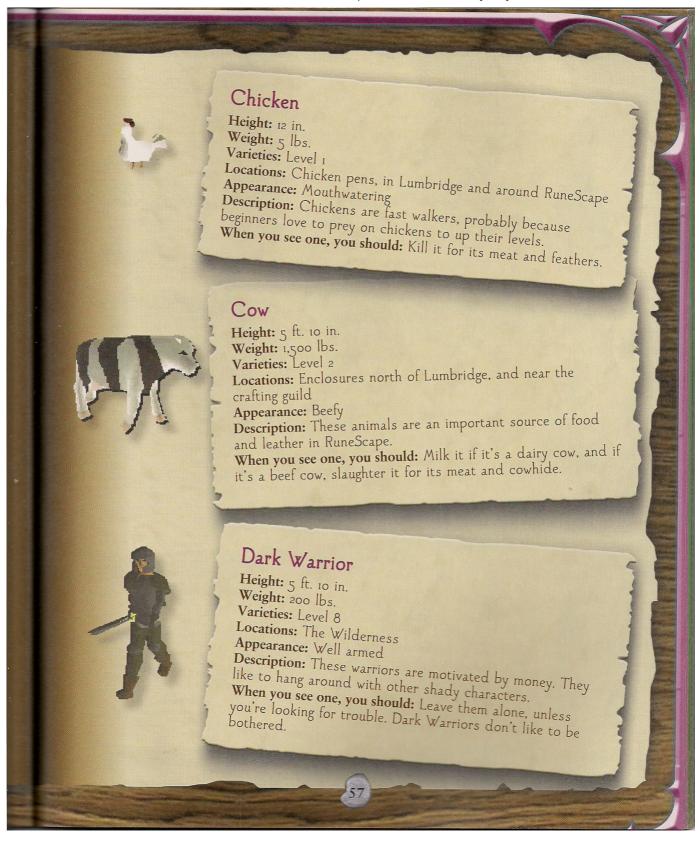
Tip: Bring some high-energy food with you so you can restore hit points during the fierce battle with Elvarg.

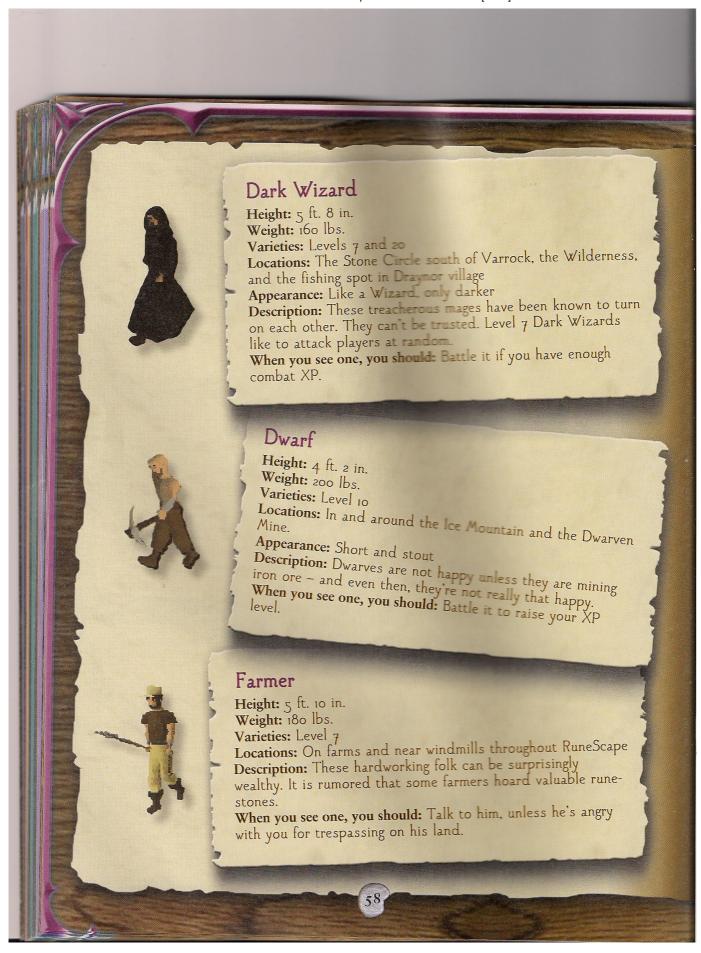
Hint: You can buy a Wizard Mind Bomb at the pub in Falador.

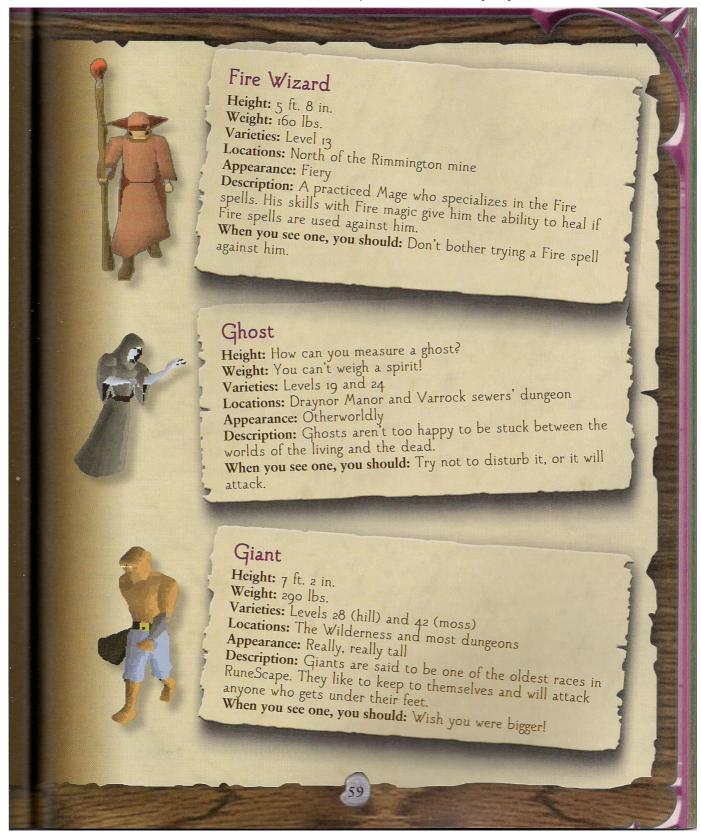


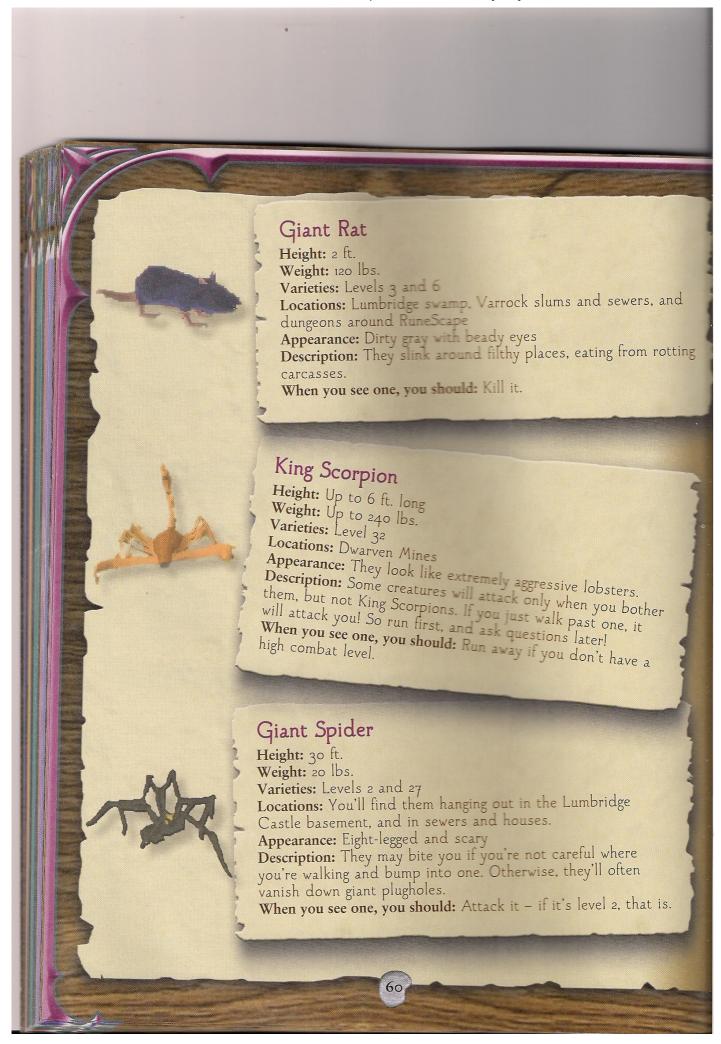


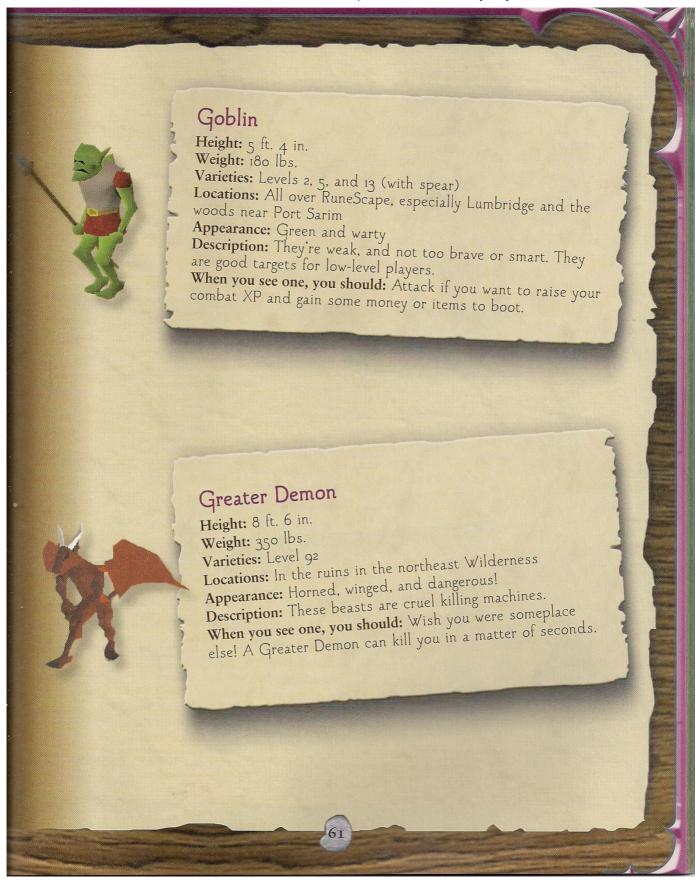


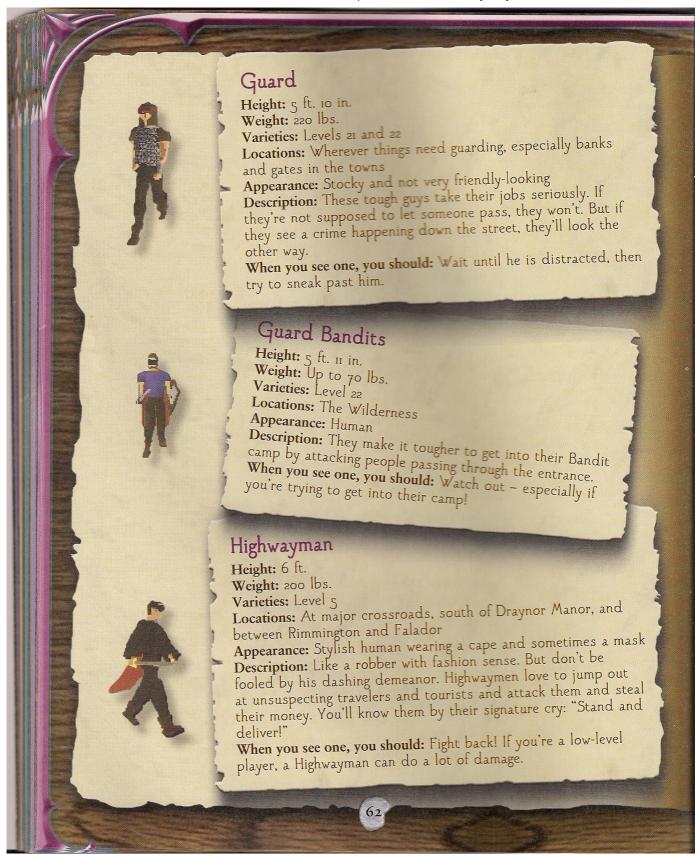


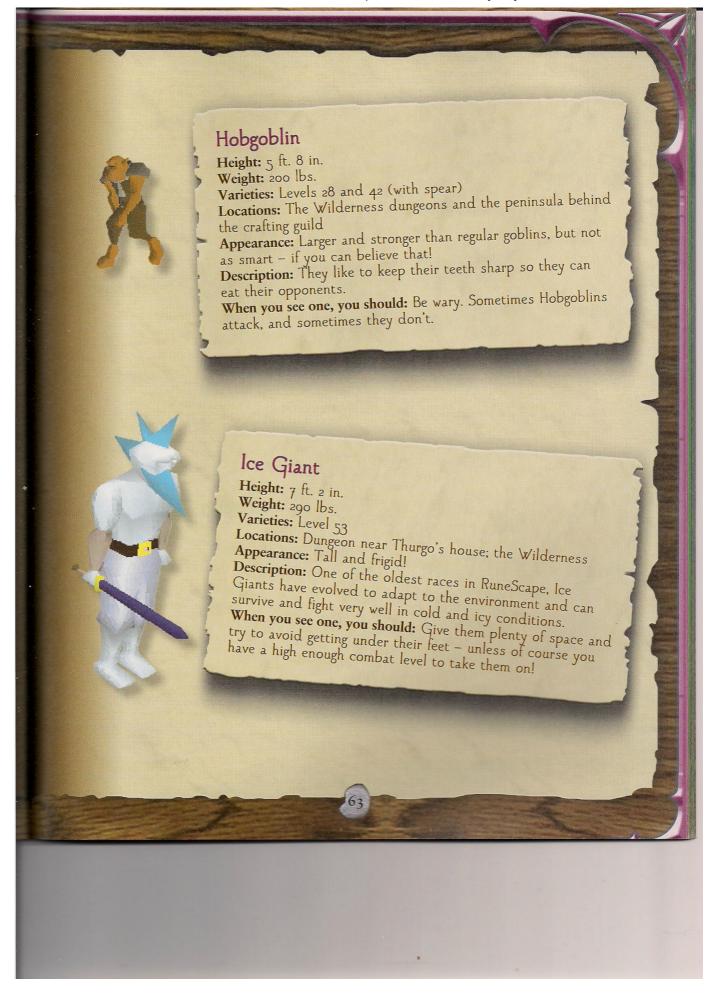


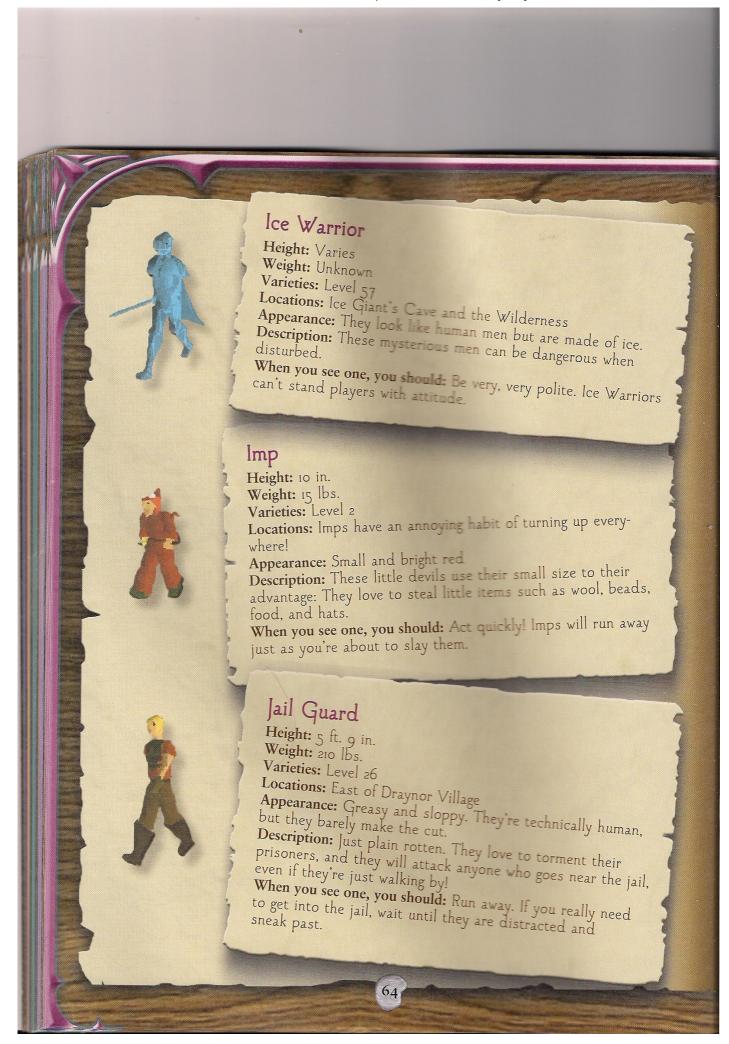


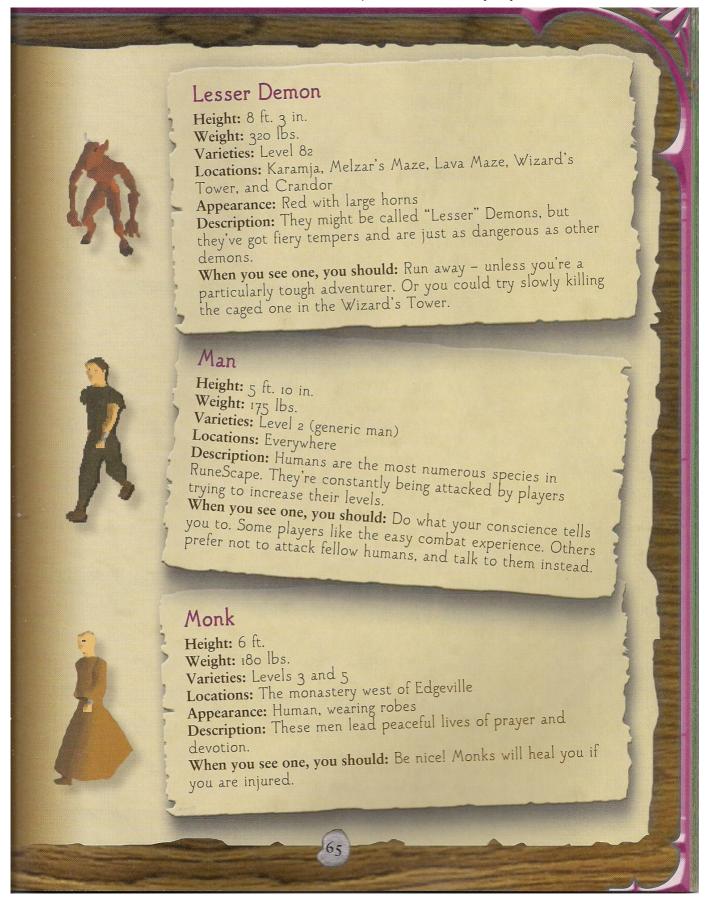


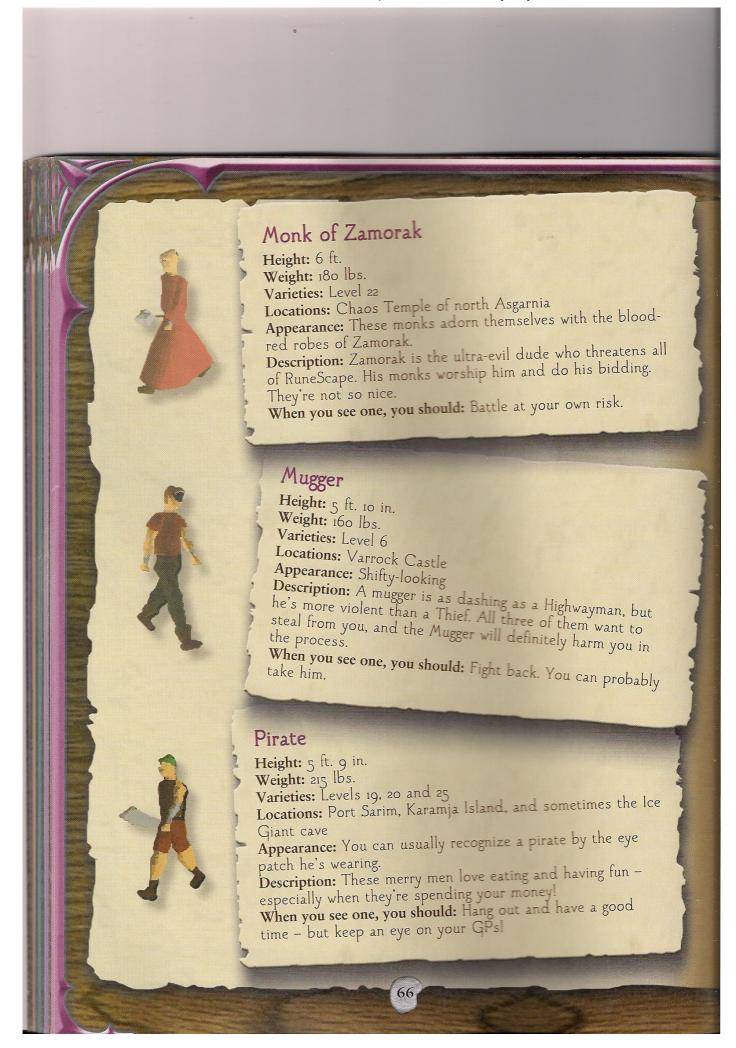


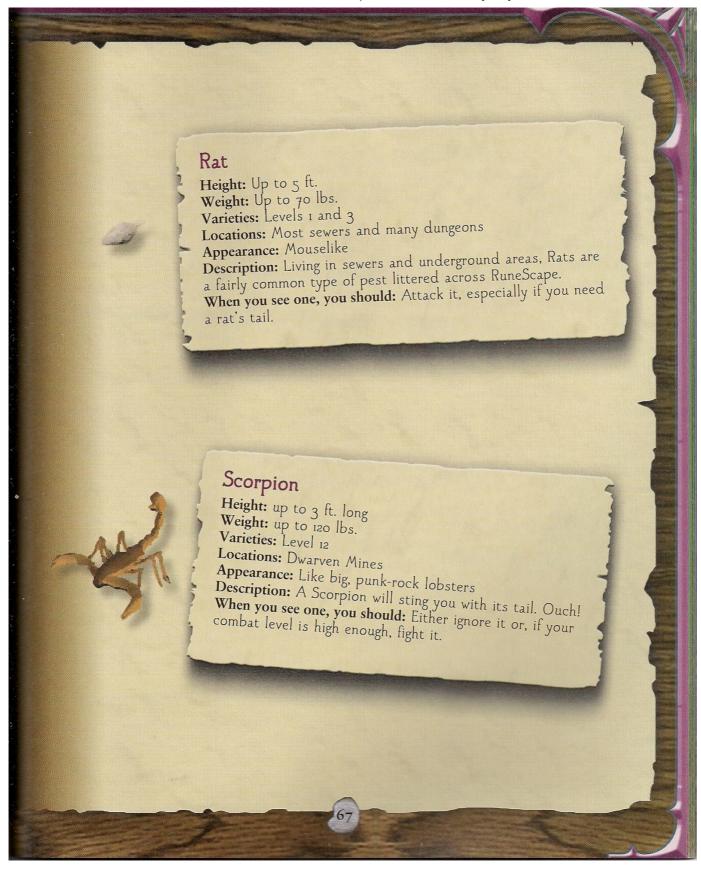


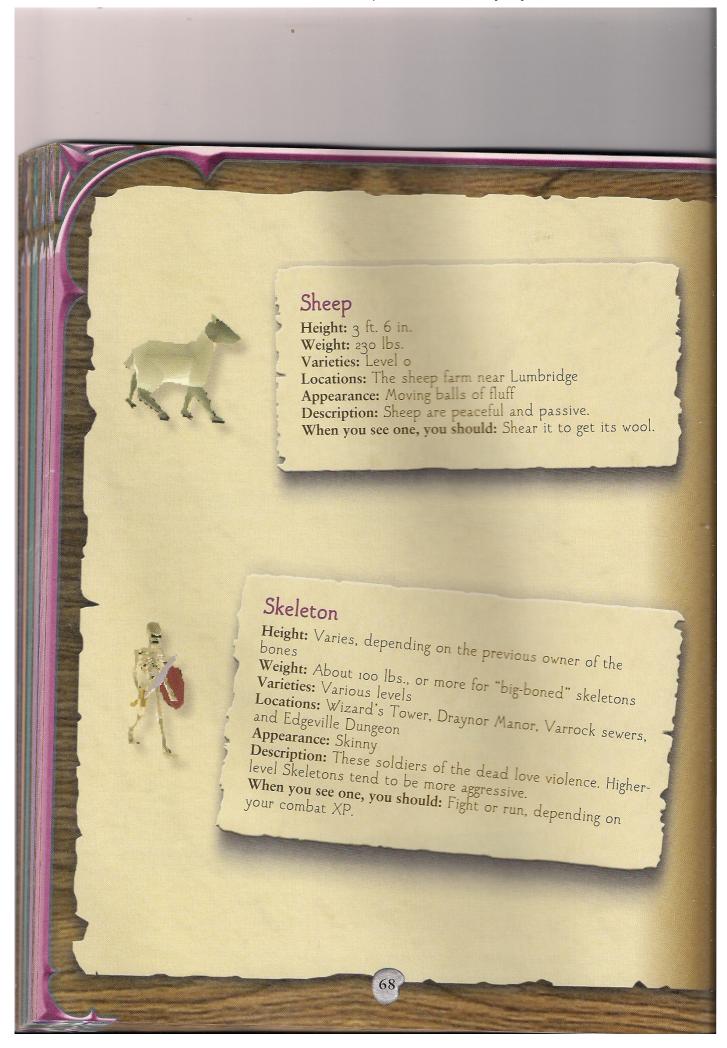


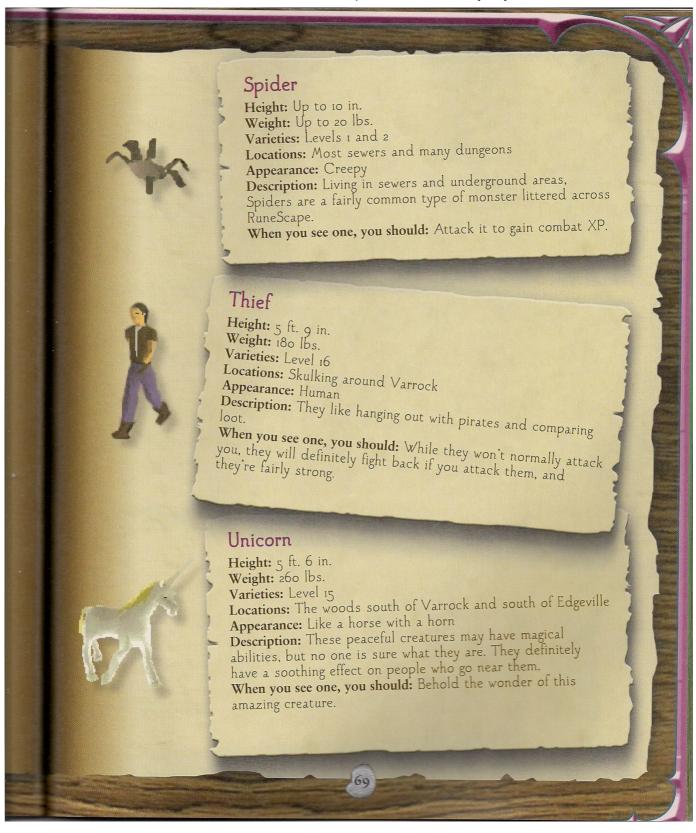




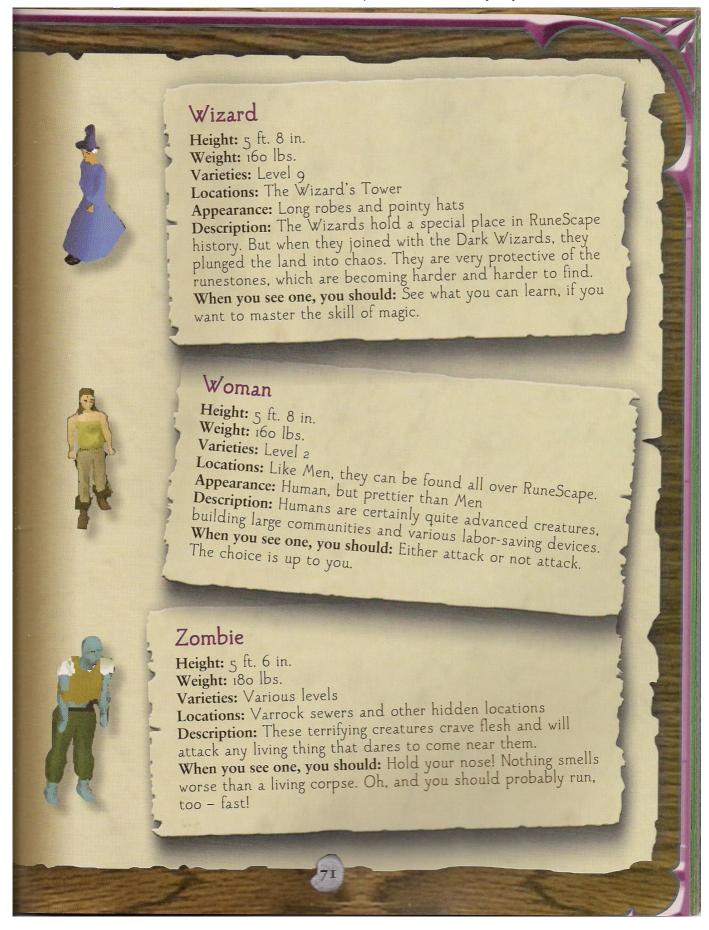




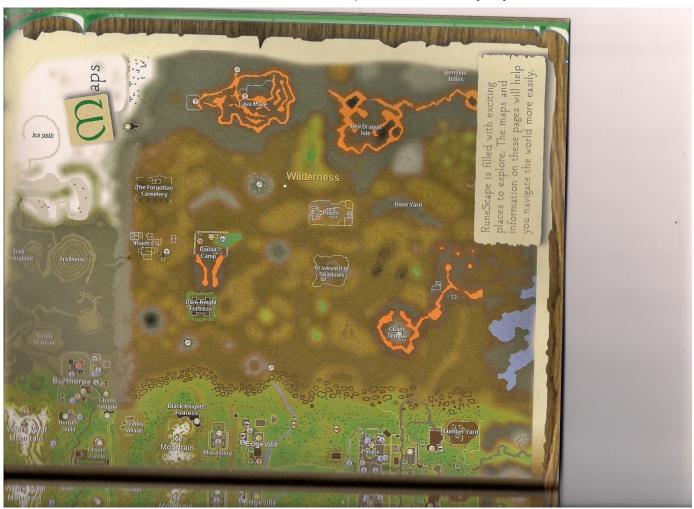


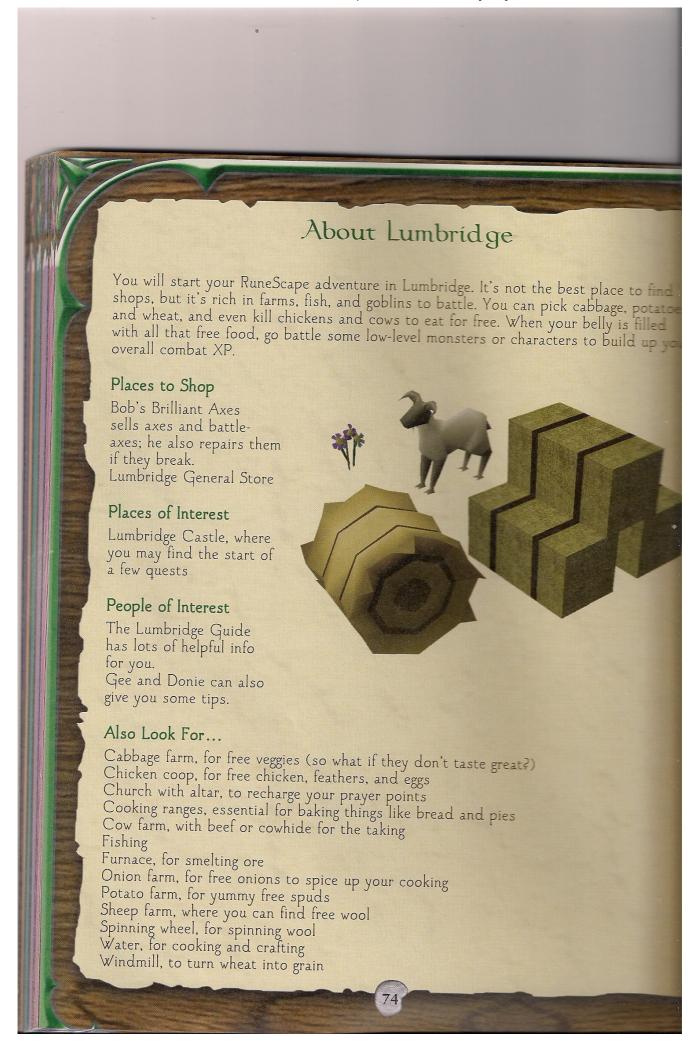


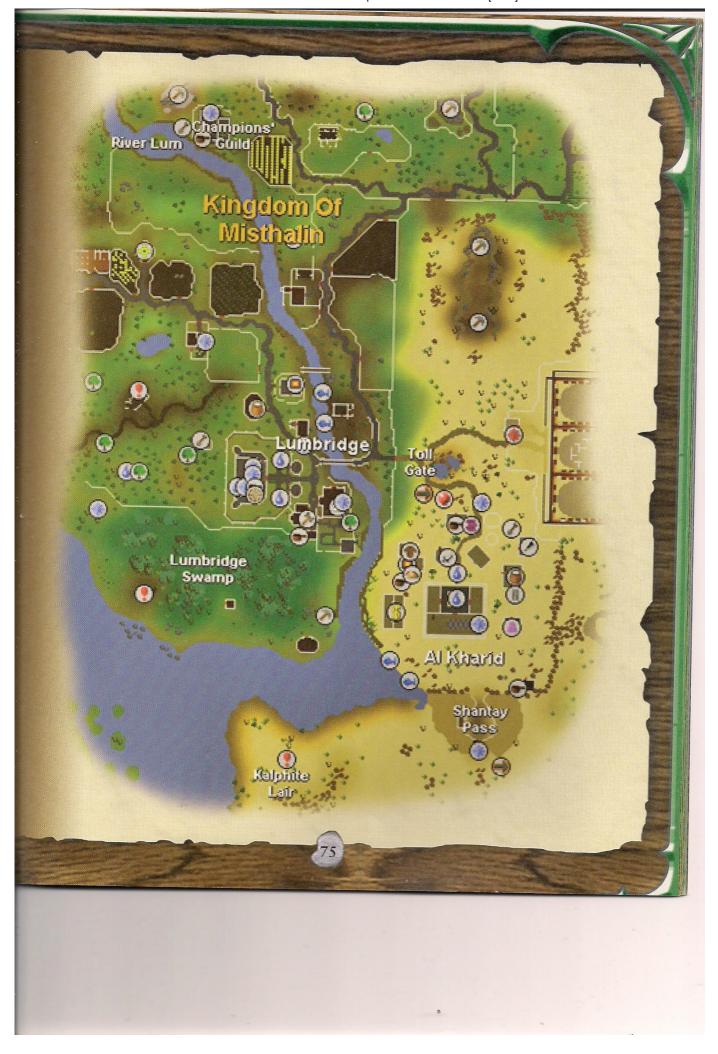


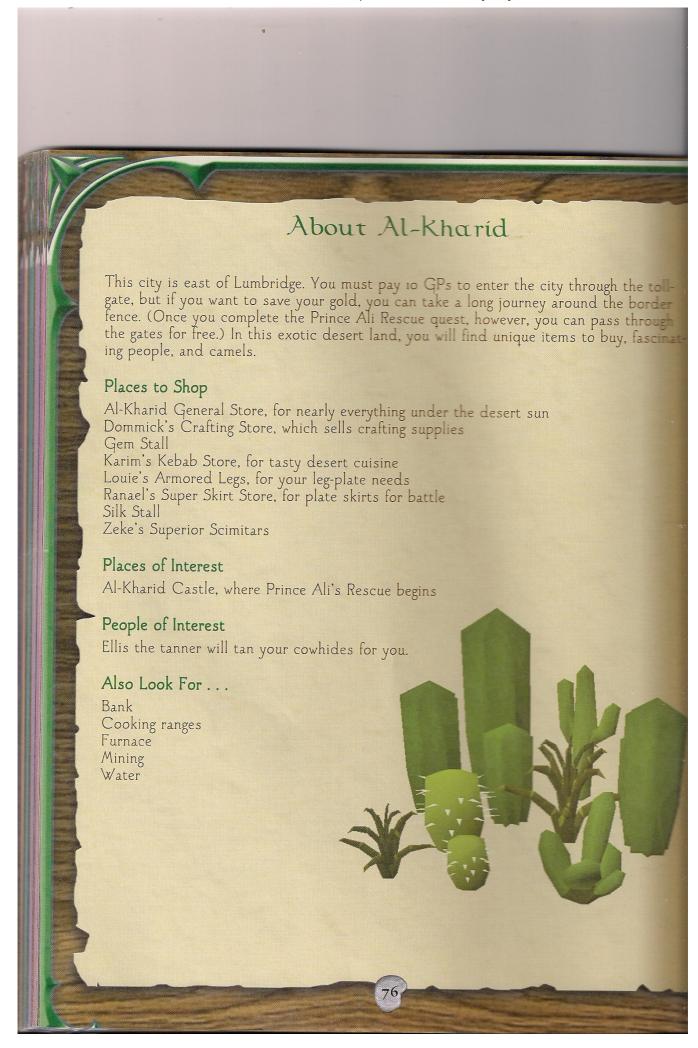


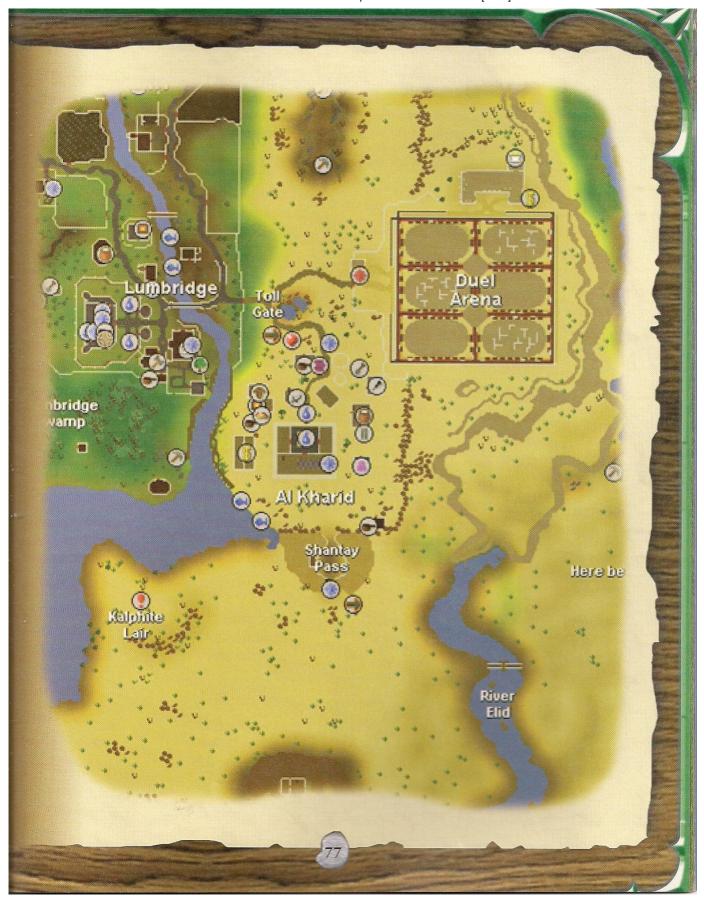


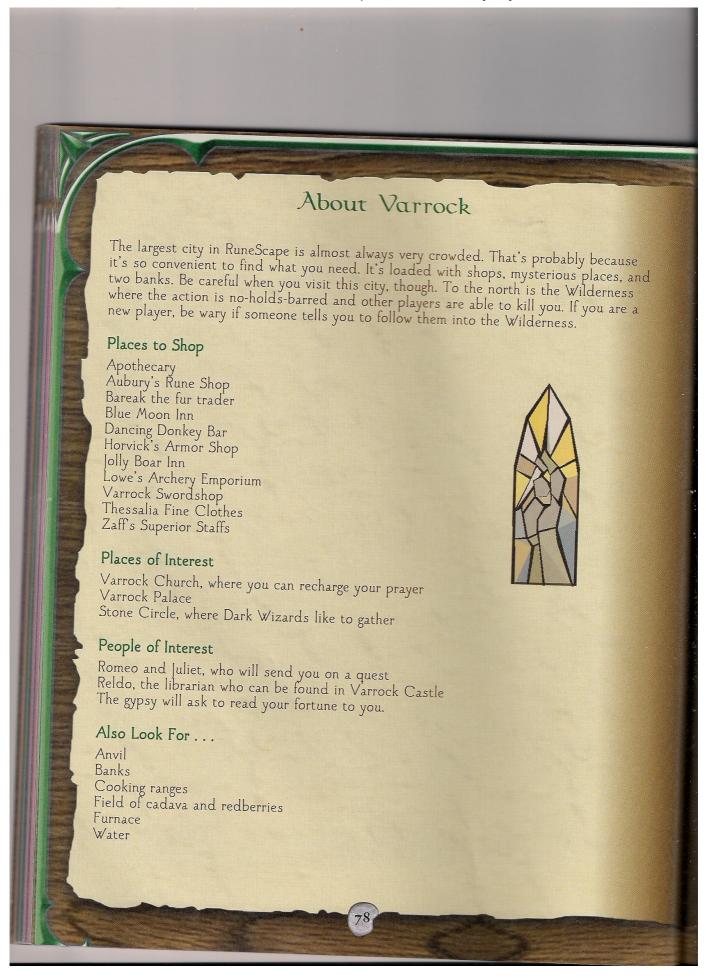




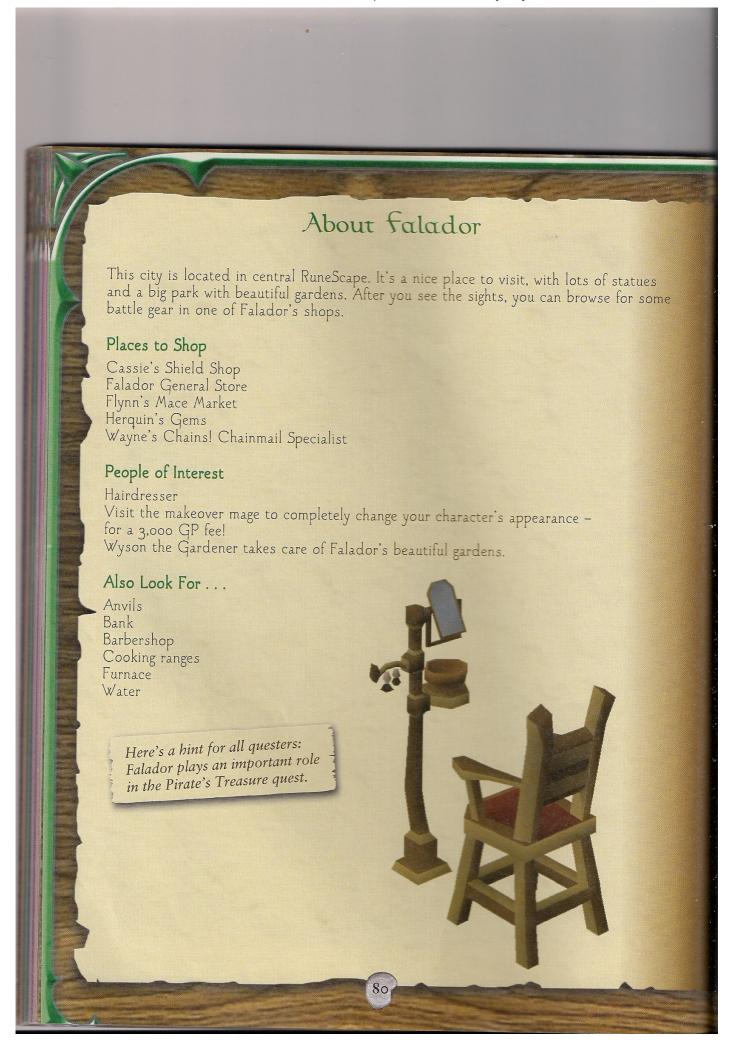


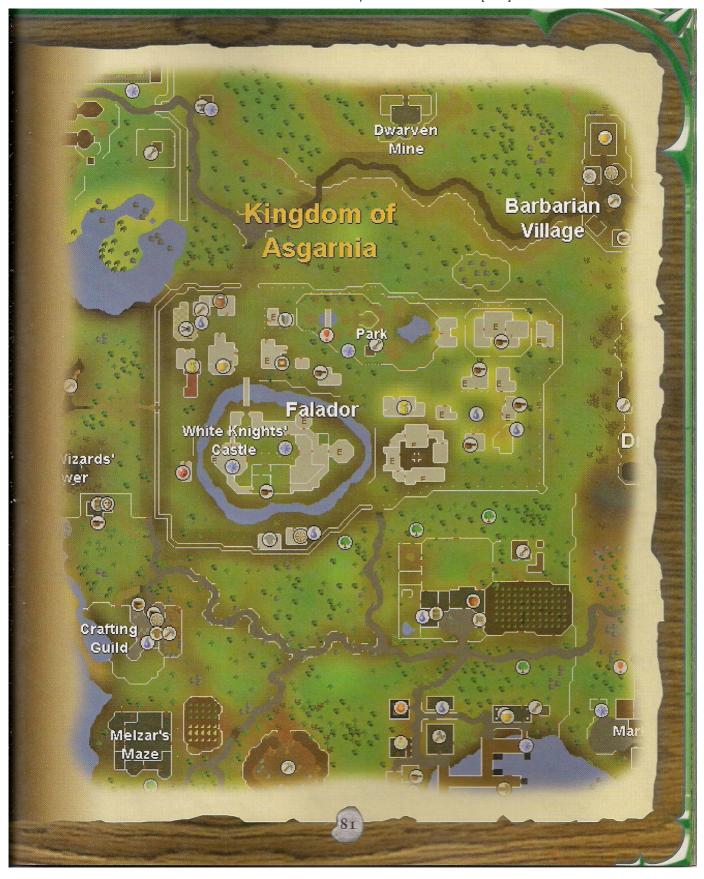


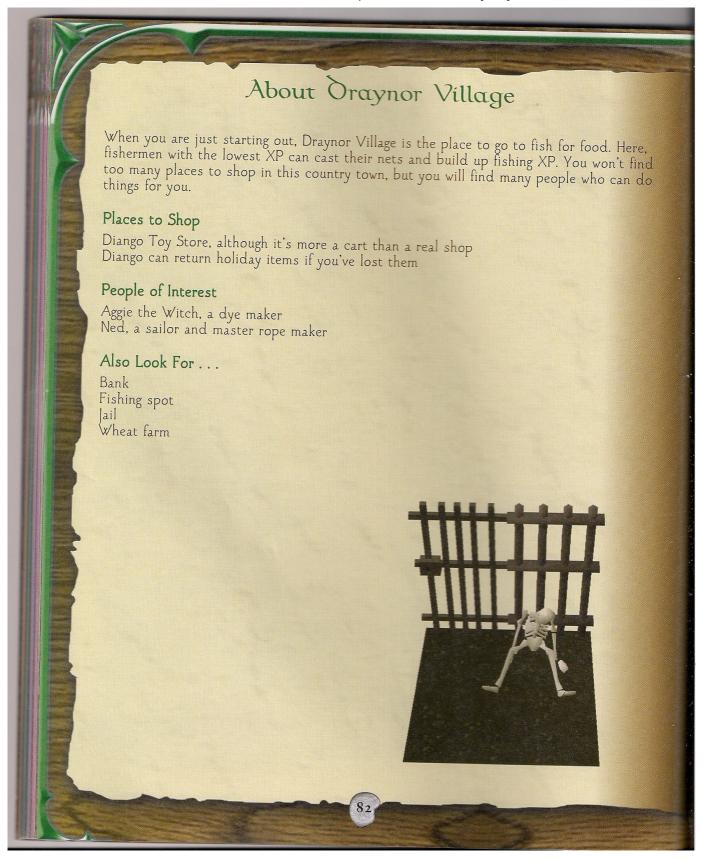




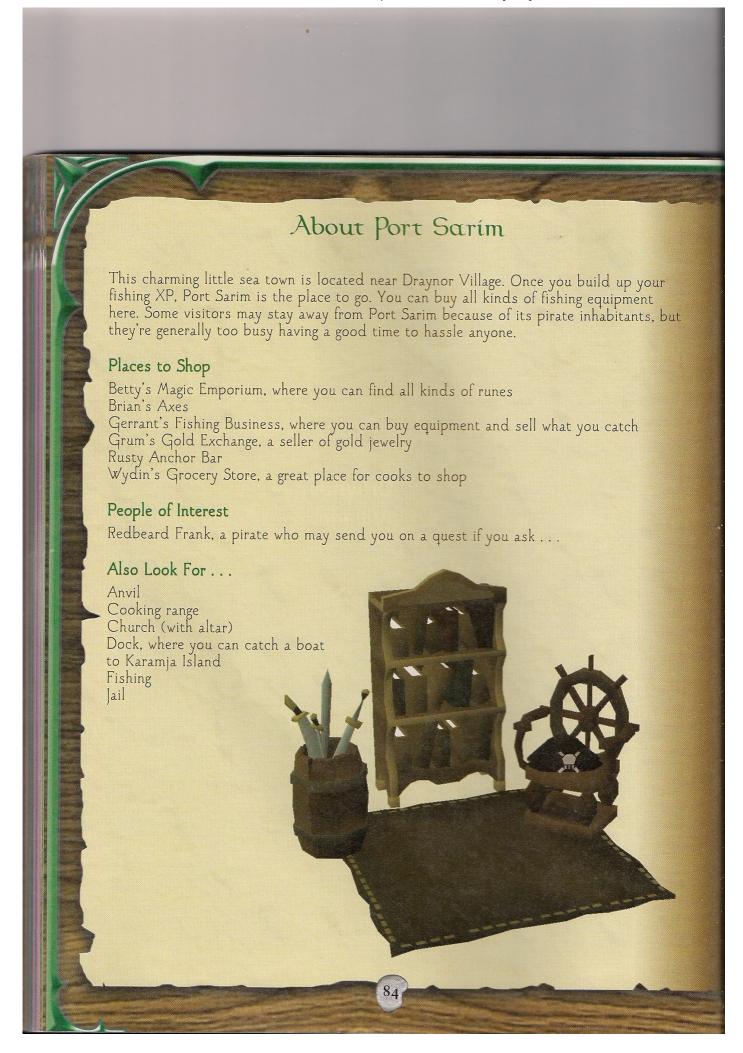


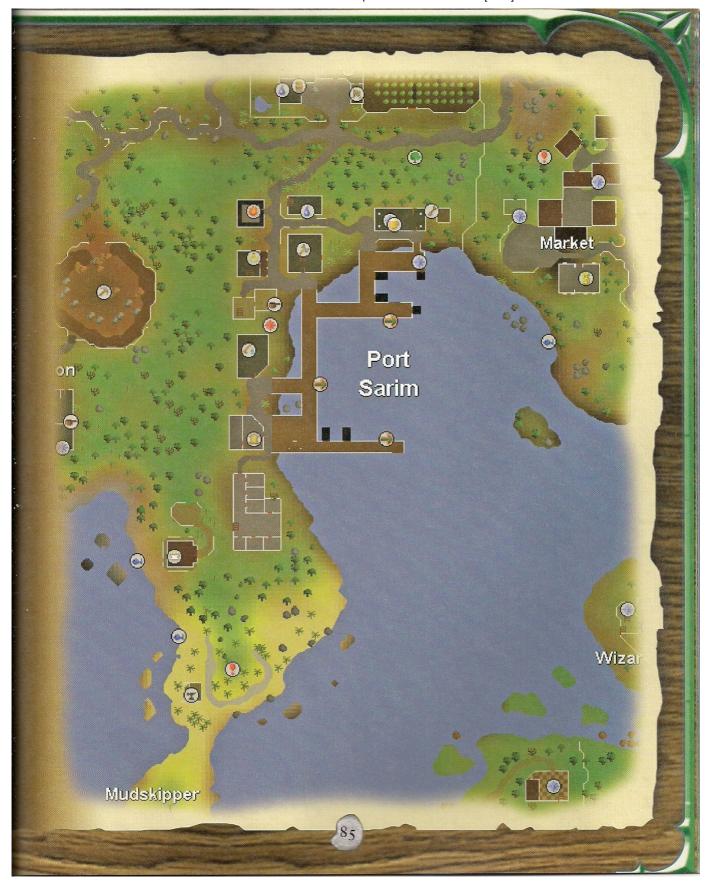


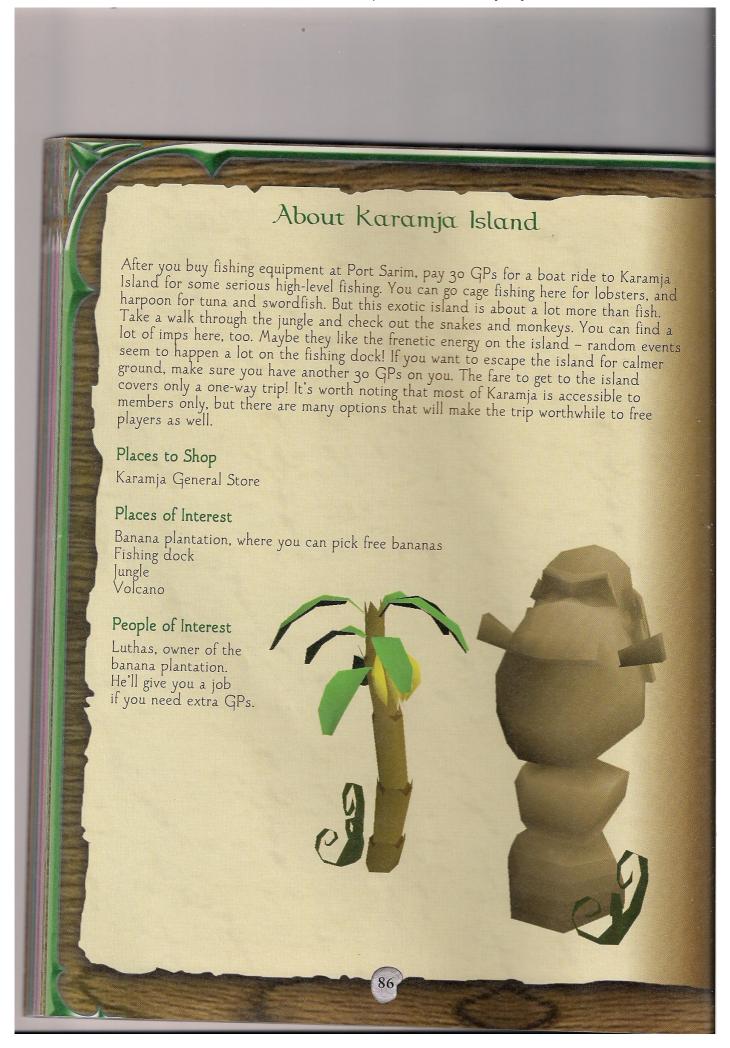


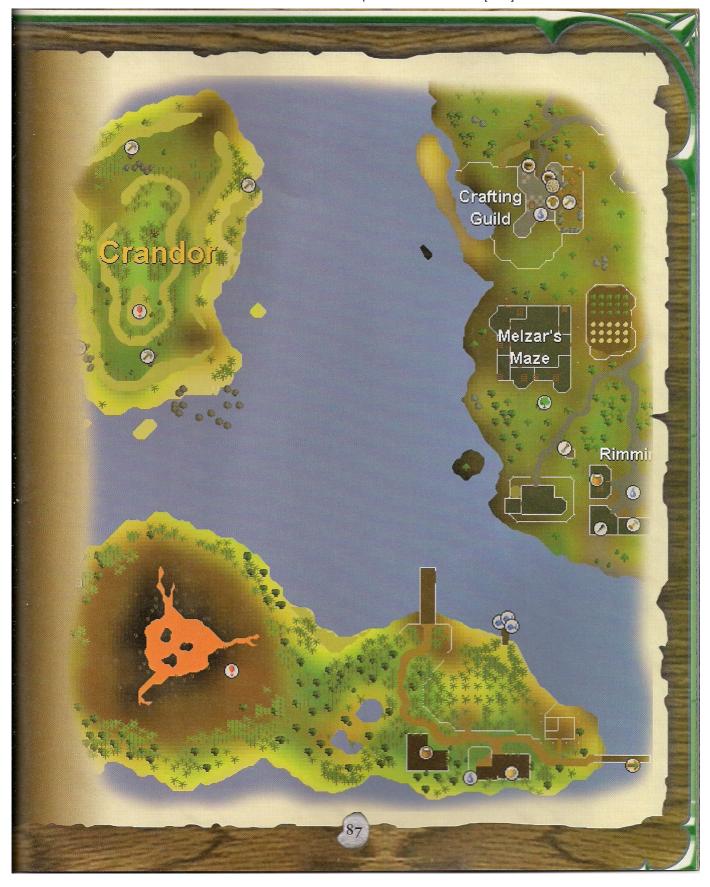


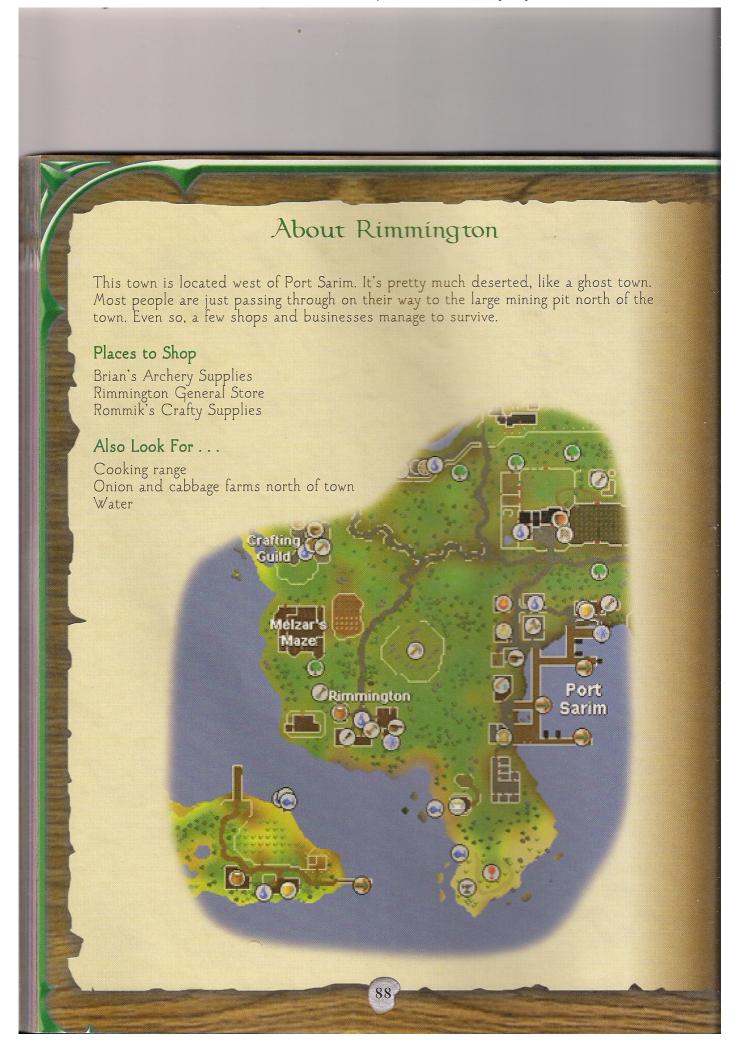


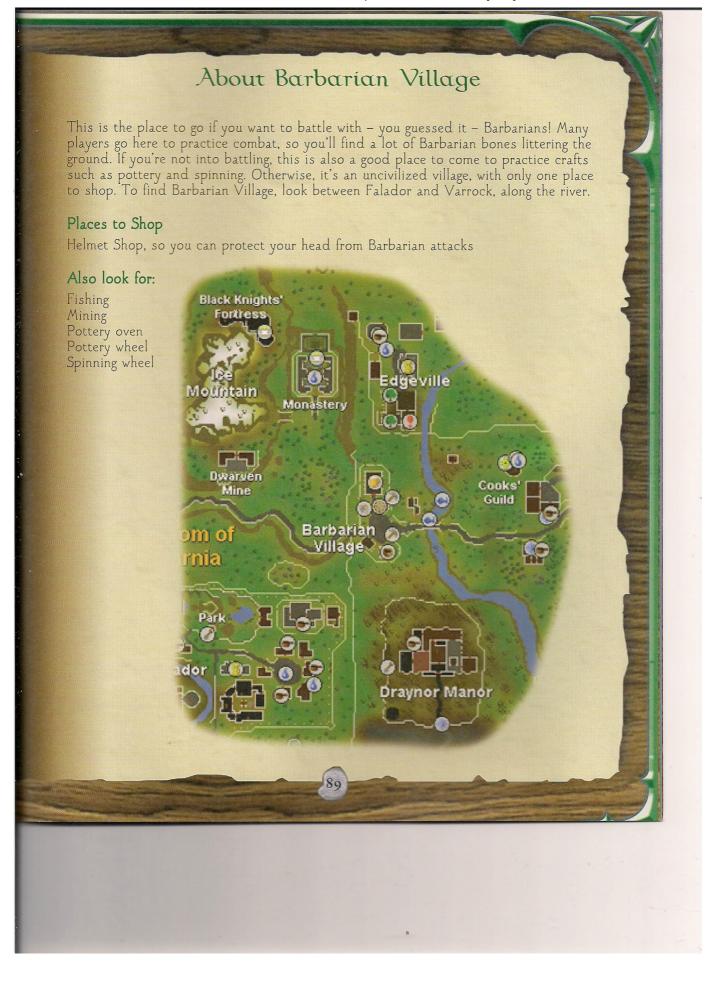


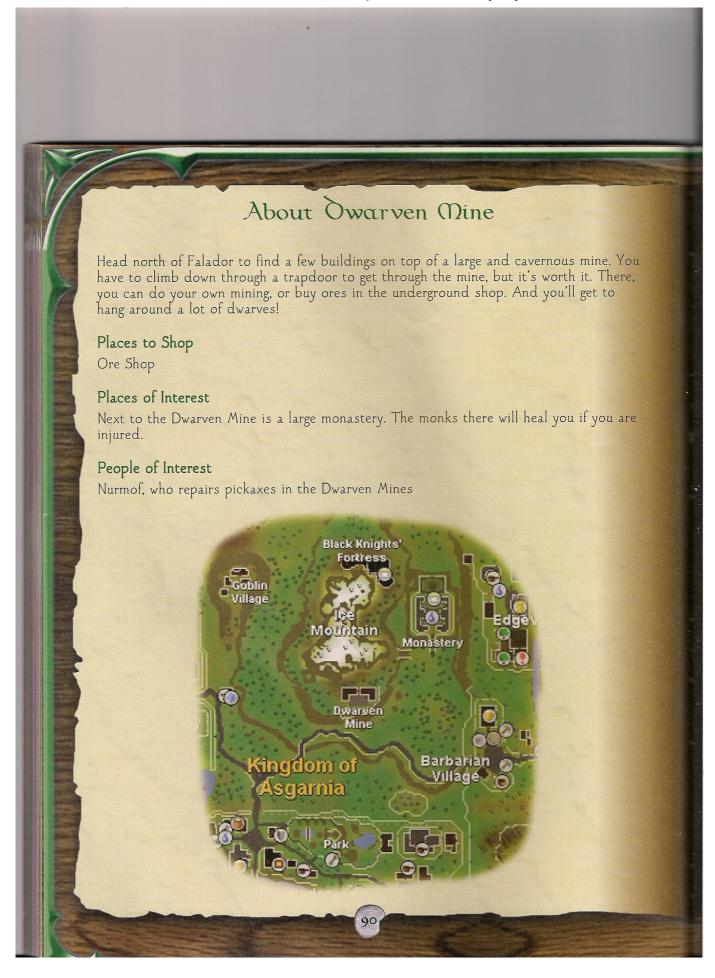


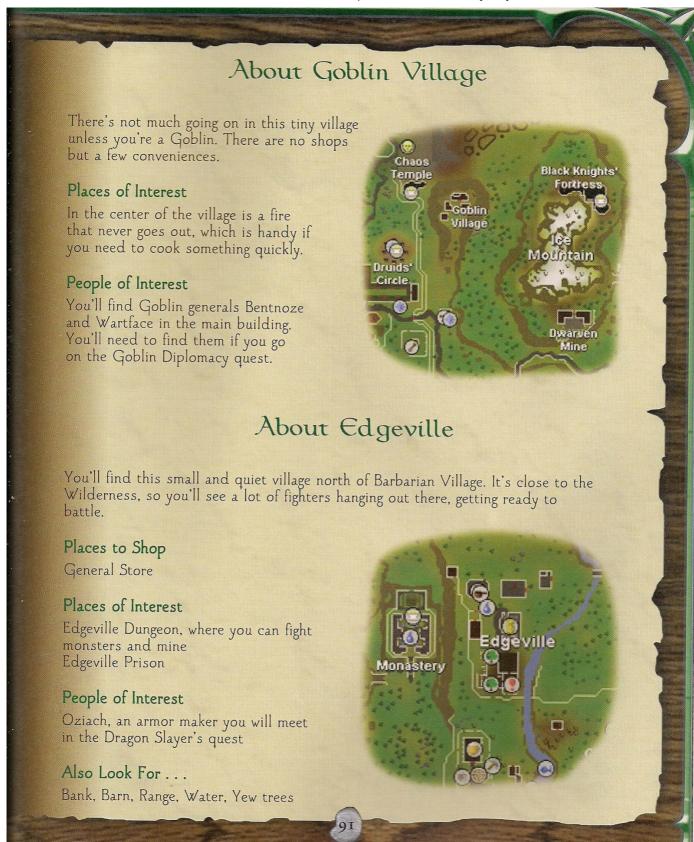












Random Events

Who doesn't like surprises? That's what random events are all about - strange events, characters, or creatures that come out of nowhere. Sometimes a random event can lead to a reward, and sometimes it can lead to trouble! Oh, well. Life would be boring if there were no surprises at all, right? Here's a look at the kinds of random events you can expect in the game.

Guardians

As you travel around the RuneScape world, you will come across some places that are protected. These Guardians are usually pretty powerful, and your best bet is to run away from them. They won't chase you for very long. Of course, you can always battle them if you are up to the challenge. They might drop some interesting items for you to collect. . . .



Golem

These rocky giants are powerful but slow and not too smart. You may disturb one while mining.



River Troll

Don't mess with a River Troll's fish! It will chase you away, although it won't move very far from the river.



Shade

A type of spirit that guards burial sites. You don't want to mess with these spooky creatures.



Tree Spirit

Watch out! That tree you just chopped down might be home to a Tree Spirit. And it's not too happy about losing its home. . . .



Zombie

Burying bones may strengthen your prayers, but you might attract one of these ghastly ghouls while you're at it!







