SHŌGUN (2024)

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The year is 1600.

For years Portuguese Catholics have richly profited from trade in Japan. They have kept its whereabouts hidden from their sworn enemies—the European Protestants. In Osaka the reigning Taikō has died, leaving behind an heir too young to rule. Five warrior lords are now trapped in a bitter struggle. All of them seek the title that would make their power absolute...

At the same time, the Dutch ship Erasmus, the last of its party, with its provisions dwindling, many of its crew dead with and the rest starving, with its captain having committed suicide, makes shore at Ajiro on the Izu Peninsula. The survivors are about to be taken prisoner. One of them is not only going to escape the fate of his compatriots but also play a crucial role in the future of this land.

Take this 1000 points to spend. You will stay here for 10 years.

ORIGINS

Choose your age and sex for free

Drop In

You appear in this world with no prior history, laying on a beach. You see a ship having run ashore in the distance and samurai running towards it.

Dutch

You are one of the sailors aboard the Erasmus. You wake up in it's depth, and if you go up on the deck, you'll see a group of armed men approaching.

Japanese

One of the native people of these lands. Whether you are a regular farmer or an honorable samurai, you can choose freely, and that choice will dictate where you start.

Portuguese

You are either one of the traders currently staying on the Black Ship or a Jesuit priest stationed in the port city where it is currently moored.

Perks

Perks are Discounted to their respective origins, perks worth 100 are free and the rest is 50% off. Free Perks are optional.

General

Fighting Style Free

Regardless of your origin, you are skilled in combat and proficient with a few weapons such as the katana, naginata, bow, firearm etc. with a single one of your choice, where you particularly excel.

The Universal Language Free

Besides knowing how to understand, speak, read, and write your home language, you also know Portuguese on the same level, with it being the language of the local Christians and allowing communication with the outsiders from the overseas. If your native tongue IS Portuguese, then you know Japanese to the previously mentioned level.

Tolerated Existence 100

Unless you go out of your way to cause trouble, people generally do not see it as weird that you are here, and as long as you aren't trespassing, they more or less ignore you. Even if it would have usually caused confusion, like a European walking down a market around these parts.

Drop In

Always Clean 100

No matter what sort of muck of waste you're wading through, you will come out of it smelling pleasantly without a single dirt spot on you or your clothes, with you never again needing to wash.

Silken Arts 200

Not only are you an absolutely stunningly beautiful specimen, but said beauty is completely universal, bypassing any sort of cultural boundary or personal preferences, with everybody finding you at the very least pleasing to the eye. You also possess an extreme talent and skill in the bedroom, being able to mold even the most standoffish and cold partners like clay and impress the most experienced of courtesans.

Alien Curiosity 400

People genuinely do not see your natural qualities that are different from theirs, like race or sexual orientation, in a negative light and can quite often see them as an exotic and positive thing, treating you far better than they would have otherwise.

Dream Of A Dream 600

Periodically you will have dreams of potential futures with there being a focus on an item, whether it already exists or one that needs to be made, which will be important in bringing it about. With time you could learn to direct this ability to more clearly show the future you want and even see steps you need to take or people you need to meet who will make bringing the desired future easier.

Dutch

Peering Into Ladies' Private Quarters? It's Not Proper! 100

You're exceptionally good at drawing attention to yourself and away from what you want by being loud and causing a scene while suffering zero or near-zero accountability for any non too severe trouble you make while doing so.

Anjin 200

Maybe it's the quality of their food or the beauty of their women, but Britain seems to produce some of the greatest sailors around and you now compare. From navigation to managing the crew to actual piloting the ship, your skills on the boat are nigh unmatched.

How Do I Say "I understand" In Your Language? 400

Being in a foreign land with a foreign language and customs, you need to adapt quickly if you want to survive, let alone thrive. Do not worry, as you now possess outright perfect, memory with infinite storage, instant recall and it being completely retroactive. You learn several times faster than before, making you able to go from knowing nothing about a language to being able to speak it fluently in a couple of months.

Black Thorn 600

You have a sort of luck that can see you through some of the hardest situations imaginable and allows you to come out on top of them. You'll probably suffer both emotionally and physically, but you will get through while sticking it to the bastards who wronged you, because your luck seems to also send proportional amounts of pain and suffering to those that wronged you. Just don't rely on this exclusively, or you will find your end.

Japanese

What A Bonfire My Poems Would Make 100

You are a masterful writer in general, with your skills in poetry and haiku specifically being beyond compare. Your imagination is great, and you can come up with profound and fitting verses instantly.

I Will Never Be First To Break Any Peace 200

There's an innate sense you possess that makes you aware of any plots surrounding you as well as a rough outline of what those plots are about. That combined with decades of experience in political scheming and masterful skill in dealing with people allows you to stay on top of even the greatest geniuses of these lordly games.

Warrior Lord 400

Almost from birth you have conditioned your body and mind while honing your skill for combat. There's no weapon in this world that you do not have at least a passing skill with, while the most common ones were mastered by you to perfection. This level of skill follows you into future lands, always placing you at least in the top ten best fighters around skill wise.

Shōgun 600

You are a part of an ancient and most noble bloodline. A Minowara. This not only grants you great legitimacy for becoming a shōgun but also great skill in warfare befitting a military ruler of such stature. Your skills in tactics, strategy, and logistics are unmatched, making your victory even when outnumbered two to one almost a guarantee. This status follows you into future jumps, giving you a right for similar political station there as well.

Portuguese

Goyosha Kudasare. To All the Shit-Eating Samas 100

Possessing mastery of insults and the ability to act subservient at the same time, you could easily look humble and deferential to the foreign nobles while at the same time spitting vile insults in their faces in your mother tongue without them being none the wiser.

I Will Translate Without Prejudice 200

You have an air of honesty and objectivity about you, further enhanced by an interesting ability to make people know that the things you are telling them are the truth as long as they are in fact the truth. The people in general see you as trustworthy as well, even if it's the first time you've met.

Stealthy Accumulation 400

From recruiting people to moving them in the shadows to a secret base to actually setting up said base, you are a master of fast, hidden acquisition and growing of military forces. You can have an army counted in thousands perfectly stationed near your enemy's capital without them knowing until it is already too late.

Children Of My Flock 600

You are a highly charismatic and convincing person with a nearly complete knowledge of many religions of the world as well as warfare and political history. You could rather easily debate most friars. sages and scholars and are extremely convincing, being able to justify almost any action you take with a word from the religious texts and historical examples. Converting people in an alien land to an alien religion is quite an easy process for you. This level of knowledge updates in future jumps.

Items

Items are Discounted to their respective origins, items worth 100 are free and the rest is 50% off. Anything can be imported in to a fitting item (Weapon into a weapon, tool into a tool etc.). If lost or stolen you get them back in an hour. All items can be brought multiple times, with free items costing 50 after first purchase. You can combine compatible items like Steel Carapace and Shōgun's Armor.

General

Legal Entrance 200

These letters of marque authorize you and your entourage to officially visit any civilized realm and to be at least tolerated there. It guarantees a degree of legal status and immunity so long as you aren't caught committing any violent or seditious acts. If a member of your entourage breaks this hospitality, you will not be considered complicit, although they will be punished to the full degree of their crime, and you may be asked or, if the crime is severe enough, forced to leave and not come back if you cannot negotiate your way out of the situation.

Drop In

Nature's Bath 100

A small natural hot spring with relaxing and rejuvenating properties. Not only does it perfectly clean you, but after a short soak in it, you will find yourself completely well-rested as if you had an eight-hour sleep. Is a great place to think about your life.

HE'S BACK 200

This Zweihänder is a large high-quality two-handed steel sword with a big crossguard and a set of parrying hooks above it to catch the opponent's blade. It is somewhat heavy but delivers devastating blows while also being completely unbreakable.

Steel Carapace 400

A suit of full-plate armor far tougher than what you could find anywhere in this world, with even musket shots effortlessly bouncing off of it. Doesn't impede your movement or field of view and is so light you could swim in it.

Full Atlas 600

A book with infinite pages that you can always open on a needed one. It contains the best maps of the known world, from geographical maps to political ones to sea trade routes and so on. As long as it was ever discovered by someone, it will be there. Updates in future worlds.

Dutch

Chewable Bricks 100

So hard that there's a nonzero chance you break your teeth on it; it probably has either live weevils or their eggs inside and is not exactly the tastiest thing around, but when you're in the middle of a voyage and have zero food, you'd eat it easily. Somehow it provides you with all the necessary daily doses of vitamins and minerals, so you do not have to fear scurvy or similar conditions. You get a couple of pounds of this hard tack a day.

Pair Of Pistols 200

Two masterwork flintlock pistols that never require reloading, ammunition, or gunpowder, only needing you to cock them again to shoot. You can always summon them to your side with just a thought.

We're Just Merchants 400

You have in your possession boxes containing five hundred muskets and twenty cannons with a large supply of gunpowder, bullets, and cannon balls. All of them are quite a bit more precise and hit targets farther away than usual ones. Everything here restocks a month after being used or destroyed.

The Erasmus 600

An extremely high-quality ship full to the brim with supplies needed to go from England all the way to Japan. Comes with a legal right allowing you to trade and make port anywhere as well as a right to use deadly force to protect yourself from attacks. Supplies restock a month after being used.

Japanese

Samurai's Basics 100

You have a chosen main weapon like a Naginata or a Daishō, a small and a large blade, as well as a Yumi bow, either a short or a large one with a quiver full of arrows that replenish minutes after being used, and finally a set of good armor.

Trained Falcon 200

This bird of prey possesses a staggering level of intelligence, easily being on par with most people as well as being able to perfectly understand you. It is absolutely loyal, being ready to do anything you ask it to. Has infinite stamina as well as not requiring any sustenance or rest. Respawns a day after death.

Shōgun's Armor 400

This set of intricately crafted traditional armor from an earlier time period provides a decent level of protection but more importantly makes you look more regal, rightful, and honorable. It won't be hard to make the opposite army question themselves when they see you ride in front of them wearing this.

Fortress City 600

One of the largest settlements around these parts, with a wide variety of professionals living here, from blacksmiths to tailors to courtesans and many more, this place seems to just attract talented people like honey does flies. Has a giant, nigh-impenetrable castle at its center with high walls and replenishing supplies, allowing hundreds of people to live off of them indefinitely.

Portuguese

Priestly Robes 100

A set of black clothes of a member of the Catholic Church. They make you seem far more harmless and unimportant than usual whenever you wear them.

Palace Of God 200

A beautifully built church in your specific design. Serves as a sort of legal hideout with criminals you allow to stay here, not being followed or forced to go outside. People may get angry at you for harboring people there, but they see it as a completely justified and legal thing.

Silk, Gold And Guns 400

This is a frankly ginormous amount of wealth represented in the form of three boxes that are larger on the inside, one containing gold, another silk, and the third muskets. You can transform any currency you have directly into any one of these, making more appear inside if needed.

Hidden Fort 600

A small island perpetually covered in mists that can actually move at a speed of several miles per day. Anyone who hasn't been here before and doesn't have your permission to enter will find it nigh impossible to get there. Optionally has a settlement with a few hundred loyal to you Rōnin on it, who respawn a day after death.

Companions

Companions can't take drawbacks.

Original/Import 50 for 1, 200 for 8

Make someone original in this world or import a previous companion. They get an origin, freebies and the discounts along with 1000 points to spend as they please.

Canon 100

Take any individual as long as you can convince them to go.

Drawbacks

Drawbacks trump the perks and items from this jump and the previous ones. They last for your entire stay here but disappear when you finish the jump. Take as many as you can handle

Verse Free

You can choose which version of this story to visit instead of the 2024 show, be it the original novel, the 1980 miniseries, or maybe even the real-life events the story has been based on.

Extended Stay +100 per

Stay for 10 more years. Can be taken as many times as you want but you only get points for the first 4 purchases.

Disgusting Food +100

Whether it's a problem with your taste buds or you just have bad luck in running into shitty food, everything you eat around here just plain sucks.

Ough... egh? +100

You constantly perform some sort of grunts and audible exhales, even when it would not be appropriate and you need to keep silent.

Is This Japans? +100

Everyone around these parts talks in anachronistic ways, and it will take a bit to get used to all the old and strange words.

Two Baths In A Weak? +100/200

You do not see hygiene as important, with two baths a week seeming like too much for you despite being naturally rather bad smelling. For an additional 100, unless you're actively forced to wash, you'll refuse to do so more than once every few month.

Why Your Mother Should Be Anything Outside Of This House? +200

You're a staunch believer in traditional gender roles for yourself, your family, friends, and outsiders, having a great need to point out such things whenever you see them broken as well as being sexist in general.

Dishonorable Family +200

In the past your family committed some sort of horrendous crime for which they were all executed, with you being the only one spared. Many people around here know of that and generally despise you for "taking an easy way out" and continuing living, wishing you'd go and commit suicide to restore your family's honor.

Kokoroemashita? +200

You're an incredibly slow learner, with it taking you tens of times longer to learn something as well as that knowledge and skill getting forgotten and degrading far faster if they're not in constant use.

Better To Drown Quickly, Right? +200

You never learned how to swim, nor can you do so now, no matter how hard you try. This also comes with a general fear of open waters.

Hold It Properly! +200

You have zero fighting and martial skills, both from here and from before, and although you could learn, you will never reach beyond mediocrity.

My Life Is For My Husband To Take +200

You are married to some pretty bad person whom you despise from the bottom of your heart. You are expected to be subservient to them by society and cannot divorce or otherwise get rid of them.

Hasn't My Lord Done Everything According To Law?! +200

You have a person whom you respect with all your heart and have bound yourself in service of. Any insult to them makes your blood boil and fills you with great desire to see justice done. You can choose whom you serve.

Blow Her A Kiss +200/300

You are forever stuck on the Japanese islands being unable to ever leave them. For an additional 100, you're stuck on your starting island and cannot leave its shores, not even temporarily to sail by sea to the different places in this country.

And Inglés, too. Fuck Me +200/300

You only know a single language: either Portuguese or Japanese. You could try to learn from others, but you will always have trouble with them. For an additional 100, you're stuck speaking English, Dutch or Korean and cannot learn other languages.

I Know You Feel The Pull Of Death +300

You are somewhat melancholic and almost constantly feel the desire to end it all and commit Seppuku. Others may temporarily get you out of your funk, but it always comes back.

Bushidō +300

You are an extremely honorable individual, following the strictest and most selfless version of the samurai moral code to a tee, being unable to even think about going against it, even if it means your death or the deaths of your family and friends.

The Weapon Of The Samurai +300

You not only despise guns and see everyone who uses them as dishonorable people, but you are also physically unable to use them yourself. People around you, though, seem to pick up on the importance of those weapons and are starting to produce and implement them more widely. Try to not have a conniption.

The Final Choice

First of all any mental, psychological, physical or supernatural traumas that you acquired here or anywhere else are gone. If you want them gone that is. Take this toy versions of the main cast for free.

Now Choose

Stay Here

Want to settle here? Sure go ahead. Here take additional 1000 to spend here

Go Home

Want to return to your homeland? It's okay if you feel homesick. Here take 500 to spend here before you retire.

Next Jump

That's what we're talking about! Here take this miniature Erasmus in a bottle.

Notes

Changelog

V 1.0 Release

V 1.1 Minor fix and altered Blow Her A Kiss a bit

V 1.2 Altered Chewable Bricks and Hidden Fort a bit, added Tolerated Existence and Legal Entrance based on a suggestion from Amrynel on SB

V 1.3 Changed The Universal Language slightly.