SEAL OF THE SCRIVENER

Wondrous item, Rare (requires attunement)

This ornate seal represents an academic's devotion to studying the weave and safeguarding its secrets for those who are worthy.

As an action, you can use the seal to seal a written document. When you seal a document in this way, choose a passphrase. The document gains the benefit of the *alarm* spell, notifying you with a mental ping if someone breaks the seal without first saying the passphrase.

While holding the seal, you gain a +2 bonus to the spell attack rolls and the saving throw DCs of your spells. Additionally, while holding this seal, your spells no longer require a verbal component.

Curse. This arcane focus is cursed. When you attune to the seal or cast *identify* on it, your mouth begins to close up, forming a web of thin strands of skin between your lips. This leaves you unable to speak, though you can still eat and drink through gaps in the web-like skin between your lips. If the curse is invoked by casting *identify*, you have the opportunity to immediately attune to the seal.

Unnatural charisma. While you are affected by the curse, your gruesome and unnatural appearance gives you advantage on Intimidation checks and disadvantage on all other Charisma checks except saving throws.

Progressive alteration. If you remain attuned to this item for a month, you lose your voice permanently, becoming unable to speak, even if you end attunement to the seal. If you remain attuned for a year, you no longer need to eat or drink, but your mouth permanently disappears, and won't return even if you break attunement to the seal.

Tenacious curse. The effects of the curse can only be removed by the *wish* spell. A character who removes the curse but remains attuned to the seal can use it without suffering the effects of the *curse, unnatural charisma,* and *progressive alteration* properties. A character that ends attunement to the seal and later re-attunes to it will again suffer the curse as normal.

