

***The Book of Three* Character Guidelines**
(as researched by you)

Achren

- As evil as she is beautiful
- Has long hair
- Hair glitters in the torchlight
- Face was young and beautiful
- Has a really pale skin
- Wears a crimson robe
- Jeweled necklaces hangs at her throat
- Gem-studded bracelets circled her wrists
- Heavy rings on her fingers
- Soft, pale hand
- Such beauty concealed the evil
- Gentle voice when trying to be nice
- Long blood red nails (nail polish)
- When she performs magic or curses, her eyes roll back into her head, her lips move and twist
- Warm touch makes people think of good things
- Pitying smile when she looked at Taran wounded, trying to put him into a trap
- As dangerous as Arawn

Class agreement:

- Long black hair
- Moon tattoo on right cheek
- Blood red fingernails

Cauldron-Born

- Silent
- Pallid faces
- Eyes like stone
- Bronze bands around waist
- Bronze knobs on breastplates
- No shields or helmets
- Grinning creepily
- Livid features
- Lightless eyes
- Don't bleed

Class agreement:

- Early stages of decomposition
- Margaret Jones's *Mabinogion* picture
- Withered faces
- Eyes rolled back in head – whites showing

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Physical appearance

- stout and round (*stout= over weight or a heavy built)
- big bald head (big head meaning like a big gum drop)
- his head was bright red as if it were slightly sunburned (red like when u are at a beach without sunscreen or when u yell a lot)
- no beard or facial hair
- about 40-50 (middle aged)

Mental description and how he acts

- Wise and knows about metal-working
- keeps a straight mind
- knows how to sword fight
- rescued Hen Wen from Annuvín before
- caring, as shown when he kept hugging Taran at the end
- loves gardening
- is a famous warrior

Class agreement:

- wearing blacksmith's apron

Dallben

- Has a gray beard covering much of his "careworn" face
- Wears a simple robe with no adornments over his "bony knees"
- 379 years old
- Very wise
- Meditator
- Carries *The Book of Three* with him
- Magical
- He talks very wise-like and uses basic words
- Others talk about him as a powerful and wise person
- His weapons are his magical powers

Class agreement:

- Mahogany-colored robe

Doli

- Dwarf
- Short
- Stumpy
- Almost broad as tall
- Rust coloured leather jacket
- Stout, knee high boots
- Round cap
- Flaming red hair
- Cap shows some hair
- Axe from belt

Doli (con't)

- Short-sword from belt
- Stubby bow over shoulder
- Turns red when he holds breath
- Wears a large leather wallet containing food on his side

Class agreement:

- Stereotypical Viking-style cap

Dyrnwyn

- Mark on scabbard indicating it's forbidden
- Enchanted weapon
- Says "Dyrnwyn" on the black scabbard
- Inscription on the scabbard says "Draw Dyrnwyn, only thou of royal blood, to rule, to strike the..."
- Rest of engraving is scratched out
- Strap attached to black scabbard
- Blade can burn with white-hot flames
- Ch 19. Black and battered sheath
- Can be drawn only by Gwydion
- Can destroy entire castles (i.e. Spiral Castle)

Eilonwy

- Light and musical voice
- blue eyes
- long reddish gold hair that reaches to her waist
- as tall as Taran
- delicate face
- elfin face
- when we meet her, she is wearing a short white robe that is mud stained and is girdled with silver links
- is wearing a crescent moon of silver that hung from a fine chain around her neck
- she knows how to tend to Taran's wound
- very, very talkative
- knows all the tunnels in Spiral Castle
- faster than Taran
- carries a bauble

After Spiral Castle Falls

- she has the sword Dynwyn – wears it slung over her shoulder
- wears a slim dagger at her waist
- is given a cloak from Gwydion's gear

Chapter 12

- uses bow and arrow from Taran's pack

Eilonwy (con't)

Class agreement:

- Light blue dress with gold and green trimming
- Empire waist to dress
- Light brown waist-length cloak
- Hair has two strands tied back, the rest hangs down
- Hair is bicep length
- Knee-height dark brown boots

Eilonwy's Bauble

- Luminous
- Golden
- Lights up
- Glows
- Sphere

Fair Folk/Children of Evening

Dwarves

- Short, squat round, stubby-legged warriors
- Axes on their belts and quivers of arrows and bows

The Children of Evening

- Some dwarves
- Some are tall and slender, with white robes
- Some have glistening fish scales
- Some having fluttering large, delicate wings

Though most of the Fair Folk are dwarves, others are tall and elf-like and possess different features and may also wear different clothing

Fflewddur Fflam

Hair:

- in all directions
- bright yellow

Nose:

- long
- pointed

Body:

- tall
- lanky

Characteristics:

- lively
- merry, mostly
- not that knowledgeable
- lies a lot

Ffleuddur Fflam(con't)

When first met:

- clothes with patches at knees and elbows
- a beautiful harp which strings break when the owner lies

After they leave Spiral Castle

- clothes with patches at knees and elbows
- a beautiful harp which strings break when the owner lies
- a dagger
- a sword
- a spear

After they leave Medwyn's Valley:

- Warm cloak
- a beautiful harp which strings break when the owner lies
- a dagger
- a sword
- a spear

After they leave the kingdom of the Fair Folk:

- Warm cloak
- a beautiful harp which strings break when the owner lies
- a dagger
- a sword
- a spear
- a fair folk-made bow and arrow
- a fair folk-made spear

Class agreement:

- Tattered and patched brown cloak
- Black pants/trousers/leggings

Gurgi

- feet as flexible and as grimy as his hands
- long, skinny woolly arms
- hair so covered and matted with leaves that it looked like "an owl's nest in need of a housecleaning"
- very agile

Chapter eleven

- leg is torn and swelling

Chapter fourteen

- leg is back to normal size
- half as twiggy as and leafy as usual
- clean and combed
- arrows and short sword of the fair folk

Gurgi (con't)

Class agreement:

- Sasquatch/Yeti-like
- Long, skinny arms
- Medium-brown hair with green twigs and leaves

Gwydion

- Gray, streaky hair – said to resemble the hair of a wolf
- Green eyes
- His face is slightly gold due to tanning he gets since he's out in the sun day and night
- Tall and shaggy
- Has enchantment powers
- As a prince, his weapon of choice is the mighty sword Dyrnwyn.
- Has belt made from hammering – it is quite wide on him (Ch 2)
- He also has a golden disc on a chain, wrapped around his neck
- Chap 2: Has a cloak that is rough and stained due to the elements
- His descriptions in chapter 2, page 16 – it's near the start of the paragraph
- He clips his sword onto his belt
- Ch. 3 – has muddy boots
- Chapter 5, has jacket - probably the same cloak
- Chapter 5, he has a hunting knife clipped onto his belt
- Chap 19, wearing clothes suited for prince (which he is)
- Chap 19, what Taran thought Gwydion would look like – probably something fancy
- Chap 19, Dyrnwyn girded onto Gwydion by Eilonwy
- He is hailed by other characters, mainly of lesser status
- Asks a lot of questions
- Quite realistic (he laughed at Taran when Taran said he doesn't fear lil' Richard)
- He likes telling people about his past experiences to support his point and to help people make good decisions
- Makes the best decision for himself and others (not enemies); in chapter 2, he didn't send back Taran because the Horned King may go to Caer Dallben
- Can disappear into shadows – in chapter 2, it says that other than his green eyes, you can't see him from a distance
- Moves like a wolf, silently and easily
- Kind of a morning person (start of chapter 3, or Taran's not a morning person)
- Melyngar is his horse
- Gets straight to the point when talking, unlike Eilonwy
- Thanks people a lot – this maybe to encourage them to keep helping him
- He knows about many people in the area – most are leaders
- Other people feel sorrow if he's heard to be injured or dead
- He's very skilled in different tasks
- Saying to someone you've been accompanied by Gwydion puts your value up
- Knows a lot about gwythaints
- Gwydion was taken to Oeth-Anoeth, which is stronger than Spiral Castle

Gwydion (con't)

Class agreement:

- Brown traveller's clothes
- Black hair with grey streaks
- Sword has jeweled hilt
- Scabbard has golden metal leaves, intertwined
- Belt has metal buckle with Celtic symbols

Gwyn the Hunter

- Rides with pack of hounds
- Well carved, magic hunting horn
- "[Death] rides close behind"
- Has foreknowledge of battle and death
- Marks the death of warriors
- Horn's music is of fear but echoes are that of grief
- Listen to music and you will be forever hopeless

Gwythaints

- seem like no more than dry leaves from a distance
- they have glittering black wings
- Curving beaks and talons as merciless as daggers
- female gwythaint young are black in colour
- dull eyes
- motivated by fear of Arawn
- possibly too loyal (they don't fly away from Arawn)

Hen Wen

- short legs
- wide, cheeky, face
- white body
- chubby
- pink snout

The Horned King

Mask

- antlers of a stag
- human skull
- whitened bone
- after lightning, the antlers turned to crimson streaks
- after lightning, the mask ran like molten iron

Cloak

- crimson coloured

The Horned King (con't)

Body

- huge shoulders
- crimson-stained arms
- after hit by lightning he ``flamed like a burning tree``
- ``naked shoulders``

Face

- blazing eyes (or flaming)

Class agreement:

- red eyes
- heavily muscled
- shoulder guards
- crimson-colored cloak
- silver armor

King Eiddileg

- A dwarf
- Wears a robe of garish red and green
- Sparkling rings on his plump fingers
- Speaks forcefully
- Eyes pop out when angry
- Turns red when angry
- Fondles his head and beams when happy

King Math

- Long, white beard
- Dallben's age (old)
- Talkative

Medwyn

- A huge, brown robed figure
- Broad and muscular
- With the vigor of an ancient but sturdy tree
- Strange looking
- His white hair reached below his shoulders and his beard hung to his waist
- Around his forehead, he wore a narrow band of gold, set with a single jewel
- All-knowing
- As broad and solid as a snow capped mountain

Melyngar

- White
- Golden mane
- Mare
- Strong legs
- Can convey human emotions

Melyngar (con't)

- Looks like her mother
- saddle and a stirrup
- saddlebags with crunchings and munchings
- after Spiral Castle falls, she has Gwydion's gear, including saddlebags, cloaks, leather water flask
- after leaving Medwyn's valley, her saddlebags contain food and warm cloaks
- after leaving the Fair Folk, her saddlebags are "bulging" with provisions, including spears, bows and arrows – "short and heavy . . . carefully and sturdily crafted"

Class agreement:

- Saddle bags are the color of the rafter beam running through our room

Melynlas

- Grey
- Silver mane
- Stallion

Sons of Dons

- Handsome
- They use gold banners so gold is a good guess at one of their colours

Taran

- Sometimes wears a cloak

Chapter 5

- Is given Gwydion's hunting knife – it is taken away when they are captured

Chapter 8

- Takes a sword from the barrow under Spiral Castle

Chapter 9

- Takes bows and quivers of arrows from the ruins of Spiral Castle – there are kept in his pack and used by himself and other characters

Class agreement:

- Tan-colored tunic
- Tunic has patches
- Rope belt