

# THE DEPTHS

## **The Surface**

About 10% of the human population lives on the surface. They account for 35% of the Earth's human caused BNP. They are the "upper class" of planet Earth. But they dream about moving to "Space".

## **The Underground: 0-2.5 kilometers**

The "Underground" starts below the surface of planet Earth. It runs up to 2.5 kilometers into the ground. This area is controlled by modern human civilization. But the control lessens, the deeper you go.

## **The Down Under: 2.5-5 kilometers**

After this, at a depth of 2.5-5 kilometers, is the "Down Under". A zone without laws, regulations, or a modern civilization. Nobody "controls" this space.

It is made up of individuals - and smaller camps. Most camps contain 5-25 individuals. The races tend to stick to each other. Humans, Monsters, Hybrids, Mutants, and Robots – form their own camps.

### **The Nest:** 5-7.5 kilometers

The Monsters control the space which runs 5-7.5 kilometers into the Earth. They have a modern civilization, but do not rival the humans in strength. They are no match for the humans in space.

### **The Beyond:** 7.5-10 kilometers

Below “The Nest” is “The Beyond”. There is not a lot of life, here. It is inhabited by special creatures who do not fall into a single category.

They might be mix between:

1. Humans
2. Aliens
3. Hybrids
4. Mutants
5. Monsters
6. Robots

Some runaway Robots do live here, since they do not need a lot to survive. There used to be a flourishing Robot Civilization here, but it fell into ruins.

There are valuable parts and ancient, forgotten technology, within medical facilities, and military facilities.

A small Robot Kingdom does exist here, but the extreme heat makes it difficult to operate. Many robots have fled to the "Down Under", where it is easier to survive, operate industries, and access the market.

The heat at this extreme depth is **200-300 Degrees Celsius**, which is 2-3 times the heat of boiling water.

**The Robot Kingdom** run facilities which turn this heat into electricity, and sell it to the Monsters, and the Human Kingdom. This is their main source of income.

They also do work for "The Nest", which is much larger, and has a larger economy.

The Robot Kingdom tries to stay away from everybody else, since it is not strong enough to challenge anybody. It lives on the glory of the forgotten past.

The Robot Kingdom does have some factories which operate in the "Down Under" where the heat is manageable. But they require extensive security, since there is no police or military to protect them.

**The Unknown:** 10+ kilometers

This zone is called "The Unknown".

There is no *known* life beyond "The Beyond". That is, over 10+ kilometers beneath the surface of the Earth.

Neither machines, nor organic organisms, can operate there.

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