# UNNATURAL HISTORY

## CONCEPT

Dr. Kelly Morrison became obsessed with the stories of the Mongolian death worms while doing field work in the Gobi Desert, and she smuggled three eggs back to the Museum of Natural History. Her plan did not include them hatching and getting out, but now that they have, she wants to protect and observe them.

### HOOK

The hunters get a report of some strange deaths at the Museum of Natural History. Professor Josh Singer, Dr. Jennifer Sofia, and Michelle Fitzsimmons were last seen alive working late unpacking and cleaning up new items for the collection. The next morning, they were found "burned and partially dissolved," according to the police reports.

#### COUNTDOWN

- Day: Worms split up, looking for warm, dry places to nest.
- **Shadows:** Having established nests in different parts of the museum, they start hunting. Dr. Francesca Ferrara is the first new victim.
- **Dusk:** Worms continue hunting, eating, and growing. Victims are Cedrick Greto, Gina Grasso, and Chris Larsen.
- Sunset: Worms continue hunting, eating, and growing. Victim are Det. Eagan, Det. Sgt. Keisha Bloedel, and Dr. Kelly Morrison.
- Nightfall: Worms mate and lay eggs in their nests.
- Midnight: Eggs hatch, and the museum is overrun by a plague of Mongolian death worms.

## THREATS

#### MONSTER

Name: Mongolian death worms
Description: 50cm long worm, 5cm thick, intestinal pink/grey/red, tripartite mouth. Grow to 1m.
Type: Monster/Beast
Motivation: To run wild, killing and destroying.
Powers: Venom, Lightning Blast
Weaknesses: Water
Attacks: Venom (4-harm hand/close poison), Lightning Blast (3-harm close electricity stun)
Armour: 1 (sinewy hide and organs)
Harm Capacity: 8 (x3)

#### MINION

Name: Dr. Kelly Morrison
 Description: Middle-aged white woman, short salt-and-pepper hair, glasses, tanned, smart pantsuit.
 Type: Minion/Guardian
 Motivation: To bar the way or protect something.

#### BYSTANDER

Name: Dr. Francesca Ferrara

Description: Young, attractive, Italian accent, dresses in jeans and flannel, but all good quality.Type: Bystander/VictimMotivation: To put herself in danger.

#### BYSTANDER

Name: Detective Patrick Eagan Description: Tall, pudgy black man, shaved head, rumpled suit. Type: Bystander/Detective Motivation: To rule out explanations.

#### BYSTANDER

Name: Detective Sergeant Keisha Bloedel
Description: Short, plain-featured, eyes always watching. Wears cheap pantsuit.
Type: Bystander/Busybody
Motivation: To interfere in other people's plans.

#### BYSTANDER

Name: Chris Larsen Description: Stylish brown hair and suits, pinched face, loud, nasal voice. Type: Bystander/Official Motivation: To be suspicious.

#### BYSTANDER

Name: Cedrick Greto

**Description:** Middle-aged ex-cop, security uniform, gin-blossoms on nose, buzz cut, still good shape. **Type:** Bystander/Helper **Motivation:** To join the hunt.

#### BYSTANDER

Name: Gina Grasso Description: Older woman, grey hair, cleaner's uniform, poor English, good Italian. Type: Bystander/Witness Motivation: To reveal information.

#### LOCATION

Name: Natural History Museum
Description: Modern museum, many wings, lots of displays of animals/people from all over the world, maze of corridors, offices, labs, and storage rooms behind the scenes.
Type: Location/Wilds
Motivation: To contain hidden things.

#### LOCATION

Name: Lair of the first worm, inside the whale in the Ocean Hall

**Description:** The suspended whale is hollow, with a thick layer of spray insulation providing a little more structure. The worm has burrowed into this insulation.

Type: Location/Den

Motivation: To harbor monsters.

#### LOCATION

**Name:** Lair of the second worm, in the Skeleton Preparation Lab in the research areas of the ground floor. **Description:** The room is filled with file boxes of bones on shelves, and several large tanks full of beetles. Five worktables, with various knives, probes, and brushes, as well as magnifying lenses and spotlights, are scattered through the room.

Type: Location/Den

Motivation: To harbor monsters.

#### LOCATION

Name: Lair of the third worm, in the vents surrounding Chris Larsen's office on the third floor. Description: The third floor is carefully climate controlled because of the paintings used to decorate the executive offices. The worm is crawling through the vents, with a nest made in a junction. Type: Location/Den Motivation: To harbor monsters.

# **CUSTOM MOVES**

Mongolian death worm venom. When **you are poisoned by a worm**, its venom will cause 1-harm every five minutes until the injury is stabilized or the affected area is flushed with clean water.

# NOTES



Mongolian Death Worm

