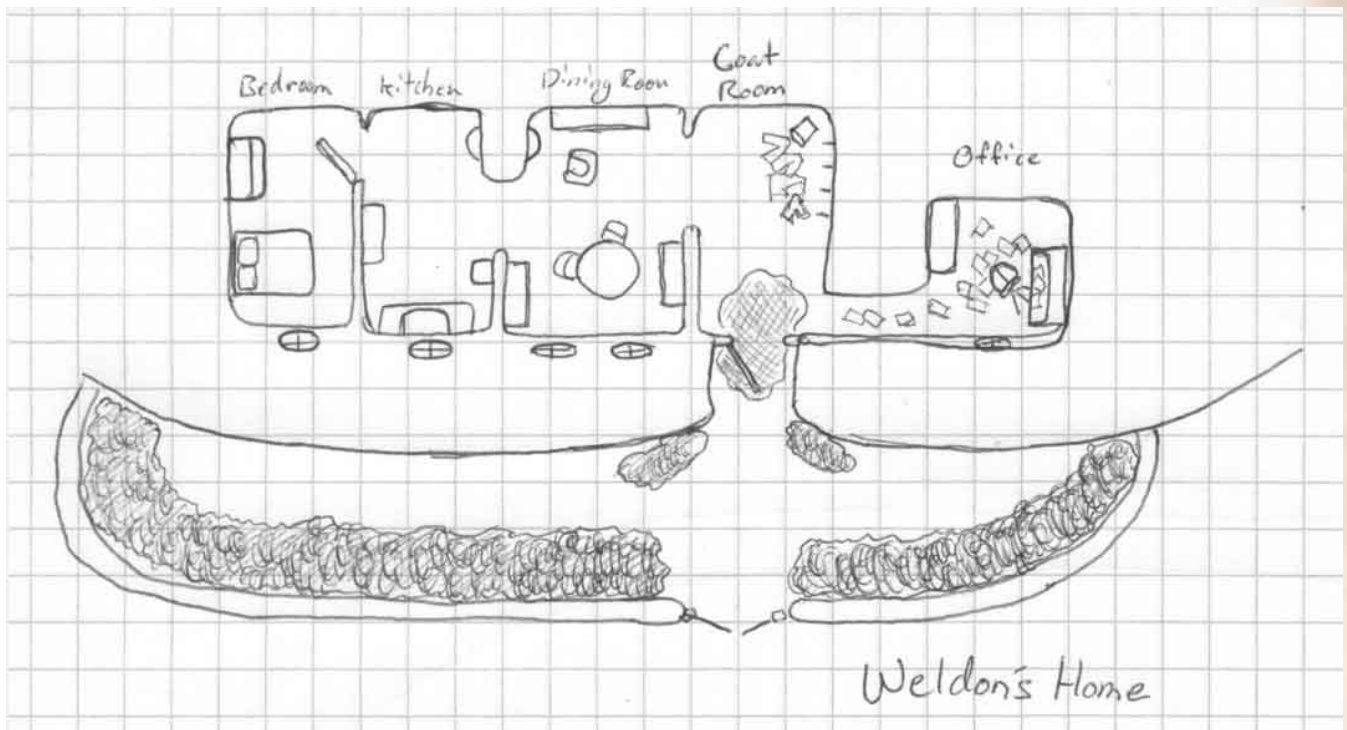


# Player Handout #1: Weldon's Home

## Rescue on the Barrow Downs



# Player Handout #2: A Divergence of Tracks

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# Player Handout #3: The Ballad of Harslan

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### The Ballad of Harslan

Harslan was born the third son to a noble of Eriador in the mid-Third Age. Raiding Orcs killed his older brother, the heir, and his father. His stepbrother, Delthorn, was next in line the line of succession, but he was cruel and Harslan was much more beloved by his people. His father's advisors encouraged Harslan to vie for the title and soon an army of supporters flocked to his banner.

Harslan desired to settle the succession without bloodshed but Delthorn would not give up his claim, despite the fact that he had little support among the people or the nobles.

At last the two armies met on the field of battle outside the largest city of their realm. However before they engaged in battle, a great army of Orcs led by evil Men swept down from the East and began to slaughter the people. Harslan parlayed with Delthorn, begging him to evacuate the people to safety. Harslan then chose twelve knights and attacked the Orcs.

Harslan and his Twelve fought valiantly and the Orcs were checked for time. The leader of the force from Angmar, a dark knight named Siarl, and Harslan engaged in single combat. Harslan overcame Siarl, but not before Siarl delivered a mortal blow from a poisoned blade. Harslan was pulled from combat by his knights, but all were eventually overcome. However, now leaderless, the army of Orcs lost their nerve and retreated, leaving Harslan's people safe.

Harslan's people returned to the battlefield and retrieved the bodies of their heroes. Under Delthorn's leadership, they created the Barrow of Harslan to honor their would-be noble and his Twelve, who sacrificed themselves so bravely. Delthorn, now a changed man, placed his crown upon Harslan's head before the Barrow of Harslan was sealed.

It is rumored that among the possessions that were placed in the Barrow of Harslan was the palantir of Aman Sul, capable of seeing into the lands of Angmar.

# Player Handout #4: Outside the Barrow of Harslan

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