Career Model Jump v0.3

It's ritzy, it's glamorous, it's more than a little campy- You've arrived in a world not unlike your home, where there are celebrities, fashion shows and runway models strutting their stuff in the high couture cities of the world. You'll deal with paparazzi, wage-hiking murder conspiracies, and primadonna wannabes who are all vying to make it to the big time!

To help you on your journey to fame and fortune…

Starting Budget: +1000cp!

Step 1: Choose your Age and Starting Location!

Roll 1d8 + 17 to determine your age. Your gender remains whatever it was in the previous jump. You may spend 50cp to select both.

Then, roll 1d8 to determine your starting location.

1. New York
2. Paris
3. London
4. Milan
5. Barcelona
6. Sidney
7. Shanghai
8. Lucky- Choose your starting country

Step 2: Choose your Origin!

Drop-in - Free!

You have no idea what you're doing but you're suddenly thrust into a world of pretty people and compulsive photoshopping. Also primadonnas.

+ You fit into all the other aspiring models, photographers and designers.
+ You gain the native language of whatever city you start in, or a second language if it's already your native.
- You have no portfolio, no contacts, nothing to get you into the modeling world- or any job for that matter.

Photographer - 50cp

You are a photographer, an artist of some repute with more than a few years of experience at your trade. You know all the industry big names (but haven't met them) and have connections at the low and medium levels of the industry.

+ You are a vital resource in the modeling and entertainment industry- without you, there are no magazine covers.
+ You gain the native language of whatever city you start in, or a second language if it's already your native.
+ You get to work with a lot of models and famous people
- Hardly anyone knows your name, because they're focused on your subjects, not who's taking the pictures.
- You'll have to work hard to keep paying work coming, or get a day job.

Model - 50cp

You are one of the famous- a celebrity of some kind or another. You don't have worldwide recognition *yet*, but you definitely can make it if you work. You know several other models in similar situations, and all of you are vying for good contracts.

+ You're famous!
+ You gain the native language of whatever city you start in, or a second language if it's already your native.
+ You are recognizable, and often stopped on the street for autographs or just to be oogled.
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- You probably sacrificed some other marketable skill to become a model, or being a model is just a side job.

Designer - 50cp

You are a well known high-end designer of clothes and the like, with your product in boutiques or filling store shelves. You're still trying to hit the big time, but it's going to happen if you work hard and don't take crap from anyone!

+ You have a lot of connections in the entertainment industry, and are invited to a lot of parties.
+ You gain the native language of whatever city you start in, or a second language if it's already your native.
+ You make your living by being creative!
- There are a LOT of demands on your time, leaving you very little for yourself.
- Lots of people want a piece of you in some way or another, to elevate their own career and so on.

Step 3: Perks!

As usual, the first perk from every origin is free, with the exception of Drop-ins. Perks from a given origin are 50% off their listed price.

General Perks:

0cp - Jet Set Schedule

The life in the industry is a furious, fast-paced one, and it waits for nobody. This perk ensures you won't suffer any issues no matter how hectic your schedule gets. You'll never get jet lag, and you can sleep whenever or wherever- but you still need as much sleep as your body requires. If you're still tired, you'll never show it, always being bright-eyed and fresh for your friends or the cameras.

This perk applies to you and your Companions.

50cp - Hand Model

You have a particular feature that is useful in close-ups, maybe slim wrists to demonstrate jewelry, or pretty eyes for a glasses commercial. This perk ensures that a single chosen trait is both incredibly beautiful, and always healthy. It does not protect against damage, but if injured, it will heal perfectly. Hands will never get sore or suffer arthritis, your eyes will always have a piercingly colorful quality, and so on.

You may buy this perk multiple times, even for the same trait.

50-100cp - Touch of Glam

Gaining a radiant beauty, you can pull off nearly impossible looks and outfits. You are immune to hazards and pains based on your appearance- goddess mane hair never catches on anything, and your clothes never hinder you or offer discomfort, no matter how outlandish.

You may extend the benefits of this perk to your Companions for an additional 50cp.

Drop-In

100cp - A School for Ants?!

Let's face it, you're probably not actually a model, no matter how pretty or handsome you are. Or maybe you're a ditz. Even if you're not, you can still fake it with this perk! People take you as seriously as you desire regardless of how off-kilter you may behave. This is useful for bluffing, or simply just getting away from a topic you don't understand.

200cp - One Look

Through charisma or thick-headedness, you can convince people that the thing they just saw, did, or had five minutes ago is in fact a new thing- as long as you blatantly change the name and actively play it up as new and different. You can tell the same joke twice in a row, and it will be hilarious both times.

This perk does not improve the quality of creations or actions, it just convinces people they're unique.

400cp - Numb-Minding Brilliance

Despite all evidence to the contrary, you actually have a mind like a steel trap when it comes to determining cause and effect- and you can use that to make sense of the most absurd plots and conspiracies.

With this perk, the more harmful a plot or conspiracy is, the easier it is for you to make the intuitive leaps to understand it. Unfortunately, simple things however still befuddle you the same as everyone else, like catching the neighborhood pranksters before they drop the burning bag in front of your door.

Photographer

100cp - Natural Makeup Artist

You have either a natural talent with cosmetics and grooming, or by some quirk never need them. No matter how elaborate, you have total control over how your features accentuate each other with shadows, planes and shapes. If you apply cosmetics, you can do so in 5 seconds, otherwise you simply don't need them.

200cp - Shot Heard Round the World

You have an uncanny sense for the dramatic, for that one moment which is the sign of the times, and you can always find it through the scope. Any time you're looking through a viewfinder or similar device, you have a preternatural sense for when the conditions are going to be just right for a shot. You might still miss your mark, but the environment won't be the problem.

As an added benefit, you are always aware of what's going on around you despite having your eye wedged against a scope.

400cp - No Pixels Here

Photoshop-smhotoshop. You don't need it. You can manipulate a recorded image by an act of will alone, as long as you're touching the image or the thing creating it, like a camera. In either case, you can seamlessly adjust the subject however you like, and the recordings are good enough to stand up in court.

Model

100cp - Hidden Depths

You have a specialty or interest that is surprisingly in relation to your profession, but at the same time endearing. Maybe you're a scientist who likes to surf, or an accountant with an interest in the arts. This perk ensures your other interests only enhance or flatter your profession or social position.

200cp - Bikini Bod

There is a reason you're on the top 10 hottest models list year after year. You have a fit, impressive physique that looks positively poured into anything and everything you wear. No matter what your outfit, it looks tailored for you, is always flattering and never slips or malfunctions- unless you'd look better for it.

400cp - Strut Your Stuff

Through training or talent, you have a natural way about you that ensures no matter what, you can put your best face forward. Your posture is perfect at all times, and you have an innate sense for bodily aesthetics- and how to use them yourself. You also can instruct people in how to do the same with a few minutes of coaching.

Designer

100cp - Tailor Made

You are a brilliant designer, and can ensure objects you create are always looking fantastic, aesthetically pleasing and the like. Making something look good no longer takes any time or effort- you can focus entirely on function, and whatever you make will look outstanding.

200cp - Piano Key Necktie

Once per year, you can create or declare something and ensure that it becomes a fad in the next shopping or media season. This can be a product for sale or a behavior, but it is limited to word of mouth, or the extent of your media presence.
Repeated variations on a theme will result in disinterest, and a reduced return.

400cp - Makeover Montage

You have such a mastery of aesthetic and the best wardrobes, that you can quite literally change the world with good taste and design. With this perk, you may metaphorically dress up or dress down a subject in place of more logical procedures, but you still affect real, plausible change. You must know the base techniques before you can apply them via aesthetic improvements.

Example: Instead of putting someone on a diet, you can arrange for a makeover, and in the process, whoever you're helping out will have lost weight as if they actually *had* dieted. This encompases feats such as gene therapy via spa visits, life-saving surgery by way of topical cream, or college courses delivered during a runway show.

Gear

Drop-In

50cp - Closet Full of Ties/Room of Shoes (Free Drop-in)

A dapper tie or *the* hottest strappy heels are just what anyone needs to complete an outfit, and you have a never-ending supply. Wherever you sleep, your closet will have the right incidental accessories to complete an outfit; ties, belts, shoes, ribbons, gloves- the only limit is no precious metals or gems.

100cp - Goes-With-Anything-Bag (Discount Drop-in)

You have a bag that can seamlessly reshape itself into any other kind of bag, be it a purse, messenger bag, backpack or garment bag. It has an internal capacity of 1 cubic meter, regardless of outwardly apparent shape or size. No matter what, it compliments your outfit and is as useful as whatever it's current form is in the current situation.

This does mean it pays to coordinate for different situations though…

200cp - Stealth Chic Hat (Discount Drop-in)

Being a model is tough, especially when your face is in billboards and magazines at every turn. You have an accessory (which need not be a hat) that makes it so people don't connect the 'famous' you to the you standing on front of them. You are still everything that you are, just without the reputation, nor do you inspire compulsive fangasms.

This accessory does nothing to negate infamy- if you're a criminal, people will recognize that.

Photographer

50cp - Studio Makeup (Free Photographer)

You never know when a model might need a touch up, and this professional-grade kit can serve you well in both photoshoots or even hollywood creature features. It never runs out of materials, and you can always find the right products for a given subject.

100cp - Super-Scope and Lenses (Discount Photographer)

You have a kit of lenses and screens that are just perfect for filtering out light, dust, wind, really anything that gets in the way of you and that perfect shot. You also have the instructions on how to make more lenses and such for other devices like cameras.

200cp - Hot Ride (Discount Photographer)

Your job pays well, enough that you have a ridiculously high end consumer vehicle- one that turns more than a few heads and proves to people that you know your business. This is one of those vehicles that most people need to be on a waiting list for, and have a minimum valuation of several million dollars.

Model

50cp - Designer Model (Free Model)

You have an ironclad and entirely fair contract with a particular designer or fashion house, which means you'll always have at least *some* work during the year. They pay you in dollars, and closets full of their product over the ten years.

100cp - Dry-Cleaning Hangers (Discount Model)

You have a set of ten hangers to hang clothes on. They fit any kind of garment safely and will never damage them. If you put hung clothes into a closet and close the door, when you open it, the clothes will be dry-cleaned and wrinkle free.

200cp - Glam Digs (Discount Model)

You have *the* hottest party destination in the world- an ultra modern penthouse apartment with all the trimmings and everything you need to live the high life of a full-time model.

Purchasing this item allows you to superimpose your awesome penthouse on any property you own in any subsequent jump. You can superimpose your swank penthouse on a tiny college dorm or a prison cell, and no one will blink. In the case of the prison cell, you still can't get out unless the guards let you. They will want to party at your place though.

Designer

50cp - Jewelry Box (Free Designer)

There is a box on your wardrobe that is full to bursting with some of the most amazing accessories, watches, gems, and jewelry you could ever want or need.

100cp - Invisible Needle and Thread (Discount Designer)

You're not sure how, but you have access to a spool of thread and a needle that no one but you can see. You can't use it to make invisible clothes, but it is useful for creating amazing and interesting garments or solving problems without being obvious.

Once you use the thread on something, it vanishes, leaving no trace save for the fact that you stitched something. The spool of thread regenerates after each use.

200cp - Fashion Label (Discount Designer)

You have your own fashion label and line of designer clothes, which on it's own generates a respectable Fortune 500 income. Contracts with textile manufacturing facilities follow you from jump to jump, and store shelves automatically populate with your product.

Companions

100-300cp - The Entourage

For 100cp, you can bring in a single Companion, who in turn gains 200cp to select an Origin and any perks from the above list. For 300cp, you can bring up to 8 companions in.

100cp - Bodyguard (Discount Drop-in)

You have hired a particularly impressive person to be your security envelope. Their loyalty is strong, and you pay them more than they need but it's a good arrangement. The bodyguard is usually some form of trained defender, though probably not one with military experience.

100cp - Rising Star (Discount Photographer)

You have connections with one or more Models, who each have 350cp to spend on General Perks and Model Perks. Having these connections means your job as a photographer gets much easier, and you have consistent work.

You may purchase this Companion multiple times.

100cp - The Short Skirt, Long Jacket (Discount Model, Designer)

You have secured the services of a truly frighteningly efficient personal assistant, who can effortlessly handle most daily minutiae like scheduling, securing plane tickets, and so on. Despite the perk name, they may be male or female. They automatically have Touch of Glam, and may buy one 100cp perk and one 200cp perk from the above list.

Drawbacks

You may take any number of drawbacks, but you may only gain 600cp from any combination of them.

+100cp - But Why?

Something's gotten between you and your brain-mouth filter, because good lord you're an absolute total ditz for some reason or another. Expect yourself to be very slow on the uptake, and to bungle through explanations and the like. You'll have to rely on other people for 'normal' things like writing your cheques or figuring out how much to tip at a restaurant.

+100cp - Perceived Glutton

No matter how much Spin, Pilates or Yoga you do, nobody believes you're in shape. You might actually be in better shape than them, but they won't believe you. You'll get fewer modelling jobs because of this.

+100cp - Rival

There's someone- of your origin and with your local perks- whose model destiny is tied to yours in honorably rivalry. They are intensely competitive and will lord their victories over you. Other than that, they're actually pretty decent people- you likely have a meal date at least once a month (so one of you can brag).

+200cp - Stalkerazzi

You are so hot right now, the media can't get enough of you- to the point that you're starting to fear for your sanity. You can expect to get about five minutes of privacy every couple hours or so, and good luck trying to do anything illegal or obviously super-powered without being noticed!

+200cp - No Sense of Style

You can't coordinate an outfit. Don't even try. Just let someone else sort it out.

+200cp - It's in the Contract

Before you began the jump, you signed a very unfortunate contract and as a result you'll periodically have some humiliating gigs. You're compelled to honor the letter and spirit of the document. Now get in the chicken costume.

+300cp - Jump how?

You've lost your supernatural powers and abilities, as well as access to the Warehouse! You'll have to get through this jump on just your charm and good looks!

+300cp - World of Clash

Now the *world* has no sense of style. Everything is a horrible clash of terrible colours and hot pink and terrible cuts. Basically, the 60s and 80s had an unstylish baby, and dressed it in nothing but neon. Prepare to fight an uphill battle against the tacky and tasteless world of awful overdone couture.

+600cp - Wage-Hiking Scuuuuuuuuuuuum!

Against all odds, you've found yourself in the most absurd of environments. Fascist Fashion houses rule the world from couture capitals in the world, training models as assassins, fighting wars over brand names, and generally weaponizing camp in every way possible.

Despite the absurdity, the world is now deadly serious, and having a hair out of place is grounds for summary execution by fashion-ninja assassins. Expect everyone to be involved in some conspiracy to kill someone else, or use you to kill someone, or to make you gain ten unsightly pounds and ruin your summer swimsuit calendar.

Ten Years Later

Go home

You are glamorous, celebrated, and rich beyond your wildest imaginings! Enjoy your gear and perks in your original life.

Stay

There's an ever-expanding pool of people to bask in your fame and beauty- ride that wave of popularity into the sunset!

Go on!

You are the prettiest, most swank jumper to ever grace the multiverse, and you aren't going to stop now!