Final Fantasy VIII Squall Solo/No Level FAQ

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This walkthrough was originally written for Final Fantasy VIII on the PSX, but the walkthrough is still applicable to the PC version of the game.

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IMPORTANT!

This is an advanced level walkthrough that assumes you have a good understanding of the FFVIII world, junction system, card game and refinement menus. I recommend that you have played through the game at least once before using this Walkthrough/FAQ.

PLEASE READ THROUGH THE FOLLOWING 3 SECTIONS BEFORE USING THE WALKTHROUGH AS I ASSUME YOU KNOW HOW TO AVOID EXP FROM RANDOM BATTLES AND THAT YOU'RE TO KO ALL MEMBERS EXCEPT SQUALL UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE

RULES OF CHALLENGE

- 1. [No characters or GFs should level up] Squall can only gain 500EXP before levelling up. There are only 3 points in the game where experience is unavoidable (the Dollet Mission, at the Missile Base, and the Esthar Laguna dream). Card or Break can be used in every other "forced" battle to avoid EXP.
- 2. [Squall must be the only conscious member in the party] The only exceptions are when Squall is not in the party (another member can take his place) and for the first few battles in Dollet Seifer must be used (otherwise Squall would gain a level before reaching the Comm Tower). When Squall is replaced with another member, they must be the only conscious member in the party and random battles should be avoided. Laguna is used in place of Squall in dream world.
- 3. [No Invinciblity/Stat Boosting Items]
 No heroes/holy-wars/HP Ups/Str Ups etc.

FORCED BATTLES?

1. "Random" battles, as the name states, occur randomly running about the field or world map, you can run from these. "Boss" battles are story related battles that don't result in EXP. "Forced" battles are story related battles you can't run from, and result in EXP. See the next section "NOTES ON AVOIDING EXP" on how to deal with these, although these are all accounted for in the Walkthrough.

NOTES ON AVOIDING EXP:

- 1. You will only avoid EXP when running from random battles if you don't deal any damage to the enemies. You won't receive AP or items. If you are using a random battle to draw magic, be careful not to damage the enemy before you flee.
- 2. If you use Break magic to petrify all enemies, the game will treat it as running from the enemies, so make sure you don't damage the enemies before petrifying them. Break magic will come in handy to avoid EXP in some forced battles that you can't run from, so make sure you always have some in stock
- 3. GF Quezacotl's Card command can be used in battle to convert enemies into cards. The lower the enemies HP the higher chance that they will be carded. You will not receive EXP for damage dealt after battle if you Card the enemy, meaning you can Mug in random battles without receiving EXP (as long as you card them). The best thing about the Card command is you still receive AP and dropped items from carded enemies.
- 4. One of the blessings of FFVIII is you don't receive EXP from boss battles, but still receive AP and items! This will be your main source for learning GF abilities alongside the Card command.
- 5. In some forced battles, neither Petrify or Card work on enemies and EXP has to be given. In these situations EXP is unavoidable. When you have GF Tonberry you can repeatedly use LV DOWN till the enemy is LV1 to reduce the EXP received significantly (usually 1EXP). Also a GF should be used to end the battle so an EXP bonus is not applied to the character for the finishing blow.

Worth noting: EXP is not shared between the party in FF8. So a member will still receive the same EXP whether his allies are dead or alive. More experience will be awarded to the character who dealt the finishing blow - if a GF gets the finishing blow, this does not apply.

NOTE: In a low level game YOU CANNOT OBTAIN THE LIONHEART. To obtain Pulse Ammo you require the Ammo-RF menu ability which can only be obtained when Ifrit is at level 10. I've noticed in some people's low level games they use Seifer to level up the GFs, but in my opinion that is not a low level game

PSX/PC VERSION;

I'm playing the PC version of the game which is much faster. For controls I'm simply going to use the following terms for the default PSX buttons;

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X = {CONFIRM}
Square = {CARD}
Circle = {MENU}
Triangle = {CANCEL}
Start = {START}
Select = {SELECT}
R1/R2/L1/L2 = {R1}/{R2}/{L1}/{L2}
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AT THE END OF THE GUIDE IS JUNCTION TABLES, WHICH HAVE THE TOP MAGICS FOR EACH STAT, AND ALSO THE EFFECT EVERY MAGIC HAS ON ALL STATS.

I'm on YouTube, and all the boss battles in this guide are demonstrated by videos, the links are in the walkthrough. http://youtube.com/chewybaws

IMPORTANT! - Steps marked with a ? are optional

{A} THE SEED EXAM

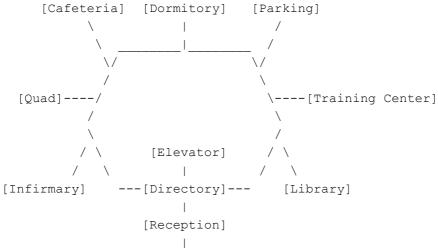
[A1] Balamb Garden

Draw Points: Cure, Esuna, Blizzard (Training Center)

Rare Cards: Quistis, Minimog

Enemies: Grat, T-Rexaur (Training Center)

Magazines: Occult Fan I



To Front Gate/World Map

- a. Follow the dialogue answering the question how you like.
- b. Access the laptop at Squall's desk and check the option labelled Tutorial to receive 2 new GFs. Junction them to Squall and give him the Magic, Draw and Item commands. Set Quezacotl to learn T Mag-RF and Shiva to learn I Mag-RF. Talk to Quistis then leave the classroom and continue down the corridor.
- c. You don't have to give the exchange student a tour if you don't want to. On your way to the elevator talk to the man on the bridge to receive your first 7 cards. Take the elevator down. If you agreed to give the exchange student a tour you'll show her the directory.
- ?. Head to the Library using the directory and use the Esuna draw point. Pick up the [Occult Fan I] magazine in the right most part of the bookcase.
- d. Head to the front gate, drawing from the Cure draw point on the way there. Quistis will give you a tutorial on GFs, hit the {CANCEL} button to skip it.

Proceed outside the garden and save your game.

e. On the world map head east to the Fire Cavern. You're bound to get into a random battle, remember the first thing you should do is kill off all party members but Squall. Draw a bunch of Scan spells as well. Remember to run from all battles without dealing damage to any enemies.

{A2} Fire Cavern

Draw Points: Fire
Rare Cards: Ifrit

Rare Cards: Ifrit Enemies: Red Bat, Bomb, Buel

- a. Skip Quistis' tutorial using the {CANCEL} button and assure her you remember how to use your gunblade. Head up to the 2 Garden Faculty members tell them you're ready and select 10 minutes as the time limit.
- b. I recommend setting the battle and battle message speed to fastest. The path to Ifrit is fairly linear. Use the Fire draw point on the 4th screen. Kill some time by drawing Thunder spells off Red Bats (or Buels) which are required for destroying X-ATM092 at the Dollet mission. Leave at least 6 mins to defeat Ifrit.

This boss is a sissy. His physical attack and Fire magic are puny. His jump punch however will deal over 100 damage. Blizzard spells will deal 1.5x damage on him but I found physical attacks quicker. Draw/cast cure when your HP drops below 200HP, and keep pounding away till you defeat Ifrit.

The closer the timer is to 0:00 when you defeat Ifrit the more points you'll get in your SeeD exam, but luckily the timer is still running when you're entering Ifrit's name so when it gets to this screen leave it a couple of minutes before hitting "Confirm"

c. Skip Quistis' tutorial using the {CANCEL} button and junction Ifrit to Squall setting him to learn F Mag-RF. Head back to the world map, running from all random battles.

{A3} Triple Triad; Getting Started

NOTE: As this is an advanced level guide I assume that you know how to play cards and have a good understanding of play and trade rules.

- * After you have learned GF Quezacotl's Card ability, you can then learn Card Mod which refines cards into items. Using other refinement abilities, you can then refine these items into high level magic at early points in the game.
- * At this point in the game rival players will use monster cards (levels 1-5). Some players will only use upto level 3 cards, others upto level 5 or whatever , just depends who it is. When you receive Card Mod you will have access to

good items (refined from cards) and therefore good magic.

CARDS TO AIM FOR;

5x ABYSS WORM (Lv3) - These refine to Windmill which can be refined to 100 Tornadoes using T Mag-RF. They make a decent Str-J early on, but if you mod the Quistis cards to Samantha Souls and refine these to Triples for Str-J, Tornado can also make a decent HP-J.

10x TRI FACE (Lv3) - Will refine to Curse Spikes which refine to Pain spells using ST Mag-RF. Great for Mag-J.

10x GAYLA (Lv1) - Mystery Fluids can be refined to Meltdowns using ST Mag-RF, one of best Vit-Js.

 $6x\ \text{IRON GIANT (Lv5)}$ - will refine to 2 Star Fragments required for Squall's Punishment weapon upgrade.

3x ADAMANTOISE (Lv4) - will get you a Turtle Shell required for Squall's Punishment weapon upgrade.

TONBERRY (Lv3) OR TONBERRY KING (Lv5) - Chef's Knife is required for Squall's Punishment weapon upgrade. They also refine to Death's using L-Mag RF. Death is a decent Spr-J until you get Reflect (draw during Wedge/Biggs battle at Desert Prision)

To get started;

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KDEFZ26AL5M

- a. Head to Balamb town, outside the train station. The queerly dressed woman is the Queen of Cards. When you challenge her to cards, the trade rule is changed (or stays the same) randomly for the region she is in. We want to change the rule to "Diff" (I prefer this to "All" as it degenerates to "Direct" after so many games). To do this simply challenge her and select "Quit". Challenge the train ticket beside her to see what the rule has changed to. Keep repeating this till it's "Diff".
- b. Head back to Balamb Garden, at the gates Quistis will give yet another tutorial, which can be ignored using the {CANCEL} button. Head to the directory using the Cure draw point on the way.
- c. There may be a kid running about. He has the rare [Minimog Card]. If he's not there exit the screen and re-enter. It make take a few seconds for him to run in.
- d. After this head to the Cafeteria using the directory. Head up the back, and challenge the 2 guys at the table selecting "the guy at the back". He has the [Quistis Card] (you can also win this from Trepe Groupies #1 and #2 in the 2F classroom.

IMPORTANT!;

e. I recommend getting 6x Iron Giant (Lv5) cards now as when you leave Balamb no-one uses Lv5 cards for a while. This will enable you to get Squall's Punishment weapon upgrade early on. I recommend using Trepe Groupie #2 to get them as you can get a bunch of other cards you need from the list above (she uses Lv1/3/5 cards).

[A4] Dollet Mission

Draw Points: Blind

Enemies: Galbadian Soldier, Elite Soldier, Geezard, Anacondour

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Map:
                     [CommTowerTop] - [CommTowerBase]
                                        [CommTower] - [Path3]
                              [Path2] - [CommTowerView] -
                              [Path1]
                              [Bridge] - [Town Square]
Save Points:
                                          [Nautilus]
Beach Entrance
                                              CommTowerBase
                                          [Street2]
Draw Points:
                                          [Street1]
CommTowerBase
(Blind)
                                      [Beach Entrance]
                                         [Lapin Beach]
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NOTE: Many actions from this point on affect your SeeD exam score so follow my instructions carefully to avoid losing points.

- a. Head to the dormitory. And change into uniform on Squall's bed. When you leave you'll arrive back at the directory. Follow the dialogue, you can skip Zell's tutorial using the {CANCEL} button as usual.
- b. After the dialogue don't talk to anyone to avoid losing points. Head off the screen and you'll get in the car.
- c. Drive into Balamb town on the world map. Enter the boat without talking to anyone. Select "Do Nothing" when prompted reply "....Ok" to Seifer. Head over to the window without speaking to anyone. When you arrive at the beach proceed and save at the save point without talking to anyone on the way there

IMPORTANT There are forced battles ahead. As the soldiers are immune to Card (and you don't have it anyway) and you don't have Break magic yet, EXP is unavoidable. If you use Squall to kill all enemies you'll gain a level before getting to the Comm Tower, so you are permitted to use Seifer before you reach the Anacondaur. You would usually finish the Anacandaur off with Shiva to reduce the EXP received by Squall, but if you do there's a good chance Shiva will level up.

- d. Just after the save point you will engage in battle with 2 G-Soldiers. Kill off Squall and Zell before you do anything then dispose of the enemy with Seifer.
- e. Head north 2 screens and you'll engage with 2 more G-Soldiers. Keep heading north to the town square and defeat the single G-Soldier. Seifer will tell you to scout the area. Check the north-east area of the screen and dispose of the G-Soldier. Talk to Seifer twice. Walk over towards Seifer twice. Use a Phoenix Down on Squall and replenish his health.
- f. Head in the direction the G-Soldiers were heading, cross the bridge, head up the stairs running from all random battles (if you get into one, kill off Seifer). DON'T talk to any wounded soldiers. Proceed to face the Anacondaur.

Kill off Seifer if he's conscious. Physical attacks and Renzokukens will take it down quick enough.

Note: I'm aware that if you use a GF for the finishing blow your character won't receive an EXP bonus, but the GF will, and most likely level up - which we don't want. I received 242EXP for this battle which is fine.

GF NOTE: Shiva will now have learned I Mag-RF. Set her to learn Spr+20% or Vit+20% (Vit-J is more important but we can get that in one battle against X-ATM092. If we start learning it now we'll just waste AP).

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- q. Head north to the cliff edge.
- h. Seifer now leaves the party. Since Squall and Zell were KO'd, they've automatically been revived with 1HP. Re-junction Squall and heal him. Don't jump off the cliff walk round. If you get into a random battle kill Zell off and run. Meet up with Selphie and answer how you wish to the choice. Go into the Comm Tower and save. Draw from the Blind draw point. Get into a random battle, kill off Selphie and Zell if he's still alive.
- i. IMPORTANT: Draw 100 Cures and Thunders with Squall (will come in handy for a following boss fight), sort out your junctions then head up the elevator.

NAME: WEDGE WEAKNESS: - RESISTANCE: -

HP: 579 @ LV8 DRAW: FIRE, THUNDER, BLIZZARD, CURE

AP: 0 DROPS: COTTAGE

NAME: ELVORET WEAKNESS: - RESISTANCE: POISON, EARTH HP: 2468 @ LV6 DRAW: THUNDER, CURE, DOUBLE, GF SIREN AP: 10 DROPS: G-RETURNER, WEAPONS MON MARCH

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sjW H-Sd0OY

Draw 100 Esuna from Biggs. After a couple of draws Wedge will enter into battle. Keep above 150HP by draw/casting Cure from Wedge. When you have 100 Esunas, just keep physically assaulting Biggs. A few attacks later they will get blown away and Elvoret will enter.

Keep above 150HP at all times. It's storm breath attack can inflict upto 140HP if you have decent junctions. First inflict darkness on Elvoret using Blind (which you drew from the bottom of the elevator), this might not work first time keep trying. Then DRAW GF SIREN! DON'T FORGET! Now draw 100 Doubles which will come in handy in the next boss fight, keeping your HP up. When you have 100 Double spells, assault Elvoret physically until it dies, try finishing off with Renzokuken.

After the battle and dialogue DO NOT TALK TO BIGGS, will lose SeeD points otherwise. Head straight down the elevator and save.

(A5) X-ATM092

1. PREPERATION

Junction Siren set her to learn L Mag-RF. Set Ifrit to learn HP-J (i know he's

learning F MagRF but beating the next boss will get you 50AP which shouldn't go to waste). Set Shiva to learn Vit-J. Remember to set Quezacotl to learn Card!!

Junction Double to Strength, Esuna to magic, Cure to Spirit, and Thunder to Elem-Atk. (should have 100 of each now). Exit the Comm Tower.

2. INFO ON X-ATM092

You have 30 minutes to get to the shore again where you entered Dollet. You want to beat the spider as quickly as possible.

The bog standard way in the game to pass this section is to run from X-ATM092.In order to do this you must knock roughly about a 1/5 of it's HP off until it goes into a "repair" stage. In this stage it is possible to run away. There will be battle messages indicating the repair eg. Repairing ... 20%

However, it is possible to destroy the spider anytime AFTER the first encounter. To do this you just keep knocking it into repair stage and waiting. After it's repaired itself about 5 times it won't be able to repair itself anymore. You will know when this is because it'll take quite a beating before it goes down. As I said, when you knock it down you've only knocked about 1/5 of it's HP off, so it'll take roughly 5 times this amount to destroy it. There's no point in hitting the spider during it's repair stage, as it will replenish its HP to full afterwards. Your attack animations will just be a waste of time, so just wait till it gets back up.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9UWj9JZLS0A

3. FIRST BATTLE + ESCAPE

2 Renzokukens are enough to knock X-ATM092 down. Try not to heal unless your HP drops below 95. When X-ATM092 enters "repair" stage, escape the battle. When you destroy the spider, you will get random battles on the way back to the shore, so it's best to escape the spider until you get to the bridge to avoid these. Head right off the screen. As your heading down X-ATM092 will start chasing you, exit to the south of the screen with haste and HOLD LEFT to avoid another acounter. WALK down this next screen (by holding cancel). Then on the next screen run down off it. You will now be at the bridge, keep heading right. Eventually the spider will leap over you and engage in battle.

4. DESTROYING X-ATM092

This is a very basic strategy. Try and keep below 230HP so you can use limit breaks, but above 90HP so it can't knock you out with Ray-Bomb (which will hit for about 90HP). This is very simple. Just use a potion when your HP goes below 90HP (which will restore 200HP). 2 Renzokukens are enough to knock the spider into repair stage. This is a perfect time to draw/cast protect or use a potion if below 90HP. Also if you are above 230HP you can always attack yourself to get into limit break territory. DON'T ATTACK WHEN IT'S IN REPAIR STAGE. This is a waste of time. If you have nothing to do just wait till it gets back up. Just keep hitting it with 2 Renzokukens and go through the repair stage about 5 times over. Then it won't repair again, just keep hitting it with your limit break till it gets destroyed.

For you efforts you will receive 50 AP and one of the following items; Orihalcon, Hypno Crown, Power Wrist or a Force Armlet.

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5. THE ESCAPE

Set Shiva to learn Vit+20% or Spr+20% again, whatever one you started learning.

Set Ifrit back to learning F Mag-RF. You can now junction to the 5 basic stats. Set Siren to learn ST Med-RF now that L Mag-RF has been learned. Quezacotl only has 30AP to go before learning Card Mod.

You can get into random battles on the way back. For some reason because there was a forced battle with 1 G-Soldier at the town square earlier, you won't be able to run from encounters with 1 G-Soldier on your escape.

There isn't anything you can do about this, just kill them with physical attacks and hope you don't get any more than two encounters with 1 G-Soldier otherwise you may level up. When you escape you should still have at least 100EXP before the next level.

Anyway; head down a screen to where the dog is, ignore the Silence draw point then exit to the south. Exit south of this screen, and south again of the next. Go past the save point down the stairs and proceed and talk to Quistis. I usually reach Quistis with around 13 mins remaining on the PC version, or about 10 on the PSX version as it's slower.

{A6} Balamb and Graduation

Draw Points: Thunder, Cure

Rare Cards: Zell

Magazines: Timber Maniacs [Issue I]

ABILITY CHECK: If you changed the abilities your GFs were learning for X-ATM092 and remembered to junction Siren, you should know now Quezacotl's Card, Ifrit's HP-J and Siren's L-Mag RF. Shiva should have nearly finished learning Spr+20% as well. Set Quezacotl to learn Card Mod, Ifrit to finish learning F Mag-RF, and Siren to learn ST Med-RF.

- ?. Head to the train station or the hotel to pick up an issues of Timber Maniacs (you can only pick it up from one of the locations).
- a. Go to the item shop and buy 5 Tents (should now have 10 in total), and refine all of them to 100 Curagas (using L Mag-RF) and junction them to HP for now it works better on Spr but we won't get a decent HP junction till later.
- b. Head to [Zell's House] and talk to Zell's mum. Leave the screen and re-enter. Challenge Zell's mum to cards, she has the Zell Card. Get it!
- c. Head back to Balamb Garden, running from all random battles as usual.
- d. Selphie and Zell will leave at the garden gates, head to the directory and talk to Cid and reply "Felt Good". Head off to the right to meet Seifer.
- e. After the scene head up the elevator and along the bridge. Just keep talking to everyone and eventually a Garden Faculty member will enter. After the scene talk to Cid to receive a Battle Meter! Head down the elevator and along the bridge once again to receive a round of applause.
- f. You now receive your SeeD report.

Conduct - Depends on how quickly you escaped from Dollet. This will be low as we took the time to destroy X-ATM092. I scored 30Pt.

- Judgement How close the timer is to 0:00 after defeating Ifrit. This should be 100 as I told you to wait a couple of minutes during the naming Ifrit screen.
- Attack Should be very low as we were avoiding random battles. It depends on how many enemies you killed. I scored 20.
- Spirit How many times you escaped (including any X-ATM092 escapes after th first). As we ran from random battles this should be low, I scored 30.
- Point(s) deducted Even though I done everything on the field to avoid these , I think it was all the running from battle that let it down. I scored 100 points deducted.

Bonus - 100 Points for destroying X-ATM092 =]

I scored a SeeD rank of 7!

NOTE: AbsoluteSteve has a great Walkthrough/FAQ on GameFAQs! For more info on the SeeD scoring system use his walkthrough and search for {INF-1}

- d. Head into your dorm and change, then save your game. Talk to Selphie.
- e. After Squall takes a shot of his drink in his eye Zell will talk to you, then Selphie. Reply to her "Yeah, I guess so". Now enjoy the scenes.
- f. After talking to Quistis, head back in. You'll appear at your dorm. Get changed and save your game. Go to the training center.

{A7} The Training Center

Draw Points: Blizzard

Enemies: Grat, T-Rexaur

- a. Quistis will give yet another tutorial that can be avoided with the cancel button. Proceed and take either the left or right path to get to the back of the training center. Remember to kill off Quistis and run from random battles
- b. Save your game before heading to the 'secret area'. After the dialogue, take the left path back, you'll hear a scream, follow!

> NAME: RALDO x3 WEAKNESS: - RESISTANCE: -HP: 223 @ LV8 DRAW: FIRE, THUNDER, PROTECT

AP: 3 DROPS: WIZARD STONE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lh9DSWU3w68

With Curaga on HP-J, you can sit at comfortable health while still being critical. Just Renzokuken them all away.

Ifrit will now have learned F Mag-RF, I recommend learning Str+20% next.

c. Head back to your dorm, you have a new one!

{B1} Diabl	los and the 'Deling' Laguna Dream
Magazines: Weapons Mon Apr	
a. Grab the issue of Weapons Mon Apr off your defront gate and you'll get a mission briefing to receive the Magical Lamp. Head out the from Selphie in a random battle, equip any stat be and use the magical lamp.	from Cid. Talk to him afterwards
/_" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	RESISTANCE: EARTH
Diablos attacks; Physical Attack: *Very* strong Demi: Removes 1/4 of max HP from one character Gravija: Removes 3/4 of max HP from all characte Curaga: He will use this on you if you use Demi STOCKthis won't work if you choose 'Cast' whe	on him (BUT ONLY FROM YOUR
You should still have Blind spells from the Comm first, keep trying until you get it, hopefully you die. Now his physical attack should be less	you will inflict darkness before
The second stage is to draw Demi spells to your persistant. Heal if your HP is in critical.	stock. This can be tough but be
The third stage is to keep using Demi from your fully heal you with Curaga. Keep doing this untihundred HP.	
The fourth stage is just to hit Diablos with phy shouldn't take long as he won't have much HP lef	

This is a tough battle it may take a few attempts.

b. Junction GF Diablos and get him to learn ST Mag-RF. Quezacotl now knows Card Mod, so set it to learn T Mag-RF. Siren will have learned ST Med-RF now, so set her to learn Tool-RF or Move-Find. Now that you have Card Mod I recommend modding the Zell card to 3 Hyper Wrists, and using one on a GF to teach Str+60%!! Awesome ability for this early in the game =]

OPTIONAL: SEIFER CARD

- ?. Head back into the garden, save in front of the directory and take the elevator to 3F and challenge Cid to Cards, he has the Seifer card (this is optional, but it's a good playing card). Also if you didn't get the battle meter earlier you can get it now, this is your LAST CHANCE to get the battle meter.
- c. It is ESSENTIAL now that you learn GF Diablos' ST Mag-RF before you go to Timber as there is a forced battle there that you will need "Break" magic for . So head to the beach on Balamb Island and start Carding Fastitolacon-Fs. I

use a simple strategy; Put your 100 Doubles on Str-J, and equip Str+60% (mod Zell card to Hyper Wrists then teach the ability to a GF). Hit the Fastitolacon-F once with the trigger, then card it (if it doesn't work just keep trying Card till it works), then repeat for the other one. Remember if you kill one by mistake you'll have to reset so save after every battle. You'll get 6AP per battle so 5 battles will get you ST Mag-RF. AFTER THIS SET DIABLOS TO TIME MAG-RF!! Quezacotl will now know T Mag-RF. I recommend continuing to learn Stat+% abilities with it, Ifrit, and Shiva.

d. Head to Balamb. Head to the train station and challenge the Queen of Cards to a game. Only play if the trade rule is All or Diff. Use a hand of Lv1 cards and the Minimog card and lose on purpose so you lose your Minimog card. Talk to her after the match, if she's going to Dollet, good. If she's going to Galbadia, reset and try again. The point of this is she'll create a new card off the Minimog card which you can win off her when you get to Dollet.

NOTE: Check with someone else to make sure the trade rule hasn't been changed to 'Direct' before you leave Balamb.

e. Go to the item shop, and BUY SOME SOFTS as well and use your newly aquired ST $\,$ Mag-RF to refine these into Breaks.

IMPORTANT! - When you leave Balamb it's going to be a while before you meet any card players that use Lv5 cards again. 6 Iron Giant cards (Lv5) are required for Squall's Punishment weapon upgrade. MAKE SURE YOU GET THESE BEFORE LEAVING. Refer to section {A3} for the best sources of Lv5 cards.

WEAPON UPGRADE FIRST NOTE - Speaking of the weapon upgrade you should now have the 6 Iron Giant cards which mod to the 2 Star Fragments you need. If you also have a Tonberry (or King) card you can mod this to a Chef's Knife. And 3 Adamantoise (Lv4) cards will get you a Turtle Shell (Zell's mum uses these quite frequently). With 8 screws (can mod a couple of Geezard cards for these). If you have all of these buy all means get Squall's 'Punishment' weapon upgrade in Balamb; the best upgrade you can get in a low level game.

- f. Talk to the train conductor and buy a ticket for $3000\mathrm{Gil}$. Head on the train. Head into the cabin to receive Pet Pals Vol. 1
- g. Reply "Not too much" to Zell. To avoid losing SeeD points.

Draw Points: Cure, Water
Enemies: Geezard, Funguar

h. Run along the linear path, running from all battles. Ignore the Cure draw point, draw from the Water one if you wish. Get in the car. Head off screen to the right. Head off this screen to the north east, and enter the hotel. Head down the stairs and talk to the waitress select "Alright I'm there!". Head over to Julia. Head back to the table. Head up the stairs and talk to the receptionist and ask Which is Julia's room?

{B2}

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Magazines: Pet Pals Vol.2

Rare Cards: Angelo

a. When you get off the train reply "But the Owls are still around" and follow Watts onto the train. Head up the stairs and save your game. Head back and challenge Ward to cards, he has the Angelo card. He will ask if you want to mix rules from Balamb and Timber. Agree as you want the Open rule to spread. If it doesn't spread after the game, and he doesn't offer to mix the rules afterwards, reset and try again.

b. Head to the far cabin and wake Rinoa. After naming Rinoa and Angelo you can skip the tutorial using the cancel button. Head back to the others. Follow them into the room for a brief. After the tutorial assure Rinoa you know what you're doing, and examine the back wall for some info on Vinzer Deling. SAVE YOUR GAME! Then tell Watts you're ready.

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- c. 1) Run over to Rinoa. Press Confirm to jump over to the next carriage. On the next screen hold left immediately to avoid the sensors, sprinting to the other side.
 - 2) For the 1st uncoupling you have to be quick. Enter 2 codes first, wait for the guards to go past then go down and punch in the last.
 - 3) For the 2nd uncoupling you have to be quicker. Enter 2 codes first, wait for the guards to go past then go down and punch in the last 3.
- d. You'll end up back in the train if you done it as I said above your SeeD rank will go up by 1 =]. Go through to the back cabin and grab the issue of Pet Pals Vol. 2 and SAVE YOUR GAME. Junction Fire to Elem-Atk. Talk to Rinoa and tell her you're ready.

First you'll have to kill the Fake President: kill off Zell and Selphie, Cast Double on yourself then Regen. Make sure your health is high and kill off the fake president, should only take 2 physical attacks.

Gerogero emerges who can be a bitch. It can cast Sleep (very very bad) and Silence (very annoying), has a strong physical attack and also a "Bwaarragh" attack which inflicts Darkness (not a problem with the gunblade), Slow and Curse if successful.

There's an easy strategy which is chucking an Elixir to kill it in 1 hit (or a Phoenix down has a 25% of KO). Alternatively you can cast Curaga on it if you haven't been silenced (a remedy can cure this).

e. When you regain control talk to Rinoa. Add Selphie to the party. Talk to Watts and you'll emerge in Timber.

Draw Points: Cure [Item Shop], Scan [Alleyway], Blizzaga (hidden)
Magazines: Pet Pals Vol.3, Pet Pals Vol.4, Timber Maniacs
Enemies: Galbadian Soldier, Elite Soldier

[Town Gates]

- ?. Go to the [TimberManiacs] building, pick up the Girl Next Door magazine from the pile on the right. In the left room there's a hidden Blizzaga draw point. And in the north room there's an issue of Timber Maniacs.
- a. Head into the building just right of Timber maniacs, talk to the woman doing the washing up. Do as she says and look out the window upstairs.
- b. Head to the [ItemShop]. You will engage with 2 G-Soldiers, A FORCED BATTLE. Kill off the other party members and use Break on both the soldiers (you should have Break from Diablos ST Mag-RF, if you've been following the walkthrough I said to learn this before the Timber mission). Head into the pub and approach the Drifter.
- c. Select "Talk to him" and "Tell him about the card". He'll give you a Tonberry card. Head outside and save.
- d. Draw from the Scan draw point and proceed, go up the stairs and watch the scene. Answer how you like to Rinoa. Head towards the TV station. Follow Seifer. After the scene head back down the stairs. Follow Rinoa to the Forest Fox Base. Talk to Quistis a couple of times to proceed. Try to exit the building and there'll be more dialogue and you will receive a potion, phoenix down, soft, antidote and remedy.
- e. Talk to the G-Soldier outside who turns out to be Watts. Answer how you like and head right. Zone will give you train tickets. Follow the others onto the train. Talk to Rinoa, select the first option. Talk to everyone then Zell and select "Leave him alone".
- f. Stay on the train till Dollet station. Go to the pub in Dollet (couple of screens south from the Town Square, you passed it when you were heading to the Comm Tower). Go upstairs and talk to the Queen of Cards (providing you sent her to Dollet earlier like I said) about her artist father. There's a new Kiros card in Deling City, awesome. In my opinion this is as much of the Queen of Cards quest that is worth doing, but if you want to complete it read the optional sections. You can win your Minimog card back off the Queen's son who you can find in the house on the right, a screen south from the pub.

******HIGHLY HIGHLY RECOMMENDED*****;

Now is a really good time to get ALL the cards I mentionned in section {A3}. Go back to Timber. You should already have the Iron Giant cards (I said to get them before leaving Balamb). For Adamantoise play the girl in Timber hotel looking at the model trains; she only uses Lv4 cards. For Gayla (Lv1) and Abyss Worm/Tri Face (Lv3) I recommend playing the Old woman in the town square.

You'll now be able to get the Punishment weapon upgrade!

- 3 x Adamantoise = 1 Turtle Shell
- 6 x Iron Giant = 2 Star Fragments
- 1 x Tonberry/Tonberry King = 1 Chef's Knife
- 2 x Geezard = 10 Screws (8 required)

Cost 1000gil

You'll now have 2 extra limit break finishers, multi hitting Fated Circle and Blasting Zone, and your Attack power will go up from 11 to 24.

Mod all the other cards mentionned, refine the items and get them junctionned! See section {A2} for what to junction them to.

OPTIONAL; ABOLISHING RANDOM FROM DOLLET'S RULES

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?. In Dollet and challenge the girl on the left to cards. Agree to mix rules with Galbadia. In the rules screen quit. Repeat this until the "Open" rule is

spread. If she doesn't agree to mix rules before this happens, reset and try again. It's now time to abolish the random rule. To do this you must go to Timber and play a game there to commit timber's rules to memory. So follow the path back to Timber, and keep challenging the guard on the left till he doesn't offer to mix rules with Dollet's. Accept the challenge then quit at the rules screen. Head back to Dollet and keep challenging someone, agreeing to mix rules, and quitting from the rules screen until "Random" is abolished. This will take a while cause it's more likely Same will be spread, or Open will be abolished, or nothing will happen and they won't want to mix rules after a couple of attempts. On top of that it's possible elemental will be abolished too. It took me loads of resets but I got it. If you can't get it just mod all your cards except your rare ones so you have a better chance.

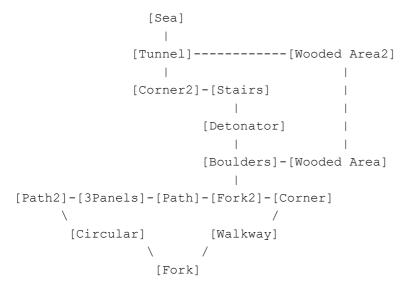
OPTIONAL; VARIOUS TREASURES

- ?. After heading into Dollet, take the bottom left exit to get to the town square. Go into the hotel and stay there. Pick up the timber maniacs on the table. Exit the hotel, go south 2 screens, enter the pub, go upstairs. Pick up the issue of Timber Maniacs on the table and challenge the guy on the left to cards. Just keep replying Yes. Kick his arse, then follow him to the secret room. You can get stuff from the piles of magazines. You can examine the one closest to the door 3 times for items (sometimes it won't have anything though). If you leave the room and re-enter this will refresh. So keep examining it 3 times, leaving and re-entering and repeating until you get Occult Fan II (approx 3% chance). You can then win the Siren Card off the guy.
- g. Head back along the path on the world map till you get to the bridge crossing the river (just beside East Academy Station). Enter the nearby forest between the 2 cliffs.

{B4} The 'Lunatic Pandora' Laguna Dream

Draw Points: Sleep, Confuse, Cure

Enemies: Esthar Soldier, Esthar Soldier (TERMINATOR), Gesper, Elastoid



- a. Choose "Nah, just my imagination". Head forward to the [Fork]. Draw from the Sleep draw point and head forward. You'll engage in 2 forced battles. Kill off Kiros and Ward and use Break on all enemies to avoid EXP, you should still have some spells left from before.
- b. Take the right path down the ladder. Head to [Fork2] on the map. Examine the

barriers and select 'Pick it up'. Head to [3Panels] and tamper with the middle panel. After the scene head back to [3Panels] and tamper with the right panel. Nothing will happen, but it's cool.

- c. Head back to [Fork] and take the left path this time and take the ladder down. Check the rubble on the left close to the front of the screen to pick up the old key (and lose it again 0_0). Proceed to [3Panels] and examine the left panel's lever.
- d. Head to the [Detonator] (you'll have to go back to [Fork] and take the right path) and examine it. First press the red switch, then examine it again and press the blue switch. Head to [Corner2] and examine the boulder.
- e. Head north to the [Tunnel] and save. Head north you only have one battle. You don't get EXP from this battle so just kill them off (Break doesn't work on the cyborg soldiers anyway). You still get items and AP which is good.

 Usually "Soul Crush" is used on Kiros and Ward at the end of the battle (which ties in with the story) but since they're KO'd, it isn't.

a. Head into Galbadia Garden. Head to the [WaitRoom]. Talk to everyone until the story continues. When Squall leaves in a fit, head back downstairs to the main hall for a scene with Fujin and Raijin.

[World Map]

- b. Note the [Main] hall holds a Haste draw point in the light beam in the center . Head back to the front gates, talking to Quistis on the way and wait for the headmaster to come.
- c. Choose your own party rather than letting Irvine have his way. Put either Zell, Selphie or Quistis in with Squall to keep the party's average level low
- d. Head back into the main hall and SAVE. In the [IceRink] you can head into the locker where there's a Trabia exchange student, who uses Trabia card rules. We can use him to manipulate Trabia's rules and spread the open rule and abolish the random rule.
 - 1) First head to [IceRink]. Challenge the teacher to cards and keep declining to mix rules from any other regions until he offers a game without mixing You now have Galbadia's rules committed to memory.
 - 2) Head to the locker room. Challenge the dude to cards and agree to mix

rules. Quit from the rule screen. Hopefully the Open rule will spread to Trabia. If something else happens reset and try again. If nothing happens, repeat. If he doesn't want to mix rules anymore you'll have to reset. Once the open rule spreads, head back to the main hall and save.

3) Now it's time to abolish the random rule. Head back to the [Ice Rink], and keep challenging the teacher to cards and declining to mix rules until he doesn't ask anymore. Head over to the locker room and agree to mix rules with the trabia student. Quit from the rules screen. You're looking for Random to be abolished. Another rule may spread or be abolished, or nothing might happen and you'll have to try again. If you get the wrong result, or nothing happens and he stops wanting to mix rules, you'll have to reset and start again. By some fluke I got it first time.

I HIGHLY RECOMMEND ABOLISHING THE PLUS RULE JUST NOW AS WELL. To do this just repeat step 3 for Plus instead of Random. This is because on disk 4 your main source of rare cards uses Trabia rules, and this will speed things up if you're farming cards.

NOTE: The girl in the classroom has level 6 boss cards. nice =]

e. Go to the entrance of the garden to receive your briefing. Talk to Rinoa afterwards. Say "...That's no good" to Irvine and choose your own party. You can press {MENU} to skip the tutorial. Leave the garden and head to the train station nearby. Head into the train and try to exit, the rest of your party members will enter. Follow Irvine through to Selphie, then back to Rinoa. You'll arrive at Deling City.

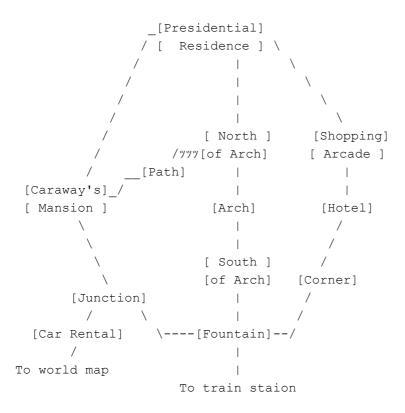
NOTE: When picking a party, choose the lowest level members to keep your average level low. This will keep enemies levels lower.

{C2} Deling City

Draw Points: Thundara

Magazines: Timber Maniacs

NOTE: This is a birds eye map. Pay attention what side of the screen you enter and where you've came from when playing.



a. After the FMV, talk to one of your party members. Head right from the fountain and stay at the hotel to pick up the issue of timber maniacs.

NOTE: The woman in green across the road from the hotel uses FH card rules (Elemental, Sudden Death). You can use this opportunity to manipulate their card rules. Personally I just spread the "Open" rule to FH and then comitted Galbadia's rules back to memory by just challenging someone else in Deling till they stopped asking to mix rules.

- b. Head along to the shops and challenge the guy in black on the left hand side of the street. If you lost the Minimog card to the Queen of Cards earlier and talked to her about her artist father in Dollet, he will hold the Kiros card, win it. I highly recommend modding the Kiros card to get 3 Accelerators!! Use one to teach a GF the AUTO-HASTE ABILITY!! Equip it right away.
- c. Head to Caraway's mansion and talk to the guard. Select "Have him escort us out of town. Head out to the world map and head north east from deling city right to the edge of the island.

RECOMMENDED: If you don't have Diablos' Time Mag-RF yet, card some enemies on the world map till you do (being careful not to kill enemies by mistake for unwanted EXP). Now mod the Quistis card to Samantha Souls. 1 refines into 60 Triples, so refine 2 to get 100 Triples using Time Mag-RF. Junction this to Strength for an UNBELIEVABLE attack power.

It's upto you what to learn next for Diablos. Enc-Half leads to Enc-None which is very handy in a no-level game. Mug is great for upcoming boss battles. HP-J leads to HP+20% then +40% +80%, but when you get GF Brothers they can do this much quicker. Darkside is also a good ability which takes away 1/10th of your MAX HP to TRIPLE your attack. Nice!

JUNCTION CHECK:

HP - Tornado (Mod Abyss Worm cards, then T Mag-RF)

Str - Triple (see previous paragraph)

Vit - Meltdown (Mod Gayla cards, then ST Mag-RF)

Mag - Pain (Mod Tri Face cards, then ST Mag-RF)

Spr - Curaga (Refine Tents or Cottages using L-Mag RF)

{C3} Tomb of the Unknown King

Draw Points: Cura (hidden), Float, Protect

Rare Cards: Sacred, Minotaur

Enemies: Armadodo, Blobra, Buel, Forbidden

- a. Save at the save point, use the protect draw point if you wish. Head inside. Head forward one screen. Examine the sword take a note of the number.
- b. Take the right path, go round the corner. Do the same again, then head right then straight ahead. Junction Aero to elem-atk. And examine the monster. A couple of physical attacks should end the battle.
- c. Head out the room. Go forward a screen. Head right then round the corner. Go right and round the corner again, then go right. Head straight forward. Draw from the Float draw point and pull the lever at the other side.
- d. Head back out this room and forward a screen. Head right then round the corner. Head right and round the corner again. Head right and straight ahead. If you have Siren's Move/find ability, equip it and use the hidden save point . There's also a hidden Cura draw point. Examine the lever on the left. Leave the room and head forward a screen.
- e. Head right and round the corner. Then straight forward, then left. Head

forward across the bridge, and approach the beast..

NAME: MINOTAUR WEAKNESS: POISON, WIND RESISTANCE: EARTH HP: 1870 @ LV8 DRAW: SHELL, PROTECT, BERSERK, DOUBLE

AP: 20 DROPS: G-RETURNER, MINOTAUR CARD

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With good junctions, a couple of physical attacks will take them out.

If not; cast Float on everyone (Double can speed this up). This nulls their regen status and blocks their Mad Cow special attack. When float runs out re-cast it. Just use physical attacks which will be pretty strong with wind based magic junctioned to Elem-Atk. Use limit breaks when available without your HP going to low.

f. Junction GF Brothers and set them to learn HP+40%. If you wish you can mod the Minotaur card to Adamantines and teach a GF the Vit+60% ability. No GFs learn this naturally. I just keep it as it's a good playing card, and I don't use Vit+% abilities that often.

Head back 2 screens and head straight forward till you're out.

OPTIONAL: Queen of Cards Quest continued

?. Head to Dollet (get a train to the Desert from Deling City station, stay on it till Timber. Head to the station in Timber and go to the right hand side of the track. Get the train to Dollet). Lose the Sacred card to the Queen of Cards, she will say her father will be able to paint a new card with it. Talk to her afterwards and make sure she's going to Balamb afterwards. If not, reset and try again.

Now go to her house and win the card back off her son (remember a screen down from the pub, house on the right). Head back to Deling City (get the train from Dollet station, stay on till Timber. Get on the train outside the pub which will take you to Deling City).

{C4} Briefing and the Parade

- a. Head to Caraway's mansion, talk to the guard select "Ready to Answer". Remember to enter the number in reverse order.
- b. Follow the guard and save at the save point before entering.
- c. Talk to Rinoa, answer how you like, then follow Caraway. After the scene. Head back to the residence. When you gain control of Quistis try to leave. As Squall follow Caraway and talk to him when he stops. Follow him again. With Quistis follow him back to the residence again.
- ?. As Rinoa, examine the drain cover on the right of the screen and go down it. Head left 2 screens, pick up Weapons Mon May and head back above ground.
- d. Climb up the crates and head left. Head up the ladder on the left and climb the 2 ledges. Approach the sorceress and examine her.
- e. When you regain control of Quistis pick up a glass from the left of the room and place it in the statue in the far left of the room. Enter. Save your game and head down the ladders. Examine the wheel to go over it. Examine the gate to open it and proceed. Walk forward and the parade begins.

f. Follow Irvine and save your game at the save point. Check Squall's junction and heal him. With GF Brothers junctioned you are sure to have HP-J now. Junction your 100 Curagas to HP and heal up. Head up the same way you did with Rinoa. Then head up. South at the next screen. Make sure you have the Draw ability before entering.

Kill off Irvine. Draw GF Carbuncle. Hit them a couple of times with physical attacks. Done.

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g. Junction Carbuncle and set it to learn either Auto-Reflect or Recov Med-RF. Siren should be learning ST-Def-Jx2 so there's no need to set Carbuncle to learn these abilities.

h. Head back a screen. Open the hatch in the floor. Examine the sniper rifle.

{C5} Sewers

Draw Points: Bio (hidden), Esuna, Zombie Enemies: Creeps, Grand Mantis, Red Bat

NOTE: You can open gates, knock down vertical ladders and ride some water wheels using the "confirm" button. Don't bother junctionning as your running from all random battles.

- a. Head up a screen. From here take the left exit (you can only go through the upper left one).
- b. Ignore the ladder you can push down (it only leads to an Esuna draw point), instead exit to the left.
- c. Head up the ramp and through the door to the north.
- d. Head north through this passageway.
- e. Go over the small bridge to take the right exit (you can only go through the upper right one). Head right along this passageway.
- f. On the next screen you can take the lower left exit (you just came in through the upper left one) to get to a Zombie draw point, but I wouldn't bother. Instead just examine the left wheel to go over it and then examine the right wheel to go down it. Leave to the bottom of the screen.
- g. Examine the wheel on this screen to go down it, and leave to the south of the screen.
- h. Repeat step g for this screen.
- i. Head south through this passageway.
- j. Go down the ramp and knock the ladder down, but keep heading right.
- k. Head right through this passageway.
- 1. Examine the wheel to go up it and exit to the north.
- m. Head north through this passageway.
- n. Save your game and go up the ladder.
- o. Examine the ladder again and select "Go up".
- p. After the FMV flip the switch.
- q. You will now get a chance to junction. Make sure all GF's are junctionned to Squall, and are set to learn good abilities.

|.| _ _ _ NAME: SEIFER WEAKNESS: POISION |.\|.||_ |_ HP: 430 @ LV8 DRAW: FIRE, CURE, LIFE |_/|_| _| _| AP: 0 STEAL: HERO NAME: EDEA WEAKNESS/RESISTANCE: -HP: 3400 @ LV8 DRAW: CURA, DISPEL, LIFE, DOUBLE STEAL: ELIXIR AP: 20 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VHfoIBRQmw4 Couple of physical attacks is enough to rid yourself of the sorceress' lap dog. Don't worry about missing out on the Hero if you don't have Mug yet. You won't be using invincibility and it doesn't refine into anything but another invincibility item. Kill off Irvine/Rinoa. Few physical attacks will do the trick. {D} PRISON BREAK AND DODGING MISSILES ______ Winhill Laguna Dream ______ Draw Points: Dispel, Drain, Curaga (hidden), Reflect (hidden) Bite Bug, Caterchipillar Monsters: [Pub]---| Square | [FlowerShop] - [Road] - [Cliff] -[ChocoboCrossing] |MainStreet|-[Inn] [ItemShop]-| a. If you've used any of your 100 Curaga spells, you can check the hidden Curaga draw point in the wardrobe to replenish them. Head outside and go to the pub. b. Talk to Kiros. Ask Kiros everything before selecting let's talk later. c. Exit the pub, head to [Cliff] and tap {CONFIRM} near the broken down car to discover a hidden Reflect draw point. Keep heading south until Laguna says the patrol's complete d. Laguna has 3000gil which will be lost after the dream sequence, so head into the item shop on the left. Choose the first option. Spend all the money on what you want, and head back to the pub. Go upstairs. e. Talk to Raine and head back to Laguna's room. Examine the bed and rest.

Draw Points: Berserk, Thundaga (Hidden)

Enemies: Elite Soldier, Geezard, GIM47N, GIM52A, Guard, Thrustaevis, Wendigo

D-District Prison

Magazines: Combat King 001

- a. As Zell, talk to Rinoa twice. Select "I'll stop him!" with Zell, and "...Just let me die" as Squall. With Zell talk to Quistis. Switch Squall's junctions with Zell, and head upstairs. Approach the soldiers, simply use Break to petrify them to avoid EXP.
- b. Just keep the junctions how they are...

.| _ _ _ NAME: BIGGS DRAW: CURE, HASTE, SLOW, REGEN

|.\|.||_ | _ HP: 1610 @ LV7 DROP: ELIXIR |_/|_| _ | AP: 10 STEAL: REGEN RING

NAME: WEDGE DRAW: FIRE, SHELL, PROTECT, REFLECT

HP: 1608 @ LV9 DROP: REMEDY

AP: 0 STEAL: STRENGTH LOVE

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Kill off everyone but Zell. You can draw 100 Hastes and Regens off Biggs if you want, but you can refine the leftover Accelerators from the Kiros Card to 100 Hastes, and Regen is fairly useless if you got the junctions I recommended.

So kill off Biggs, and BE SURE to draw 100 Reflects from Wedge as it's a better Spr-J than Curaga. When you're done physical attacks will take care of him.

OPTIONAL: VARIOUS TREASURES

- ?. Head downstairs to floor 6 and save. This floor has a baricade like some others, you have to run all the way round to get to the stairs.
- ?. Head down to floor 4 and check the left cell for a tent (every floor has a left and right cell, the left one is beside the stairs, the right one is on the right hand screen).
- ?. The right cell on floor 3 has a Pet House.
- ?. Go to floor 2, left cell has a Pet Nametag, right cell has a Str Up.
- ?. Floor one has a hidden save point in the left cell, and Combat King 001 in the right cell.
- ?. Time to head back up! There's a shop in the left cell on floor 8 if you need it. There's a berserk draw point on floor 9 right cell.

NOTE: REMEMBER TO JUNCTION YOUR NEWLY AQUIRED REFLECTS TO SPR-J

- c. Head upto floor 10. There's a card player in the right cell who charges 300Gil. Challenge him (don't mix rules) and beat him. BE SURE TO DO THIS BECAUSE HE WILL GIVE YOU THE CHARACTER REPORT.
- d. The left cell on floor 10 has a save point, be sure to use it.
- e. Head up to floor 11 and use the hidden Thundaga draw point in the right cell. The guy in the left cell charges 200gil for a game of cards. If you beat him you will receive an item. There is a 1/128 chance this will be a Rosetta Stone which teaches a GF the Ability*4 ability. This is highly optional.
- f. There's nothing on floor 12 just keep heading up. Go past the Moombas to find Squall. Talk to the 3 Mooombas to remove 3 barriers. Head back. When in the cabin examine the panel. Don't junction Squall, keep Zell junctionned. Head right and examine the end.
- g. With Zell run around the perimeter, if you get into battle, use break on the guard to avoid EXP. After the scenes choose someone else for the party and head all the way back upstairs again.
- h. As Irvine, head down to floor 3, running from all random battles.
- i. When you're back to Squall, talk to the top Moomba to get a cottage, the next one to get a rename card.
- j. On the next screen head up the stairs. If you have Siren's Move-Find equip it to use the save point here. Head up the stairs and exit to the south east of

NAME: ELITE SOLDIER WEAKNESS: POISON STEAL: TENT OR COTTAGE

HP: 229 @ LV8 DRAW: FIRE/THUNDER/BLIZZARD/SCAN

AP: 2 DROP: POTION/PHOENIX DOWN/SHOTGUN AMMO/COTTAGE

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Kill your other 2 party members off, knock the elite soldier off in one hit as he likes to cast support magic on the GIM52As. Their micro missile attacks will half your HP, so knock each out with a limit break.

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- k. Head back outside after the battle. When the bridge starts to collapse HOLD RIGHT ON THE D-PAD. If you don't, you die.
- 1. Talk to Selphie twice. I recommend taking Irvine and Rinoa with you as there'll be a forced battle ahead with Selphie's party, so if all members in her party are Lv8 your GFs will receive less EXP. Also there's a few extra scenes at Balamb Garden with Rinoa if you take her.

NOTE: This means not taking Zell to Balamb Garden and you'll miss out on a Mega Phoenix, but this is trivial.

m. Head left with Squall and get on the train. You now have control of Selphie.

OPTIONAL: RINOA CARD PART 1

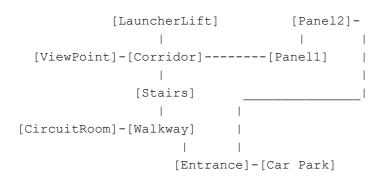
?. Head to Caraway's Mansion in Deling City and save outside. Lose the Ifrit card to him, then talk to him and ask him about cards. Seems he's lost it already, you can get it back later on. Losing the Ifrit card means he'll start using the Rinoa card, so win it. You'll be able to get your Ifrit card back later on.

{D3} Missile Base

Draw Points: Blind, Blizzara, Full Life (Hidden)

Enemies: G-Soldier, Elite Soldier, Geezard, SAM08G

Magazines: Weapons Mon Jun



a. Drive into the missile base. Head left and enter the building to reach [Entrance]. Examine inbetween the 2 doors then head through the left one to

- reach [Walkway].
- b. Approach the guard select "Walk by quietly". Proceed to the [ViewPoint] (head south from the savepoint at [Corridor]. Talk to one of the guards.
- c. Go to [LauncherLift] and tell the G-Soldier beside the red light "...To Go on ahead". Head back to [ViewPoint] and talk to the soldiers again.
- d. Go to [CircuitRoom], approach the panel and select "Ahh, just hit whatever!" then "Just press whatever!". Head out the room and choose any options APART FROM FIGHTING and you'll be fine.
- e. Head to [Corridor] and try to go to the right. Choose "Play it cool" and "Help out". Talk to the front G-Soldier then examine the rest of them. Bash the {CARD} button repeatedly to move it. Note there's a hidden Full Life draw point in the middle of launcher 03 on the left. Head out and the guard will ask you to go to the control panel. Head out the room and examine it.
- f. Select "Equipment", cycle through the equipment then push confirm to exit. Now go to "Target" and "Set error ratio". Max it out and push confirm to exit. Now go to "Data Upload" and "Yes". Now go to "Exit" twice. Head left and save your game. Speak to the guard on the right and head up the stairs.

Base Leader - 867HP @ LV8 Base Soldier - 390HP @ LV8 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iSHtpYedGVY

g. This sub-boss battle can be a real BITCH. It's a forced battle where card and break don't work. The leader uses Confuse which is annoying, and they can all use mid level magic after his command. Pick a member of the party and give him/her Squall's junctions (I picked Zell). In battle kill off all other members and take the base leader out first with a physical attack (Str+60%/Str+40%/Auto-Haste equipped works well), then take the other 2 out with physical attacks. You should only receive around 420EXP for one character.

NOTE: DO NOTE USE A GF TO FINISH THE BATTLE, as it will most likely level up.

h. Check the left panel, the right panel then the top panel. Go through the door . Check the top left and select 10 mins. Head out the door on the right. Head out the building for a boss fight. Junction Thunder to elem-atk.

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.\ . _ _	HP:	5800 @ LV9	RESISTANCE: POISON DRAW: SHELL/PROTECT/STOP				
_/ _ _ _	AP:	24	DROP: WEAPONS MONTHLY JUNE				
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pbsF2SNWHyY							

Just use Irvine's limit break it'll soon finish it off. Do the same for the 3 soldiers when they come out. Don't worry, you won't receive any EXP from them.

NOTE! - The last time I played through the game I only got 4AP for this battle (from the soldiers at the end). I think if you get BGH251F2 down to critical health it retreats without giving you the 20AP.

note to self; 5400@Lv7, 6600@Lv8
base leader 867 @ LV8 weak against poison
base soldier 390 @ LV8 weak against poison

exp: 420exp
exp: 380exp with GF

i. Run about till they realise they're locked in.

{D4} Balamb Garden MD Level

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Draw Points: Bio (Hidden), Demi (Hidden), Full Life (Hidden) Enemies: Bite Bug, Bomb, Caterchipillar, Grendel, Granaldo,

Grat, Glacial Eye, T-Rexaur

(MD Level): Blobra, Blood Soul, Buel, Tri-Face

There's a lot of forced battles ahead. Use this opportunity to Card enemies and get some AP (even in random battles too). Unjunction your Str and Elem-Atk so you're weaker, and equip Str+60%.

Grats, Caterchippilars and Glacial Eyes will only need 1 hit WITHOUT the trigger before Carding them. Bomb's take 1 with the trigger. Also Bomb's may grow then self-destruct. Don't worry, you won't receive EXP, but this can do serious damage so make sure you're not in critical health.

Don't bother with Bite Bugs as you'll prob kill them by mistake. (Note I had the 'Punishment' weapon upgrade and Str+20% and Str+40% equipped).

- a. Switch the junctions back to Squall. Head forward till a Garden Faculty member asks you a question. Select "I don't get it". Card the 2 Grat and Caterchipillar. Proceed, talk to the guy sitting down at the gates twice to get a Mega Potion. Head to the directory and talk to Fujin and Raijin.
- b. Head into each area of the garden starting from the infirmary and working clockwise. Start at the Infirmary, however choose 'Let them handle it' as you can't Card of petrify Granaldo. Head deep into the "Quad" and say you're on the Headmasters side. Talk to the middle SeeD to get an X-Potion.
- c. Head to the cafeteria and talk to the garden faculty member. Card the Bomb and head inside. Talk to the girl straight ahead twice to get Gysahl Greens.
- d. Head to the dorms and talk to the faculty member. Card the Caterchipillar. Head into your dorm and save.
- e. Head to the parking lot and talk to the faculty member. Scan the Grendel so you know how much HP to take off it before Carding. Head inside, talk to the student on the left for a tent.
- f. Head into the training center and choose "Help them". Card the T-Rexaur. Talk to the SeeD to get a remedy. Head to the library and talk to the faculty member. Card the grat. If Zell's in the party talk to the girl inside between the bookcases to receive a Mega Phoenix.
- g. Head to the directory. Follow Xu to the 2F and go all the way to the end of the hall. Go back to the elevator and head up. Talk to Cid when he kneels down. Head down in the elevator. Check the buttons then the hatch in the floor.
- h. Head down the ladder. Then examine the hatch and go down it. Squall will mention Elem Atk. Junction fire to it. Head to the end of the tunnel and down the ladder. Head through the door. Examine the wheel. Bash the {CARD} button to loosen it (you'll prob need 2 members).
- i. Head out and down the ladder. Head down the stairs. Draw from the Full-life draw point. Head on. Choose "I'll go check it out". Head up the ladder. Examine the panel. Then examine the middle of the barrier and select "Climb down now". Answer how you want.
- j. Examine the green light at the front of the screen and head down the ladder. Save your game, examine the lever and head towards the bridge.

NOTE: Their Sonic Wave attack can inflict Curse. If you can't get limit breaks this is why. Apart from Sonic Wave, they have a physical attack, and Oil Shot which can inflict darkness. They also have an Oil Blast attack which will remove over half of your HP. Luckily a physical attack each will do it =]

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	twice. Whe	n you levato	gain control r and go to	down the steps. Head left and examine the controls again talk to Cid twice and select "Yes". Head the end of the 2F hall. Exit through the door (if extra FMV here). Head back inside.
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- dorm and save. Junction GF Leviathan and set it to learn Supt Mag-RF. Go to the infirmary and ask to see the headmaster. Go over all options, then head to the directory where Xu will tell you to go to the 2F balcony. Do so. You'll find Ellone in the library.
- g. You'll wake up in your dorm, a member of your party will want you to go out

(if Rinoa's not in the party it'll be Zell, if not Zell it'll be Quistis I think). Go along. After the scenes head back to the 2F deck. Head back inside and go to the 2F bridge. There's another CC Quest player, "Spade", available now. Defeat him.

Fisherman's Horizon

Haste, Full-Life (hidden), Shell, Ultima (hidden), Regen Draw Points:

Rare Cards: Quezacotl

Enemies: SAM08G, GIM47N, G-Soldier, Elite Soldier

Magazines: Occult Fan III

[RailwayStation] - [Square] - [Repair] [Mayor's House] [Shops]

To Balamb Garden-[Stairs]-[Cylinder]-[Crane]-[Path]-[Railway]

[Fishing Area]

OPTIONAL: MASTER FISHERMAN PART 1

- ?. Head to the screen [Cylinder]. On the left side of the massive red cylinder there's a ladder going way down. Follow the path and it'll take you to the Master Fisherman. Reply to him how you like to get the Occult Fan III magazine. Talk to him again to trigger a sub-quest.
- ?. Head to the [Shops] screen. Go right to the dock and talk to the boy on the boat replying "Sort of", "I saw him" and "I was sort of...impressed". Talk to him once more for a hilarious scene. Head into the shop on the left and find an issue of Timber Maniacs upstairs.

OPTIONAL: RINOA CARD PART 2

- ?. Go to the screen outside the [Mayor's House] and head right. Martine is here. Win your Ifrit card back off him. He uses good cards, beware.
- a. Head inside the [Mayor's House] (use map). After the scene, junction Triple to Magic and equip Mag+% abilities. To the front right is a hidden Ultima draw point which doesn't regenerate so you won't a good draw from it. Mayor Dobe has the Quezacotl Card, and if you lost Sacred to the Queen of Cards earlier, Flo with have the Irvine card. (I didn't bother with either as they're both incredibly slow players and I can get the cards easily later on
- b. On the way back to town there'll be word of Galbadian Soldiers. Save at the point and head to [Square]. Select "Go Help". Make sure you have mug equipped if you have it. You'll first have to battle 3 G-Soldiers. Use Break to avoid EXP. It's boss time.

|.| _ _ NAME: BGH251F2 WEAKNESS: THUNDER/WATER/EARTH HP: 5700 @ LV7 RESISTANCE: POISON DRAW: SHELL/PROTECT/STOP |.\|.||_|

|_/|_| _| AP: 20 DROP: RUNNING FIRE, OR MISSILE

STEAL: ADAMANTINE

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=10v04qzH-hE

If you have mug, don't bother using the trigger until you've mugged it for its Adamantine, so you don't kill it beforehand. You may even wanna reduce your Strength a bit before this battle so you're certain to steal the Adamantine before you destroy it.

If	you don't have mug at this point however (like me) just thump it till it dies
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	Talk to Rinoa after the battle. If she was in the Missile Base team, tell her you missed her. If she wasn't, select "I was really glad to see them". Talk to Mayor Dobe and select "I want him to understand us" then "Try to continue" On the north right there's a blue door that is the [Repair] shop. Examine the
	tiny moomba and pick up the the issue of Timber Maniacs.
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	Go back to the dock and talk to the kid to see him land a catch. Head back and talk to the Master Fisherman, you'll run into Irvine on the way. After talking to him head to the hotel. During the scene select "Why not?", follow him to the dock, talk to the old man. You can answer how you want to the question. Talk to the Master Fisherman again answering how you want, and you'll get a Megalixir!
?.	Head back to the [Repair] shop. Approach the soldier who's hassling the Grease Monkey. Go out and back in. Talk to the Grease Monkey to receive a Mega Phoenix.
e.	Head to the Stage in the Quad in Balamb Garden and talk to Selphie. Choose "Cheer her up". After the scenes you have to pick instruments. Select Guitar for Zell. When you're listening to Zell playing an instrument you can exit the screen to the left. Head to the [Repair] shop, approach the soldier then leave/re-enter. Talk to the Grease Monkey to get a Phoenix Down, then press {CONFIRM} near the soldier to get 15xFast Ammo, 10xAP Ammo, 5xPulse Ammo. Head back to the [Mayor's House] to pick the instruments. Choose Guitar/
f.	Violin/Flute/Tap. When you regain control of Squall talk to Rinoa. Answer how you like and talk to Irvine twice. At the concert head right, examine the magazine. After Rinoa pushes Squall, if you picked the right instruments it will be a nice conversation, if not they'll have a fight lol.
g.	When you're back in control head to the 3F bridge. You know have your first airship!
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{E	CC Quest Part 2
a.	Challenge Xu on the Bridge, she is Heart and has the Carbuncle card, win it. Talk to Nida, then challenege Dr Kadowaki to a game (in the infirmary), she'll say she used to be the card king. Go to your dorm and select "Leave me alone" then keep going to sleep until the card king appears. They have the Gilgamesh card, if you don't get it the first battle you can win it off them

card, if you don't get on the bridge.

GF Tonberry

- a. The Centra Continent is the most southern one. In the middle of this continent there's a yellow diamond shaped structure. This is Centra Ruins. You can forget about getting GF Odin here, as you won't be able to avoid EXP when he swoops in and destroys all the enemies. You can ignore the timer, just note that when it runs out you'll have to select "Try again" and you'll be ejected to the world map.
- b. Go to the 2nd or 3rd screen. You have to kill 20 Tonberries before the King comes. Keep a note of how many you've killed, and after 19 go out and save.

Usually 1 Renzokuken will kill them if you have Str+60% and Str+40% equipped but if it doesn't you'll be wanting to avoid their Everybody's Grudge attack (which hits for 20 x number of enemies that character's killed). Wait for Tonberry to take 2 steps before you attack. Everybody's Grudge only gets used as a counterattack during it's FIRST 2 TURNS. So get Renzokuken ready, after 2 steps hit it with Renzokuken then knock it out with a couple more physical attacks. I took Quistis and Zell along to keep their average level down, and equipped Auto-haste, Str+60/40%. After you've killed the 20th Tonberry, the King will appear...

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.	NAME:	TONBERRY KING	RESISTANCE: POISON
.\ . _ _	HP:	17500 @ LV7	DROP: ROYAL CROWN
_/ _ _ _	AP:	20	DRAW: DEATH/CURE/LIFE
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Easy battle,	couple	of Renzokukens will	do the trick. You will receive GF
Tonberry as a	reward	d =]	
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c. GF Tonberry comes with the LV Up/Down battle commands already learned, so if you need an item that can only be dropped/mugged from an enemy at 1v20-29 or 30+ you can use the LV Up command in battle to get them there. I recommend setting Tonberry to learn the menu commands first (Familiar, Haggle etc).

{E3} ****OPTIONAL**** Learning GF Abilities QUICK

OPTIONAL: Personally I'd leave this to later when you have more GFs, but if you're desperate to learn abilities quick here's how;

NOTE: Although the EXP received from Cactuars is incredibly small, you can still level up if you're not careful. From this point in the game onwards, you can get away with only receiving 5EXP, so always keep you're EXP TO NEXT LEVEL above 10 or so.

METHOD: On the east of the Centra (southern) continent there is a small beach. Land the garden here. And walk on foot between the mountains. Head east to the desert and get as close to the small island on the east as you can. Check the menu, your location should be 'Esthar - Cactuar Island'. The only enemies you encounter here will be Cactuars. They will run away quickly and have an insanely high evasion (but this isn't a problem as Squall's weapon has 100% hit). For every one you manage to kill you get 20AP and just a couple of EXP points. A good strategy is to equip Tonberry's Initiative when you learn it, so that you get first turn in battle. Auto-Haste is handy too, and any other Spd+% abilities you may have. Keep your HP high incase they use 1000 needles (hits for 1000HP).

{E4} Shumi Village

[Workshop / Artisan's House] - [Elder's House] - [village entrance] - [Elevator]

NOTE; I guess this quest could be optional, but you will get a Status Guard at the end which teaches a GF ST-Def-Jx4 which I think is essential, especially soon for GF Doomtrain later when you need Malboro Tentacles.

Also for completing the statue (first part of the quest) your SeeD rank will go up by half at your next pay.

In addition there is your main source for Ultima at this point in the game

- a. If you examined the model Moomba in FH, Shumi Village will be marked on your map. If not, it's the black dome structure in the northern continent. Inside there's some Shumi's guarding an Ultima draw point which costs 5000 gil per draw (you still have to wait for it to replenish though). Ultima's great for junctions so keep revisiting it till you get 100. Make sure you have a good Mag-J and Mag+% abilites equipped to get a good yield.
- b. Head down the elevator. Go to [Artisan's House]. Talk to him a few times to see the models then pick up the issue of Timber Maniacs.
- c. Head to the [Workshop] and head up the back. Agree to speak to the elder and go to the [Elder's House] (one with the Moomba outside).
- d. Go back to the statue and talk to Sculptor. Agree to help. The blue stone is on the left of the screen. Head to the [village entrance] between the hotel and other building there's a big blue stone, examine it to get the wind stone. Head back and give it to Sculptor.
- e. The life stone is on the tree roots on the wall right of the Elder's house. Take it back to Sculptor. The shadow stone is on the same screen as the Ultima draw point. Check the shadows on the right of the screen for it. The Ultima draw point should have replenished by now so draw. Take the shadow stone back to Sculptor.
- f. The water stone is just right beside Artisan in the sink in his house. Take it to Sculptor, then go to the [Elder's House]. Leave and you'll receive a [Phoenix Pinion]. Choose "Explain what it all meant".
- g. Exit the village and re-enter (use the Ultima draw point while you're out). Go back to the statue and talk to the Attendant. Go to the [Elder's House] and talk to him. Talk to the Moomba outside. Head back and talk to the Attendant. Go back and talk to the Elder. Now talk to the Attendant, then head next door and talk to Artisan, and then back to the Elder again.
- h. Go to FH and talk to the Grease Monkey. He'll give you the Moomba doll. Go to Artisan's house in Shumi Village. The Master Fisherman will be outside if you done the quest in FH. Go back and talk to the Elder to receive a [Status Guard]. I recommend using this on a GF right away to learn ST-Def J*4.

{E5} ****OPTIONAL**** Chocobo Forests

If you don't want to read the following you can simply watch this video; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I-pcAnmwhiE

THIS QUEST IS HIGHLY OPTIONAL The only real reward is the Chicobo card, which is also required for the Queen of Cards quest (which then leads to another rare card). Both can be aquired easily later on.

ON DISK 4 YOU WILL HAVE TO COME BACK TO SOLVE ONE OF THE FORESTS TO GET THE RAGNAROK BACK, but I recommend just leaving it till then.

Chocobo Forests are the dome shaped forests you'll find on the world map. The first one is right beside Shumi Village. Go in and talk to Chocoboy and he'll explain how it works for 1,000gil. You will receive a ChocoSonar and ChocoZiner.

During the puzzle you use the {CARD} button to bring up the menu. When you select Sonar you can hold the {MENU} button to search for hot points where a Chicobo can rise or drop (the bar flashes full and a different sound is made). You can then bring up the menu using {CARD} and select the Ziner. When you press {MENU} 1 or more Chicobo's will fall/rise. The aim is to get 1 Chicobo left on the screen and then talk to it. After this the Chocobo will come out and you can search for hidden stone(s) the same way.

[The Beginner's Forest]

Location: Beside Shumi Village

Solution: Use the sonar starting from Chocoboy, and walking north east, a few steps later it will react, then use the Ziner.

Stone: Use the Sonar in the north-eastern part of the forest until it reacts, then use the Ziner and the Chocobo comes and digs up the Aura Stone for you.

[The Basics Forest]

Location: South from Shumi Village

Solution: Use the sonar around the middle of the forest till it reacts then use the Ziner. Now use the Ziner beside the chicobo closest to Chocoboy (don't face the Chicobo though or it won't work).

Stone: The stone's way to the left. Sonar then Ziner.

[The Roaming Forest]

Location: Slightly north-east of Trabia Garden.

Solution: There'll already be 2 chicobos to start with. Use the Ziner beside the front one (facing away from it so you're not talking to it by mistake). Now use the Sonar/Ziner in the middle of the forest and 3 chicobos will fall down. Now go to the entrance of the forest, just to the right there'll be a spot so Ziner that. Finally use the Ziner beside the chicobo beside Chocoboy.

Stone: The stone is north, behind the chocobo.

[The Forest of Solitude]

Location: The Forest is hard to find. It's is on the most north-eastern point of the Centra continent: you'll have to stop garden before the small mountain range so Squall can walk around them (the garden's too big).

Solution: Although there's only one chicobo, the point is EXTREMELY hard to find . It's north of chocoboy and *slightly* west from him.

Stone: Challenge Chocoboy to cards and tell him to move out the way: the stones are where he was standing, tho again you have to get the *exact* right point.

Note: I used the Sonar to find the spot, and when I tried hitting the {CARD}

button, the menu wouldn't come up =/ So I had to move a tiny bit then go back to the spot before I could bring the menu up to use the Ziner.

[The Forest of Fun]

Location: Near the lighthouse south-west on the Centra continent.

Solution: Use the sonar around the middle of the forest till it reacts and use the Ziner. 3 chicobos will drop. Now Sonar inbetween the chicobos and Chocoboy and use the Ziner, another will fall. Now sonar south of Chocoboy, slightly to the left. When it reacts use the Ziner and another chicobo will drop. Use the Ziner AGAIN IN THE SAME SPOT and the chicobo you just dropped bowls the others over

Stone: Use the sonar in the north-east corner till it reacts. The stones are here.

[The Enclosed Forest]

Location: This forest is located on the most south-eastern point of the Centra continent. You'll have to dismount garden at a small nearby beach and walk some of the way.

Solution: Sonar the north-west part of the forest, then Ziner when you hit a point. 2 chicobos will drop. The next point is a step just north-east of Chocoboy. Another chicobo will drop and one will go up. Ziner the point where the chicobo just went up (on the right). It will drop down again. The next point is at the north-most point (slight to the right). Another chicobo will fall down

Stone: Use the Sonar/Ziner at the most north-east point.

[Chocobo Holy Area]

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBh5xURAMlo

Head to the Roaming Forest (beside Trabia Garden), mount the chocobo. Head south east, and go into the shallow waters at the long vertical beach. Keep heading south-east through the shallows till you reach the beach going into the Grandidi forest. Enter the beach on the west-most part, and there's a little opening in front. Take it and head north till you find the chocobo holy area.

Approach the Chocobo's who will do a dance ONLY IF YOU'VE COMPLETED ALL THE FORESTS. Talk to the Chicibo to get the [Chicobo Card], after this talk to Chocoboy, then ride the Chocobo out and back to garden. (head south, slightly west, back through the opening onto the beach. Be careful not to go out another beach which will take you to the west of the continent).

{E6} ****OPTIONAL**** Winhill

HIGHLY OPTIONAL - The only rewards are a Holy Stone, Gysahl Greens and a Phoenix Pinion. Not worth it imo

- a. Make sure Quistis or Irvine are in your party and head to Winhill, it's on the south-west part of the west continent (should be marked on your map).
- b. Enter the big mansion at the top of the town square. Talk to the guy on the stairs. For the first vase piece examine the armour on the left then walk

- away. When it falls to pieces pick up the green vase piece.
- c. Go to the pub (Raine's house), go upstairs and talk to the woman a few times till she mentions the flowers downstairs. Go downstairs and examine the flowers on the table to the front right. Examine the ghost, then the cat. You'll receive another vase piece.
- d. Head south over the bridge and follow the old lady into the flower shop. Examine the flowers on the front right for the 3rd vase piece
- e. Head south again to the chocobo crossing. Run into a chicibo and it'll drop a vase piece. The second time it'll drop a Gysahl Greens. The 3rd will drop a Phoenix Pinion (even though it says Phoenix Down). If you do it a couple more times mommy comes out and punts you.
- f. Head back to the mansion and talk to the owner TWICE and you'll get a Holy Stone.

{E7}		Liberating	Balamb

Draw Points: Cure, Thunder Rare Cards: Pandemona

Magazines: Combat King 002

- a. Enter Balamb. Talk to the guard, walk away then approach him again. Make a party (which will include Zell). Go into Zell's house, and head right into the other room.
- b. Head to the hotel and talk to the guards outside. Go to Zell's room in the house and save. Now go to the end of the docks and talk to the guard with the dog.
- c. Back to Zell's house and talk to his mum. Back to the docks and talk to the dog. Follow it to the train station. Now head back to Zell's house and save. I don't recommend boosting your attack much to avoid killing the next bosses without mugging them. Make sure you have Mug equipped then head to the hotel.

Kill off your other 2 party members. I recommend not pulling the trigger when mugging so you get a few shots at stealing before killing him. Make sure you mug him for his 2 Str Ups. Couple of physical attacks will knock him down. You won't get any EXP from the G-Soldiers, don't worry.

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NAME: FUJIN WEAKNESS: POISON RESISTANCE: WIND

HP: 2400 @ LV8 DROP: MEGALIXIR MUG: MEGALIXIR OR HERO

AP: 10 DRAW: AERO/CURA/LIFE/GF PANDEMONA

ALSO DROPPED: COMBAT KING 002

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z4YB491 exY

attacks. Remember don't pull the trigger till you've stole their items.

d. Junction GF Pandemona and set it to learn Initiative, then the Spd+% abilities

OPTIONAL: PANDEMONA CARD

?. Head back into Balamb. The Hotel Owner is standing outside the hotel. Win the Pandemona Card off him.

SUGGESTION: Why not go back to Shumi Village and draw from the Ultima draw point

{E8} Trabia Garden

Draw Points: Thundaga, Zombie (hidden), Aura (hidden)

Rare Cards: Selphie

Magazines: Weapons Mon Aug, Timber Maniacs

[BasketballCourt]-[Stage]-[Dorms]-[Classroom]

a. Head to Trabia Garden (marked on the map). Follow Selphie to the [Open Area]. Pick up the issue of [Weapons Monthly, August Issue] to the front right of the screen. It's *right* at the bottom.

OPTIONAL: TIMBER MANIACS

- ?. Go right to the [Graveyard]. There's an issue of Timber Maniacs near the center of the screen (left of the hidden Zombie draw point).
- c. From the [Open Area] head left. Head left to the [Stage]. Equip all the Mag+% abilities and junction the best spell for magic then draw from the hidden Aura draw point on the missile.
- d. Head left to the [Basketball Court]. Try to head off screen and Selphie will show up. During the flashback walk outside with Squall to the north, and approach the boy. Head to the beach. When you regain control exit the room. Next talk to Irvine, then Quistis, then Selphie. Approach Rinoa at the end.
- e. Head back into Trabia Garden. Earlier you should've abolished the Random rule (and maybe the Plus rule as I recommended) from Trabia. This is where it starts to pay off. Win the Selphie Card off Selphie's friend.

NOTE: You can Mod the Selphie card to an Elem Guard, to teach a GF Elem-Def-Jx4 but it's a good playing card. I just kept the card.

OPTIONAL: Queen of cards continued (requires Chocobo Forest quest to be completed)

- ?. Save outside Balamb. Lose the Chicibo card to the Queen of Cards (who should now be at Balamb Train Station). Remember, DON'T mix rules with Trabia's. Talk to her after losing the card, if she's heading to Dollet, cool. If not reset and try again.
- ?. Head to the pub in Dollet and ask the Queen of Cards about her artist father.

Now win the Chicobo card back off her son. Go back to Balamb Garden. There's a guy sitting on the bench outside the entrance to the Library. If he's not there exit the screen and re-enter. Remember not to mix rules. He has the Chubby Chocobo card.

SUGGESTION: Why not go back to Shumi Village and draw from the Ultima draw point

IMPORTANT: If you don't have 100 Silences, go buy 50 Echo Screens from a shop and refine them using ST Mag-RF. Also make sure you have Break spells handy (refine Softs using ST Mag-RF). This is essential for a battle in the next section.

Now is also an ideal time to get some good ST-Def-Js. Head to the training center and equip Squall with at least LV Up and Draw. Draw 100 Sleeps, use LV UP till you can draw Berserk (the Grat has to be Lv20+), draw 100 of them, and use LV UP again till you can draw Confuse (Grat has to be Lv30+) and draw 100. Mod Tonberry (or King) cards to Chef's Knife, and refine 4 of them to get 100 Death spells.

Junction Berserk/Sleep/Confuse/Death to ST-Def. Awesome.

{E9}	Battle	of	the	Gardens:	Balamb

Enemies: G-Soldier, Elite Soldier, GIM52A, Paratrooper

- a. Go to the south west of the Centra continent and approach Galbadia Garden. You'll have to prepare a few orders. Choose "Prepare for attack", "Prepare for Defense" and "Take care of the junior classmen". Head down the elevator.
- b. Talk to Quistis and form a party then go down the elevator. Talk to the folk on the bridge and proceed. Talk to the boy with the blonde hair to receive a [Cottage]. Talk to the other guys, then head to the Quad downstairs. Approach Zell then talk to Rinoa.
- c. Start heading back up the stairs and you'll switch to Zell's party. Keep heading left. After the scene go to the front gates. As Squall I recommend saving in the hall. Junction 100 Silences to ST-Def (if you don't have them refine them from M-Stone Pieces). Then make sure you have the Auto-Haste ability equipped.
- d. Head to the 2F Classroom to battle 4 Paratroopers. You should be fully protected against their Silence and Slow attacks. Use Break on them to avoid EXP. Talk to the SeeD beside the children after the battle. Head up to the bridge for one of the best scenes in the game.
- e. Head to the end of the 2F hallway and talk to the kid. When the paratrooper corners you don't move, just press {CONFIRM} and select "Look around for another option}. {CONFIRM} again, thene "Press the button for emergency exit". This mini game is a pain in the arse. If you successfuly block enough times you'll get the option for a Deathblow. Personally I just use a combination of all the moves, sometimes it works, sometimes not. You can try again anyway.
- f. Head left through the battle field. After naming Squall's ring, pick any option then head to the 2 trees in the distance and use the hidden Aura draw point between them (get the Mag+% abilities on and a good Mag-J beforehand).

{E10}	Battle	of	the	Gardens:	Galbadia

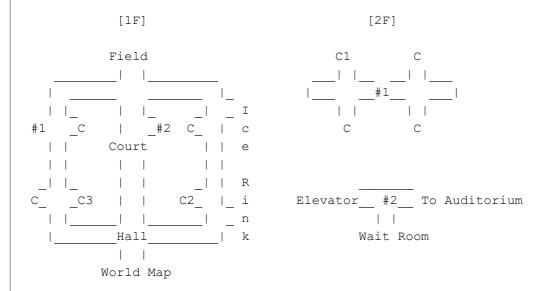
Draw Points: Aura (hidden), Life, Shell, Protect, Haste (hidden), Double (hidden)

Rare Cards: Cerberus

Enemies: G-Soldier, Elite Soldier, Jelleye, Death Claw,

Creeps, Blitz, Tri-Face, Slapper

NOTE: This is a bird's eye map so pay attention to what side of the screen you enter and what screen you came from.



- a. Save your game. I recommend equpping Enc-Half/None if you have it. Head right then right again. Go up the stairs. Go left past Raijin, then into the right hand classroom. Talk to the student to receive Card Key [1].
- b. Head out of class, south back to Raijin/Fujin. Go back downstairs and head south. You're back at the save point.
- c. Head left. Then left again, card key [1] will unlock the door. Cross the ice rink and leave from the door on the right. Enter the class on the right and talk to the student to receive Card Key [2].
- d. Head out of class and south to unlock the door. Head south again, you're back to the save point.
- e. Head right and right again, go up the stairs. Keep going upstairs, past Fujin and Raijin and unlock the door at the top. Proceed, go down the stairs and jump onto the court.
- f. The door to the right can be unlocked and take you back to the save point. Either way head left, and south thrice till you reach the main hall. Run round the monster and save. Make sure you have Mug equipped (if you have it) , don't boost your Strength too much so you can mug Cerberus before killing it. (keep it high if you don't have mug though)

If they're not already dead, kill off your other 2 party members. I was hoping to get more Triple spells (store Squall's in a different characters stock then draw another 100), so I had some to use as well as junction, but you can't LV UP Cerberus to make Triples available to draw.

Anyhow, Cerberus uses Quake/Tornado/Thundaga but all are pitiful against a good Spr-J. He also uses Triple which isn't much of a threat. Watch out for Berserk, it would be a good idea to junction 100 of them to ST-Def. Blind and Silence aren't a problem. MAKE SURE YOU MUG HIM FOR THE SPD-J SCROLL BEFORE HE DIES. If you kill him before mugging, reset and try again.

If you don't have mug just batter away with physical attacks and limits.

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{F} ========	=====		THE PATH TO ESTHAR
{F1}			The Orphanage
Draw Points:	Cura	aga	
Rare Cards:	Edea	a	
NOTE: Mod the	Leviat	than Card into 3	3 Doc's Codes (teaches Med Data to a GF), and

use it on GF Alexander. Med Data is required before you can learn Med LV Up which is required to aquire GF Doomtrain who is coming soon. This will speed things up considerably as Med Data requires 200AP. Set Alexander to learn Med LV Up.

I would use the Royal Crown you mugged Edea for to teach a GF Mag+60% as well.

OPTIONAL: WEAPONS MONTHLY

- ?. Go to the training center, take the left path and pick up the issue of Weapons Monthly July Issue (it's near the back of the screen).
- a. Head to Edea's House (the lighthouse nearby). Go north to the next screen and pick up the issue of Timber Maniacs. Proceed and talk to Cid. Follow him. Talk to Edea till she repeats herself and try to leave.

SUGGESTION: Why not go back to Shumi Village and draw from the Ultima draw point

OPTIONAL: MANIPULATING CENTRA'S CARD RULES (to get the Edea card)

- ?. After the scene you'll be back on the bridge in Balamb Garden. Commit Balamb's card rules to mind by challenging Quistis over and over and declining until she stops offering to mix rules. Now head to Edea's house and challenge her to cards and select "Quit" from the rules screen. Hopefully the "Open" rule will spread. If something else happens just reset and try again (unless the Random rule gets abolished, settle for that lol). If nothing happens you can try again as long as she still offers to mix rules. If not, reset.
- ?. You have 2 options, you can either try and abolish the Random rule (which means comitting another regions rules to mind that has a rule other than Same /Plus/Open, which means covering a lot of ground), or you can simply mod off all your weak cards so you'll get a decent hand when playing her. Good luck winning the Edea card off her.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!!!: Time to learn some GF abilities. Refer to section {E3} on how to. Make sure you learn Tonberry's Haggle and Familiar, Alexander's Med LV Up, Pandemona's Spd-J (if you didn't mug Cerberus for the Spd-J Scroll). Set Pandemona to learn the Spd+% abilities after this.

REMEMBER TO WATCH YOUR 'EXP TO NEXT LEVEL' DOESN'T GET TOO LOW.

Now that you have Spd-J, refine an Accelerator (leftover from modding the Kiros card) to 100 Hastes using Time Mag-RF and junction it to Spd.

b. Head to the infirmary and talk to Rinoa.

{F2} The 'Ruby Dragon' Laguna Dream

Enemies: Mesmerise, Ochu, Bite Bug, Gayla, Ruby Dragon

a. If you picked up the issue of Timber Maniacs in Shumi Village like I said, Ward won't be in this dream. The Ruby Dragon mini game can be frustrating get a hit in when you can and block the rest of the time.

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- b. After the scene select "H-hold on a sec...". Go to the save point. You'll get to fight a real Ruby Dragon now. At Lv45+ you can draw Flare/Meteor from it. Junction 100 Drains to ST-Atk (mod it from Vampire Fangs from Red Bat cards using Supt Mag-RF), 100 Tornadoes + Firaga to Elem Def-J. For abilities have the LV UP, Card and Draw commands. Also equip Auto-Haste, HP+80% and Mag+60% . Add a Str+40% if you have the extra slot.
- c. During battle kill off Kiros. The LV UP command doubles the enemies level

which should be 6/7/8. Use it THREE times. So it should either be level 48/56 or 64. You will know what level it is because the first time you use LV UP it will say "The level raised by X". X is the level it starts at. Either way it'll be a high enough level to draw Flare/Meteor so get 100 of each. At Lv48 it's HP will roughly be 35,000, Lv56 about 40,000 and Lv64 about 50,000.

It's fire/wind attacks should heal you. Start attacking it, keeping a rough note of how much HP you're hitting it for. When it's under about half HP try using Card. If not hit it a few more times and try again. IF YOU NEED TO HEAL AT ANY POINT ATTACK IT; as you have drain on ST-Atk you should heal while hitting it.

NOTE: You don't have to worry about it's lethal "Breath" attack as it won't use it if one or more party members are KOd.

{F3} The White SeeD Ship

Draw Points: Holy Rare Cards: Shiva

Magazines: Timber Maniacs

- a. When you're back to reality head to Edea's house again. Talk to her to receive a letter. She says the White SeeD ship is in an inlet somewhere in the Centra continent.
- b. If you bring up the big world map. From Edea's House the next small island to the north (slightly east). This small island has a cup at the top of it, the White SeeD ship sits in here. Approach it.
- c. After the scene head further into the ship to meet Watts and Zone. Follow Zone upstairs and talk to him 3 times. It's upto you whether to keep it or "Give it to him for free". If you do you'll receive the Shiva card and a Pet Nametag. Read the last issue of Timber Maniacs and head back down.
- d. Head through the door on the right. After the scene draw from the Holy draw point (equip Mag+% and a good Mag-J before drawing). Talk to the white SeeD again for a scene.

OPTIONAL: COMBAT KING

?. Head to Balamb with Zell in the party and talk to a girl at the entrance (if she's not there talk to the girl with pigtails in Balamb Garden Library). Then go talk to Zell's ma. Spend a night at the hotel and head downstairs. You'll receive [Combat King 003].

{F4} Great Salt Lake and The 'Esthar' Laguna Dream

Draw Points: Meteor (Hidden), Thundaga Enemies: Vysage, Lefty, Righty

- a. Go to FH, and walk right with Rinoa. Talk to Rinoa to continue. Talk to Edea. Choose any option. Pick a party and follow the party members to the world map.
- b. Save then approach the lake. Pick a party again and proceed forward. Remember when you're picking a party to choose the lowest level members. Head up the skeleton head and right. If you head right there's a hidden Meteor draw point. Cross the spine bridge. On the next screen head north past the Thundaga

draw point and press {CONFIRM} to jump off the edge. Head north.

c. Head right at this screen and use the Save Point. Head left twice, then up for a boss fight.

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Kill off the other members, mug it for it's Power Wrist and finish it off by chucking an X-Potion its way. If it gets a chance to stand up it'll use Confuse/ Blind/Silence. At least junction Confuse to ST-Def before the battle.

d. After the fight I recommend going back and saving. Either way exit the screen to the top right. Examine the center of the edge. Head up the ladder and follow the path to the elevator. Head north when it stops. Back to dream world!

Draw Points: Death, Double (hidden), Flare (hidden) Enemies: Esthar Soldiers, Gesper, Elastoid

Weapons Mon First Magazines:

- e. Approach the Esthar soldier on the right, then the one on the left, then talk to the Moomba twice, then the man, then the Moomba again. You'll engage with a human soldier, use Break on him to avoid EXP.
- f. Kiros/Ward will join you and you'll have a chance to check your junctions. Ensure you have the Magic/LV DOWN/Item commands. You'll have to battle a Cyborg and human soldier and a Gesper next. The Gesper and human soldier can be petrified, but you can't avoid EXP on the Cyborg. Kill of Ward/Kiros and petrify the gesper and human soldier first then keep using LV DOWN on the Cyborg until it says the 'level was reduced by 0'. Kill it off with a physical attack. Laguna should only receive 2EXP. If you're DESPERATELY low on EXP you can make this 1EXP by using a GF to finish the Cyborg off instead of equipping the Item command.
- g. Get on the elevator. Keep heading towards Odine and everyone will head outside. After the scene save and head back inside, pick up the [Weapons Monthly, First Issue]! Go back in the elevator. Equip a weak Str Junction (around 50) and make sure you have the Magic/Card/LV DOWN abilities equipped then approach Odine.
- h. You'll battle an Elastoid, and a human and cyborg soldier. Petrify the human soldier. The Elastoid will have about 800HP so weaken it then card it being careful not to kill it (it can't be petrified). Then use LV DOWN on the Cyborg until it reads 'the level was reduced by 0'. Finish it off with a physical attack for 2EXP.
- i. Head into the Elevator and follow Odine outside. You'll engage with 2 human soldiers after the scene, petrify them. There's a hidden save point on the left and a hidden Double draw point at the back right. Examine the table in the middle and Sit on it. There's a hidden Flare draw point on the left. Head through the doors, making sure you have LV DOWN equipped beforehand.
- j. It's 2 Cyborg soldiers, use LV DOWN on both of them till it says "the level was reduced by 0" and kill them off for 4EXP. Remember, if you're desperately short on EXP you can use a GF to finish them off for 2EXP. Approach the glass at the top of the screen. Examine the panel on the right. Head back down the elevator and go north through the door.

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Draw Points: Blizzard, Curaga, Double (hidden), Flare (hidden), Quake,

Tornado (hidden)

Rare Cards: Ward

Magazines: Occult Fan IV, All Combat Kings, Pet Pals and Weapons Mon using

Familiar ability at the shopping mall

Key;

T Tornado Draw Point

E Talk to this man to encounter Elnoyle (only after the invasion). You can't run from this battle. Afterwards, leave the screen and re-enter and he'll be back. 100% Elnoyle encounters.

NOTE: The point marked 'K'. This is a bridge that runs over the t-junction underneath it, so it appears on the same screen. Also the point marked 2 is a bridge running over the path underneath it on the same screen.

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OPTIONAL: OCCULT FAN IV

- ?. Exit the room and go right. Take the elevator to exit the Presidential Palace then head south to the screen with the Blizzard draw point. Head left here and get on the elevator choose "Via Airstation" and get off at the air station. Talk to the Presidential Aide (note there's a save point on the screen south of here use it if you wish).
- ?. Either way after talking to the Presidential Aide jump back on the elevator and go to the Presidential Palace. Head right then north and use the elevator

to go back in. Talk to the Presidential Secretary beside the door. When she leaves examine the pile to receive [Occult Fan IV].

a. Head inside and keep challenging Odine to cards until he doesn't want to mix rules. He has the Ward card, win it off him.

OPTIONAL: COMBAT KING

- ?. Leave the palace and head to the point marked 'K' on the map. Talk to the E-Soldier (this will help with getting an item later).
- b. Head to the mall (south-east on the map). When you approach either side of the screen. You'll be able to go shopping. When you visit a shop you may receive a free gift, but only 1 of each. These are the gifts;

Cloud's Shop - Hi-Potion/X-Potion

Johnny's Shop - Hi-Potion/Mega-Potion

Karen's Shop - Hi-Potion/Mega-Phoenix

Cheryl's Shop - Rosetta Stone

Get all of them, especially the Rosetta Stone; it can take a while, the chances are low. USE IT ON A GF IMMEDIATELY TO TEACH ABILITY*4. YOU CAN NOW EQUIP 4 ABILITIES AT ONCE! Awesome.

IMPORTANT: Make sure you visit all the shops (Cheryl's store's never open though) so that you can access them on Disk 4 using Tonberry's 'Call Shop' ability. Johnny's Shop isn't always open so keep trying and make sure you get it.

The Pet Shop sells Power Wrists which can be refined to 10xAura Stone's using Tool-RF. These can then be refined to Aura magic using Supt Mag-RF using Supt Mag-RF. Get 100 Aura's. If you can't afford it sell some items.

IMPORTANT: AQUIRING GF DOOMTRAIN

You need 4 items to get GF Doomtrain

- 6 Steel Pipes Mod Elastoid (Lv5) cards. If you don't have enough head to the screen north of the mall. The guy who walks on screen uses 1 or 2 Lv5 cards per match. Keep playing him till you get enough.
- 6 Remedy+ If you farmed AP from Cactuars earlier like I suggested, you'll have Alexander's Med Lv Up ability. Use it to refine 60 Remedies (but them from the item shop, again sell stuff if you need the money) into 60 Remedy+
- 6 Malboro Tentacles On the world map in the 'Great Plains of Esthar' you can encounter Malboros. At Lv30+ there's a high chance they'll drop 8 Malboro tentacles. Junction Confuse/Berserk/Sleep to ST-Def. Equip LV Up and Card. Use LV Up till the Malboro is over Lv30 (when it says 'you raised the level by X' take the number and multiply it by 2 to get its new level), weaken it and card it being careful not to kill it. Since there's a good chance you'll be Silenced (so can't use Scan), here's its HP for different levels; 42750 (@Lv30), 57200 (@Lv40), 71750 (@Lv50), 86400 (@Lv60)

The final item is Solomon's Ring. Exit to the world map and head to Tear's Point (it's marked on the big map). Walk all the way to the end and pick up the [Solomon Ring], right of the Reflect draw point. Simply use the item in your inventory, it will use up the Steel Pipes, Remedy+s and Tentacles we've collected to release GF Doomtrain =] Junction it and set it to learn Forbid Med-RF!!

- c. Exit to the World Map again and head to Lunar Gate (also marked on the map). Go inside the complex. Follow the woman then the guy. Choose "...I'll do whatever it takes" then "...Trust Zell". Pick another party member to take with you then select "...Yeah". Walk into the capsule.
- d. As Zell exit and choose another party member to take along. Equip Enc-None if you have it and head back to Esthar (if not run from all random battles).

- e. Go to Dr Odine's Lab (check map). You can take the elevator as soon as you're in town to it. Tell the Assistant you're there to see Odine. Head inside and talk to him.
- f. After the briefing leave the lab and the timer will start.

OPTIONAL: COMBAT KING PART 2

- g. Go to point 'K' on the map (exit the lab, go left, left, up, right, right). If you talked to the soldier here earlier, talk to the soldier running about to get [Combat King 004]. Head right a screen and we're at Contact Point 1 (marked '1' on the map). Wait till the timer hits 15mins.
- h. You'll have to battle an Eltie and G-Soldier here. Use Break on them both to petrify them and avoid EXP. I recommend keeping Enc-None on. Draw from the Meteor draw point on the way in if you want.

NOTE: IF YOU CAN'T FIND THE ITEMS I'M TALKING ABOUT FROM THIS POINT FORWARD IT'S BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS DURING THE 'ESTHAR' LAGUNA DREAM ON DISK 1 PRECISELY.

- i. Go up elevator 03 on the right first. Go down the stairs on the front right then down the ladder. Go in the tunnel on the right and pick up the LuvLuvG.
- j. Head left 2 screens and check all the holes for a [Power Generator] GREAT ITEM, a Silence draw point (useless) and a [Phoenix Pinion]. Head left again and pick up [Combat King 005] (near the front on the right). In the door on the back left is a hidden Ultima draw point. Equip abilities and a good Mag-J to get a good Magic stat before drawing.
- k. Go all the way back to Elevator 03 and take it down. Head up Elevator 01. Use the Holy draw point then head up the screen and check the recess on the left for a [Spd-J Scroll]. Go up a screen, there's a hidden save point here. Go north again and you'll get punted out. Shit, Pandora's reached Tear's Point.

{F6} Lunar Base

Draw Points: Meteor, Meltdown

Rare Cards: Alexander (Piet), Laguna (Ellone)

a. Talk to Piet (the man in white) then approach Rinoa. Follow Piet then go through the door between him and the guard. Exit the room and save.

OPTIONAL: ALEXANDER CARD AND QUEEN OF CARDS QUEST CONTINUED

Note; This is a lot of work, but is required to continue the Queen of Cards quest if you're doing it. Also the Alexander card mods to Moon Curtains which teach Auto-Shell to a GF which is awesome. However you need to keep the card to finish the Queen of Cards quest, and of course Doomtrain can learn this ability, which is why I'm not gonna bother...

- ?. As the Lunar Base region uses ALL the card rules, a rule will be abolished after a game (might take a few attempts). You're trying to win 2 rare cards up here, both players use high level cards. It's a good idea to abolish the Random rule, so here's what to do.
 - Now that you've saved go back to the room Rinoa's in and challenge the guard and select "Quit" from the play screen. Repeat this until a rule is abolished if it's not "Random" reset and try again.
 - There's 7 rules (open/sudden death/elemental/same/same wall/plus/random) so there's only a 1/7 chance you'll get it. If it's taking to long you can settle for abolishing "Plus". If you keep getting the same results between resets try challenging someone else on the base, that's what I had to do.
- ?. Save your game after getting a good rule abolished (if you're in the control room you'll have to stand beside your other party member and watch the scene before you can leave). Now exit and keep heading north to get to the control

room. Challenge Piet to cards and win the Alexander card off him. TAKE YOUR TIME. There's a lot of rules going on. When you get it go back and save.

NOTE: The Alexander Card can be modded to Moon Curtains which will teach a GF the Auto-Shell ability which is great = BUT HOLD ONTO IT JUST NOW SO YOU CAN FINISH THE QUEEN OF CARDS SIDE QUEST. GF Doomtrain can learn this also

- b. If you didn't do the optional section, then exit the room and proceed. Head north to the drive room. Stand beside your party member to watch the scene.
- c. Head up the stairs and go in the room at the end of the corridor. If you want the Laguna card challege Ellone to cards BEFORE TALKING TO HER. After talking to her, start heading back to Rinoa. After the scene head south to find her possessed. Head to the control room and approach her. Check the monitor when your party member prompts.
- c. Head back upstairs into the corridor. After the FMV enter the room beside the fallen man. Check one of the black changing rooms to the top of the screen to change into a spacesuit. Proceed to the left.
- f. Head down till the door closes then come back up. Go back to the corridor. Go back to the control room. Talk to Piet. After the FMV talk to Ellone and follow her. Save if you wish and proceed. Talk to Ellone again and go into the pod. After the scenes talk to Ellone once more.
- g. You'll soon have to rescue Rinoa. Hold the {MENU} button and center Rinoa on the screen.

{F7} Ragnarok

Draw Points: Cura, Life, Full-Life (hidden)

Enemies: Propagator

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- a. Save your game and move to the left. Go through the door. After the scene go through the next door, we've got company. Propagator's are weak. Kill off Rinoa first, a physical attack or 2 is enough to take them down. Junction Death to ST-Atk too if you wish. Don't mug them, they drop better stones. You have to kill them in pairs or they regenerate so follow the instructions carefully.
- b. Head down the stairs and kill the first purple propagator. Head through the door on the north and immediately run through the door on the left to avoid the red propagator. Kill the purple propagator here.
- c. Head back to the right and kill the red propagator here. Go left twice, and south past the green propagator. Kill the red one here.
- d. Go back north and kill the green propagator you just passed. Go south again and down the stairs where you killed the first purple propagator. There's a small door on the wall underneath the stairs, go through that. Kill the 2nd green propagator.
- e. Go back upstairs and back along the bridge south. Kill the yellow propagator here. Go north and north again. Go in the door to the left of the fallen green propagator. Go up the elevator in the middle.
- f. After the scenes head back inside and go in the room left of the elevator. After the scene exit and head up the elevator. You're now in control of the Ragnarok! =D
- g. With the Ragnarok if you bring up the big world map and press {CONFIRM} on a destination, it will fly there on Auto-Pilot. Do this for the 'Sorceress Memorial'. Enter the building and approach the guards. Head inside. Go get Rinoa and exit.
- h. Head to Edea's House using auto-pilot. Examine Angelo and follow it left.

 Examine Angelo again then talk to Rinoa. Try to head outside and Edea will

- shout you. Exit after the scene.
- i. Head to 'Esthar/Airstation' using Auto-pilot. Hover over the circular structure which will read 'Esthar Airstation' and press {CONFIRM}. I recommend equipping Enc-none now that you're in Esthar.
- j. Go to the Presidential Palace (use the Esthar map above). Inside keep heading left and enter the door at the end. Approach Laguna. Talk to him about what you want, you'll get a mission briefing from Odine. Agree to do it to Laguna and you'll be back on the Ragnarok.
- k. Save and go back to the passenger's deck and challenge Laguna to cards. DON'T MIX RULES WILL LUNAR BASE'S. He uses Esthar's rules, which should just be Elemental. Win the Squall card off him.

{G} THE FINAL SUB-QUESTS
{G1} GF Cactuar
a. There's a tiny island on the most eastern point of teh Centra continent, land on it. Junction Water to Elem-Atk, get a high Str-J going and Auto-Haste on. Cactuar Island is a desert island to the east of the Centra continent. It's quite small, and you should notice a green cactus reappearing on different places on this island all the time. Walk into it to initiate combat.
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DON'T MUG IT! The Gaea's Ring is much better to have. Draw/cast Meltdown on it after killing off your other members and pound it with Renzokuken (hit yourself into critical health or use Aura). When it's nearly dead the message 'Jumbo cactuar is hesitating' will appear. If it has between 2% health it will run away and you'll have to start again, so hit it hard with a Renzokuken.
If you're unlucky enough for it to use its 10,000 needles attack it will kill you instantly. Can't really do anything about that.
b. After the battle junction Cactuar and choose any decent ability to learn.
{G2} Deep Sea Research Center

Draw Points: Triple, Dispel, Esuna, Ultima (hidden)

Rare Cards: Bahamut, Eden

Enemies: (Top Floor:) Anacondaur, Bomb, Blood Soul, Ruby
Dragon (Below:) Behemoth, Blue Dragon, Bomb,
Grendel, Imp, Iron Giant, Ruby Dragon, Tri-Face

- a. Head to the bottom left corner on the world map. Press {CONFIRM} to land on the abandoned building. Ensure you have Blind/Slow magic and the Card/Draw/Magic abilities equipped. Equip Auto-Haste to protect against Stop in an upcoming battle. Spr+% ability would help as well. Enter the place and inch your way to the right hand side of the core inbetween when the blue light resonates.
- b. When you reach the core select "It's not our will to fight". You'll engage with a Ruby Dragon. Scan it to see how much HP it has (it was 12008 @ LV19 when I battled it), get it into low HP and Card it being careful not to kill it. Remember to kill off all other party members as well.
- c. Now select "Never". You'll engage with another Ruby Dragon this time you're back attacked. It should be the same level as before so you don't have to scan it again.
- d. Select the hidden 3rd option and you'll engage with Bahamut. Awesome music =D

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. NAME:	BAHAMUT	RESISTANCE: POISON/THUNDER/WIND/EARTH
.\ . _ _ HP:	16400 @ LV8	DROP/MUG: HYPER WRIST
_/ _ _ AP:	40	DRAW: FLARE/CURAGA/FULL-LIFE/DISPEL
		ALSO DROPPED: BAHAMUT'S CARD

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BEWARE: MEGA-FLARE IGNORES SPIRIT, AND WILL HIT FOR ABOUT 3000 DAMAGE.

Use Blind/Slow on Bahamut. Its physical attacks are no longer a problem. Your Auto-Haste will protect against Stop. And if you equipped a Spr+% ability before the battle like I said, its magic attacks won't be a problem.

Draw 100 Full-Life spells. Either use Aura and hit it with limit breaks or just kill it off with physical attacks. It has a ridiculously low HP at low levels.

- e. Junction GF Bahamut and set him to learn Auto-Protect.
- f. To continue in this dungeon you need to board the Ragnarok again and go to the deck. Now when you return there's a save point and you can climb down the vine that leads down the hole.

NOTE: At the end of this dungeon is Ultima Weapon who you can draw GF Eden from and win the Eden card. You can get both of these on disk 4. While Ultima Weapon is alive, there are fixed encounters with rare enemies at the pit of the dungeon. These are a guaranteed resource for rare items and it can be useful having them.

YOU HAVE 2 CHOICES:

- 1. If you don't care about the fixed encounters you can just go ahead and kill Ultima Weapon, and draw GF Eden and get Eden's card. Not to mention 100AP and 100x Ultima Stones.
- 2. Don't kill Ultima Weapon and keep the random encounters there for if you need them.

~~IF YOU WANT TO KILL ULTIMA WEAPON + GET GF EDEN~~

- 1. Examine the terminal to the front left of the screen and you'll use 4 steam units. Head down.
- 2. Examine the terminal at the back of the screen and use 2 units.
- 3. On level 3, use 1 steam unit on the terminal on the right, then examine the left terminal and select "Yes" to spend 4 units. Go into the steam room on the left. Examine the levers at the back and selec "Yes" to use the emergency supply. Exit and go down to level 4.
- 4. Use 1 unit here and go down to level 5.
- 5. Use 1 unit here and go down to level 6 on the elevator.

- 6. Examine the levers on the big machine and 4 units will be spent, leaving 10.
- 7. Go through the door. There's a save point. REMEMBER TO SAVE IN A DIFFERENT SLOT so you can return to your original save with Ultima Weapon alive, and fixed encounters still available. Head all the way down the stairs. You'll pass a Triple and hidden Ultima draw point on the way down.
- 8. When you reach the bottom use the hidden save point (again in your different slot you just created). Examine the levers to challenge Ultima Weapon.

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.	NAME:	ULTIMA WEAPON	WEAKNESS/RESISTANCE: -
.\ . _ _	HP:	58800 @ LV8	DROP: 100x ULTIMA STONES MUG: THREE STARS
_/ _ _ _	AP:	100	DRAW: REGEN/DISPEL/ULTIMA/GF EDEN
			ALSO DROPPED: EDEN'S CARD

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It has a weak physical attack, and uses Gravija (3/4 of HP), Meteor, Quake and Light Pillar. Light Pillar will hit for 9999HP. 'Defend' doesn't block it, so you just have to kill it before it uses it. About half the time it'll open with it, so this can take a few resets.

Draw Eden then cast Aura or use an Aura Stone on yourself then hit it with a few limit breaks to kill it. Auto-haste, Str+% abilites and Quake on Elem-Def can help.

NOTE: Sometimes Ultima won't drop the 100xUltima Stones. I don't know what makes this happen.

9. Junction GF Eden. And set it to learn GFAbl Med-RF.

IMPORTANT!! NOW THAT YOU HAVE ALL GF'S REFER TO SECTION {E3} AND LEARN ALL THE GF ABILITIES YOU NEED TO BEFORE MOVING ON. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE THE FOLLOWING; Auto-Shell (Doomtrain)

Auto-Protect (Bahamut)

GF Abl Med-RF (Eden)

Haggle/Sell High/Familiar/Call Shop (Tonberry)

Also make sure you have visited ALL the Esthar Shops (see Esthar section) so they appear in Tonberry's Call Shop).

~~OR IF YOU WANT THE RANDOM ENCOUNTERS~~

1. Take Zell with you. Level 1 defaults to 4 units. Use 1 unit on levels 2-5. Zell will punch the door open on level 6. Starting from the screen with the save point you get fixed encounters (that you can't escape) when you hit certain points on the screen with the following enemies: Tri-face, Grendel and Imp, Behemoth, Ruby Dragon, 2 Iron Giants.

{G3} ***ONLY IF YOU DIDN'T GET DOOMTRAIN EARLIER*** GF Doomtrain

- a. It's about time to get GF Doomtrain. If you haven't already got Solomon's Ring, go to Tear's Point, walk all the way to the end and pick it up.
- b. Next you need 6 Steel Pipes. If you don't have these already from modding Elastoid cards, you can mug Wendigo's for them (they can be found in Timber Roshfall Forest) on the world map. Use LV UP to get them to a safe level (so you don't kill them by mistake) then scan to see how much HP they have, mug them till they're low HP then card them - you should get steel pipes in the process.
- c. Buy 60 Remedies from a shop. By now you should have GF Alexander's Med LV Up.

Use this to convert them to 6 Remedy+.

- d. Malboro Tentacles. Make sure you have ST Def-Jx4. If Cerberus hasn't learned it yet (you need to learn Mag-J before the ST Def-Js) use the Status Guard you gained from the Shumi Village quest on him. Junction at least 100 Confuse, Berserk and Sleeps to ST Def then head to Grandidi Forest in the Esthar continent. You can encounter Malboros here (they're quite rare, but be persistant). Use LV Up on them, if you get them over level 30 you'll have a better chance of stealing more tentacles. Mug them and card them being careful not to kill them by mistake. Get 6 of them altogether.
- e. After you have all the items use the Solomon Ring and you'll receive GF Doomtrain. Junction it, and set Forbid Med-RF then Auto-Shell to learn.

{G4} Good Junctions and Magic Before Moving On

Make sure you have 100 of the following magic;

Ultima - Draw from Shumi Village. If you defeated Ultima Weapon and have Eden's Forbid Mag-RF you can refine the Ultima Stones you won.

Full-Life - Already have 100 from drawing from Bahamut. If you forgot you can mod the Phoenix card to 3 Phoenix Spirits, and refine 1 into 100 Full-Lifes using L Mag-RF. You can also steal them from Toramas (remember to junction Death to ST-Def so you don't get caught out).

Meltdown - You should have had this AGES ago. Mod Gayla cards or steal from Gaylas to get Mystery Fluids. Refine using ST Mag-RF.

Triple - Mod Quistis card into Samantha Souls and refine 1 to 60 Triples using Time Mag-RF. Can also mod the Squall card to Three Stars which refines to 100 Triples.

Meteor - LV Up a Ruby Dragon to over Lv40 then draw Meteor from it, then run. If you can't run scan it to see its HP, get it to critical and card it.

Aura - Esthar The Pet Shop sells Power Wrists which can be refined to 10xAura Stones using Tool-RF. These can then be refined to Aura magic using Supt Mag-RF using Supt Mag-RF. Get 100 Aura's.

Pain - Mod Tri-Face cards or mug them for Curse Spikes (remember to card them after). ST Mag-RF these to 10 Pain Magics each. An alternative method is to draw from Elnoyle (see 'Holy' below for Elnoyle encounters).

Haste - If you modded the Kiros card earlier to get Auto-Haste, you'll still have a couple of Accelerators left. Use Time Mag-RF to refine 1 to 100 Haste Magics. This is if you didn't draw them from Biggs, or the GIM52A's at the D-District Prison.

Tornado - Mod Abyss Worm cards to Windmills and refine to Tornado's using T Mag-RF. Should have had these ages ago.

Holy - Mug Elnoyle's for Moon Stones and use L Mag-RF to refine them to 20 Holys each. Check my Esthar map for the point marked "E". If you talk to the shadowed man here you'll encounter an Elnoyle. You can leave the screen and re-enter and he'll be back. You can't run from these encounters. It's also worth noting you can't LV Up an Elnoyle (since you can draw Holy from it at higher levels). They have fairly high HP at low levels so you shouldn't kill it before mugging. Remember to card it to avoid EXP.

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Str	Meteor	75	Eva	Tornado			Str	Ultima	100	Eva	Tornado	
Vit	Meltdown	80	Hit	Double			Vit	Meltdown	80	Hit	Double	
Mag	Triple	70	Luck	Aura	40		Mag	Pain	60	Luck	Aura	40
Spr	Ultima	95					Spr	Full Life	85			
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NOTE: The numbers beside are the amount 100x the spell affect that stat.

{G5} PuPu

a. Equip Enc-None and go to the following areas on the world map where you can encounter a UFO (yes, even with Enc-None on). Check the menu to make sure you're in the right place.

- Mandy Beach (the beach east from Timber)
- Winhill Bluffs (beside Winhill)
- Kashkabald Desert (the desert on the eastern side of the Centra continent)
- Heath Peninsula (tiny island east on the Trabia continent)
- b. After you've encountered the UFO at each of these places, go to the most northern part of the Grandidi Forest (Esthar continent) and land the Ragnarok . Destroy the UFO and you'll receive an Aegis Amulet.
- c. Make sure you have 5 Elixirs in stock and the Item command equipped. If you don't have the Elixirs you can either mod the Angelo card, or if you can buy them from Johnny's Shop (Esthar Shop!!!). If you don't have the cash and you have Tonberry's Haggle/Sell High abilities you can buy as many Tents/Cottages you can get, refine them to Mega-Potions using Recov Med-RF, then sell them back at a higher price.
- d. Go to where Balamb garden used to be in the Balamb continent and circle the crater to encounter PuPu. Use 5 Elixirs on him and you'll receive the rare Lv5 PuPu card. NEVER MOD IT as you can never win it back.

{G6} ****OPTIONAL**** Queen of Cards

- a. You should've left the Queen of Cards in Dollet, if not it'll be Balamb. Lose the Alexander card to her (without mixing rules). Talk to her afterwards and make sure she's going to Balamb (or Dollet).
- b. Win the Alexander Card back off her son. I recommend modding it to Moon Curtains and teaching Doomtrain the Auto-Shell ability to speed things up. (Doomtrain learns it naturally but at 250AP it's a long wait).
- c. Go to Timber Pub and win the Doomtrain card from the guy in the back right corner.
- d. Now go to Balamb/Dollet wherever you sent the Queen of Cards and lose the Doomtrain card to her.

- If you're in Balamb be sure to send her to Dollet then head there and talk to her about her Artist Father. Now you can win the Doomtrain card back off her son. Now save, and lose any rare card to the Queen of Cards to send her to GALBADIA. If she goes to Balamb, reset and try again.
- If you're in Dollet just win the Doomtrain card back off her son.
- e. You can now win the Phoenix card off the Presidential Aide in the Presidential Palace in Esthar.

NOTE: If you didn't draw 100 Full-Life spells from Bahamut earlier then mod the Phoenix Card to Phoenix Spirits then use L Mag-RF to refine one of these to 100 Full-Life spells.

{G7}	****OPTIONAL***	Obel	Lake	Quest

- a. On the world map head to Obel Lake beside Timber. Examine the point closest to the middle of the lake and select "Try humming" twice. Talk to it again and select "What is it". Keep talking and it'll mention something about Dollet.
- b. Walk into the forest nearest to Dollet and when prompted throw a rock at it. Find it again sing...back to Obel Lake. Select "Try humming". And talk to it a bunch of times to get lots of clues. Move back a few steps and then examine again. Keep throwing rocks till you get the message "The rock skipped many many times"...this can take a while.
- c. Go back to Mr Monkey. Keep throwing rocks at him till he drops a rock with a cryptic message on it. Directly east from Timber is a long, very thin island. This is Mandy Beach land on it. Search the island for the 2nd rock. (it's kind of near the middle).
- d. Now head to Balamb beach and look for a rock with a message on it (there'll be lots of rocks without a message).
- e. Head to where Galbadia Garden used to be and land the Ragnarok on the nearby canyon. Equip Card and make your Str-J weak. Inspect the crack in the canyon where the river goes in. Select "Check it out". Card the 2 Thrustaevis
- f. Back to Obel Lake and select "Try humming". Talk to it again to show the rocks. Now go to Mordred Plains (north of Esthar). Keep examining and do the opposite of the Red rocks (ignore the rest) and eventually the red rock will tell you "The treasure's not here!". Examine the spot again to find Three Stars.
- g. Now head to the most southern-western tip of the Trabia continent and examine . There's a clue. Now head to the island between the Esthar and Centra continents, Esthar-Minde Isle. Search around for a Luck-J Scroll. It's kinda to the north west within the island.

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{H}	LUNATIC	PANDORA	AND	ULI	IMECIA'S	S CASTLE
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{H1}		1	Back	to	Lunatic	Pandora

a. Head to Tear's point and approach Lunatic Pandora. Leave the Ragnarok. Be sure to junction Confuse to ST Def-J (and Pain if you want to protect against everything else). Don't Equip Mug.

.\ . _ _	HP: AP:	8600 @ LV9 8	DROPS: STR UP MUG: POWER WRIST DRAW: THUNDER/PROTECT/SHELL
		•	WEAKNESS: POISON RESISTANCE: WIND DROP/MUG: MEGALIXIR DRAW: AERO/CURE/LIFE
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		ic she has a Sa	ysical attacks. Beware of Fujin. On top of i attack which will cut your HP to 1.
recommend through the	equipp e tube till	ing Enc-None as and down Eleva	Wedge and Biggs. Save then follow them. I all enemies are level 1. Just head straight tor 02. Head up Elevator 01 and head left. ave point and save. Head north for another
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loosen it'll this. It will you're quick it down quick	use Co then you ca ly.	rona which will use Medigo Flam n even squeeze	It can take a while. When the shoulders reduce your HP to 1, so heal quickly after e, a magical attack that ignores Spirit. If in a limit break after it uses Corona to knock
			WERE BE ON DISK 4, IN WHICH YOU CAN'T ENTER ING TO DO HEAD BACK TO THE RAGNAROK.
d. Head back	a scre	en and save the	n proceed.
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=	tk bef	ore the battle	ve been revived to 1HP somehow. You can put if you wish. Just hit him with a few physical
From the s	ave po	int head back to Go up the first	ave. Junction Aero to Elem Atk and equip Mug. o the screen where you fought Mobile Type 8 set of ladders and keep following the beams
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			drain HP from Rinoa, and when Rinoa KO's, it's e time draw/casting Regen from/onto Rinoa.

Few physical attacks and it's over. Be sure to mug Adel for her Samantha Soul.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qc2JlipjMsQ

f. You can save in the commencement room. Proceed and you'll engage in battle with many sorceress'. When it gets to the last one, use an Aura Stone or Aura magic on yourself and a couple of Renzokuken's should take her out. If you attack physically she'll just counter with an annoying physical attack. She'll count down from 5 to 1 before using Ultima which can hit hard so take her out before then (note the reason that she's pretty powerful is because she'll be about Lv45).

{H2} Retrieving the Ragnarok

a. At Edea's house go right then north to the beach. Go by the SeeDs and Triple draw point and start heading up the chain. You can just keep heading up to go to Ultimecia's Castle, but the 3 portals on the left will take you to the world map. I HIGHLY RECOMMEND DOING THIS.

- b. Take the 2nd (middle portal). Get Enc-None on and save on the world map. Go north from the portal to get to the top-right peak of the island you're on. Go round the mountains and into the Chocobo Forest.
- c. You should've solved this forest earlier, if not check the Chocobo Forest section. Mount your chocobo. Head south past the portal and west a bit. Head off the beach into the water near Centra ruins and head west till you get to another beach. Get back onto land. Head all the way east on this island to get to the Kashkabald Desert (you'll have to get through a split in the mountains near here). North from here is the Ragnarok!
- d. Just west from the Ragnarok is another portal which will unlock a 4th portal on the chain.
- e. Onboard the Ragnarok are the CC group members. At the bottom of the stairs are the Diamond Girls. The left one holds ALL rare cards (except PuPu) including the ones painted by the Queen of Cards father. She uses Trabia rules. You should've abolished the random rule earlier. You can win back cards you mod, so you can get an endless supply of modded items.

The rest of the members use rules as follows;

-Member- -RulesDiamond Trabia
Spade Esthar
Xu FH
Joker Centra
Jack Balamb
Club Dollet

Quistis Lunar Base (note Quistis must be in the current party

OPTIONAL STAT BOOSTING WITH CARDS

Mod the following cards then win them again off the left diamond girl, repeat.

Ward Card \rightarrow 3 Gaea's Rings \rightarrow 3 HP Up

Eden Card -> 3 Monk's Codes -> 3 Str Up

Minotaur Card -> 10 Adamantine -> 2 Vit Up

Gilgamesh Card -> 10 Holy Wars -> 2 Knight's Code -> 2 Vit Up

5 Irvine Cards -> 15 Rocket Engines -> 3 Speed Up

You can mod Edea's card into Mag Ups via refinements but you need to do it 10 times to get 1 Mag Up. No cards mod to Spr Ups. So you'll have to use the money trick to get these.

{H3}

NOTE: A lot of bosses in here are vulnerable to Slow. Junction this to ST Atk

*The map is fairly straightfoward. From the hall you can go to Passageway 3 on the 2nd map. And the same with the Prison Cell to Waterway R.

*If your 2nd party isn't standing on the switch point in [Grand Hall Lower] and you stand on the chandelier in [Grand Hall Upper], you'll fall down to [Grand Hall Lower]

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#TO Waterway R#
                                     [Prison Cell] [Armory]
                                           [Floodgate]
                                             [Storage Rm]-[Elevator Hall]---[Passageway 2]-[Stairway Hall 3]
                           [Terrace]
                               [Treasure Rm]-[Passageway 1] [Grand Hall [Art Gallery]
                            Upper ]
                                              ]
                              ]---[Stairway Hall R]
         [Stairway Hall L]--[
                          [ Hall ]
         *TO Passageway 3*--[
                         Castle Entrance
                             [Master Room]
                                 [Clock Tower Face]
                            [Clock Tower Cogs]
                                 [Clock Tower Bell] -- [
                                          ]--[Balcony]
                            [Clock Tower Stairs]
                                  [Clock Tower Base]
                                  [Clock Tower Bridge]
                            [Chapel]
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                               | [Passageway3]-- #TO Prison Cell#
                           [Courtyard]
                     ----[Grand Hall
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a. Head back to a portal on the world map and continue up the chain to Ultimecia's castle. Save outside. You'll have to split into 2 parties. We'll call Squall's Party A, and the other Party B. When you enter the following commands are sealed;

[Item], [Magic], [GF], [Draw], [Command Ability], [Limit Break],
[Resurrection], [Save]

I don't use GFs often, and we won't be needing to revive anyone, So that's 2 commands we don't really need to worry about unsealing anytime soon.

b. Head inside, you're in the [Hall]. Junction Holy to Elem Atk and equip Auto-Haste/Str+% abilities etc. Go up the stairs and approach the monster.

2 Physical attacks then it'll remove it's mask and become Sphinxara. Another 2 physical attacks will finish it off.

c. I recommend breaking the [Magic] seal. Head north to [Grand Hall Upper] and run onto the chandelier and it'll fall to [Grand Hall Lower]. Open the hatch in the room to the [Wine Cellar]. Junction Firaga or Blizzaga to Elem Atk, and Thundaga to Elem Def.

Tri-Point always counters with Mega Spark which you should absorb with a Elem Def-Thundaga junction. When it uses Scan it's about to use Onrush, a strong physical attack.

Fortunately though with a good Str-J, Str+% abilities equipped and Firaga/Blizzaga junctionned to Elem-Atk, it should only take 1 physical attack to slay it.

- d. I recommend breaking the [Draw] seal now as in the next battle you'll be wanting to draw/cast Meltdown. Go back up the stairs, then head left to [Passageway 3] and pass through back to the [Hall].
- e. Use the map to get to the [Art Gallery] (right from the hall). Examine the 4 pictures downstairs except the big one on the left. Then examine the 8 upstairs. Go back down and examine the large picture on the left. Enter VIVIDARIUM, INTERVIGILUM and VIATOR.
- f. A monster will appear behind you. Junction Aero to Elem Atk and approach.

_/ _ _ AP: 30 DRAW: MELTDOWN/GF LEVIATHAN https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u00jYECvuXU
Trauma will summon Droma's and drain them to recover HP. You can't destroy Trauma before the Droma's are dead. Draw/cast Meltdown on Trauma, kill off the Dromas then go for Trauma.
g. I recommend unlocking [Limit Breaks]. Go to the [Prison Cell] using the map. You should still have Aero on Elem Atk. Examine the sparkling key for a boss fight.
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Cast Meltdown on the Giant, and Aura on Squall. Pumel it with limit breaks.
Unlock [Item]
h. Backtrack to the [Hall] and step on the Switch Point where your other party members are, and switch to them. Head to [Main Hall Lower] via [Passageway 3] on the left, switch back to Party A.i. Now with Party A, go to the [Terrace] (the chandelier won't fall now that Party B are on the switch point below).
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Cast Meltdown on Krysta and hit it with a physical attack or 2. It'll use Ultima as a final attack which isn't a problem due to its low level.
<pre>j. I recommend unlocking [Command Ability] now. Head to [Grand Hall Lower] where Party B is and go to [Clock Tower Bridge] from here. Hold {MENU} to WALK across the bridge, and pick up the [Armory Key]. If you run by mistake it'll fall below, but you can get it later.</pre>
k. Head all the way back to the [Hall]. Head to the [Floodgate] via the [Art Gallery]. Go over the bridge on the right and open the door using the [Armory Key]. If you ran on the bridge and the key dropped you can find it on this screen. Head through to the [Armory] for another battle.
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First you'll have to fight a Vysage/Lefty/Righty (don't worry you don't get EXP) . Dispose of them quickly and Gargantua will emerge.

It's Evil Eye can inflict Curse/Slow, it can use Berserk/Silence too. It can be an idea to sort out your ST Def-J before the battle. I recommend using Aura and cutting the battle short with a Renzokuken.

1. Unlock what you want now, I went for [Save]. Head all the way back to the main hall. Go left and north through the hall exit to the right. Back where Party B is again. Again go through the north door, examine the left side of the fountain for the [Treasure Vault Key].

- m. Go back to the Main Hall again, up the stairs but go left this time and through the door. Go downstairs and through the door. In this hall there's a door on the left side, not far in. The key will be used, enter.
- n. Junction Quake or Water to Elem-Atk. Open the 2nd coffin, close the 3rd, open the 1st, then open the 4th.

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.	NAME:	CATOBLEPAS	WEAKNESS: EARTH/WATER RESISTANCE: THUNDER
.\ . _ _	HP:	13500 @ LV7	DROPS: STATUS ATK
_/ _ _ _	AP:	30	DRAW: METEOR/GF ALEXANDER
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With Earth/Water on Elem Atk it should only take a couple of physical attacks. It'll use Meteor as a final attack.

o. Again unlock what you want, I went for [GF] this time.

OPTIONAL: If you want the Rosetta Stone

Head back a screen and switch to Party B. With Party B, head to where Party A is (check step 'm' if you forgot). As everyone's on the same spot, you can change party members. Put all the Guys in one party and the Girls on the other.

- p. With the Girl party, head north into the hall and instead of going left to where you fought Catoblepas, just head north and go on the green circle and switch to the Guys party.
- q. Head back to the main hall, right at the top of the stairs, to and through the Art Gallery. Instead of going downstairs between the armor like before, go upstairs and through the door on the left. Head left through the hall saving if you wish.
- r. Head left again and step on the Green Circle, and switch to the Girl Party. Head left and grab the [Floodgate Key]. Go back and switch to the Guys Party. Go all the way back to the Main Hall, and back to the right side of the castle, through the Art Gallery and down the stairs.
- s. Go over the left bridge and examine the lever TWICE and all the water will drain. Back to the Main Hall, and through the lower left door, north through the hall and exit to the top right. Go through the door to the north, and north past the fountain again. Approach the Organ at the back of the room and examine it.
- t. Press all 4 buttons at EXACTLY the same time and hold until the sound stops. Exit back to the fountain and go north-east. If you can't get through, you'll have to go back try again with the organ. When the spikes are gone enter the door to the right. Go right through the waterway and examine the box at the end to receive a [Rosetta Stone]. Awesome!
- $\mbox{\sc u.}$ Exit to the south to unlock a door to where you fought the Red Giant. This reveals a handy shortcut.

END OPTIONAL

Head back to the room with the organ in it and go up the stairs. Go over the bridge and in the door. There's a hidden Save Point here if you wish to use it. Head all the way up the stairs and jump onto the bell from the left hand side. Junction all Firaga/Thundaga/Blizzaga to Elem Def (or simply Flare) and exit to the balcony.

|.| _ _ NAME: TIAMAT RESISTANCE: FIRE/THUNDER/EARTH/WIND |.\|.||_| HP: 29600 @ LV8 DROPS: STATUS GUARD |_/|_| _| AP: 30 DRAW: FLARE/GF EDEN https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PqM-gb5cRT8 All it does is countdown to use Dark Flare. It is elemental (fire/thunder/ice) so if you got your Elem Def-J sorted out beforehand there's nothing to worry about - it'll heal you or have no effect. Cast Meltdown/Aura and finish it off quickly with Renzokuken. v. That's all the commands unsealed! Head back to the stairs. If you go all the way to the top and follow the path you'll get to Ultimecia. However, let's go mince Omega Weapon first instead. -strictly this is optional, but highly recommended... 1. Position Squall's party in the [Courtyard] (in front of the fountain) and switch to the other party. 2. With the other party, save at [Passageway2]. My junctions for Squall were as follows; JUNCTION OPTION 1 - Safer Option, with 9999HP HP Ultima Abilities; Str Meteor Spd Triple HP+80% (you'll need 9999HP) Eva Tornado Vit Meltdown Auto-Haste Hit Double Str+60% Mag Pain Spr Full-life Luck Aura Str+40% At least have the Magic and Item commands, make sure your HP is 9999. JUNCTION OPTION 2 - More Speed/Power to kill Omega before it's 3rd attack HP Meteor Abilities; Str Ultima Spd Triple Spd+40% Eva Tornado Vit Meltdown Auto-Haste Hit Double Str+60% Mag Pain Spr Full-life Luck Aura Str+40% Don't need to equip anything on St-Atk/Def or Elem-Atk/Def Note: I equipped Enc-None instead of Str+40% and switched them right before Omega to avoid random encounters. 3. Head right then south, through the Art Gallery to [Stairway Hall R]. Examine the rope (from the front of the screen), and the timer will start from 0:60. 4. Stand on the party switch point and switch to your main party (who should be in the courtyard) and go into the [Chapel] ahead. If you have Enc-None equipped, remember to swap it for Str+40%. Approach Omega.

Lv 5 Death Won't kill you as you're Lv7

Meteor Multiple magic attack..won't do much damage with a good Spr-J Medigo Flame Fixed unblockable 9998 damage

Gravija 3/4 of max HP (won't kill you even if your HP is 1)

Terra Break Multiple physical attack Ultima Strong magical attack

Light Pillar Fixed unblockable 9999 damage. Need to win before this.

IMPORTANT: Omega may or may not use Physical attacks between these attacks!

Open by casting Meltdown on Omega, and Aura on Squall (when Aura expires use it again when not in critical health ot keep yourself in limit break territory all the way through the battle.

JUNCTION OPTION 1 (see above)

Try and get a couple of Renzokukens in after it uses Meteor (or one before it too if you're lucky!), then use an Elixir/Megalixir/X-Potion to get your HP back to 9999 before it uses Medigo Flame (9998) damage.

You'll now be on 1 HP. I recommend now just hitting away with as many Renzokukens as possible to kill it, as it's next attack Gravija won't kill you. If you're unlucky it'll hit you with a physical attack and you'll need to reset, but in my EXP you can knock it out easily before Terra Break.

JUNCTION OPTION 2 (see above)

After Meltdown/Aura don't bother healing. Just hit with Renzokukens and hope you kill Omega before it uses Medigo Flame. I chose this option as it's much quicker and less complicated lol (I tested both though).

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w. Head to the {Master Room}, you prob won't have to change your junctions much from the Omega fight, but junction Pain to your ST-Def if you wish.

A random 3 characters will be picked for battle. If they are KO'd for a few turns, they will be absorbed into time and replaced with another member. However if the current 3 members are all KO'd it's game over.

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.	NAME:	ULTIMECIA (FIRST	FORM) WEAR	NESS: POISON	RESISTANCE: HOLY
.\ . _ _	HP:	11200 @ LV12	DRAV	: HASTE/SLOW/	REFLECT/DEMI
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Maelstrom will knock 62.5% of your current HP off and will inflict Curse. Kill off your other members, cast Aura on Squall (this will get rid of Curse if you don't have Pain on ST-Def) and hit her with a limit break. Next!

.	NAME: GRIEVER	WEAKNESS: WIND/HOLY	RESISTANCE:	EARTH/POISON
.\ . _ _	HP: 16750 @ Lv1	DRAW: BIO/QUAKE/TORN	ADO	
_/ _ _ _	to 115950 @ Lv65			

Griever can draw/cast magic from your stock, and can also blow away a stock of magic (so if you have it junctionned, it will go down). After a certain amount of time has ellapsed, it will use Shockwave Pulsar...if you kill it before then it will be used as a final attack.

1 Renzokuken should be enough, so make sure you have about 4000HP because Shockwave Pulsar will hit hard!

.	NAME: ULTIMECIA/GRIEVER	WEAKNESS: THUNDER/WATER
.\ . _ _	HP: 13050 @ Lv1	RESISTANCE: EARTH/POISON/HOLY
/	to 176520 @ Lv65	DRAW: FIRAGA/THUNDAGA/BLIZZAGA

Just finish it off quickly with a limit break!

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_ | . | _ _ _ NAME: ULTIMECIA (FINAL FORM) RESISTANCE: EARTH | . \ | . | _ | _ | HP: 13050 @ Lv1 DRAW: FLARE/HOLY | _ / | _ | _ | to 176250 @ Lv65
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After you knock off 70% of her HP, the lower half will be exposed, and she can draw/cast Apocalypse from it. You can kill the lower half (only a few thousand HP to prevent this).

Watch out for Hell's Judgement, it reduces your HP to one. Use an Elixir immediately after and squeeze in attacks before she uses it again. When she starts talking simply hit her with physical attacks to trigger the next line, remembering to heal after Hell's Judgement.

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NOTE:

The list depends on that you have 100 of that type of magic. For example, Full Life will only increase Max HP by 4800 if you have 100 Full Lifes, although you can just times this number by 0.X (X being the number you have...)
e.g. if you have 50 full lifes, multiply 4800 by 0.50 to see the effect it has on HP.

Name	HP	Str	Vit	Mag	Spr	Spd	Eva	Hit	Luck
Cure	200	4	15	4	15	3	1	2	2
Cura	500	8	28	8	28	4	2	3	3
Curaga	2200	20	65	20	65	10	4	10	10
Regen	2600	18	70	18	60	8	3	18	8
Life	1200	8	50	10	50	4	1	3	4
Full-Life	4800	20	80	20	85	8	4	8	20
Zombie	800	15	24	15	12	2	1	2	2
Death	1800	22	22	38	58	10	4	10	38
Holy	3800	55	28	45	48	10	7	24	14
Fire	100	10	4	10	4	8	2	10	8
Fira	200	15	8	15	8	12	3	16	12
Firaga	11400	30	16	30	16	14	4	20	14
Flare	3200	56	26	44	26	12	4	26	12
Blizzard	100	10	4	10	4	8	2	10	8
Blizzara	200	15	8	15	8	12	3	16	12
Blizzaga	1400	30	16	30	16	14	4	20	14
Water	300	20	14	18	14	12	4	18	13
Thunder	100	10	4	10	4	8	2	10	8
Thundara	200	15	8	15	8	12	3	16	12
Thundaga	1400	30	16	30	16	14	4	20	14
Aero	300	17	10	16	10	20	7	22	15
Tornado	13000	48	24	42	24	33	12	38	14
Esuna	500	6	36	12	36	3	1	3	10
Dispel	11000	12	38	16	60	8	3	8	14
Protect	400	6	40	10	18	3	1	3	14
Shell	400	6	18	10	40	3	1	3	14
Reflect	2000	14	46	20	72	10	4	8	16

Drain	400	13	30	20	24	6	2	5	4
Aura	3400	70	22	24	24	10	2	50	40
Haste	500	12	16	20	20	50	8	10	10
Slow	500	12	16	20	20	40	8	10	10
Stop	800	18	20	30	24	48	10	20	10
Quake	2600	40	20	40	20	7	3	30	12
Demi	1600	34	18	36	18	12	3	14	10
Double	200	15	6	18	6	10	4	40	2
Triple	1400	70	10	70	10	70	16	150	30
Bio	700	24	15	24	15	5	2	4	4
Break	1000	20	20	34	35	10	4	10	12
Blind	100	6	5	12	10	3	1	30	2
Silence	100	6	5	12	10	4	1	3	2
Berserk	300	13	8	14	8	5	2	4	3
Sleep	100	6	5	12	10	4	4	3	2
Confuse	700	22	18	28	18	18	3	8	8
Pain	2800	42	38	60	45	4	1	50	40
Meltdown	1500	24	80	20	20	3	1	12	8
Meteor	4600	75	34	52	34	30	12	40	22
Ultima	6000	100	82	100	95	60	23	60	60
Float	200	8	15	8	15	16	3	12	20
Scan	100	5	5	5	5	3	1	3	3

HP Ultima 6000 Full life 4800 Meteor 4600 Holy 3800 Aura 3400 Flare 3200

Str Ultima 100 Meteor 75 Aura/Triple 70 Flare 56 Holy 55 Tornado 48

Vit Ultima 82 Meltdown 80 Full Life 80 Regen 70 Curaga 65

Mag Ultima 100 Triple 70 Pain 60 Meteor 52 Holy 45

Spr Ultima 95 Full life 85 Reflect 72 Curaga 65 Regen/Dispel 60 Death 58

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