

Affinity 1151

Chapter 1151 Conflict With The Heavenly Fate Faction?

"What now?" Klaus asked after they defeated their opponent.

With no one else to fight, they naturally have to continue their journey. But it was unknown what lied in front of them.

"We should get going. We've been here for some time." Alice replied.

"Hopefully, some people's enemies won't try to kill us again." Klaus looked at Grey as he spoke.

"I wonder if you'd still have the mouth to say all these when we meet up with those from your Faction, especially that girl." Grey squinted his eyes while staring at Klaus, well, behind him.

"Do you think I'm afraid of her? If not for the fact that I'm being ethical, I would've beaten the hell out of her by now." Klaus sneered, and added, "In fact, if she were here, I'd beat her up."

Grey grinned when he heard this, Alice, Reynolds, and Ellis who were standing beside Grey looked at Klaus with a bit of pity.

On seeing their expressions, Klaus' face fell, "She's behind me, isn't she?"

Grey nodded, a wide grin still on his face.

Klaus sighed and turned around to meet the eyes of the young lady.

"Lara, I wasn't the one saying whatever you heard." He turned around to face Grey after saying this, not wanting to look at the eyes of Lara.

Lara looked at Klaus' back view before saying, "I'll handle you when we get back to the Faction. I came here due to the ripples of battles. Do you mind sharing what happened?"

"We encountered some people from the Syphilis Faction, it was nothing serious." Grey answered.

Klaus scoffed but didn't say anything else. He was fine with having people to practice with, at least before he would leave this place he might be strong enough to fight back against Lara. If not, then he wouldn't go back to the Faction and wait until he was strong enough.

"The Syphilis Faction, they seem to have a problem with you, correct?" Lara raised a brow.

When they were standing outside the building, she recalled seeing the people from the Syphilis Faction having a stare down with Grey and his friends. Luckily she and a few others walked forward and that stopped the group from the Syphilis Faction.

She looked at Grey then kept quiet for a few seconds, she could sense death in the area. Someone had definitely died here. Looking around, she saw a thin piece of ice.

Her eyes turned to Klaus, this was Klaus' doing. It was a technique from their Faction used in killing people. It was quite efficient as it leaves almost no corpse.

"Since it's been sorted, I'll leave first." Lara didn't stay longer, nor did she try to travel with the group. She was only familiar with Klaus, and she wasn't really in good terms with Klaus.

Her figure soon disappeared and Klaus heaved a sigh of relief.

"What's the matter between you two?" Reynolds couldn't help but ask.

"The thing is, she confessed her feelings to me and I snubbed her." Klaus gave a cheeky laugh.

To his surprise, the other were laughing. He was a bit confused and couldn't help but say, "I'm only bullshitting..."

He paused and seeing their expressions, he couldn't help but frown, "She's behind me again, right?"

They nodded, with Grey and Reynolds bursting out in laughter.

"What's with you and appearing behind me?" Klaus turned around in annoyance.

His facial expression changed when he realized he was only talking to thin air, there was no one behind him.

"F*ck you, Grey!" He cursed, knowing it was Grey's idea to mess with him.

The group laughed as they continued their journey further into the place.

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On another location.

The old man looked at the screen in front of him and the group advancing. He couldn't help but shake his head.

"It's all up to fate now. If they still aren't able to inherit it before these monsters gets there, then there's nothing I can do." He muttered before shutting his eyes.

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In the space Grey and his friends were located. Deep in the place, a large building could be seen standing tall. It was the only building in the area.

A group of people could be seen walking out of the building, showing signs of frustration.

"Doesn't this mean only she will get the inheritance?" A young man asked, annoyed.

"The old man could give just one person access to the array while the others have to go through the challenge. The Faction Leader picked his daughter, we'll have to deal with that." Another person said.

From the symbol in these people's clothes, it was easy to guess that they were from the Heavenly Fate Faction.

When they entered this place the first time, they were able to speak with the projection of the old man. Surprisingly, they seemed to have some sort of connection to the Twilight Faction as a member of the Faction was the one who started the Heavenly Fate Faction. But this member was only a normal member and didn't have access to the top techniques of the Twilight Faction. He was a genius in his own right and was able to create the powerful Heavenly Fate Faction from scratch with the little he learned himself.

The old man agreed to let them learn the core techniques of the Twilight Faction, but given the rules of this place, he could only let one person enter. It's up to the person if they wanted to teach others.

"It's unfair. I'm better than her. I should've been the one there." The young man clenched his fists.

"It doesn't matter. Let's just guard this place and wait for her to completely accept the inheritance." Another person said.

They couldn't hide the fact that they were annoyed with what was happening, but there was nothing they could do. The daughter of the Faction Leader was not ordinary, she had extraordinary talent and it was right for her to acquire these things.

"I'm going to try it out again. No matter what, I'll pass through it." The first young man went back into the building.

The others looked at each other and decided to sit down outside. They weren't like the young man who didn't know when to give up. Since entering this place, they've been trying to pass through the challenge, but the array was too intricate, and no matter how hard they tried, they couldn't get past it. The only fortunate thing was that it was pretty much harmless.

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A few thousand meters away from the group, Grey and his friends were casually strolling, talking and laughing.

They were still move when Void paused mid-flight, "There's something up ahead."

His ears perked up and his eyes glowed with a fascinating light.

Grey and the others looked in front of them and couldn't see anything.

"What's that Void?" Grey asked.

Void's knack for treasure was well known by the others except a few.

"I don't know what it is, but there's something good in front of us. I can feel it." Void started getting excited.

Grey's eyes lit up. Void being this excited meant only one thing, a good treasure. Void had very high standards when it came to treasures, well, unless they are shiny, then he didn't have any problems with picking useless things. But on occasions like this, he always tends to find unimaginable treasures.

The group started to follow Void's lead as they headed towards the building they couldn't see.

As they got close to the place, the visage of the incomparably huge building started to show. Not just that, but a group of six walked over.

"You're not welcomed here, leave." One of the young men said as they blocked the path of Grey's group.

"People from Heavenly Fate?" Kyle asked, he could see the symbol, but he wanted to be sure.

The group of six nodded.

'Grey, there's something good inside. I'm going, we'll see later.' Void's voice echoed in Grey's head and he vanished.

With his small size, the group of six didn't even see him in the first place.

'Crap! Wait for me.' Grey screamed out.

He didn't want to miss out on this treasure. He didn't care about these people from the Heavenly Fate Faction, after all, they were not the owners of this place.

Grey took a step and the people from the Heavenly Fate Faction frown and one of them sent a warning strike.

The strike hit the place Grey wanted to place his foot, he retracted it and looked at the faces of the people.

They were all in the Elemental Venerable Plane, the one with the lowest stage was in the Third stage, the others were already in the Mid stages of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

"Don't take another step." A young man in the Sixth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane said in a cold voice.

"There's something there I need. I don't have any time to talk to you." Grey was direct.

Kyle couldn't help but walk closer to Grey and whisper, "Offending the Heavenly Fate Faction for a treasure isn't wise. Since they are here means it was their target."

Chapter 1152 Entering The Building

Grey took a glance at Kyle, not responding to what he was saying.

"Are you moving or not?" He looked at the young man from the Heavenly Fate Faction coldly.

"I'd listen to your friend if I were you." The young man said.

He had already sensed Grey's cultivation realm and knew he was stronger, so he didn't feel bothered. The only person he felt threatened by was Ellis, but Ellis wasn't making any moves, and from how Grey was the one standing in front of the group, he presumed he was the leader of the group.

"Are you moving? I'll not ask again." Grey asked once again, his aura incomparably calm.

If not for the fact that they knew he was an Elementalist, they would've thought he was a normal person.

The young man felt a bit threatened by Grey's somewhat calm manner after giving a threat. He looked at Grey and paused, after a while he said coolly, "I don't want to make an enemy of you. This place is off limits to others. It will be wise if you try not to go in."

Grey looked at him, not making any moves. He was caught between two choices. One, making an enemy of the Heavenly Fate Faction, the other was to lose out on something Void tagged as great.

If he didn't at least see it, he wouldn't be satisfied.

'I already have so many enemies, adding one more shouldn't be too big of a deal.' He thought to himself.

But then again, this would make it easier for him to die since the people trying to kill him would increase exponentially. One has to know that the Heavenly Fate Faction are quite famous and given them being tagged as the number one Light Element Faction, they had a good relationship with multiple top Factions.

The Dawson Family and the Pymond Faction wouldn't be able to deal with so many enemies, at least not for a long period.

He couldn't help but give a sigh while taking a look at the others beside him. If he walked in, he wouldn't be the only one affected by the conflict. The others who were innocent would also have to bear the brunt of this.

"Fine." Grey didn't stay there any more, turning around to leave with the others.

"It's good that you listened." Kyle said.

The others nodded as well, feeling a bit relieved. Of course not all of them were bothered. Klaus had no issues with having any form of conflict with the Heavenly Fate Faction, but he still liked the fact that Grey put them first and didn't try to have any problems with them.

After the group moved some meters away, Grey stopped.

"I knew you were not going to give up on it." Klaus said.

"What? I just want to take a look." Grey replied with an innocent expression.

"What happens when they find you?" Alice asked.

"They won't." Grey brought out a mask and wore it before changing his clothes.

The others were stunned when they saw his clothes changing while he was still wearing it. This was one of the abilities of the armor he was wearing.

After changing his attire, Grey's figure vanished from the spot.

"Is he always this troublesome?" Ellis asked.

"Well, when he's not unknowingly offending Empires, he's knowingly doing it." Klaus said.

"So in general, he has always been like this?" Ellis asked.

Klaus and the others nodded. Since Grey got into cultivation, his journey can't be called smooth. First off he didn't have any elements from the start, then he got two, then after going to the Trial Land, he got a treasure that made him the public enemy of the entire Azure Continent.

Even after coming to the Aurora Continent, he had been offending one person or another.

"I guess such a genius can never have an easy run." Ellis sighed with a shake of his head.

"Yeah."

The others nodded.

No one could deny the fact that Grey was a genius amongst geniuses.

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Inside the building, Grey appeared close to Void and the bunny leader.

Before Void left, he marked him, so appearing here was no issue. He didn't know if there would be others, but he made sure to hide his aura as soon as he appeared.

When he appeared, Void didn't show any changes but the bunny leader was a bit surprised.

The bunny leader didn't expect Grey to suddenly appear there.

'Have you found it?' He asked Void the moment he appeared.

'There's a large array in front, I can't get past it.' Void replied.

Grey frowned and looked at the hall in front of him. He didn't sense the array and couldn't help but take a glance at Void.

"Take a step."

Grey took a step and his vision changed.

'I see. It's not difficult to deal with, but it will take some time.' He said to Void.

Void heaved a sigh of relief. This was why he was waiting for Grey. Grey was a genius when it came to arrays and Void knew of this. As long as it's an array, even the one he didn't know, he would think of a way to break through it.

The bunny leader didn't think Grey would be able to break through it. But seeing Void's confidence, it felt a bit optimistic.

'Can they see us from outside?' Grey asked.

'No, I think there's one guy inside. But he can't get through the array.' Void replied.

Grey looked at the array in front of him and couldn't help but take a deep breath. This array was more complex than any other array he had laid his eyes on. He knew it wouldn't be easy for him to break through it.

He immediately got to work and started to feel the array out. The first thing he needed to do was to get accustomed to the array and know the ins and outs of it. Once he has done that, then handling it would be an easy thing for him.

A few minutes went by without Grey talking to either Void nor the bunny leader. They were still trying to understand what was happening when Grey suddenly opened his eyes.

"I think I can break it." He muttered.

He immediately got to work on the array, trying to break it with what he had learned on it.

The little time he used wasn't enough and he failed.

The trio was kicked out of the array and could only look at it from the side.

"Let's go again. I can get past it." Grey said and entered the array once again.

He didn't feel too much pressure. When he was trying to get past it a few moments ago, he was able to get past the early stages of it and get to the middle stages, so he knew that he could get past it.

Void and the bunny leader didn't know of this but they followed him back into the place since they knew he was their only hope of entering it.

The moment Grey entered the array, a young man appeared outside the array. It was the young man from the Heavenly Fate Faction who was trying to get into the place.

"Damn it! I can't even get past it now." The young man was pissed.

He had tried getting past this stage on a couple of occasions and had failed. Even till now, he was unable to get past it. He didn't want to try again since he knew no matter how much he tried, he wouldn't be able to get past it. With so many attempts, he had only gotten to the middle of it.

"How can an array be this difficult?" He was upset.

He could only give up and step outside the place, walking back to the group of six standing outside.

When they saw his expression, they knew he had failed and couldn't help but shake their heads.

"Just give up. Hopefully the Faction Leader gives us a chance at them." The young man in the Sixth stage said.

The young man who just came out of the building snorted but didn't give them any reply.

He sat down on the side, "I'm not going to give up. I'll still try, until she comes out."

The others sighed, since he wanted this then they would let him do whatever he wished. This wasn't what they wanted in the first place. Although they wanted to go in, there was nothing they could do.

While they were discussing the issue with the young man.

Grey had been tossed out once again. This time he was able to advance further with cracking the array, but he was unable to get to the last part of it.

"Damn it. Void, it's not going to be easy. Are you sure it's worth it?" He couldn't help but ask again.

"You wouldn't regret it." Void replied.

Grey gritted his teeth. The complexity of the array was far greater than he imagined..

Chapter 1153 Consumed By Greed?

"Phew..." Grey breathed a sigh of relief, he took a glance at Void who was standing on his shoulder and said, "See, done."

Void didn't say anything as he looked at the building. It took a little longer than he thought, but he couldn't complain since without Grey there was no way he would've been able to enter this place.

The bunny leader was amazed at Grey's unique abilities. The fact that Grey could break through this array showed how proficient he was with arrays. This wasn't an easy array to break, but Grey managed to do it which came as a shock to it.

It had been traveling with Grey for a while now, but it still isn't aware of Grey's depth. It's like whenever he thinks he knows Grey, Grey would do something that goes above its expectations.

"Come on, someone is taking something of yours." Void said.

"Something of mine?" Grey looked at him, a bit confused.

"Yes, something of yours."

Grey didn't dally any longer and walked past the hall, entering a passageway. He looked at it for some time before sensing where what Void was talking about was located. Well, it wasn't really hard to find given the fact that there was a room exuding brilliant light.

If there was any treasure in this place, it was definitely in there.

Grey carefully walked over and when he got to the door, he slowly opened it halfway and took a peek inside.

Inside the room, a young lady could be seen sitting down on a futon, absorbing a glowing orb that was floating in front of her.

'That's definitely something nice. It looks like an inheritance.' He thought to himself.

He felt his shoulder become lighter, both Void and the bunny leader were nowhere to be seen. He looked inside the room and didn't catch a glimpse of either of them. This meant they had most likely gone to another room.

'This place is more important to me. I'll take this and leave.' He thought to himself.

Whatever Void and the bunny leader were doing was none of his concern for now. Maybe when he was done with taking this he would meet up with them.

While looking at the young lady, he couldn't help but recall the last time he saw a scene like this.

'I wonder if he's living peacefully in the Azure Continent?'

The person he recalled was the first genius he encountered during his cultivation journey, when he went for his first test and didn't have any affinity with any element, he wasn't the star at that day, there was a young man who took the spotlight. Jonas Giles, the Fire Elementalist with purple grade.

At first, it looked like they were going to be rivals since they both joined rival Academies and everything, but by the time they encountered each other, he was already leagues above Jonas.

While in the trial land, he encountered Jonas obtaining an inheritance, just like this young lady, but he didn't try to snatch the opportunity due to the fact that they were acquainted and he was the only one he knew from Red City who was actually strong, other than his parents.

This case, however, is completely different from that one. First off, he didn't know who this young lady was, and he needed to grow as fast as he could. The more things he could get from places like this the better it was for him. An entire race, which was stronger than the human race wanted him dead, he was enemies with over three top Factions and Families, if he were to add the enemies of his father to it, then the list just grows longer.

For now his father and a few people could still hold up the sky for him, but it wouldn't be enough in a few years time. So he wanted to make sure he depended on himself. He had been like this since the Azure Continent, and he would like to continue in that manner.

He threw the thought of Jonas to the back of his mind and started to plot how he would be able to take this opportunity without the young lady finding out anything.

At first, he was worried if he tried to absorb it in a hurry he would explode from the excess energy, but then again, he recalled the orb he had inside him. It had been all this while, there's no saying what it would do in this case, but it shouldn't be defeated.

He placed all his hopes on the orb inside him and vanished from his spot. When he appeared again, he was standing a few inches away from the orb, he grabbed it, tossed it inside his mouth and tried to leave.

The young lady seemed to sense it the moment he grabbed it, she opened her eyes and was left stunned when Grey swallowed it, but she still didn't let it affect her.

Grey stretched out her hand and grabbed Grey's hand, "That's mine, drop it before you kill yourself from greed."

Grey covered his mouth which was still shining with a brilliant light, pushing the young lady's hand away, he tried to teleport.

His expression changed slightly when he noticed it was slower than usual. The reason for that was because his essence was churning due to his body trying to rapidly absorb the orb.

His head was also being flooded by techniques that he found it hard to think properly.

'Fu*k! Will my greed really get the better of me?'

Grey didn't panic, he knew at times like this he must be calm. The young lady had grabbed him once again, staring at him as if she was staring at a fool.

Grey was trying to absorb something she had been trying for days now. Even with the time she had, she hadn't even absorbed up to half of it, yet Grey wanted to absorb what was left in one go.

"You'll die, spit it out." She said calmly.

She wasn't afraid she would lose it. From what she could sense, she already knew Grey's essence was a mess and if this continued, he would most likely die. Even if he refuses to listen to her, it doesn't matter, she would still reclaim what is hers.

Grey, on the other hand took a glance at the young lady, shook his head, the essence in his body started to show increasing signs of going out of control.

"Dmant it." He blurted out unconsciously.

He never expected the orb in his body not to be able to help him out with this.

"Let it go, you'll not survive if you take it." The young lady advised once again.

She wasn't being aggressive in any way, to her, there was no need to do anything like that.

Grey shut his mouth as he tried to sort out the issue he was currently facing. Internally, he was panicking, trying to get the orb to work and stop the excess essence. If he doesn't sort it out, he might really have to give up the orb.

He was still trying to see if he could sort it out, if not, he'll just give up on the inheritance. Although he wanted to grow strong as soon as he could, he didn't want to die doing that.

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While Grey was somewhat fighting for his life, the projection of the old man had his mouth wide open.

"What the hell is wrong with that kid?" He couldn't help but ask after some time.

He had been watching every step Grey had taken since he entered that area. Of course, he didn't try to stop him any more since his previous attempts had failed. But never would he have thought that Grey would actually swallow the orb the moment he saw it.

He didn't know if Grey was being overwhelmed by greed or if he was genuinely stupid.

From a distance anyone could sense just how high the essence in that orb was. Yet Grey, someone the old man rated frighteningly high didn't seem to sense it. It was absurd just thinking about it.

A few seconds later the old man's expression changed slightly, "Huh? How come he's still alive?"

Although he could see that Grey was not doing fine, but given how things were, he was supposed to be dead, not feeling some sort of discomfort.

One has to know that the young lady had been inside trying to absorb this thing since they located the building. The reason they couldn't enter the last time was because the old man could not completely break the rules so some people had to at least get through some stages first. So the young lady had spent at least over a week or so inside, yet she had only absorbed one quarter of it, yet Grey swallowed everything.

The young lady even had a higher cultivation base than Grey.

"What's really happening with that kid?"

Chapter 1154 Passing It On

While the old man and the young lady were stunned at Grey's stunning ability to actually survive the effects of the orb without exploding, Grey was fighting for his life.

Even though he looked calm on the outside, he knew for a fact he might actually die. He was already caught in a predicament, either give up on it or try to hold on for as long as he could. The small time he had held on, he had actually absorbed almost as much as the young lady had during her time.

His eyes were calm while internally he was panicking.

"Give up." The young lady said once again.

She was starting to get a bit impatient since she could feel the orb was actually being absorbed by Grey. The light it was giving was not as brilliant as it used to be, although she could tell Grey was not doing fine, she still felt a bit skeptical about the ordeal. First off, Grey should be dead, but he's not, and he's somehow all absorbing it. Second, in the short time of a minute or so, Grey had absorbed a large amount of it.

If things continued in this manner, Grey might not die and she'll watch him absorb it within the next five minutes.

"I'll attack you if you don't give up now." She warned.

Seeing that Grey was showing no signs of wanting to give up, she attacked. A light beam shot at Grey.

Grey tried to manipulate his elements so he could block the attack, unfortunately, there was no way for him to do that. With no other option, he used all his willpower to enforce the armor, at least, he should be able to block her attacks with it and his strong physical body. Under his clothes, Dragon scales covered his skin, reinforcing his defense.

Boom!

The attack hit him, but the armor and his Dragon scales were able to block the attack. Although he was forced to take a few steps back, he wasn't harmed by the attack.

The young lady was only in the Fourth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane. Even though Grey's cultivation stage was only in the Second stage, his physical body had gone as strong as those in the Fifth stage, adding the Dragon scales and armor, he had no issues with blocking the young lady's attack.

Unfortunately, he can't keep that up for long. The continuous attacks would make the effects of the orb even worse. Just one attack had already disrupted his innards and he started bleeding internally.

The young lady looked at him, stunned. She never expected him to be this powerful. Even without doing anything, he was still able to block her attack given his current situation. Her eyes turned cold and she continued attacking, this time, more ferociously.

If she doesn't stop him, then her trip here was a failure.

Grey focused on increasing the defense of the armor, this was the only thing he could do. Hopefully he successfully absorbs it in a shorter time.

When the next attack came crashing down on him, his figure was sent flying, and blood started to drip from the side of his mouth.

'Damn it! Why is this thing taking so long?' He complained.

From what he had experienced, he knew he would be able to hang on until he completely absorbs it, the only issue was that the young lady was not going to give him that chance. He could sense the cold aura coming from her.

He picked himself up and wanted to leave the room, but the young lady blocked the way.

"You can't use your elements. This makes you a sitting duck, are you really going to take all my attacks just because of this? You might die from it." The young lady's eyes turned colder than it previously was.

Grey didn't reply to her words as he continued doing what he was doing. He needed this inheritance, at least. Giving up on two inheritances was not something he wanted to think about.

The young lady attacked when she saw that Grey was not showing any signs of wanting to speak.

Boom! Bang! Bam!

Grey's figure was like a ragdoll, being beaten and sent flying from one side of the room to another. No matter how he tried to circulate his elemental essence, he was unable to.

He coughed up a mouthful of blood, the orb leaving his mouth in the process.

The eyes of the young lady turned bloodshot when she saw that the orb had already been halved by Grey. She was about to heave a sigh of relief since it was no longer in Grey's mouth, but Grey opened his mouth and swallowed it once again.

'I have a thick skin. I'll take her attacks for now. Once I'm done absorbing this, I'll teach her a lesson.' Grey snorted inside, but he didn't try to speak. Absorbing the orb madly.

The young lady attacked again, but Grey managed to block it. His robe, which was made from the armor, started to show signs of breaking.

Having to constantly defend without much reinforcement, no matter how powerful the armor is, it still wouldn't be able to hang on for long.

Grey's hands were soon exposed and his white Dragon scales came into view, stunning the young lady for a few seconds.

"Those Dragon people?" She muttered to herself.

She had heard of a powerful Family that had some sort of ties with Dragons and could even get some abilities from Dragons, but this was her first time seeing one of them.

Grey's Dragon scales were sparkling, but it didn't stop the young lady from continuing her attack.

Grey's face was covered, so she didn't know what he looked like, but at least now she was sure of his identity.

"I know your Family is strong, but they wouldn't hide you from our wrath if we decide to take revenge. You've already absorbed more than half of it, give it back." The young lady tried to reason with Grey.

Grey decided to be shameless and acted like he couldn't hear a word she was saying. At this point, it had been around two minutes or so since he started absorbing the orb.

He had absorbed more than half of it and knew that as long as as he held on for two more minutes he would be able to completely absorb it. His only concern right now was that the more the robe was destroyed, the more heartache he felt. He would have to spend a lot to fix the armor, this was something he knew. Not just resources, but it would take a lot of effort from him as well.

The young lady started attacking again when he didn't say a word.

Grey's robe slowly started to fall apart and before long, his upper body was almost bare. Luckily, his scales were covering him up.

The young lady attacked even more aggressively as the light started to dim. Grey was almost done absorbing it. Once that happens, she might be in danger.

Since Grey could block most of her attacks without doing much, it meant that he is stronger than her.

The young lady attacked, but unfortunately, it was of no use. Grey's skin was too thick and she was unable to break through it.

"Phew..... I thought it would never finish." Grey finally spoke, heaving a long sigh.

The young lady on the other hand who was on the verge of attacking him paused, Grey had finished absorbing the orb. Now, he could attack.

She gritted her teeth and said, "Do you know what you've done? My father won't forgive you."

"Do you think I'm afraid of your father?" Grey asked calmly.

The young lady looked at him, her fist tightly clenched.

"Pass on a few of the things you've learned to me. My father sacrificed a lot to get this." She pleaded.

"So you guys opened this place just for your own benefit?" Grey raised a brow, his tone amused.

The young lady looked to the side, not answering his question.

"Alright. I'll do as you want, besides, I'm the biggest winner here. Passing on the techniques I got from it isn't much of a big deal." Grey surprisingly agreed to pass the techniques to the young lady.

Of course the technique was the most important thing, but it was not the only thing in the orb. There was still a lot of essence that could accelerate one's cultivation speed.

The young lady's face showed gratitude since she didn't think Grey would actually pass on the techniques to her.

Unknown to her, Grey still hadn't gotten control over his essence yet, he was only being mysterious just to stop her from attacking. Actually, he's in a worse state compared to when she was attacking him. Presently, he couldn't even use his scales.

The young lady sat opposite him and he truly started to pass on the techniques to her. It wasn't a bad thing to do, after all. He was only using it to buy his life.

Chapter 1155 Leaving

Grey didn't hold back and passed on the techniques to the young lady. The young lady was elated as the techniques were being passed to her.

This method was actually faster than the previous method she was using. Although she didn't want to say it, it wasn't a bad thing Grey absorbed the orb. She might have had some use for the large and pure quantity of essence inside, but her main aim was these techniques.

While attacking Grey, she knew she wasn't a match for him if they fought head-on, hence her request for him to pass on the techniques to him.

Grey was taking his time, glancing through the techniques as he passed them on to the young lady. There were quite a few he was interested in learning in a short time, like one that had to do with constructs. The light element is a wondrous element, these constructs, according to the description of the techniques, seemed to have some sort of consciousness. Of course, not on the level of humans nor al Beasts, but close to that of Elemental Warriors.

The creator of the technique studied how Elemental Warriors were made and gained the inspiration from there to create this technique. These constructs could be used to do menial jobs in the house and also used to fight if needed. They are quite powerful, but their strength largely depends on the strength of the Elementalist who creates them.

One advantage it has over Elemental Warriors is that it could stay active for a far longer time. Unfortunately, it requires a large amount of light elemental essence to sustain itself. There is no way for it to absorb the light essence on its own, so the Elementalist acts as the bridge.

A reserve for elemental essence can be created inside the construct, this way, the Elementalist would not have to constantly feed it.

There were a few more attacking techniques amongst them.

Thirty minutes later.

"That's all, I'm leaving now." Grey still had his mask on. Although his clothes were partially destroyed, he made sure to always keep his face hidden.

He already had enough enemies, adding the Heavenly Fate Faction to it wouldn't be a good thing for him.

"Wait, who are you?" The young lady asked, trying to take a peek at Grey's face.

Grey didn't respond and vanished from the room instantly. He sensed the young lady was preparing a light element attack to break his mask. That was too much of a risk for him.

With Grey's disappearance, the young lady was the only one left in the room. She couldn't help but heave a sigh. Honestly, she was freaked out when Grey appeared, it was even more so when Grey started to absorb the entire orb in front of her and there was nothing she could do about it.

The pressure of bringing back these techniques was huge and her father entrusted her with the job. Luckily, Grey wasn't too unreasonable and decided to pass on the techniques to her. Even if he kept some to himself, at least, she got well over thirty techniques which is already above their estimations.

"I wonder what his identity is." She muttered to herself before heading towards the door.

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Grey appeared in another room, gasping heavily for breath. He had been pretending all this while. His injuries were not healed yet, and he could barely use his elements. His willpower was the only reason he was able to pass on the techniques to the young lady and even use the space element to leave the area. Now that he was no longer in the same place as the young lady, he fell to the ground, sitting down, drained.

Void and the bunny leader were in this room. When they saw Grey's appearance, they didn't bother with him and went on with their work.

Void was trying to take a shiny pearl. Grey only caught a small view of it but he knew it wasn't just shiny, it was most likely a powerful treasure. The bunny leader had its eyes on just one thing, a fruit that looked like a pumpkin.

There wasn't anything of interest in the room other than those two things. Well, there might have been some things, but since Void and the bunny leader are there, they must have ransacked the place.

Grey focused all his energy on trying to recover his energy while Void and the bunny leader continued what they were doing.

A few more minutes went by and Grey's eyes snapped open... someone was coming.

Grey's eyes darted to the duo who were already done with the place. Only the young lady had managed to pass through the array so he knew she was the one venturing inside.

He didn't want to have any more encounters with her, so he left.

"Is there anything else you two need?"

The duo shook their heads. They could also tell that someone was coming and from Grey's question, he wanted to leave this place as soon as possible.

Grey motioned for them to come close, "Let's leave then. I can't use the space element right now, I'll have to depend on you two."

Void didn't waste any time and sat on Grey's shoulder, leaving the place with him and the bunny leader.

The moment Grey and the duo vanished, the young lady opened the door. Seeing the place, she knew Grey must have been here and must have taken the treasures kept here.

"Greedy." She muttered through gritted teeth before turning around.

This was most likely the last place that had anything worth taking from this place but Grey not only took the orb from her, he even took the other things that were of value in the place, leaving her with nothing but useless things.

She shook her head and decided it was time to leave. They had been in this place for a while now and according to what was said, they shouldn't spend too long in this place.

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Outside the building.

The young man who was still trying to get through the array seemed to sense something and looked into the distance, in the direction Grey and his friends headed when they left. He was about to head over out of curiosity but the young lady walked out of the building, shifting his attention to her.

Looking at her, he snorted coldly before asking, "I hope you got it?"

The young lady gave him a glance but didn't respond to his question, rather, she looked in the same direction the young man was previously looking at with an odd expression.

"Could he be there?" She murmured, turning her attention back to the others, she said, "We better get going, there's nothing left for us here."

"We brought people from all over the world to this place yet we aren't even as fortunate as them to gain any reward." The young man from before commented coldly.

As odd as it sounded, they barely got anything to show for this journey. In fact, if not for the techniques the young lady acquired, this would've been a terrible expedition for them and a great loss for the Faction since they lost a few young geniuses while coming here.

"We had a mission, since it has been achieved, we should leave." The young lady's voice became cold before she asked, "Are you planning on defying the mission of the Faction Leader?"

"I wouldn't dare." The young man replied and stopped talking. Even though his frustration was evident on his face, he knew better than to speak against the leader of the Heavenly Fate Faction.

The group from the Heavenly Fate Faction left after this.

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When Grey reappeared, the others could see the tiredness in his eyes. They couldn't help but wonder what he experienced in there. However, other than tiredness, they could also see excitement, it was clear he got something good from the place.

"Do you need to rest, or should we get going?" Alice asked after some minutes of silence.

"I can't move carelessly in this state, I'll need to recover some of my strength." Grey shook his head. After a few seconds he added, "Oh, I got something for you and Rey."

"What's that?" Reynolds asked curiously. He knew whatever Grey had acquired, it would definitely be of great benefit to them.

"I obtained a large amount of elemental essence there. I'm in no hurry to boost my cultivation stage as of now, so I think it will be best if you two..." Grey paused at this moment, his eyes moved to Kyle who was standing there too. Kyle hadn't broken through to the Elemental Venerable Plane as well, he then added, " Kyle you can join in as well, it should be enough for the three of you."

Kyle expressed his gratitude to Grey when he heard Grey offering him part of the benefits.

Gilbert couldn't help but look at Grey, stunned by his actions. Most people in Grey's situation would want to use the essence for themselves, but he was willing to give it to his friends.

Chapter 1156 Heading Further Into The Building

Grey, Alice, Reynolds, and Kyle opened their eyes almost simultaneously. Grey couldn't help but look at them with a smile. Not just him, the others were also staring at the trio.

Gilbert was still stunned by Grey's generosity towards his friends. The fact that someone could do something like this was still a shock to him. Comparing himself and Grey, he knew he was not on the same wavelength as Grey.

"Congratulations, you've successfully entered the Elemental Venerable Plane." Grey said with a smile.

"It's all thanks to you Grey, thank you." Kyle said with respect. He had traveled with the group for a short time, so, just like the few present who hadn't spent too long with Grey, he wasn't too clear on his personality.

"It's nothing." Grey nodded before looking at those present, "We better get going. I don't think my trip back would be peaceful, anyone want to join me?"

"Will someone try to kill us too?" Kluas asked.

"You're with me, of course they would want to kill you." Grey grinned.

"Great..." Klaus' face fell, a few seconds later, a wide grin appeared on his face, "How can life be exciting without having someone try to kill you? Count me in."

Gilbert couldn't help but look at Klaus. When Klaus asked if people would try to kill them, he felt Klaus wouldn't want to partake in such a dangerous journey. Who would've thought Klaus was just as crazy as Grey. Thinking of it, the first time he met the group, they were trying to raid a necromancers camp, he didn't expect less from people like them.

Alice and Reynolds had no issues with traveling with Grey, nor did Ellis. Kyle and Gilbert were the only ones left to make a decision if they wanted to travel with them or not.

Kyle agreed, after all, Grey helped him break through to the Elemental Venerable Plane, this was the least he could do for him.

Gilbert decided to follow them for the thrill of it. Although he didn't want to put himself in any danger for others, Grey allowed him to take the item back for his father, so he at least owed Grey.

With everyone on the same page, the group set off on their return journey.

After getting the ultimate treasure in this place, the path to leave naturally opened up to everyone present.

The group left the place with ease. They didn't appear in any other place than the building they used in entering the place. Now, not just the thrones were present, there was also a path that led further into the building.

Grey had always thought there was something else inside the building other than this secret space.

"Should we head in or go back?" He asked the group.

He naturally wanted to go in, but he knew he couldn't make the decision for others so he asked first. If all of them disagreed, he would leave with them.

Klaus agreed, and so did Alice and Reynolds. Grey didn't bother about Void and the bunny leader since they would go wherever he went.

Gilbert agreed to go too, but Ellis didn't go with them. He came here with a young lady, and the young lady didn't enter the secret realm with them, or maybe she did but he didn't encounter her nor did the others since he had already asked them. So he opted to wait outside for her.

Grey didn't have any problems with that since he would've done the same if he was in his position.

The group left, leaving Ellis alone in the building.

When they walked the path, there was nothing in sight other than the long hallway.

"What if there's nothing special here?" Reynolds asked.

"We will leave. There's no need to waste time." Klaus replied matter-of-factly.

"No need wishing us bad, let's see if we can get anything good from this place. There's no way you can tell me there's nothing good in this place." Grey said.

Reynolds shrugged, not bothered with what Grey said.

"Oh, and if you see anyone from the Syphilis Faction, you know what to do." Grey added.

The others smiled, Klaus in particular. He was annoyed by the fact that he was chased by them. Being a very vengeful person, he didn't mind fighting with the entire Syphilis Faction, well, those within his power level, anyone above his level, he didn't have any enmity with them.

The group continued walking into the place, and they soon got to the end and saw a door.

Klaus was originally the one in front, but then he paused and took a glance at Grey, "Open it."

Grey darted him a glance, and Klaus gave a harmless smile.

'I'm not as strong as you, why should I be the one in front?' Klaus thought internally, looking at Grey in disdain for putting his friend in danger.

Grey couldn't be bothered with Klaus and walked forward, thinking about it, he looked at Reynolds, "Why don't you send your Elemental Warrior to do it?"

Although he wasn't scared, he hadn't completely recovered from the battle with the girl from the Heavenly Fate Faction. It can't really be called a fight, it was more like a beating.

Reynolds chuckled and sent his Elemental Warrior to open the door. The moment the door opened up, the others who were on guard looked at it curiously, they heaved a sigh when they didn't sense any form of attack, but the second the Elemental Warrior took a step past the door, a loud explosion rang out.

Grey's expression turned dark and he couldn't help but look at Klaus.

"How would I know it's dangerous? Did I set up anything in my previous life?" Klaus asked with a snort.

Grey didn't say anything and only watched on. The power of the attack was within the range of what the Elemental Warrior could handle, so he didn't feel too bad.

The explosion soon died down and the group looked inside the room, there were a few people who were staring at the door. When they first saw the Elemental Warrior, they were taken aback, only after seeing the group behind did they understand what happened.

There were about fifteen people inside and Grey was only familiar with one of them, Conor from the Dawson Family.

"Grey, you made it here." Conor said with a smile.

Grey walked over, "Naturally. How long have you been here?"

He was looking around and didn't find anything of interest. There were a few items that were sealed, but compared to what he had collected, these didn't seem to matter much.

"Not more than thirty minutes I think." Conor replied, looking at Grey's group, he said, "There are a few things of value here, want any?"

A few of the people present were from the Dawson Family and they have all heard of Lucas Dawson's famous genius son. According to what they know, even the Gnome race were trying to kill him, this shows just how powerful he is and how much of a threat the Gnome race sees him.

Some of them didn't get a good look at him when they just entered the place, so now some of them were studying him. The fact that he was in the Second stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane was something they didn't think too highly of. If Grey had been in the Fourth or Fifth stage, they would've respected him, but they were basically in the same stage, why would they show a large respect for someone in the same stage, if not for the fact that he was the son of the legendary Lucas Dawson, they would've even spare him a glance.

Grey didn't bother with them and focused his attention on the things around, he looked at those behind him and none of them was showing any interest in any of the things.

"You can have them, we will see if we can keep going." Grey replied.

Those behind Conor heaved a sigh. Grey's status in the Family should be even higher than that of Conor since he is the son of Lucas.

"That should be the way to get past here, but I'm not too sure on how to get past it." Conor pointed at a large seal.

Grey studied the seal for some time, "Alright, thank you."

He headed over with his friends after thanking Conor. The seal wasn't as powerful as the array he had to get past before taking the inheritance a few hours ago. With enough time, he would be able to handle it.

Grey got to work as soon as he got there, first he studied the seal to figure out the best way to crack it, just as he was about to start, he heard the door open and this time, the force of the attack was stronger than what they experienced.

The person behind the door managed to block the attack and appeared before Grey. It was none other than the young lady from the Nether Faction.

"I see." He muttered.

The attack that is unleashed by the defense mechanism on the door depends on strength of the person entering.

Chapter 1157 A New Opponent

The young lady from the Nether Faction looked around after the attack died down, when she saw Grey's group, she didn't attack as Grey thought, instead, she slowly observed the others in the place. She was not alone, there were three people with her, but in terms of overall strength, she knew her group was inferior to Grey's.

Grey also didn't bother with her since he didn't see any reason to get into a battle with her now. He immediately got to work with the seal. The seal would close automatically after creating an opening, so Grey wasn't bothered that others would benefit from his hard work.

Before long, he cracked it, opening it for his group, he turned to Conor, "Are you coming?"

Conor thought about it, he could sense that something was going on with Grey and the group of four who just entered the place. He looked at the others from the Dawson Family and they all showed excited expressions. Since that place was sealed off, it meant it had things that were superior to the ones that were in this place.

Conor nodded after seeing how eager the others were to get in. The son of the current Family Head was not present, if not, he might not have agreed to getting Grey's help.

The group from the Dawson Family stepped in, Grey threw a glance at the young lady before walking past the seal. The moment Grey walked past, one of the people Grey met there moved with lightning speed, trying to get into the small opening that was left since the opening was closing. Just when he was about to step in, a pale blue fireball exploded in front of his face, pushing him back.

"Ah..." The young man yelled, not expecting an attack to suddenly come, he was hit unprepared.

The young lady from the Nether Faction heaved a sigh of relief, she was very familiar with those pale blue flames of Grey.

"A cunning fellow, it's best we don't have any more encounters with him." She muttered.

Unlike most of the people she had crossed paths with, Grey didn't rely on his superior abilities, he has a variety of ways to sort out each problem and he seems to almost always come out on top. This was a figure she would rather not make an enemy of since Grey held back from attacking her, then she would stop attacking him.

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Grey and his group appeared in another hallway, and unlike the previous one, there were multiple doors this time. Everyone headed to try out different doors, hoping they could find something good.

Grey took Void and the bunny leader and walked further into the hallway. The duo were great with treasures, so he was sure the best things would be located by the duo. And his instincts weren't wrong, after walking past about thirty doors, Void and the bunny leader showed some reactions and darted for a brownish door that the wood seems to be decaying.

When Grey got there, he was shocked by the state of the door. It was the only one in this condition, the others were in great condition.

"The decay power of the darkness element." He muttered after touching the door. He could sense that there used to be a seal on it, but it had been corroded to the extent of not being able to function any longer.

Grey opened the door and stepped in, the first thing he saw were two dried up corpses on the ground.

"Stay sharp, there might be danger up ahead." He warned Void and the bunny leader.

It hadn't been more than an hour since these people died, and thinking of the fact that they managed to get past the seal showed that they were top geniuses even among geniuses yet they had died in this place, and it seems to be in the hands of the same person.

The room was quite large and there was another door on the side, Grey looked around but didn't find anything of value.

"The person who killed them must have taken the things."

They turned their attention to the other door which was in the same condition as the one they used in entering this place.

He didn't speak much, preparing himself for a potentially dangerous battle forthcoming.

When he opened the door, he saw a familiar figure. It was a little girl who was surrounded by five people in black cloaks. He recalled seeing this girl while they were in the secret realm, but at that time she was leaving the stage he appeared in.

"I thought you would never come." The little girl giggled when she saw Grey.

"Necromancer?" Grey asked a straightforward question.

"What do you think?" The girl asked.

"You're here for me?" Grey asked another question.

The girl's reply was the same as the first time, "What do you think?"

Grey didn't ask anymore questions and studied the figures covered in cloaks standing around the girl. They were standing in a particularly odd formation which made Grey a bit apprehensive.

"Kill him." The little girl said casually.

The five figures covered in cloaks didn't say anything and attacked Grey immediately.

Grey was already prepared for an attack from them, sensing their cultivation stages, he heaved a sigh of relief. They were all in the Third stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane. Although it wouldn't be easy to deal with them, especially when he didn't know how they fought, he knew he at least stood a chance against them.

The five cloaked figures surrounded Grey and all sent out black palms.

When Grey sensed the threat of the astonishing level of decay in their palms, he was slightly frightened. He knew not to allow these palms to touch him, even if he had increased the usage of his light element, it would be had to fend off against all five of them at the same time.

His armor had slightly recovered thanks to him feeding it with some of the essence he got from the orb. Using the armor and his Dragon scales, he blocked the palms, he held onto one of the palms and dragged the person close to him, releasing a punch on the chest of the figure.

The figure was sent flying, disrupting the formation of the group. Grey noticed the cultivation stage of each of them dropped by a stage, going to the Second stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

"No wonder! Such a nice array!" He couldn't help but praise. Being an array fanatic, he was intrigued at how they managed to do this. He knew of arrays that could increase the power of an individual if multiple people use it, but he wasn't too familiar with one that would collectively increase the strength of everyone on the formation.

The girl looked on with intrigue, not showing any signs of being worried.

'Void, keep an eye on her.'

Grey didn't allow Void to fight now, he was hoping to keep him a secret weapon that would help him in case things went south. Given how calm the girl was, he knew she wasn't afraid in the least bit.

The other four figures didn't bother about the one sent flying, they each started to attack with the darkness element.

Grey blocked the attacks but was pushed back. When he saw that the cloaked figure he sent flying was heading back to the formation, he vanished and appeared close to the figure, striking out another powerful punch.

The figure didn't take the blow without doing anything like the last time. Seeing the fist coming, the figure raised an arm and blocked the fist.

Grey imbued the fire element in his fist, so when the blow connected, the cloak on the figure's arm caught fire and Grey saw a black hand beneath the burnt cloak.

"What are you?" Grey couldn't help but ask.

The hand was stronger than that of a normal Elementalist, and it made Grey think otherwise. However, compared to the usual puppets he fought against, there wasn't any form of darkness controlling them.

Grey had tried to break the connection of the girl and these puppets. He originally felt they were puppets after confirming the girl was a necromancer, but he was disappointed when he couldn't.

He tried to look into the face of the figure but the cloak covered it completely and all he could see was unending darkness.

He opened his mouth and spat out a stream of fire. Since he was the same height as the figure, he aimed it at the face.

The figure tried to retreat but Grey held on and didn't let go.

The flames destroyed the cloak covering the figure's face and Grey was met with something he had never seen before.

He didn't know if the person was alive or dead, but all he could see was a hairless black face with glowing golden eyes that looked like golden flames.

Chapter 1158 Not Like Necromancers

"This is different from the previous ones, are they alive?" Grey turned his attention to the girl, holding the figure by the throat and lifting it up.

He was able to easily block it from using any form of elemental attack and he had superior physical strength. The figure struggled but couldn't escape from Grey's grasp.

The girl looked at Grey, an amused smile on her face and said, "You're physically strong, stronger than most Elementalists in the Early stages of the Elemental Venerable Plane."

"That doesn't answer my question, what are they?" Grey's eyes turned cold.

The young lady smiled from ear to ear and replied, "Open it and find out."

The other four figures were charging in Grey's direction at this moment, just as they were about to get close, Grey tossed the figure he was holding at one of them, taking the two of them out.

With two figures out of the formation, the strength of the other three dropped once again. This time, it didn't leave the Second stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane, but it was clear to see that they were not the same way as they previously were.

Grey took a step forward and exploded out with insane speed. His speed was out of this world. Before the figure he targeted could react, Grey was already standing in front of it and attacked with a fireball.

He turned to the next one and sent out a blizzard that froze it, leaving just one.

The girl still didn't show any signs of panic, she just watched as Grey was able to easily deal with all five figures.

As the battle progressed, Grey was able to quickly incapacitate three of them; he didn't destroy them, but found a way to seal them. Although he didn't want to show his light element out, he subtly used it with the help of an array.

The girl didn't sense anything like the light element as she watched on.

Five minutes later, all five figures were unmoving, sealed with both an array and ice.

"To think you could incapacitate them." The girl commented and looked at the figures on the ground, a bit disappointed.

"They were not a problem." Grey looked at the sealed figures before turning to the girl, "Who are you?"

"Since you defeated them, I'll let you in on that information. Besides, it's not like it will be of any use to you anyway." The girl chuckled before adding, "I'm more like a hitman. When people have problems they need help with solving, they call me. You're wanted dead or alive, preferably dead, and I'm here for the job."

"No hard feelings, I really need the rewards placed on your head."

Grey frowned, he knew with what the Gnomes placed on his head, he would have a lot of people try to kill him, "You seem confident, I've dealt with your toys, do you think I can't deal with you too?"

"They're not done yet." The girl pointed at one of the figures that was not sealed in ice.

The figure started to melt right before Grey's eyes, in the blink of an eye, it vanished like it was never there. Not just that one, but two other figures did the same.

Of the five figures, three were nowhere to be seen, leaving just two that were sealed in ice.

Grey didn't speak immediately and observed the two.

Crack...

The ice sealing the two figures started to crack open and with a bang, it exploded, freeing the two figures.

Grey's eyes turned sharp when he realized that the strength of the two figures had gone to the Fourth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane. This time, there was no help from any formation, it was their personal strength.

"Nice trick, but it will not be enough." Grey's figure blurred and he appeared beside one of them, just as he was about to attack, the figure reacted faster than he expected, managing to block the attack.

The figure was pushed back, but the impact of Grey's attack didn't affect it much.

Grey didn't stop after this, he immediately vanished, going after the second one. The place he was supposed to appear exploded from the fist strike of the figure and Grey's figure appeared from the void, his face was slightly dark. He barely dodged the attack, if not for his quick reaction, he would've been hit by the attack.

The girl laughed when she saw Grey's expression, "Did you think they are like before?" She scoffed, "They are stronger, faster, highly sensitive. I don't believe you currently have a superior physique to theirs at the moment."

Grey's eyes were cold, he snorted but didn't say anything to the girl. He was not a hundred percent yet, even though he had recovered, he still needed a few more hours or possibly days to completely recover. Having a battle this intense would do him no good. Unfortunately, there was nothing he could do about it.

He straightened his back and his eyes turned sharp.

'Seems like if they are destroyed, their power would be transferred to the ones still alive. No wonder she wanted me to break them to check how they were made.' Grey came to a realization of what was happening and knew things would most likely get worse for him.

His only hope of not being too stressed out right now was if he could successfully destroy the two at almost the same time. He didn't know if destroying the two at the same time might work, so he wanted to give the other one at least a second before he would destroy it. This would give it the time to start receiving the power from the destroyed one.

The two figures attacked Grey simultaneously, each creating balls made from the darkness element. Black tendrils sprouted out from the ground, heading in Grey's direction.

Grey used his fire element to cut them before blocking the darkness balls, while also attacking them with a lightning strike at the same time.

He unleashes his lightning domain on them and charged into it, covered in lightning, he looked like a god of lightning.

The two figures were being attacked by the lightning domain, but they still fought against Grey.

Bam! Bang!

Sparks flew everywhere as Grey engaged in a close combat with them.

The girl was astounded by Grey's seemingly insurmountable physical strength. Even with the increase the figures got, they were still unable to overpower Grey when it came to physical battles.

If not for the fact that there was two of them, Grey would've been able to deal with one of them with just his physique alone.

'If I can get his corpse, I should be able to create an undying monster!' The girl started to shake from the excitement. Just the thought of having a weapon like Grey made her exhilarated.

She didn't think Grey would be able to survive this, in her books, he was as good as dead. There was no one she had tried to kill that managed to survive. All her previous targets were dead and the special ones were turned into these things. Her method is different from necromancers, hence the reason Grey was unable to sense any form of darkness controlling them.

These five figures were genuinely Darkness Elementalist, extremely powerful Darkness Elementalist while still alive. But now, they are nothing more than a mere weapon to the girl.

Grey fought ferociously with the duo and his lightning domain slowly started to fade away. Maintaining it for too long is not something he could do at the moment, and he also wanted to switch.

The figures were still fighting when a bone-chilling cold spread across the place. After Grey's trip in the secret realm, his ice ability had increased by a lot, adding his freezing flame to it, it was a powerful combination.

Ice started to show signs on the body of the two figures, but they used the darkness element to stop it.

Grey switched to the water element, making it harder for the duo to fight against the cold. Their bodies started to freeze at a quicker pace.

The girl saw this from the outside and frowned but she didn't make any movements. She stayed in the same position, watching on.

Grey drew close to one of them, and just as he was about to punch it, the freezing cold got stronger there, and the figure started to freeze up faster.

The other figure was heading in the direction Grey was, hoping to stop Grey. It was just about to attack when the flames in its eyes died out. It was almost instantaneous.

Grey appeared behind it with a sword, piercing it into its skull, killing it. Immediately after killing this one, Grey rushed back to where the other frozen figure was and punched at it.

It had already turned into an ice statue, as the glow on its eyes was starting to get brighter, Grey destroyed it.

Chapter 1159 I Made Some Tweaks To It

The girl looked at Grey with an incredulous gaze, not expecting him to figure it out so quickly. If Grey had given the other figure one more second, it would've had time to react since its strength increased by two more stages, taking it to the Sixth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

No matter how powerful Grey was, there was no way he would be able to deal with a Sixth stage Elemental Venerable unscathed.

From Grey's current appearance, it was easy to see that he was a bit stressed from the battle, but he was able to win in the end which was all that mattered.

"What will you do now?" Grey turned to the girl with a calm expression.

"You don't think they were my only toys, do you?" The girl smiled.

Grey didn't say anything, preparing for what might come next. However, nothing else appeared. He couldn't help but look at the girl, foreboding something stronger was going to appear.

The girl laughed when she saw Grey's expectant gaze, "Haha, actually, those are my strongest toys, but not my strongest form of attack. I was only buying time to absorb the power back."

The girl who didn't seem to have any aura of an Elementalist suddenly exploded. She was quite small, not up to four feet tall, yet her small body suddenly seemed to amass unimaginable strength, shocking Grey.

Grey never expected the little girl would be the one to get all the strength after the toys were broken. With what he had experienced from destroying them, they seemed to be able to increase the strength of the next user by at least one stage or more.

If the little girl's strength went above the Sixth stage, Grey would be in a whole lot of trouble. Fighting against someone like this wouldn't have put any pressure on him previously, but that was because he still had access to the Fusion State. Now, he couldn't use the Fusion State, although he had learned more powerful attacks, he was still not on the level when he could climb five stages.

'Void, get ready to join the fight.' He didn't dare to overestimate himself, he knew his limits.

Void nodded, prepared to fight. Compared to Grey, he was a bit stronger, well, not entirely, but he could fight against Grey on his own.

The bunny leader wasn't invited to this battle, first off, it didn't like fighting and relied heavily on those around him. Not just that, but it was still in the Early stages of the Seventh Rank, unlike Void who had gotten to the Mid stages.

The aura of the little girl got to the Sixth stage, and just as it was about to go past the Sixth stage, Grey noticed she stopped it. Only then did he recall about the restrictions in this place, as long as the little girl got past the Sixth stage, then she would be attacked by the huge array in this place.

"I see, you can't go past the Sixth stage." He commented.

"It doesn't matter, I can still deal with you in this state, it's nothing much." The girl replied nonchalantly.

Grey smiled but didn't say anything else. The little girl was pretty confident in her abilities, and he knew he couldn't underestimate her.

The moment the girl said this, she made her move. Her body was covered with a tornado and a powerful gust appeared in the room. Even though the room was quite big, the gust seemed to be able to destroy everything present.

The destructive wind came with powerful wind blades that flew everywhere, cutting down everything in their path.

Grey created an ice dome, protecting himself from the wind blades. The ice dome soon started to show signs of cracks. Seeing this, Grey's figure was covered with ice armor and he charged out like a warrior, he attacked the little girl with the fire element.

The little girl stretched her hand and a powerful breeze blew the fire attack away. It crashed into the wall, leaving only a mark on it.

Grey tried to use the space element to attack her, but the little girl sensed it and moved from the location, dodging the spatial slash.

The little girl opened her arm and a black orb floated out, it shot at Grey with shocking speed.

Grey reacted abruptly, blocking it with an ice wall, but the wall couldn't stand the attack and crumbled to the ground. But it managed to stop it for a second, giving Grey the opportunity he needed to escape with the space element.

When he appeared, the girl attacked once again. This time, she sent out an arrow made with the light element.

The speed of this attack was far more than what Grey could handle at the moment, he fortified all his defenses and took the attack.

Boom!

Grey's figure was sent flying by the impact of the attack. He was stunned that the girl had both the light and darkness elements. It was a rare combination.

Seeing Grey's look, the girl smiled with a proud expression, "I can use as many as five elements. I heard you also have a good variety as well."

Grey didn't say anything, he had used four elements already, and to be honest, he wasn't too confident in defeating this girl. If he showed more elements, he might be in trouble. At most, he can still show his earth element, but that was the most he could do.

He looked at the girl with a serious expression and muttered to himself with a sigh, "This will be tough."

The girl seemed to hear it and burst out laughing, her cute voice didn't seem as pleasant as it was supposed to sound since she was trying to kill Grey.

A large wind blade struck Grey's position, but he managed to dodge it by a hair's breadth, attacking with the fusion orb. He didn't have the time to tweak it.

The normal fusion orb was quite powerful. The girl who had always had a calm expression all this while couldn't help but take another glance at Grey.

She threw another black orb made from the darkness element at it. The two collided and a powerful explosion rang out, rocking the room.

Grey and the girl stood on opposite sides, looking at each other. They protected themselves from the impact of the explosion, else they would've been injured from it.

"What secrets does your body hold? That attack is not something I've seen before." The girl's eyes narrowed to a slit as she asked.

Grey couldn't be bothered to answer her, he was thinking of ways to either defeat her or call for help. Ellis was in the Fifth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane, with his help, he had confidence in defeating the girl.

The young lady saw Grey's eyes and knew he was most likely thinking of a way to get help, "You can get any help here. I've sealed up the place. For some reason, I was a hundred percent certain you would come here."

The girl attacked again after saying this.

Grey didn't hold back and attacked immediately as well. The duo started exchanging attacks, this time, they were more ferocious. It was almost as if both had come to terms that only one of them could leave this place alive.

A few minutes went by in a flash.

On one side, there was a small figure who was overwhelming a figure bigger than her. Grey's figure was sent flying on so many occasions he lost count.

The armor was starting to show signs of falling apart, Grey was slightly bleeding, but his eyes were still fierce. The girl was only slightly better than Grey, but she was still bleeding, and a slash could be seen in her left shoulder, running down to her lower back.

They separated once again, each catching their breaths. The girl had an excited look on her face as blood ran down her left arm.

"It's been a few years since I last saw my blood. I'll kill you slowly for this." She said with cold eyes.

"You will not be able to, unfortunately." Grey's reply was calm.

"There's a clear gap in our strength, why are you still so confident? Do you think whatever talisman you have with you can work? I told you, I already sealed off this area, there is no escaping from you. I've never lost a target before." The girl said coldly.

"Haha, you call that a seal? I already sensed it from the moment I stepped into this place. I even made a few tweaks to it, I'm just waiting for my friend." Grey laughed, while laughing, the door opened and three figures walked in, "Would you look at that, right on time."

Grey cracked his neck and knuckles before asking with a smile, "Now, where were we again? Oh right, killing you."

The eyes of the girl widened, shocked by Grey's words which were true since she was unable to sense the arrival of the three people who just entered the place.

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"How did you do it?" The girl asked a bit hysterical.

She had been monitoring Grey's movement since Grey stepped into the first room, yet she never sensed it when he altered the array.

"While we were fighting. I already knew you would sense it if you weren't distracted, so I walked in here as if I was oblivious to it." Grey chuckled, "Since you're an assassin then you should be aware of my profile, right?"

The girl looked at him, unable to speak. She did read about his profile, but this array was an ancient array she stumbled upon while on a mission. Even her seniors in the Elemental Sovereign Plane were baffled by the array, yet Grey not only managed to sense it quickly, but he could also alter it to his advantage in such a short time.

"Impossible! Where did you get the array? Speak!" She didn't believe Grey didn't know of the array.

Grey chuckled but didn't say anything. He only managed to be aware of the array thanks to the inheritance he got from this place. Although there were not too many arrays in the inheritance, there were a few, and luckily, this one was part of it. If not for that, he would've been stumped.

Of all the arrays he had seen, this was the most complex one, even the array he had to get through to collect the inheritance wasn't as complex as this one. Even if he might have been able to break the array on his own, it would've taken him at least an hour, that was enough time for the girl to complete her mission.

He couldn't help but thank the stars he was greedy and took the inheritance from the young lady from the Heavenly Fate Faction.

Ellis, Klaus, and Reynolds were the trio who came to his aid. They were the ones closest to him, so they rushed over when they received his distress signal. Grey couldn't blatantly open this area and make others hear the sound of the battle, so he had to be very subtle with it.

"Since my friends are here, it's time to end this." Grey attacked the moment he finished speaking. He wasn't in the mood to continue speaking with the girl, who knew if she was planning something else and only wanted to delay them?

Ellis and Klaus attacked together.

Reynolds summoned his Elemental Warrior and merged with it, increasing his strength to the Third stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane before attacking.

The girl tried to fight them off, but with the group fighting together, she was having a difficult time. One has to know that each of them were geniuses when it came to fighting in their own rights, fighting together against a single opponent was just overkill.

The girl managed to send Klaus flying, but Ellis attacked at the same time, hitting her from behind. She turned to block that attack, but a large blade made from pale blue flames struck down from above.

She dodged the blade, blocking Ellis' attack as well, but she was forced to take on Reynolds' lightning spear that pierced through her shoulder thanks to her quick reaction.

Reynolds aimed for her heart, but she was able to dodge it.

Grey attacked once again, striking with a lightning bolt, aiming for the head of the girl. Reynolds attacked too, aiming for her legs. Ellis was less vicious but more cunning. His attack blocked any thought of escape the girl had. There was no way she could dodge the attack of both Grey and Reynolds and face his.

Of the four, Ellis was the strongest, although Grey had the highest attack power, that was if the fusion orb is brought into the picture. Without the fusion orb, his next thing was his physical strength, but it was a tad below Ellis' attack.

While the girl was thinking of what to do. She saw a small flash, before she could even react, a thin needle had pierced the injury on her shoulder.

She felt a frightening cold spread across her entire body and for a quarter of a second, she froze.

Klaus' ice ability was almost second to none, the technique Grey gave to him made him even more deadly.

Flames rose in the body of the girl, covering her in a dome.

Grey and Reynolds' attack hit the fire dome and it fell apart.

The girl appeared before them once again, she was shivering slightly, it was clear she hasn't been able to deal with the ice in her body.

"Little girl, don't fight it, it will only get worse." Klaus snickered then looked at Grey in disdain, as if saying, 'You're being bullied by such a small girl.'

Grey could care less about Klaus' look, he attacked right away.

"She's dangerous, don't give her any chance to react."

Klaus and Reynolds attacked simultaneously, this was the first time they were fighting someone and Grey was actively telling them the person is dangerous. They've seen how powerful she was, but they didn't know if she was as dangerous as Grey was making her seem to be.

Ellis was making sure it was impossible for the girl to leave that area, keeping her contained.

Seeing Klaus' ice ability, he was a bit stunned. He was also a Water Elementalist and even had a higher cultivation stage than Klaus, but he wasn't confident in being able to use his ice ability to cause too much of a problem for the girl.

'They are all geniuses.' He sighed internally.

There was nothing else to say, each of Grey's friends were freakish people.

He used his domain to create a large water dome, keeping everyone inside.

Void was watching the battle from the side, still refusing to step in. With four people, there was no need for him to fight too, given his usual personality, he opted to watch.

The girl fought hard against Grey, Reynolds, and Klaus, but she was not getting the upper hand. In fact, she was completely overwhelmed.

The reason it was this difficult for her was due to Ellis' devious methods. Had he joined in on the battle, she would've gotten the opportunity to at least give the trio some space, but now, whenever she tried to move out of their attack range, she would be faced with a powerful attack from Ellis, and while defending it, Grey, Klaus, and Reynolds would evilly attack her from behind, making her injuries grow.

Boom!

Grey's attack hit her back and sent her flying, while she was still in the air, an ice hammer struck her towards the ground, the ice hammer was covered in lightning, a combined attack from Klaus and Reynolds.

Bang!

She slammed into the ground, spitting out a mouthful of blood. Her body was riddled with injuries at this time, her eyes red.

"Aren't you people ashamed?! Attacking a small girl!" She couldn't help but scream.

"We are a bunch of shameless guys, using our superior numbers to beat you up, what can you do about it?" Klaus said shamelessly.

Grey looked at this side, trying to remove himself from what Klaus said.

"What are you doing? Weren't you the one who called us over? You even wanted everyone to come."
Klaus looked at Grey in contempt.

Grey shrugged, he looked at the girl with an indifferent eye, "I don't allow people who want to kill me to live. Although it seems cruel, it's the reality of things. Since you want to kill me, then you should be prepared to die too."

The girl looked at Grey with her red eyes, to be honest, she didn't want to die, she wasn't prepared for that yet.

"I'm the one who kills people, not the other way around." She muttered.

"Sorry sweetheart, but life doesn't always go as we plan it." Klaus attacked, even before Grey did.

The girl was already almost unable to put up any form of defense against them.

Just as Klaus' attack was about to hit her, her figure blinked and she vanished.

"F*ck! She said she had five elements." Grey exclaimed.

The girl was using only three elements while fighting with him, only after the others came did she add the fire element to it. He never thought the last element was the space element.

They suddenly heard a scream from the void and the girl appeared once again, spitting out more blood. Her left arm and leg was completely gone and blood were dripping from them.

"Good job, Void." Grey said as Void came out from the same spatial tunnel the girl came out from.

Void, who hadn't made a move all this while was the one who reacted first, not only stopping the girl from leaving, but fatally injuring her as well.

The girl looked at the small black cat in shock.

"If you had done your research, you would've known I have a very powerful cat with me, a Space Elementalist cat. Your lack of research is the cause of your death." Grey said calmly.