# **Point Crawl Template 1**

	Rule			
	Entrance Level			
	D2 nodes			
0000 0000	Zone 1  D8+2  nodes			
0 0 0 0	Zone 2  D4+1  nodes			
0 0	Zones 3  D3  nodes			
	Zone 4  Boss nodes			
No. of paths = {No. of Nodes} + D5  D12 – 10 paths having concealed entrances				

# **Point Crawl Template 2**

				Rule
		$\bigcirc$		Entrance Level
				D2 nodes
				Zone 1
0000	0	00	00	D8+2 nodes
				Zone 2
0 0	0	0	O	D4+1 nodes
				Zones 3
	O		0	D3 nodes
				Zone 4
	O			Boss nodes
No. of paths = {No. of Nodes} + D5  D12 – 10 paths having concealed entrances				

# **Point Crawl Template 3**

	Rule		
000000000	Entrance Level D nodes		
000000000	Zone  D  nodes		
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000000000	Zone D		
No. of <b>paths</b> = {No. of Nodes} + D  paths having <b>concealed entrances</b>			

#### Method

This point crawl can be imagined as seen from top-down (*e.g.* see Example 1 below; a traditional map) or from side-on (*e.g.* Example 2; a cross section). The nodes in the point crawl represents the 'interesting' places; the mundane places not being captured.

Hopefully the templates are self-explanatory, but for the sake of completeness, a brief explanation of the method is provided:

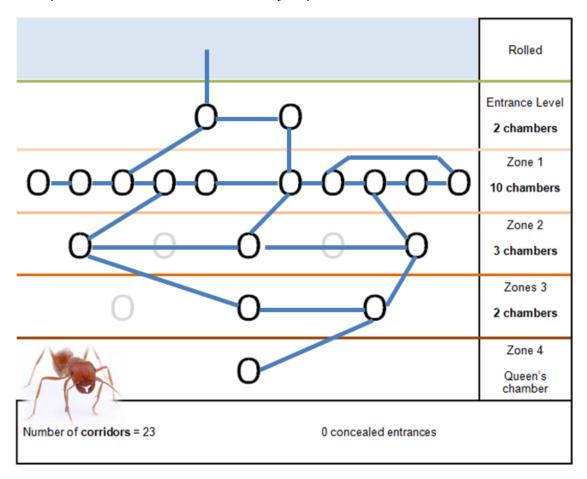
- (i) **Template** Start with the template. The 'crawl' consists of an entrance/start level + Zones 1 to 4, with Zone 4 being the most remote from the entrance.
- **(ii) Number of Nodes** Roll the number of nodes in each Zone. The template states the number of possible nodes in each Zone.
- (iii) Number of Paths Roll the number of paths in the point crawl, e.g. = No. of Nodes + D5. These paths connect the nodes together.
- **(iv) Number of Concealed Entrances** Roll the number of path entrances that are concealed (*e.g.* D12-10, *i.e.* in this case, this occurs uncommonly).
- (v) Join up the Dots Join up the nodes using the paths. Simples.

### **Suggestions**

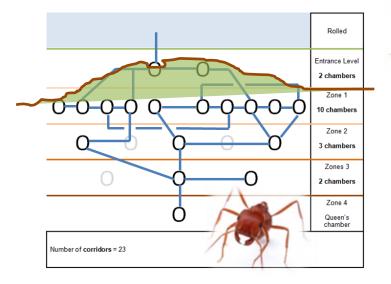
- Don't get too hung up on the procedural 'rules', nothing will get broken
- Start by making a path from the entrance to the Boss location in Zone 4
- Don't make a path to the Boss that is a straight line (... a bit dull!)
- Don't make it necessary to pass through every room to get to the Boss (... could be a bit tedious)
- Ensure there is more than one path that leads to the Boss (... more interesting)
- Ensure the <u>shortest</u> path to the Boss is not too long or too short aim for 5 to 7 nodes

Some examples of the completed template are given next. These examples intend to map maze-like giant insect colonies, where the nodes are chambers, the paths are passageways and the Boss is the giant insect Queen:

Example 1 – Riverbank Giant Ant Colony (top-down view):

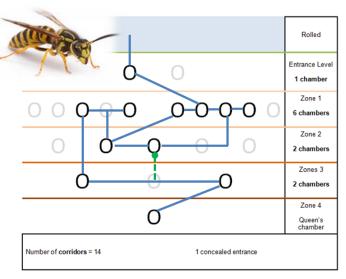


Example 2 – Mound Ant Colony (sectional view)



Example 2 is the same as Example 1, but showing a different arrangement of the passageways

<u>Example 3 – Giant Wasp Nest (cross-section)</u>



Note – In this example there were fewer chambers and hence fewer passageways were generated as compared to Example 1. It also has a concealed entrance (shown as the green dashed passage)