

[1.3.5] PRICE LIST

The basic and most numerous coin in the Young Kingdoms is the LB piece with a value approximately equal to \$1 in 1990 U.S. money. Silver coins were much rarer, and gold was rarer still.

The following price list is by no means complete, but it can be used to give players a good idea of typical prices. If you wish to price some items not listed below, calculate its value in U.S. or British money and then change that into Melnibonean currency by the formula given in table [1.3.2.1] Value of Coins.

Fancy versions of any of the items of clothing will cost from two to ten times as much as the price listed here.

Weapons and armor costs are shown in section [3.3.1].

LIVING COSTS

12 oz. drink of wine	1 SB
a cheap meal	2 LB
unprepared meat (per pound)	1 LB
vegetables (per pound)	1 SB
a good meal	5 LB
a banquet for two	20 LB
trail provisions (21 meals plus drink)	50 LB
a large loaf of bread	1 LB
a gallon of wine	2-8 LB
depending on quality	
a gallon of milk	1 SB

LODGING/DAY

common room floor	2 LB
dormitory	10 LB
shared room	20 LB
private room	40 LB

CLOTHING

a loincloth	1 LB
trousers	20 LB
a shirt	10 LB
a cape of linen	25 LB

TOOLS

hammer	2 LB
5 fish hooks	1 LB
reed pen	2 LB
cylinder seal	30 LB
anvil	500 LB
rope (per 20 ft/6 meters)	1 SB

CAMPING GEAR

small tent (1 man)	200 LB
medium tent (3 men)	500 LB
large tent (5 men)	800 LB
backpack	10 LB
flint and steel	10 LB

LAMPS

10 candles	1 SB
5 torches	2 LB
oil lamp	20 LB
lamp oil (per quart)	1 SB

LARGE ITEMS

hovel	1000 LB
3-room house	20,000 LB
5-room house	30,000 LB
12-room villa	50,000 LB

riding boots	100 LB
sandals	10 LB
leather belt	10 LB
hunter's cap	5 LB

POTTERY

a clay tumbler or vase	1 SB
a glass	3 LB
a copper cut	1 LB
a silver goblet	50 LB
a golden cup	1200 LB
a wine jug	1 LB
a copper kettle	20 LB
an iron skillet	30 LB

TRANSPORTATION

average cart horse	50 LB
average riding horse	100 LB
trained warhorse	5000 LB
race horse	1000 LB
2-wheeled cart	100 LB
4-wheeled cart	400 LB
covered wagon	1000 LB
average cart ox	80 LB
beef cow	50 LB

palace	100,000 LB
fortified castle	500,000 LB
acre of farmland	20,000 LB
rowboat	500 LB
2-man canoe	2000 LB
Tarkesh merchant ship (per ton of carrying capacity)	10,000 LB
Tarkesh war galley (per fighting man in crew, minimum of 20 men, including sails, tackle, oars, etc.)	10,000 LB
metalshod ram	20,000 LB

BOOKS

common subject matters (per 20 pages)	1 LB
grimoires (per entity contained)	10,000 LB
books of lore	100-1000 LB
fiction, poetry	8-20 LB

Reference Section



[1.3.2.1] VALUE OF COINS

2 small bronze (SB) = 1 large bronze (LB) = US\$1
5 LB = 1 small silver (SS) = \$5
2 SS = 1 large silver (LS) = \$10
5 LS = 1 small gold (SG) = \$50
2 SG = 1 large gold (LG) = \$100
5 LG = 1 Melnibonean silver dragon (MS)
1000 MS = 1 Melnibonean gold wheel (MG)

US\$2 is roughly £1 British.

[1.3.7.1] EIGHT GREAT GEMS

Gem	Value per carat in LB
Diamond	100
Ruby	80
Emerald	70
Sapphire	60
Opal	50
Jade	40
Topaz	30
Turquoise	20

The carat is the standard measure of weight of a gem. A one carat gem weighs 1/5 of a gram, and would be so small as to be almost unseeable. To determine the size of small gems randomize between 1 and 20 carats, for medium size gems randomize between 20 and 100 carats, and for large to huge gems randomize between and 100 and 1000 carats.

- SEQUENCE OF PLAY:**
1. Declaration of Intent.
 2. Resolution of Melee/Missile Fire.
 3. Movement/Summonings

PROCEDURE

Highest DEX always strikes first.

A character may Parry as many times in a round as he needs to, but always at 20% less than his previous attempt.

A character may Dodge instead of Attack and Parry in a round.

A character drawing a weapon subtracts 5 from his DEX to determine when he strikes.

CRITICAL HITS

Any successful Attack which is 10% or less of the needed percentage (i.e., a needed percentage of 33% means that 3% or less is a critical hit), is a critical hit.

A critical hit does twice the normal rolled damage and ignores all armor or other protection.

A critical hit may be Parried, but the Parrying object will be broken unless it is a demon weapon, at which point the demon weapon must make CON x 1% or break.

A critical hit may only be Dodged by a critical Dodge.

CRITICAL PARRIES

A critical Parry has the same chance as a critical hit.

A critical Parry will break a normal successful Attack from a normal weapon, and break a demon weapon unless it makes CON x 1%.

A critical Parry of a critical hit will break both weapons, even if both are demon weapons. If one's normal, the demon weapon gets a saving roll of CON x 1%.

[3.3.6.1] FUMBLES IN COMBAT

1D100 Result for regular weapons

- 01-50 Drop weapon at feet.
- 51-85 Weapon slips and flies 1D6 yards (meters) away.
- 86-00 Weapon strikes the nearest hard substance awkwardly and breaks (demon weapon gets saving roll of CON x 5%). If no hard substance like walls, floors, or armor are available, the fumbler has wounded himself. Make Damage roll and divide by 2.

1D100 Result for missile weapons

- 01-50 Drop weapon.
- 51-85 Weapon breaks.
- 86-00 Hit a friend or shoot self in the foot (take half Damage roll as a wound).

1D100 Result for natural weapons (fist, claw, etc.)

- 01-50 Trip and fall, must fight from ground unless opponent lets character up. Attacks from ground at half normal percentage, though Parry is the same.
- 51-85 Strain something, next 1D6 Attacks at half chance.
- 86-00 Hurt self, do full rolled Damage to self.

WOUNDS

MINOR — Any wound doing less than half the original Hit Points of the target. Every 4 Hit Points lost in this manner cost the character 1 point of DEX until healed.

MAJOR — Any wound doing half or more of the original Hit Points of the target. Target instantly loses half his

DEX until healed, and may fight on for a number of melee rounds equal to his remaining Hit Points, then drops. The target also receives a long-term injury shown on the Major Wounds table.

FATALITIES — Any time the target receives more Hit Points damage than he has Hit Points, it is dead.

[3.9.2.2] MAJOR WOUNDS

1D100 Effects

- 01-50 You will have a really impressive scar, but no ill effects.
- 51 Lose left eye. Lose 2 points CHA and 2 points DEX.
- 52 Lose right eye. Lose 2 points CHA and 2 points DEX.
- 53 Lose nose. Lose 4 points CHA and 3% from Perception bonus.
- 54 Lose left ear, impair hearing. Lose 1 point CHA and 5% from Perception bonus.
- 55 Lose right ear, impair hearing. Lose 1 point CHA and 5% from Perception bonus.
- 56-57 Broken jaw, loss of several teeth. Lose 2 points CHA and 1 point CON.
- 58 Severe injury to vertebra in back. Ability to move rapidly and handle heavy weights severely impaired. Reduce STR and DEX ratings by half.
- 59 Severe concussion and head injury. Lose 3 points INT and 3 points CHA. Reduction of all bonuses partly depending on INT rating.
- 60-62 Mild concussion and head injury. Lose 1 point INT and 1 point CHA. Reduction of all bonuses depending partially on INT rating.
- 63-64 Damage to internal organs. Lose 1D6+2 points CON. Possible delayed fatality. Loss of Hit Points equal to loss of CON points. Reduction of bonuses dependent on CON rating.
- 65-68 Broken ribs. Lose 1D4 points CON. Loss of Hit Points equal to loss of CON points.
- 69-72 Broken left arm never heals properly. Lose 2 points DEX.
- 73-76 Broken right arm never heals properly. Lose 2 points of DEX.
- 77-79 Amputate left hand and part of arm. Lose 4 points of DEX.
- 80-82 Amputate right hand and part of arm. Lose 4 points DEX.
- 83-86 Broken left leg never heals properly. Lose 2 points DEX.
- 87-90 Broken right leg never heals properly. Lose 2 points DEX.
- 91-92 Hamstring left leg, becomes totally useless. Lose 4 points DEX.
- 93-94 Hamstring right leg, becomes totally useless. Lose 4 points DEX.
- 95-97 Amputate part of left leg. Lose 3 points DEX.
- 98-00 Amputate part of right leg. Lose 3 points DEX.

[3.5.2] YOUNG KINGDOMS WEAPONS

Hand weapons	STR required	DEX	Damage	Length in feet (cm)	Price in LB
Battle ax	9	9	1D8+2	2½ (75)	200
Broadsword	9	7	1D8+1	3½ (105)	250
Butt	—	—	1D4	Head	—
Cudgel	7	7	1D6	2-4 (60-120)	0-5
Dagger	—	3	1D4+2	½-1½ (15-45)	100
Falchion	8	8	1D6+2	3 (90)	225
Filkharian pike (2-handed)	11	7	2D6+1	9-10 (270-300)	150
Greatsword (2-handed)	11	13	2D8	5-6 (150-180)	750
Hatchet (small ax)	7	9	1D6+1	1½ (45)	125
Heavy mace (2-handed)	13	7	1D8+2	2½-3 (75-90)	200
Javelin	—	10	1D6	2-3 (60-90)	175
Kick (with foot)	—	—	1D6	Foot	—
Light mace	7	7	1D6+2	2 (60)	75
Long spear (2-handed)	11	9	1D10+1	7-8 (210-240)	100
Lormyrian ax (2-handed)	13	11	3D6	5½ (165)	400
Punch (with fist)	—	—	1D3	Hand	—
Quarterstaff (2-handed)	9	9	1D8	6-7 (180-210)	50
Scimitar	9	9	1D8+1	2½-3½ (75-105)	210
Sea ax (2-handed)	11	9	2D6+2	4 (120)	250
Shields					
Buckler	—	12	1D4	1 diameter (30)	50
Target	8	7	1D6	3 diameter (90)	75
Heater (kite-shaped)	8	9	1D6	3 (90)	100
Tower (kite-shaped)	12	6	1D6+2	5 (150)	125
Shortsword	7	7	1D6+1	2½ (75)	125
Spear (1-handed)	9	7	1D6+1	4-5 (120-150)	50
Projectile weapons					
Range (meters)					
Buckler	6	12	1D6	30 (9)	50
Dagger	—	6	1D4+2	50 (15)	100
Desert Bow	13	11	1D10+2	450 (135)	600
Javelin	7	10	1D8+2	100 (30)	75
Melnibonean bone bow	11	13	2D6+1	450 (135)	750
Rock	—	5	2D4	100 (30)	—
Self bow	9	9	1D8+1	300 (90)	250
Sling	—	11	1D6+1	300 (90)	25
Spear	9	10	2D6	50 (15)	50
Target	16	7	2D4	20 (6)	75
Throwing ax	9	12	1D8+2	50 (15)	150

ARMOR

Type	Protection	Price
Leather	1D6-1	100
Barbarian	1D8-1	400
Half plate	1D8-1	400
Plate without helmet	1D10-1	1000
Plate with helmet*	1D10+2	1000

* Characters wearing helmets cannot use any Perception skills at more than 25%.

[3.9.4.3] FALLING DAMAGE

Distance fallen or thrown in feet (meters)	Damage to Hit Points
0- 5 (0-1.5)	1D4-2*
6-10 (1.6-3)	1D6
11-20 (3.1-6)	2D6
21-30 (6.1-9)	3D6
31-40 (9.1-12)	4D6
etc.	etc.

* Results less than zero means no damage.

NATIONALITY AND CLASS BACKGROUND

1D100	Nationality	Attribute effects	1D100	Class background
01-02	Melnibone	INT+1D10 POW+2D6 SIZ+3	All Warrior-Nobles*	
03-05	Pan Tang	INT+1D8 POW+1D8 SIZ+1	01-20 21-00	Warrior-Noble** Warrior**
06-08	Myrrhyn	INT+1D6 POW+1D6 CHA+1D6 (females)	01-20 21-30 31-45 46-60 61-65 66-70 71-75 76-90 91-00	Warrior Merchant† Warrior Hunter Farmer Priest* Noblet Warrior Craftsman
09-12	Dharigor	CON+1D4	Use normal table	
13-16	Jharkor	DEX+1D4 CHA-1D4††	Use normal table	
17-24	Shazaar	CON+1D6	Use normal table	
25-29	Tarkesh	CON+1D4 SIZ-1††	01-20 21-30 31-65 66-70 71-75 76-85 86-90 91-00	Warrior Merchant† Sailor Priest* Noblet Thief Beggar Craftsman
30-37	Vilmir	None	Use normal table	
38-44	Ilmiora	CHA+1D4	Use normal table	
45-49	Nadsokor	CON-1D6†† CHA-1D6††	All Beggars	
50-56	Weeping Waste	STR+1D6 CON+1D6 SIZ-1†† DEX+1D4 CHA-1D4††	All Hunter-Warriors	
57-60	Eshmir	SIZ-2†† INT+1D4 POW+1D6	Use normal table except INT+POW of 32+ means automatic priest and sorcerer. Priest with STR of 13+ is also a Warrior.	
61-67	Island of Purple Towns	STR+1D4 CON+1D6	01-20 21-30 31-60 61-65 66-70 71-75 76-85 86-90 91-00	Warrior Merchant† Sailor Farmer Priest* Noblet Thief Beggar Craftsman
68-74	Argimiliar	None	Use normal table	
75-81	Pikarayd	STR+2D4 SIZ+1	Use normal table	
82-88	Lormyr	INT-1D4†† SIZ+2	Use normal table	
89-95	Filkhar	DEX+1D4	Use normal table	

96-97	Oin	CON+1D6	01-20	Warrior
		INT-1D6††	21-30	Merchant†
		POW-1D6††	31-45	Farmer
		DEX-1D6††	46-60	Hunter
			61-70	Farmer
			71-75	Noble†
			76-85	Thief
			86-90	Beggar
			91-00	Craftsman
98-99	Yu	STR+1D6	01-20	Warrior
		CON+1D6	21-60	Hunter
		INT-1D6††	61-65	Farmer
		POW-1D6††	66-70	Hunter
		CHA-1D6††	71-75	Noble†
			76-85	Thief
			86-90	Beggar
	91-00	Craftsman		
00	Org	STR+1D4	01-05	Noble†
		CON+1D8	06-00	Hunter
		SIZ-2††		
		INT-1D6††		
		POW-2D4††		
		DEX-1D6††		
		CHA-2D4††		

* Character with INT of 16 and INT+POW of 32+ may become sorcerer.

** Character with INT of 16 and INT+POW of 32+ becomes Priest instead of Warrior.

† Character with INT of 16 and INT+POW of 32+ has 50% chance of also being sorcerer.

†† Do not subtract if attribute is already 9 or less.

ATTRIBUTE BONUSES

Skill	Attribute	Per point		
		Below 9	9-12	Over 12
Attack	STR	-1%	—	+1%
	INT	-1%	—	+1%
	POW	-1%	—	+1%
	DEX	-1%	—	+1%
Parry	STR	-1%	—	+1%
	SIZ	+1%	—	-1%
	POW	-1%	—	+1%
	DEX	-1%	—	+1%
Damage — See separate table.				
Agility	STR	-1%	—	+1%
	SIZ	+1%	—	-1%
	POW	-1%	—	+1%
	DEX	-1%	—	+1%
Manipulation	STR	-1%	—	+1%
	INT	-1%	—	+1%
	POW	-1%	—	+1%
	DEX	-1%	—	+1%
Perception	INT	-1%	—	+1%
	POW	-1%	—	+1%
Stealth	SIZ	+1%	—	-1%
	INT	-1%	—	+1%
	DEX	+1%	—	+1%

Knowledge INT -2% — +2%
 Priests get +3% per year over 25
 Nobles get +2% per year over 25
 Others get +1% per year over 25

Communication INT -1% — +1%
 POW -1% — +1%
 CHA -1% — +1%

[2.5.3] DAMAGE ABILITY

The bigger and stronger a character is, the harder he can hit. Total the STR and SIZ ratings, then consult the table below.

STR+SIZ	Additional Damage by Weapon Type	
	Melee*	Missile/Thrown†
02-16	-1D6	-1D4
17-24	no effect	no effect
25-40	+1D6	+1D4
41-50	+2D6	+2D4
51+	+3D6	+3D4

* This damage should be added to the damage rating of any melee weapon, including hands and feet, the character fights with.

† This damage is added to the damage rating of any thrown or missile weapon the character uses. This is based on the assumption that a stronger, bigger character draws a stronger bow, as well as throws an object harder.

[4.8.8.2.1] CLASSIFICATION OF POISONS

Skill %	Poison Class
01-20	1. Causes limited damage immediately: roll 1D100 01-15 1D20 damage 16-30 1D10 damage 31-50 1D8 damage 51-80 1D6 damage 81-00 1D4 damage
21-40	2. Causes slow death: roll 1D100 01-10 In 1D4 x 10 minutes 11-30 In 1D6 hours 31-60 In 2D10 hours 61-00 In 1D6+1 days
41-60	3. Causes temporary paralysis or unconsciousness (pick one) for 1D100 hours.
61-80	4. Causes symptoms like illness. Victim must successfully roll CON x 5% once a day for 2D10 days or suffer the loss of 1D6 CON points permanently from the "disease" for that day. Rolls must be made every day of the effect until the character is dead, the 2D10 days are up, or the antidote is taken (normal healing plants will not work).
81-00	5. Causes instant or rapid death: roll 1D100 01-10 Instant 11-50 In 1D6 melee rounds 51-00 In 1D10 minutes

[4.8.9.1] PLANT LORE SKILLS

On this table, each succeeding level includes all the levels above it.

Skill %	Skill Level
01-10	1. Generally recognize plants, would like to learn more about their uses.
11-20	2. Recognizes and can find edible plants in the wild.
21-30	3. Recognizes any poisonous plants in sight. (If the character has no Poison Lore skill, this level of Plant Lore automatically confers a Poison Lore skill of 10%.)
31-40	4. Recognizes and can find plants useful in sorcery and the summoning of demons.
41-50	5. Recognizes and can find plants that make good healing poultices (1D6 regeneration of Hit Points after 1D6 hours on a wound).
51-60	6. Recognize and can find plants that make good healing potions (2D6 regeneration of Hit Points 2D6 hours after drinking — works for wounds, poison, and disease).
61-70	7. Recognize and can find plants that cure infections (complete healing of wounds or disease after 1D6 days).
71-80	8. Recognize and can find plants that are hallucinogens, and other emotion-affecting drugs such as aphrodisiacs, hate-agents, etc.
81-90	9. Recognize and can find plants to make drugs that affect the attributes (such as the drugs which contribute to Elric's strength).
91-00	10. Recognize and can find those rare plants which when combined will make the Potion of Invulnerability.

RESISTANCE TABLE

		POW of Attacking Force																				
		01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
POW of Defending Force	01	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	02	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	03	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	04	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	05	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	06	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—	—	—	—
	07	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—	—	—
	08	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—	—
	09	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—	—
	10	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—	—
	11	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	—
	12	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95
	13	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90
	14	—	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85
	15	—	—	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75
	17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65	70
	18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60	65
	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55
	21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	05	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50

The number indicated is the percentage needed for success.