Maid RPG 120%: Introduction

I had not intended for *Maid RPG* to be the first Japanese TRPG ever released in English. I would have been quite content to let *Tenra Bansho Zero* take that honor. TBZ shows off the crazy-coolmanga side of the hobby, while Maid RPG is an obscurity with something of a vending machine full of panties vibe to it. But as things transpired, TBZ's release date kept slipping back, until Maid RPG wound up preceding it by over a year. This is partly by virtue of Maid RPG being a rather straightforward project. I did write an introduction and afterword, but I didn't have to add commentaries on esoteric Buddhism or feudal Japanese government to make it accessible to Western readers.

Aside from the ego boost of being the main translator for such a historic project, my guilt over this is mitigated by the fact that I think Maid RPG is a really awesome game. Not everyone agrees with me on this—not that I expect to get gamers to agree on anything—but I haven't seen anyone actually try it and not be won over.

It's in my nature to be forward-looking to a fault. I've been a daydreamer for as long as I can remember, and even though I have no talent whatsoever for predicting the future, I can't help but think about it. That's probably why before I had even finished the translation of Maid RPG, I hatched the idea of putting together a collection of original material for it. Given that Maid RPG is already excessively complete and anything I added would on some level be gilding the lily, I decided to call it "Maid RPG 120%." Incidentally, this is also giving Maid RPG another first, namely being the first translated Japanese TRPG to get an original supplement.

While the existing material already does all kinds of things with the game, it's really only scratching the surface of what *Maid RPG* is capable of. When trying to brainstorm scenarios I realized that this game can be goddamn near anything you want it to be. You can stick a Master and his maids in some form into just about any setting imaginable, and some of them become really hilarious when you do.

Also, it gives me an excuse to have fun with Kurumi.

Mundane Details

While Maid RPG normally only uses six-sided dice, a couple of the new things in this book will give you an excuse to use some other kinds of polyhedral dice. In particular, you can use a d12 for Items and Worlds, and a d8 for Moods.

Page references with an "M" before the page number refer to the English-language *Maid RPG* rulebook.

My Girls

In the fine tradition of the *Maid RPG* rulebooks, I've also put together dialogues to illustrate the optional rules and such I've included. Rather than stealing Kamiya-sama's maids, I've got two of my own, Kurumi and Octavia (plus a few other guest stars). They're both characters I originally created for other purposes—Kurumi as an all-purpose mascot, Octavia as a character for D&D (a human warlord). They're a little different from Hizumi and Yugami—for one thing they're altogether less maladjusted—but they can be pretty weird all the same.

Octavia: Ewen? Ewen: Hm?

Octavia: Why exactly am I dressed up as a maid?
Kurumi: (grins) Because you're going to help us explain the stuff in this new Maid RPG supplement.
Octavia: I don't recall having agreed to such a thing.
Kurumi: That was your first mistake. You almost missed out on all the fun we're gonna' have.

Octavia: This... *nonsense* is beneath me. (reaches for her headdress)

Ewen: You do realize that if you take that off you'll take a -2 penalty to all of your die rolls?

Octavia: I am a noblewoman, of House Vasconcelos! I am not a maid!

Ewen: Heh. You are now. You spent the 10 Favor on the costume change and everything.

Octavia: What does that even mean?

Ewen: (sigh) That's what you get for not reading the rules ahead of time.

Octavia: (folds arms) So that's how it's going to be. Fine. But if we're going to do this, we're going to do it right. I will not be lowered to the station of a mere servant to demonstrate substandard RPG material.

Kurumi Hayashi (Age 19)

Maid Types	Sexy Heroine
Maid Color	Uniform: Blue, Eyes: Purple, Hair: Pink, Ears: White
Attributes	Athletics 2, Affection 3, Skill 1, Cunning 2, Luck 2, Will 2
Maid Special Qualities	Bunny Girl, Nymphomaniac
Maid Weapon	Broom
Maid Roots	Love
Stress Explosion	Spoiled Child
Maid Power	Windows of the Soul

Name	I'm Kurumi Hayashi, but just Kurumi is fine.
Gender	Oh, I'm definitely a girl.
Blood Type	Type A. Why do you ask?
Birthday	Um, I'm not really sure, so we just celebrate it on Easter, or "Bunny Day" as I
	like to call it.
Hometown	San Jose, California.
Height	I'm 5'I" tall.
Weight	Around a hundred pounds. That's all I'm going to say.
Measurements	Uh That's getting kind of personal, don't you think? Well, I wear a C-cup,
	and I like to think I have nice curves, but I haven't measured myself in a while.
Hobbies	I like to play video games, and cook, and read, and spend time with friends.
	Normal stuff, I guess.
Specialties	I think the main thing I'm really good at is making Ewen see the good in
	himself. People need that.
Favorite Food	Hmm I'd have to say strawberry ice cream. I know, really girly, huh? I bet
	you thought I was gonna' say carrots.
Least Favorite Food	There aren't many things I don't like, but nattou I guess?
Favorite Words	I have two rules for life: (I) Be happy, and (2) make others happy. Everything
	that matters comes from one of those.
What do you think of maids?	You know, it never occurred to me to try being a maid, but there's something
	beautiful about dedicating yourself to another person.
What does a maid need?	Love. Being a maid is actually hard work, and it's love for the people around
	you that can keep you going.
A word on Ewen	He's a really amazing person, though I wish he'd take better care of himself
	and spend more time with me!
A word for the readers	This game is a way to have fun with your friends. That's something you should
	never be ashamed of.

Octavia Vasconcelos (Age 21)

Maid Types	Cool, Sexy
Maid Color	Uniform: Silver, Hair: Blond, Eyes: Blue
Attributes	Athletics 3, Affection 1, Skill 2, Cunning 2, Luck 1, Will 3
Maid Special Qualities	Princess, Sadist
Maid Weapon	Western Sword
Maid Roots	Returning a Favor
Stress Explosion	Violence
Maid Power	Crisis Adrenaline

Name	I am Octavia Vasconcelos of the House Vasconcelos. Don't forget it.
Gender	Does it bother you that a woman can wield a sword better than you? Perhaps
	you'd prefer I used my whip instead.
Blood Type	My blood is red, just like yours.
Birthday	I was born on the twentieth of Nightal. I am told there was a fierce storm and
· ·	a full moon that night.
Hometown	I was born in Cormyr, and like all of my family, I loyally serve the crown.
Height	I don't know how you measure such things in your world, but I am of average
-	height for a woman my age.
Weight	Also average.
Measurements	Measurements of what? Speak clearly!
Hobbies	I am too engaged in life to have much need of hobbies, but I do enjoy
	spending recreational time with my manservant, Trevor.
Specialties	I am renowned for my skills in warfare, of course. If you want to know what
	else I am capable of, perhaps you would like to come to my bedroom tonight?
	I will bring the necessary tools.
Favorite Food	I greatly enjoy the finer things in life, roasted pheasant with a well-aged wine,
	but the greatest dining pleasure is the flesh of a freshly-slain beast, seared
	over a raging fire, under the howling stars.
Least Favorite Food	In this "modern" world of yours, you have countless poisons masquerading as
	food. These things disgust me.
Favorite Words	Dignity and loyalty are the most important things of all.
What do you think of maids?	They have their uses, but I find male servants so much more interesting to
	play with.
What does a maid need?	A maid must be loyal to her master, at all costs.
A word on Ewen	The mind that produced me should be capable of so much more than this.
A word for the readers	We all need diversions, of course, but first you must stand tall and face
	reality. Enjoy your game of maids if you must, but do not neglect what must
	be done.