

A JOURNEY THAT CHANGED THE WORLD.

Chapter 13 The First Stage.

After walking for 15 minutes he left the city and headed east towards Oxfair town.

Archer decided to use the trees to rest since it's a three day walk to town.

The town borders the Forsaken forest, so it gets attacked regularly.

The path from Vassia to Oxfair town passes right through the forest.

When merchants travel through the Forsaken forest, they hire adventurers to guard them.

From what he learnt from the memories he received, the previous town mayor of Oxfair built a wall to protect it from beast attacks.

After walking for a few hours through the forest under the afternoon sun, he got tired of walking so he looked around to find a spot to rest.

He noticed a pond in the distance.

Walking towards it, he suddenly decides to work out.

Although his body doesn't require it, he enjoys doing it to calm down his inner thoughts.

All he kept thinking about was Alexa and the little girl he saw in the nightmare.

He found a spot and started exercising while clearing his mind.

500 sit-ups, 500 push-ups, 500 squats, and ran around the pond 20 laps around the pond.

It took a while to finish but when it was over and done with he was out of breath.

He spent a second catching his breath, and that's when he heard his stomach rumble.

Rumble!~

Archer felt his stomach telling him to find food, he walks into the forest to hunt for his lunch.

20 minutes later he finds 15 rabbits with horns on their heads.

They were the size of small dogs.

They had brown eyes and grey fur.

The horn wasn't that long but looked like it would hurt you.

'Horned rabbits.'

They were all bunched up eating grass.

An idea came to mind.

He raised his hand and fired an eldritch blast at them.

'Eldritch blast.'

A purple beam of crackling energy streaked toward the rabbits striking the center of the group.

Most flew away, the rest exploded into chunks.

'Cosmic sword.'

The black kopis appeared in his hand as he ran towards the remaining 6 dazed rabbits.

He lunged at the closest rabbit but it dodged to the side before the blade could touch it.

Archer then spun on his heels and slashed at the dodging rabbit.

Slich!~

The rabbit dropped dead, then his senses kicked in.

He quickly dodged to the side, as a rabbit lunged at the spot where he had just stood.

Seeing the rabbit looking around, he was baffled because the human disappeared.

Archer raised his hand and fired a fire missile towards it.

'Fire missile'

Woosh!~

A lump of fire in the shape of a missile from Earth flew forward so fast that Archer could barely see it.

It slammed into the rabbit's small body. The horned rabbit died instantly, smoke coming out of its body.

Archer roamed around and butchered the last four rabbits.

He was standing in the middle of the carnage with rabbit body parts and blood littering the floor.

That's when he heard his stomach rumble again.

Rumble!~ Rumble!~

Ignoring the complaints.

Archer approached one of the bodies and used the sword to slice open the chest.

After finishing the bloody work, he shoved his small hand into the hole and yanked out the rabbit's heart.

Thump!~ Thump!~

Taking the still-thumping heart to his mouth, he ate it.

Munch!~ Munch!~

Archer finished eating the heart and felt his stomach.

It wanted more food.

He moved from body to body cutting out the hearts. After eating the hearts he stored the bodies in his item box.

After an hour of butchering 15 rabbits and eating their hearts.

He felt full and couldn't eat and needed to sit down.

So looking around he found a small log and walked over to it.

Archer sat down and checked his status.

'Status'

[Experience: 350/1000]

[Level Up: 13>15]

[SP: 1>20]

[Mana: 1110/1450]

He got excited seeing he was 5 levels away from getting his new rank, Archer figured out the experience he earned from the rabbits and their hearts.

He gained 750 experience from the kills and 1500 when he ate the hearts.

That's when he noticed he had 20 points to spend.

He puts 5 points on HP and mana, and 2 points on the others.

[HP: 390>440]

[Mana: 1450>1600]

[Strength: 155>175]

[Constitution: 120>140]

[Stamina: 130>150]

[Charisma: 320>340]

[Intelligence: 130>150]

Feeling refreshed as he stood up, and walked over to the pond to drink.

Archer felt much better after eating and drinking water.

Therefore, he returned to the road and continued to Oxfair.

He traveled for two days straight, sleeping, eating, and hunting.

Managing to hunt 10 forest wolves, 10 horn rabbits, and 5 slimes on his journey so far.

He didn't save the hearts but ate them when he killed the beasts.

When he fought the wolves one of them bit him, but after killing it.

The wound healed quickly.

Since he's gotten used to the feeling of leveling up, he doesn't notice it anymore.

He received 1500 experience from the wolves, 500 from the rabbits, and 250 from the slimes.

Archer was baffled when he encountered slimes for the first time ever.

They were like slimy balloons, wobbling around the road.

The previous Archer saw them but the current one only saw them from memories..

He shook his head as he checked his status.

[Experience: 100/2000]

[Level Up: 15>20]

[SP: 0>35]

[Rank: Apprentice]

[1st Evolution Available]

[Void Blast: 1>2]

[Cosmic Shield: >2]

[Cosmic Sword: 1>2]

[Eldritch Blast: 0>1]

[Plasma Shot: 0>1]

[Strength: 165>175]

[Stamina: 150>160]

[Intelligence: 150>160]

[Regeneration: 0>1]

Archer was very happy with the status boost he got.

Noticing that regeneration had leveled up, most likely due to his injuries.

He also ranked up and unlocked the 1st evolution, which confused him as he didn't know what it was.

So he selected it.

[1st evolution: Activate your draconic bloodline by evolving into the 1st stage.]

"That's interesting."

Archer needed somewhere to evolve, looking into the forest from the road.

He made it to Oxfair in one piece but didn't want to evolve inside the town.

That's when he spotted a massive tree that reached high into the sky not even a mile away.

He thought the branches of a tree would be the safest place to do it, so he ran toward it.

After running for about 10 minutes he reached the tree.

Jumping up the branches like a monkey until he reached the top, he looked out over the landscape.

The forest was large, spacious, and primal. Its canopy was dominated by rowan, dogwood, and ash trees.

Allowing adequate light to pass down for a flood of sprouts to dominate the moist and fertile bottom layer below.

Quiet branches dangled from most trees, and an array of flowers, occasionally, brightened up the otherwise jade landscape.

A discord of roars in the distance, most belonged to herds of large beasts who roamed the forest.

He settled in and selected the evolution option.

[Initiate 1st stage of evolution?]

[Yes or No?]

Archer selected Yes.

After waiting for a short while he felt a heavy feeling spread throughout his body, then just after the feeling started he passed out.

[Ella P.O.V.]

A small blonde elf dressed in a maid's outfit cleaned a window inside Ashguard Castle while deep in thought.

'It's only been a few days since he left and it's dragging on. I want to go join him!'

Since Archer left she has had a lot of time to study and think about Archer. She's learned, Stone Spikes and Earth Dome.

It was lucky that the Ashguard family didn't bother with the spell books in the library as they were taken as spoils of war or raided bandit camps.

In the few days Archer's been gone, Ella finally realized she had liked the boy since the first time they met when they both were five.

But when he was an Ashguard, she had no chance of him returning her feelings.

However, now that he is free from his hateful family maybe he will accept her confession when they meet.

As she finished cleaning one window she moved to another.

She did that for an hour until the head maid Maria approached her.

"Ella, there was a letter delivered here for you."

The woman smiled as she handed the letter to the child.

While thanking her, she took the letter.

"Thank you Maria."

Ella stopped working for a while and opened the letter.

'To my Ella.

It's only been a few days since I left, but I still miss you.

Two weeks after receiving this letter, check your balcony every night and I'll be there.

Don't write back as I won't be in the city for a week.

I'm going to train in the forest.

Love.

Archer."

Ella smiled as she finished reading the letter.

Putting Archer's letter in her pocket carefully she then cleaned the windows before getting scolded for not doing her work.

After cleaning the windows she took the cleaning stuff back to the storage cupboard.

She went to the maid's quarters to relax in her room with a happy smile on her face.

But before she got there, she noticed from a window that a Mana storm was brewing above the Forsaken forest.

Mana was swirling around creating a vortex surrounding one of the tallest trees, and that's when a loud explosion was heard.

BOOM!~

Ella's status.

Name: Ella. Race: Half-Elf. Age: 13

Rank: Apprentice. Experience: 560/2000. Level: 23.

HP: 500/500.

Mana: 800/800.

Magic: Earth-Light.

Strength: 110

Constitution: 100.

Stamina: 80.

Charisma: 140.

Intelligence: 120.

Status Points: 0.

Spells: Minor Healing(0)Earth Blast(0)Earth Dome(0)Stone Spike(0)

Skills: Cooking(5)Cleaning(6)Night vision(-)

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