

# ***SPEEDING BULLETS!***

## The Shadow The Hedgehog Tabletop RPG

### ***Introduction!***

In ***SPEEDING BULLETS!***, you play as three to five intrepid, plucky anthropomorphic animals on a quest to save the day- or end it. It's up to you, some six-sided dice, and your beloved **SO** (Shadow Operator) to determine the fate of the world.

### ***Ground Rules!***

Do not look anything up about Shadow the Hedgehog or the Sonic the Hedgehog series during the game. Pre-existing knowledge is fine, but you cannot leave this game knowing more about the Sonic franchise than when you began. As far as this game is concerned, the Sonic the Hedgehog canon begins and ends with the knowledge currently in your head.

### ***Creating Your Sonic OC!***

1. Pick an **animal**. Common choices are hedgehogs, echidnas, skunks, crocodiles, bees, sexy bats, squirrels, weasels, lemurs, foxes, birds, rabbits, snakes, cats, and cyber-rabbits, but pick anything you can make cute and anthropomorphic.
2. Pick a **name**. Your name is **NAME** the **ANIMAL**.
3. Pick three **backstories** at random from the Gender Table (back). Pick one of those three that speaks to you. Interpret what this backstory means to your character. How does this describe their tale?
4. Note your backstory's suggested number (in parenthesis) or pick your own between 2 and 5. Low numbers are better at **FAST!** (friendship, justice, teamwork, destroying fascism, winning races, preachy speeches, and destroying robots). High numbers are better at **GUN!** (edginess, being robots, making robots, shooting things, sinister speeches, evil plans, and destroying robots).
5. Pick a **fixation**. If you have a 2 or 3, pick something you **love**. If you have a 4 or 5, pick something you **hate**. Common fixations are chili dogs, chaos emeralds, the master emerald, regular emeralds, friendship, love, violence, nonviolence, secret paramilitary organizations, diamonds, sex before marriage, science, freedom, and humanity.

6. Introduce yourself to the table. Say "I'm **NAME** the **ANIMAL**. My backstory is **BACKSTORY**. I (**love** or **hate**) **FIXATION**."

### ***Creating Your Rival!***

Everyone gets a rival. Your rival is not guaranteed to affect the plot, or even show up in the narrative, but they're crucial to motivating you. Your rival has the same **fixation** you do, but if you love it, they hate it, and vice versa. Your rival can be another player, but they will usually just be a character that can appear in the story. Name them. Your rival is usually the same animal as you, but need not be. Decide your rival's major difference from you, the thing that makes them fundamentally at odds with your goals. Common rival differences are: robot, confusingly sexy, telekinetic, from space, edgier, larger, smaller, faster, part of the government, or better at doing crimes.

### ***Rolling The Dice!***

When you do something risky, roll 1d6. Roll +1d if your **backstory** is relevant and +1d if your **fixation** drives you to surpass your limits. Roll the dice and compare the results to your number. If you're using **FAST!** (hero shit), you want to roll above your number. If you're using **GUN!** (antihero shit), you want to roll below your number. Roll your dice and compare each result to your number.

- 0 If none of your dice succeed, it goes wrong. Your **SO** tells you how things go wrong.
- 1 If one die succeeds, you barely manage it. Your **SO** adds a complication or cost.
- 2 If two dice succeed, you do it well. Hell yeah.
- 3 If three dice succeed, you get a critical success. Your **SO** gives you a bonus effect.
- ! If you roll your number exactly, **YOU ARE THE ULTIMATE LIFE FORM**. You succeed and get special insight as to what's going on. Ask your **SO** one question. They must answer honestly.

### ***Creating Your Adventure!***

You will always fight Dr. Ivo "Eggman" Robotnik. He is a perpetual thorn in your side. However, he is not your only enemy. He may even become an unlikely ally.

Roll or choose from each table.

### ***You oppose Dr. Robotnik and...***

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. God.                  | 6. The Ultimate Life Form. |
| 2. The President.        | 7. The Chaos Emeralds.     |
| 3. Another Dr. Robotnik. | 8. Shadow.                 |
| 4. Pollution.            | 9. Dr. Robotnik's Monster. |
| 5. Casinos.              | 10. Someone's Rival.       |

### ***Who want to...***

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|--------------------------------|--|
| 1. Destroy the world.          | 7. Win the Summer Olympics.                      |
| 2. Take over the world.        | 8. Fundamentally change the world for the worse. |
| 3. Show them all.              | 9. Fall in love.                                 |
| 4. Collect the chaos emeralds. | 10. Build a casino.                              |
| 5. Destroy the moon.           |  |
| 6. Destroy Sonic.              |  |

### ***By using...***

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The Chaos Emeralds.     | 7. An Army of Robots. |
| 2. Some Regular Emeralds.  | 8. One Giant Robot.   |
| 3. The Government.         | 9. Love.              |
| 4. The Ultimate Life Form. | 10. A Lot of Money.   |
| 5. Mind Control Devices.   | 11. The Heroes' Trust |
| 6. An Amusement Park.      | 12. Crime.            |

### ***Playing The Game!***

A game of ***SPEEDING BULLETS!*** is played over three scenes. Each scene begins with your **SO** picking a gender at random from the Gender Table, reads it out loud, and tries to interpret it to set the scene. That is the name of the scene. The first time in a scene a player uses the scene's name in context, they get +1d on their next roll. A scene ends when your **SO** decides it does.

- The first scene begins with the heroes learning of the villain's plan, maybe having a fight, and kicking off the action.
- The second scene features the heroes trying to get to the things before the bad guys.
- The third scene has the bad guys getting the things anyways, possibly thanking the heroes for collecting it for them. The heroes must race to stop the villain, likely achieving some super form along the way. If Dr. Robotnik hasn't been betrayed or overshadowed by a greater threat at this point, this happens now. He may offer to team up with the heroes. He may betray them if they accept.

### ***A Dark Mirror!***

If you like, you can play the same game again, this time playing as your character's rivals. Your rival has the **fixation** established earlier, and their number is 7 minus your number. If you complete the game as your rivals, you unlock the true ending.

### ***Attribution!***

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You can find this game and more at <https://princess.software>

**Gender Table - Roll Dice, Throw Darts, or Use <https://princess.software/bullet/>**

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1. Punishment, Thy Name is Ruin (5)  | 67. Shadow, the Black Android (5)     | 133. A New Challenge (4)              | 199. The Eternal Protector (3)       | 265. The Ultimate Pride (2)           |
| 2. Prologue to World Conquest (5)    | 68. A Solitary Android (3)            | 134. The Machines' Coup d'Etat (2)    | 200. The Sinner's Repose (2)         | 266. I Know the Will of Heaven (2)    |
| 3. The March to a Darker World (5)   | 69. Over the Original (4)             | 135. A Vow for the Victims (3)        | 201. A Hero's Resolution (4)         | 267. Ego Dyed in Black (5)            |
| 4. The Ultimate Ego (5)              | 70. Machine Sunshine (2)              | 136. The Truth of Sadness (2)         | 202. The Weapons' Empire (2)         | 268. Isolation By Choice (3)          |
| 5. Purification via Ruination (5)    | 71. Life is Guilty (3)                | 137. The Destined Sonic Showdown (2)  | 203. Perpetual Voyage (3)            | 269. Faith Without Falsehood (4)      |
| 6. Apogee of Darkness (5)            | 72. Fallen Angel of Despair (2)       | 138. The Black Hero's Rebirth (2)     | 204. A Hero's Atonement (2)          | 270. Machine Empire (2)               |
| 7. True Soldier of Destruction (5)   | 73. An Eternal Rival... (4)           | 139. Truth, Thy Name is Vengeance (5) | 205. Dark Hegemony (2)               | 271. The Eternally-Closed Door (3)    |
| 8. Believe in Yourself (4)           | 74. This is Just the Beginning (2)    | 140. Searching for 'Ultimate' (5)     | 206. And the Dream Continues (2)     | 272. The Sealed-Away Ark of Sin (2)   |
| 9. An Android's Determination (5)    | 75. Crystal of Tragic Knowledge (3)   | 141. Reborn Hatred for Humanity (5)   | 207. Fighter for Darkness (5)        | 273. Silver Emergence (4)             |
| 10. For Machine, By Machine... (3)   | 76. Shadow's Second Death...? (2)     | 142. A Future Taken from the Past (4) | 208. The Path I Believed In (3)      | 274. Pulsating Supercurrent (2)       |
| 11. Revenge at Last (5)              | 77. The Legend of Shadow (2)          | 143. The Devils' Victory Song (5)     | 209. Determination's Daybreak (4)    | 275. The Reason I Was Born (3)        |
| 12. Ego's Awakening (5)              | 78. Power of Love (2)                 | 144. One to Succeed a God (4)         | 210. Machine Kingdom at Dawn (2)     | 276. The Dark Part of the Galaxy (2)  |
| 13. Destruction and Scorn (5)        | 79. Deep Black (5)                    | 145. Disappointed in Humanity (5)     | 211. Sinful Protector (3)            | 277. The View From Atop the World (2) |
| 14. The Last Remaining Purpose (5)   | 80. Walk My Way (3)                   | 146. Faith Taken from Solitude (3)    | 212. At the End of the Journey (2)   | 278. Maria's Testament (2)            |
| 15. The Nightmare's Insulation (5)   | 81. This is Shadow's Way of Life (4)  | 147. Planted Memories (4)             | 213. Surmounting the Nightmare (4)   | 279. A Genius Scientist's Lineage (2) |
| 16. The Nightmare's Sublimation (5)  | 82. A Monarch's Style (2)             | 148. To Unite Humanity (2)            | 214. Dawn of the Machines (2)        | 280. Distorted Truth (2)              |
| 17. The Loner's Choice (5)           | 83. In the Gap of Sadness (3)         | 149. Isolated Soldier Shadow (5)      | 215. Wandering for Eternity (3)      | 281. A Counterfeit Existence (2)      |
| 18. Subjugation in Black (4)         | 84. To Be Ignorant of the Past (2)    | 150. Answer Derived from Truth (3)    | 216. At Vagrancy's End (2)           | 282. Beloved Memories (2)             |
| 19. Replica's Depression (5)         | 85. At Vengeance's End (4)            | 151. A Fake's Disposition (4)         | 217. The Summit of Power (2)         | 283. Birth of a Devil (5)             |
| 20. Machine, Machine (3)             | 86. Machine Boys (2)                  | 152. A New World Without Betrayal (2) | 218. Under the Name of Love (2)      | 284. A Dark Myth's Beginnings (3)     |
| 21. Disciple from the Darkness (5)   | 87. Reborn Along with Sorrow (3)      | 153. Together With Maria... (3)       | 219. Eternally Drifting (2)          | 285. Black Thunder (4)                |
| 22. Beloved Clone (4)                | 88. With a Fate of Self-Denial (2)    | 154. The Tragedy's Conclusion (2)     | 220. The Importance of Truth (2)     | 286. The Torn-Away Necklace (2)       |
| 23. Revenge Upon the Doctor (5)      | 89. I Am Shadow (2)                   | 155. The Day That Hope Died (5)       | 221. The Beginning of Judgment (2)   | 287. A Soul Sheltered by Iron (3)     |
| 24. The Ultimate Replica (3)         | 90. Shining Within Memory... (2)      | 156. Dark Destroyer (4)               | 222. This World's Guardian (2)       | 288. Steel Nation's Decree (2)        |
| 25. Sanction's Demise (4)            | 91. The Rise and Fall of The ARK (2)  | 157. Diabolical Power (5)             | 223. Light Born from Darkness (4)    | 289. Coronation of Darkness (4)       |
| 26. Along With My Home (2)           | 92. Requiem for a Fallen Angel (2)    | 158. For Freedom (3)                  | 224. The Order of Steel (2)          | 290. Opened Eyes (2)                  |
| 27. The Cleansing of Darkness (5)    | 93. Ultimate Shadow (2)               | 159. At Least, Be Like Shadow... (4)  | 225. Solitary Journey (3)            | 291. The Doctor's Lie (3)             |
| 28. Birth of a God (5)               | 94. For Love's Sake (2)               | 160. Seeking a Silent Paradise (2)    | 226. The Fall Home (2)               | 292. The Uninvited Successor (2)      |
| 29. The Last Soldier's Grim Fate (5) | 95. A Heart Awoken from Darkness (5)  | 161. The Lion's Awakening (5)         | 227. Sovereign of All Creation (2)   | 293. The Closed Pandora's Box (2)     |
| 30. Isolation and Solitude (4)       | 96. Destruction From Perfection (5)   | 162. Identity (3)                     | 228. I Shall Be the One to Judge (2) | 294. A Heart Bound by Sin (2)         |
| 31. Archimedes and the Tortoise (5)  | 97. Darkness' Strongest Soldier (5)   | 163. An Android's Rebellion (4)       | 229. Gone With the Darkness (2)      | 295. Courage from Turning Gears (3)   |
| 32. Where Is My Happiness? (3)       | 98. Severed Chains (5)                | 164. A New Empire's Beginning (2)     | 230. The Ultimate Choice (2)         | 296. Fullmetal Prince (2)             |
| 33. Seduced By Taste of Blood (5)    | 99. Retribution Against Humanity (5)  | 165. Bullets from Tears (3)           | 231. I Am the Strongest! (2)         | 297. Time's Watchman (2)              |
| 34. A Machine Made for War (4)       | 100. To Be Known as 'Ultimate' (4)    | 166. Journey to Nihilty (2)           | 232. Justice's Awakening (2)         | 298. Galaxy's Requiem (2)             |
| 35. Original Definition (5)          | 101. Dark Warrior's Advent (5)        | 167. Shadow Surpassing Shadow (4)     | 233. Prelude to Ruination (5)        | 299. Charm of the Chaos Emeralds (2)  |
| 36. Machine Paradise (3)             | 102. Arriving at the Ego (3)          | 168. Dr. Eggman's Miscalculation (2)  | 234. A World United by Darkness (5)  | 300. Promise of a Far-Off Day (2)     |
| 37. Last Will and Testament (4)      | 103. Determination of a Fake (4)      | 169. Along With the ARK (3)           | 235. The Pulse of Darkness (5)       | 301. The Grim Reaper's Horn (4)       |
| 38. Enveloped in Solitude (2)        | 104. Path to the Machine Empire (2)   | 170. Requiem for the Heavens (2)      | 236. To Just Be Myself (4)           | 302. A Flame Extinguished by Fate (2) |
| 39. Parricidal Savior (5)            | 105. Demise Wrought by Tragedy (5)    | 171. Sonic Dethroned! (2)             | 237. Punishment in Jet Black (5)     | 303. Shouting at the Morning Sun (3)  |
| 40. Copy of a Savior (3)             | 106. Turning Sorrow Into Strength (5) | 172. Justice Reborn in Space (2)      | 238. The Ruler's First Cry (4)       | 304. Iron Ambition (2)                |
| 41. Excess of Intellect (4)          | 107. The Liberated Soldier (5)        | 173. Steel Ruler (5)                  | 239. Darkness' Conspiracy (5)        | 305. Sleeping on Hallowed Ground (2)  |
| 42. Crystallization of Intellect (2) | 108. Stupefaction's End (4)           | 174. For the Sake of the Self (3)     | 240. The Faint Light of Tomorrow (3) | 306. Explanation of the Truth (2)     |
| 43. The Ultimate Confrontation (3)   | 109. Humanity's Folly (5)             | 175. Farewell to the Past (4)         | 241. Time of Departure (4)           | 307. An Android's Dream (3)           |
| 44. Miracle of Love (2)              | 110. Surpassing All Else (4)          | 176. Steel Paradise (2)               | 242. Rise of the Machine Kingdom (2) | 308. Metallic Quickening (2)          |
| 45. The World's Demise (5)           | 111. Soldier of Grief (5)             | 177. The Guardian With No Past (3)    | 243. Despair's Quickening (5)        | 309. Funeral Procession in Space (2)  |
| 46. The Ultimate Power (5)           | 112. Reclaimed Heart (3)              | 178. The Ultimate Atonement (2)       | 244. The Beginning (3)               | 310. Lost to the Universe's Abyss (2) |
| 47. Dyed in Lovely Darkness... (5)   | 113. Fighting Spirit of Steel (4)     | 179. A Fake's Aspiration (4)          | 245. Setting Out in the Morning (4)  | 311. Destiny for Two (2)              |
| 48. Vainglory or Abandonment? (4)    | 114. Machine Soldier Uprising (2)     | 180. Machine World (2)                | 246. The Weapons' Dawn (2)           | 312. The Spun Threads of Fate (2)     |
| 49. Messenger of Ruination (5)       | 115. The Devil Born From Betrayal (5) | 181. Twilight Ark (3)                 | 247. Pure Ark (3)                    | 313. Ark of the Heavens (2)           |
| 50. Standing at the Summit (4)       | 116. Beyond the Truth of Impact (3)   | 182. Compensation for a Miracle (2)   | 248. Making Up For It in the End (2) | 314. Ghost of The ARK (2)             |
| 51. Controller from the Capsule (5)  | 117. The Immortal Android (4)         | 183. The Strongest Hedgehog (2)       | 249. The Coming of the Dark Time (5) | 315. A Pair of Shooting Stars (2)     |
| 52. Beyond One's Own Power... (3)    | 118. The New, Coldhearted Empire (2)  | 184. The Ultimate Punisher (2)        | 250. The Throne of God (4)           | 316. The One Who Maria Entrusted (2)  |
| 53. A Clone's Determination (4)      | 119. A Singular Atonement (3)         | 185. Voyage of Reminiscence (2)       | 251. God of War (5)                  | 317. A.I.'s Enlightenment (3)         |
| 54. Machine Utopia (2)               | 120. Spawn of the Devil (2)           | 186. Wandering's End (2)              | 252. Howl of Solitude (3)            | 318. A Dying Empire's Cry (2)         |
| 55. A Toast to the Ruler (5)         | 121. Black Doom's Scheme (5)          | 187. The Ultimate Proof (2)           | 253. Proof of Existence (4)          | 319. Moon of Atonement (2)            |
| 56. Answer from the Black Comet (3)  | 122. Subjugating Heaven and Earth (4) | 188. Punisher of Love (2)             | 254. Ardent Vow (2)                  | 320. Tear-Soaked Hometown (2)         |
| 57. Transcendentalism (4)            | 123. Road of the Dark Soldier (5)     | 189. Messenger from the Darkness (5)  | 255. A Deal With the Devil (5)       | 321. Sparks on the Horizon (2)        |
| 58. Imperialism (2)                  | 124. Dark Finale (3)                  | 190. The New Ruler (4)                | 256. A Reason to Live (3)            | 322. A Use for a Saved Life (2)       |
| 59. The Weight of One's Crimes (3)   | 125. Realization While On Board (4)   | 191. Dark Soldier (5)                 | 257. Induplicable Thoughts (4)       | 323. Coffin of Memories (2)           |
| 60. Imprisoned by the Past... (2)    | 126. Birth of a Champion (2)          | 192. The Road of Light (3)            | 258. Steel Struck With Flame (2)     | 324. The Self-Imposed Seal (2)        |
| 61. The Ultimate World Conquest (5)  | 127. With the Black Arms (5)          | 193. The Machine-Laden Kingdom (4)    | 259. A Heart Bound to the ARK (3)    | 325. Pretense in the Mirror (2)       |
| 62. Black Angel (4)                  | 128. The Road to Self-Assurance (3)   | 194. New Determination (2)            | 260. Tears Shed by the Stars (2)     | 326. A Missive from 50 Years Ago (2)  |
| 63. Under Darkness' Control (5)      | 129. The Pursuit of Dr. Eggman (4)    | 195. Birth of the Dark Soldier (5)    | 261. Imitation Complex (4)           |                                       |
| 64. To Love Oneself (3)              | 130. Surpassing His Creator (2)       | 196. A New Journey (3)                | 262. Steel Combat Boots (2)          |                                       |
| 65. Revenge and Determination (4)    | 131. ARK, Colony of Pathos (3)        | 197. The Android's Opposition (4)     | 263. Protector of the Ashen Moon (3) |                                       |
| 66. Birth of the Robot Emperor (2)   | 132. Perfection Lost to Darkness (2)  | 198. Founding of the Robot Nation (2) | 264. A Demon Drifting (2)            |                                       |