

Affinity 1221

Chapter 1221 Believe Me Now?

The golden robed man prepared to attack, but he wasn't facing the Lightning Elementalist Grey was attacking, rather, he was facing Grey.

"Don't be alarmed, this is a special method of attack known as mental attacks. It's the reason I was also able to see the phantom behind him." Grey explained to the golden robed man.

The golden robed man turned to the son of the Dawson Family Head, seemingly wanting some sort of confirmation from him. He could tell he was acquaintances with Grey, but they didn't seem to have a good relationship. If he confirmed that there was something like what Grey was speaking of, then he would not attack Grey, but if there wasn't, then he would attack Grey, and would also believe Grey was the one who brought the phantom.

After all, it was quite odd that he was the only one who could see this mysterious phantom. Besides, there was also the possibility that they had killed it from their last combined attack.

The son of the Dawson Family Head looked at Grey, then at the man and nodded at the golden robed man. Even though he was not a fan of Grey, it doesn't mean he would foolishly let a hidden danger go with them.

The phantom was something they could not see and if it were to attack them again while they were fighting, then they would be in serious trouble. As much as he wanted the golden robed man and Grey to fallout, he wasn't foolish enough to do that at his own peril.

When the golden robed man saw him nod, he looked at Grey again and said, "Unfreeze him."

Grey didn't argue with him and did as he was told.

The golden robed man was even more intrigued by Grey's abilities. With nothing but a lot, he literally made an Eighth stage Elemental Venerable defenseless. If he recalled correctly, Grey was a stage weaker than this man, and this man also had years of experience, yet he was like a small child before Grey. If the duo were to fight, it was easy to know who would win.

Just this mental attack was enough to incapacitate the man, much less Grey putting in more effort.

After unfreezing the man, Grey switched places with him once again, making sure the children of the golden robed man, and most importantly Cori wouldn't be hurt by the phantom. He was standing close to them from the start, he only changed places with the man to confirm something. Now that he had achieved his purpose, he didn't dare to delay any further, if not, they would be in danger of being killed with a single attack.

The golden robed man looked at the man, a bit conflicted, he asked, "Why did you attack my children?"

"I didn't. Why are you believing the words of these foreigners?" The man couldn't believe the man was telling him he was the cause of the phantom's attack.

Although he was frozen, he was still well aware of what was happening while in that frozen state.

"But he said the phantom is behind you." The golden robed man said.

"Did he prove it to you? He accused me and you believed just like that? Are you that naive? What if they are planning to reduce our manpower so they can keep everything for themselves! Never trust these foreigners!" The man asked a series of questions, speaking with a wronged tone.

From the perspective of others, the man was pained by the fact that the golden robed man believed the words of Grey and the others without even doubting it. He was even prepared to attack him, which was absurd from their point of view.

The golden robed man paused and looked at Grey.

Yes, he was acting a bit too quickly. I think you should take a look at

'I was a bit rash. The voice clearly said it recalled my smell from the last time. That should mean it sensed me then... but, what if it's all an act by the phantom. I mean, I did tell them I've been here before.'

He was conflicted, unsure of who to believe. On one side was a long time acquaintance, on the other hand were the untrustworthy foreigners. If he were asked to choose who to believe, he would pick the man without a doubt. But Grey saved his children, and he didn't feel Grey would do something like this.

From how Grey has acted all this while, he judged that he was not one who would act in such a manner.

He looked at Grey and said, "Prove it."

"Prove that the phantom is behind him."

"I'll not prove that it's behind him, but I'll prove that I can see it." Grey replied.

The golden robed man looked at Grey, a bit displeased.

"The phantom can move, remember?" Grey's next words cleared the doubts in the mind of the golden robed man and the others.

The phantom could indeed move from one place to another. It was proven the last time they fought it.

Grey looked at the man and said, "Protect them."

He couldn't leave Cori unprotected, he would rather not try to prove anything and leave immediately than to do so. Even with Void standing by, he didn't want to take any chances.

The golden robed man had no issues with that and covered them with his energy.

Grey walked forward and stared straight at the eyes of the phantom that was still behind the man. The phantom looked at him, and its face which was covered with a veil revealed a chilling smile. The teeth were damaged and each of them were not whole. *novelnext.com*

The phantom moved away from the man, flying high into the sky.

Grey sent out an attack, and just as the phantom was about to dodge it, a small snow storm started in that particular place, keeping it in check. Its movement slowed down and Grey's attack hit it, sending it crashing to the ground.

Boom!

With the sound of the phantom hitting the ground, the others believed Grey's words.

Chapter 1222 Taking Out The Phantom

"Believe me now?" Grey asked calmly.

The golden robed man and the others nodded. At first, they kept their eyes on the place where the phantom landed, but right after, their gazes turned to the man Grey accused of controlling the phantom.

"I don't know anything about it." The man still stuck with his initial words.

"Did you keep your energy field active?" The golden robed man asked.

"Yes, I didn't deactivate it for even a moment. I don't know how that thing stuck to me. How are we even sure it stuck with me? It was clearly struck down from the sky." The man said.

He wore a wronged face, shocked at the current situation that was unfolding.

"If your energy field was active, how come you didn't sense it?" The golden robed man would not believe the words of the man so easily.

Grey had proved that he could see it, now that he had proven himself, it meant that he was right when he saw the phantom was stuck to the man.

"I don't know. But I didn't sense it, nor did I bring it here." The man still didn't change his words.

The golden robed man had a confused expression on his face. From how adamant the man was, he was starting to feel like he truly had no idea of what was happening. His gaze fell on Grey and another thought came to his head.

'What if he's the one controlling it? If he has some sort of dissatisfaction against him, then it would make sense to frame him and get him killed.'

The thought of Grey being the one who controls the phantom was very much in the head of the golden robed man, not just him, but a few others as well. However, they didn't see any reason why Grey would want to frame this man, he was stronger than the man when it came to attack power. Besides, the only person they felt Grey wouldn't mind framing was the young foreigner who seemed to have an issue with him, but he didn't, and the son of the Dawson Family Head even confirmed his mental attack theory to them.

The man felt his head ache and he couldn't come to a conclusion in a short time.

"Fine, since you can see it, destroy it. We have no tangible evidence against him, we can't attack him." He concluded after a minute of silence.

Grey didn't argue with him and walked over to the phantom that already had some parts destroyed. He unleashed a powerful fire attack and the pained shriek of the phantom resounded in the place. Its horrifying scream made the people around feel goosebumps on their body.

Those below the Elemental Venerable Plane felt a chill run down their spines.

"Dead." Grey turned and walked over to where Cori was standing.

The golden robed man kept his gaze on Grey's facial expression, as well as that of the man Grey accused, but he didn't see any changes in their face. Grey had the same nonchalant expression, and the man had a vexed expression. That expression has been there since he was trying to explain himself to them. Now

that Grey had killed the phantom, there was even a hint of relief in his eyes, he looked at the golden robed man, displeased at the fact that he suspected him. I think you should take a look at

The golden robed man gave him an apologetic nod and they continued their journey. There was still an array before them. The only reason they stopped was due to Grey saying he could see the phantom.

To be honest, everyone loosened up now that the phantom has been destroyed. While it was still uncertain if it was alive or dead, they were all on high alert, not even able to walk at their normal speed in fear of being attacked out of the blue. Now that the phantom was out of the picture, they could move as freely as they wanted to.

The golden robed man was the first to step on the array.

Grey didn't wait for anyone and also took a step into the array. He didn't allow Cori to enter with him, telling her to wait for him. Once he cracks the array, he would take her with him, but for now, there was no way he would dare to take her into the array with him.

While sensing the array, he turned to the golden robed man, "Can you break it?"

"There are a series of overlapping arrays. I can't deal with all of them." The golden robed man replied.

"I can break a few, but it will take some time." Grey said.

Surprise engulfed the face of the golden robed man when he heard that Grey was also good with arrays as he asked, "You're good with this as well?"

"I know a thing or two." Grey replied casually.

The golden robed man felt Grey was getting more and more mysterious. A powerful cultivator with such a high realm at such a young age. What was more shocking than his cultivation stage? His strength! His strength was above his cultivation stage by a mile. Even though he didn't use a powerful attack while testing him, given the ease Grey used in blocking the attack, it was easy to see that he was way stronger than a Seventh stage Elemental Venerable.

Grey's methods were also a means of surprise as well. He was able to make his eyes glow and see something they couldn't. If not for him, his children would've been dead as he didn't sense the phantom early.

Now, Grey was still good with arrays. One has to know that it should take years to learn all this, but Grey was barely twenty-five or twenty-six, yet he had managed to learn so many varieties of things that would aid him when it came to battling.

The golden robed man had seen a few foreigners, but none of them were like Grey.

While he was still in thought, Grey had started to decipher the array on top.

"Anyone else good with this?" The golden robed man asked.

Five people stepped forward and they all started to work on the array.

Chapter 1223 Shouldn't Have Told Them

With seven people taking care of the array, they were able to quickly break the first layer of the array.

The moment they broke it, Grey was the first to rush out of the area, the second he came out, he took Cori and left the area immediately.

The golden robed man was the next, he took his children and retreated as well.

The other five who were working with them were a little slower, but they still managed to make it out of the place.

The second they left the place, a large explosion followed suit, making the place shine with a bright white light that engulfed the entire City. This City was well over fifteen kilometers wide and over twenty kilometers long, but the light engulfed everywhere.

After the light died down, they all returned to the scene.

When Grey escaped with such speed, those waiting outside didn't need anyone to explain anything to them as they all rushed to an area that they felt was safe when they also saw the golden robed man running frantically from the place as well.

Before the other five came out, there was no one else waiting outside the array area, all of them had evacuated the area.

"Such a powerful attack." The golden robed man spoke, fear was evident in his voice.

He turned to Grey once again. Each time something happens, he only gets dumbfounded by Grey.

They were all in the place together, he was the strongest, yet Grey was able to sense the danger before anyone. He did warn them as he was leaving. But before his voice faded he was already nowhere to be seen. The golden robed man sensed the danger at the time Grey's voice was about to fade and he left immediately. The other two escaped thanks to Grey's warnings.

They sensed the danger, but only when they were already at the edge of the array and the attack was about to be unleashed then.

If not for Grey's warning, they would've most likely died, or if they were lucky, they would've been badly injured.

The five of them looked at Grey gratefully. None of them were annoyed Grey didn't try to help them, he warned them, that was enough. They knew if he wanted to save them, he would spend a longer time to save all of them, so he left while warning them of the danger.

Grey didn't speak to either of them, his heart was still racing. The hairs on his hand were still standing, it was evident how scared he was when he sensed the danger.

Looking around, he realized that none of the buildings close to the place got damaged. In fact, even the place a meter away from where the explosion occurred didn't show any signs of suffering such a powerful blast.

'Looks like there's something that keeps it all within that area.' He heaved a sigh of relief after this discovery.

"Are we still going to try to break it?" One of the five men asked.

"This is the only way forward. Either we try, or we give up." The golden robed man said.

"We've made it this far, we can't turn back now." Someone from the group said.

"That's easy for you to say, you weren't the one whose life was in danger." One of the five men said coldly. I think you should take a look at

They would never put their lives on the line for the benefit of these people. If they were to attempt to break the next layer and die in the process, these people would turn around and not even think about them after leaving. While their own lives would be cut short just for wanting to break an array that would benefit all of them.

Thinking about it, they felt the risk outweighed the reward, in their opinion.

The golden robed man saw their expressions and knew they wouldn't dare to enter that place again, and he didn't blame them. His eyes moved to Grey who was staring at the array, clearly fascinated. He couldn't help but wonder if Grey was fascinated by the array he ran away from with his tail hidden between his legs a few seconds ago.

Grey naturally couldn't be bothered with them, he was still studying the array. Unlike most people who only saw the lines stacked on top of each other and the complexity, what he saw was an art, a beautiful, beautiful, art. It was so compelling that he couldn't peel his eyes away from it.

He saw a few nodes in the array and laughed in delight.

His sudden strange behavior stunned a few that were present, while the son of the Dawson Family Head felt amused.

Void almost wanted to facepalm as he whispered in Cori's ears, "He's doing that thing again. So embarrassing."

"What's he doing?" Cori asked Void curiously.

"Whenever he sees something new to learn, he gets excited. Look, his hands are shaking, he's getting close to the peak of excitement. He has probably seen how to break this array by now." Void replied.

Cori looked at Grey, amazed. This was the first time she was seeing Grey break out of his usual calm character.

"Don't worry, you'll get used to it." Void comforted her.

While Void was telling Cori about Grey's behavior he found embarrassing, Grey was nodding and getting more excited.

"I can break it. I just need three people, including you, Sir, which makes it four." Grey said to the golden robed man.

The golden robed man looked at the five who helped them the last time.

"Don't worry, you guys will be at the edge. This time, it will attack faster than the previous time." Grey said.

When they heard it would attack faster than the previous time, they all took a step back. They barely managed to escape the last time with their lives, and now Grey wanted them to enter this one which would explode faster than the previous one.

The golden robed man looked at Grey with a disapproving eye.

Grey soon understood the mistake in his words. He knew these people were still afraid, but he didn't think about it when he said this time the attack would be faster.

'I shouldn't have told them.'

Chapter 1224 I'll Manage

After much convincing, three of the five agreed to help Grey and the golden robed man.

Grey stood at the center of the array and drew a hexagram in the sky with his energy. While standing in the middle of the hexagram, he made the golden robed man and the other three stand in four strategic positions.

Having six people would've been better, but Grey wasn't certain he would be able to control it with six people, so he went with what he knew he was capable of doing.

He instructed them on what to do and they carried out the instructions perfectly. These people were, after all, old fogeys with hundreds of years of practice with arrays under their belt. The only reason Grey was able to get the method of cracking it was due to the vast variety of arrays he had encountered over the years.

From the beginning of his journey to becoming an array master, he had been learning, and even to date, he was still learning new arrays and creating new ways to get past them. The method he thought of to break the array was from one of the books he had read about arrays from the past, while he was still in the Azure Continent.

Surprisingly, although that place was the smallest and most mediocre place he had been to compared to the other places he had explored, it still managed to bring some things that were valuable. It is as they say, no knowledge goes to waste.

Grey was standing in the middle of the hexagram as he gently channeled his spiritual senses into the array, carefully removing the overlapping arrays.

The first attempt made the hearts of the trio who were working with the golden robed man at the edges jump. The array showed signs of instability, and they knew what followed after that.

But for some reason, the previous result was not the case. There was no explosion, and neither did they see Grey running for his life like the last time. They've all come to terms that Grey's ability to detect danger was superior to theirs, so they all kept their eyes on Grey, while also doing as they were told.

Before long, the first overlaying array was broken without any reaction. Compared to what happened when they broke the first one, this one seemed relatively easy.

Grey and the other four heaved a sigh of relief. The golden robed man was once again impressed by Grey's abilities, the same could be said for a few others as well.

"We can break it. There should be three more." One of the trio said.

"Yes, but it's not any easier, it will only get harder since these are more complex." The golden robed man didn't need Grey to tell him this. He was also a master of arrays and had seen it.

They nodded and turned to Grey, awaiting his order like the previous time.

Grey calmed himself and focused on the array, after studying it, he gave them instructions and they followed. This time, there were some changes in the instructions which came as a surprise to the golden robed man, he wanted to ask if the same method as the first time wouldn't work, but as they were midway through breaking the array, he understood why.

Thirty minutes later.

The five of them fell to the ground, all gasping for air. Even the golden robed man was no exception. Other than Grey, he was the one who took on the most pressure and it took a toll on his body. I think you should take a look at

The other three were tired and almost had the urge to sleep. After using much of their spiritual energy, they all felt exhausted even when they didn't engage in a long battle.

"Should we advance?" Someone from the group asked.

"We can't fight now. Unless you're certain of whatever lies ahead, I'll suggest you wait for us." The golden robed man didn't look at the person but still replied to his question.

The others could only wait for them. While they were waiting, Grey sent the bunny leader to search the buildings once again. They advanced further into the place and were already in front of the castle. If not for their exhaustion, they would've gone in by now.

He hoped the buildings close to the castle would hold valuable items or information. Void couldn't leave Cori's side now, so the bunny leader went alone.

Grey couldn't communicate with it telepathically like Void, but Void could, so they used him as a way to communicate.

Ten minutes later.

The five of them had gone back to their normal state. Grey recovered before any of them, but he realized he had been too dazzling since he encountered the golden robed man, it wouldn't do him any good, so he still pretended to catch his breath while listening to what the bunny leader was saying.

"Are you sure you're okay?" The golden robed man asked, he was a bit concerned about Grey's well-being.

Grey was important in this expedition and was indispensable due to the abilities he had shown.

"I can manage, you don't need to worry about me." Grey didn't speak fast, trying to put on his best act.

The golden robed man nodded and turned to the others, "Let's go."

The group advanced and headed to the castle.

Like the golden robed man, everyone felt the treasures were in this place. Not everyone was like Grey who wouldn't mind getting a book at the very least, the people who came here all had the same motive, to grow stronger with the aid of the treasures they might find here.

The golden robed man was the one taking the lead, after ascending the short flight of stairs, he grabbed the large handle on the door and pushed it open.

The door creaked, giving the sound of extremely old wood. Dust came out of the small opening after the first push, and they all felt an archaic smell hit all of them along with the dust.

Chapter 1225 Avoided By All

As the door opened, everyone in the group prepared to attack.

When the golden robed man pushed the door to the end, the first thing he saw was a skeleton of a beast, blue in color, radiating intense water elemental essence.

When Grey saw it, his eyes lit up. He knew it was good stuff. The inner part of the castle was dark, but at the door, they could already see the bones of a powerful al Beast. Just the bones showed that or was no ordinary beast while it was alive.

Grey had the urge to take it, but he didn't make any attempts at taking it, just staring and looking away.

The other Water Elementalists in the group didn't have such reservations, some of them were ready to pounce at the bones at any moment.

"Calm down, we'll distribute these things when we leave. For now, I'll keep them in this storage ring. I urge everyone to hand over any treasure found inside so we can all get a share of it." The golden robed man said.

"What about treasures we personally risk our lives to get?" Someone asked.

"Then it's yours. But for treasures like these that are accessible to everyone, we should do well to place them here so we can all benefit. After all, if we were to say the strongest keeps them, only a few people will be able to get anything after risking their lives here." The golden robed man explained.

Everyone nodded, seeing reason with what the golden robed man said. As long as it was a treasure everyone can access, then it would be kept and later distributed, but if not, then whoever finds it can keep it.

The inner part of the castle soon started to brighten up, it was as if it was sucking light from the outside and lighting up the place. The view of the castle soon came to view and they all got to see the magnificent place.

They were looking at a large Hall, large pillars held the ceiling which seemed to stretch into the clouds in place. The pillars had engravings on them and the al Beasts drawn on them seemed like they could move.

On the other end of the Hall was a large throne that seemed to belong to a giant. The throne was over six meters tall and made with pure gold. The armrest of the throne was made with the bones of a al Beast, even after so long, lightning could still be seen around it, dancing ever so gloriously.

At the center of the throne, there was a large core that struck fear into the hearts of people staring at it.

Grey felt his heart palpitate as he stared at the majestic throne. For the first time, he felt inferior just by staring at a throne. He couldn't help but feel curious about who sat on such a throne.

His curiosity made him want to study the throne, but as he sent his spiritual senses close to it, he sensed a danger far greater than whatever the array unleashed and he gave a wry smile. This throne was out of the picture, if they dared to go close, they might die, much less trying to take it, then they would die without a doubt.

He turned and saw Void's glistening eyes, he hastily warned him of the danger.

'I know, why do you think it's still there?' Void replied, annoyed. I think you should take a look at

It was clear that he felt pained by the fact he couldn't take the treasure. He too had sensed that getting close to the throne would only cause him more harm than good.

The golden robed man looked at the throne but also felt the dangers that came with it and could only give up. In this case, everyone else knew that this throne was out of the question.

There were multiple doors that led to different hallways.

"What's the plan?" Grey asked, "Move as a group or individuals?"

The golden robed man looked at the hallways, there were at least twenty hallways the group numbered around thirty or so. With this many hallways, there were bound to be more rooms and possibly secret places that they could explore. However, if they were to move individually, the danger would be higher, and also the rewards. The people would keep all the treasures they found, and he wouldn't benefit as much as he thought he would.

"In groups." He said after some thought.

"Of course, some people can move out on their own. But you all should be aware that although you will benefit more, the chances of dying would also increase. I do not know what hides within these walls."

"I'll explore alone, with my little sister, of course." Grey didn't waste any time and said his stance.

He had always had reservations about doing things like this with people. Now that there was an opportunity for him to separate himself, he didn't think twice and quickly did that.

A few people also decided to explore the place alone, while the majority formed groups. There was safety in numbers, after all.

Other than his children, the golden robed man didn't take anyone else with him. He was the first to pick a room.

Grey didn't waste any time and did the same as well.

Of all the people, only one person was unable to join a group. The man Grey accused of controlling the phantom. His expression was sour as he looked around. Although there were a few people who he was previously close with, they gave him space at the moment.

They didn't want to take the risk of moving with someone who might want to kill them. If what Grey said was true, then he might kill them if they find any treasures.

He clenched his fists, annoyed at what happened.

"This stupid brat. Now no one agreed to pair with me. I better go in the same direction as him. I'll kill him if the opportunity presents itself."

Chapter 1226 Special Fruits

Grey was the only one who took that path. With the man following behind him, they were two people who took the same path.

Grey had no idea the man was following due to anger of not being able to partner with anyone, and even if he knew, he wouldn't be bothered in any way. He saw the phantom behind him, and with the phantom moving with him when he switched places with him, he was a hundred percent certain there was a certain relationship between them. There was no way it would've been taken by the switch skill when it was not Grey's target, unless it was attached to the person Grey wanted to switch places with.

The switch skill doesn't make use of a large spatial tunnel, all it did was to take the exact size of Grey and the target he wants to switch places with. If any other things follows, then it was part or attached to the target.

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After entering the hallway, Grey was greeted by a long tunnel. He never even thought it would be like this, he expected to see doors, a lot of doors.

The bunny leader was out now and it was staring around.

"Can you two sense anything good?" Grey asked Void and the bunny leader.

"Nothing." Void shook his head, but then added, "Maybe there's something hiding it from our senses. Once I get closer, I'll know if there is anything good or not."

Grey nodded and started to walk further into the tunnel.

"I wonder if the other ones are like this." He muttered.

He was quite curious about it, but there was no way for him to find out about it unless he walked there to check it out.

"Someone's behind us." Void said.

"I know." Grey replied, he knew someone would definitely take the same path as him, it wasn't like he was the owner of the place.

The group continued walking forward with Cori looking around curiously. This was her first time being in a place like this, and it was quite exciting.

They walked through the tunnel and before long they started to see an opening on the other side of the tunnel. There was light on the other side, almost as if they stepped outside the cave.

As they got closer, they could even feel the cool breeze of the wind.

"We're going outside?" Cori asked, a little amazed.

"Not likely. Maybe there is a special spot here." Grey looked on with a normal expression, this was not the first time he was experiencing something like this, so he had little knowledge about it.

When they got to the end of the tunnel, their vision was blinded by the bright light, after a second, their eyes adjusted to the place and they welcomed a scene like spring, flowers sprouting from the ground, beautifying the place.

"It looks so peaceful."

This was the only statement that came out of Grey's mouth. He expected something that would want to kill them, but to his surprise, he seemed to have entered a place that looked like a garden.

"Is there anything good?"

Both Grey and Void turned to the bunny leader, it was the one who had dealt with plants more, so it should know if there is something good here or not.

The bunny leader stopped to sense the place. It closed its eyes, but it doesn't seem to sense anything. Just when it was about to stop, its nose twitched.

Grey and Void knew that was a small sign that it must've sensed something. I think you should take a look at

"What did you get?" Void asked curiously.

'My favorite flower is planted here.' The bunny leader said.

"And what does your favorite flower being here have to do with us?" Void asked with an annoyed expression, he suddenly paused and asked, "Is your favorite flower a treasure?"

'No.' The bunny leader shook his head.

"Then why are you wasting our time?" Void looked at it, a little vexed.

'My favorite flower doesn't grow in a place that doesn't have a special fruit. This fruit can strengthen the essence of an Elementalist and even make their physical body grow stronger.' The bunny leader explained.

"So that's it. Lead us there then." Grey said.

The bunny leader nodded and took the lead, Grey, Cori, and Void followed the bunny leader.

They soon got to where the fruit the bunny leader was speaking of. This fruit was present in the garden Grey first saw the bunny leader. He was unable to get this particular fruit at that time.

Just as Grey was about to grab it, he paused and looked behind him.

"It's you." He said casually when he saw who was walking behind him.

"Yes..." The figure said slowly before staring around, "What's this place?"

"I have no idea. I saw myself here after getting to the end of the tunnel." Grey shrugged and bent down, picking the fruits. He only paused because he sensed someone coming close, now that he had confirmed who the person was, there was nothing else stopping.

The figure he was speaking of was surprisingly not the man he accused, but the son of the Dawson Family Head who didn't even think of taking the same path as Grey. He didn't understand how he got to this place.

The son of the Dawson Family Head looked at the fruit Grey was taking. There was around ten, and Grey had already taken nine.

"Stop." He called out as he walked closer to them.

Grey touched the fruit and it vanished. He looked at the son of the Dawson Family Head with a nonchalant expression, "What?"

The son of the Dawson Family Head looked at Grey, with a sigh he replied, "Nothing."

Grey chuckled and turned to look in the direction of the place he came from, he saw the man who he accused.

"It's you." Grey said casually.

The man paused when he saw the son of the Dawson Family Head with Grey.

'I thought they had some issues.' He looked at the duo, as well as the young Cori.

Void and the bunny leader were nowhere to be seen as they hid in the tall flowers. Even the golden robed man would not be able to sense them, much less this man who was still in the Eighth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

Chapter 1227 Amazing Drawings

"Is there no way out?" The man asked when he saw the duo staring at him.

"I have no idea." Grey replied.

He turned to the son of the Dawson Family Head who shrugged.

"Alright. There doesn't seem to be anything of value here." He said.

'Didn't he move out with a group, why is he here alone?' The man thought to himself.

He didn't think too much about it and walked further into the place, searching for a way to leave the place. Since Grey wasn't alone, he didn't have any plans of confronting him.

He originally wanted to confront Grey for the accusation, but he was scared they would team up against him, so he gave up on the idea for now.

'I wonder why he's here alone.' Grey thought to himself while looking at the son of the Dawson Family Head.

From how they moved from the start, he felt the son of the Dawson Family Head would continue with his group. Seeing him here alone alerted him, of course, he wasn't afraid of him, but he wanted to be on the safer side. With the man appearing as well, it might be a little dangerous for him.

While the man was searching for a way to leave the place, five more people appeared there. They were all people who they met in the golden robed man's place.

They looked around, and when they didn't find a way to leave or a treasure, they turned to the people that were present. Even the son of the Dawson Family Head was searching for a way to leave the place, Grey was the only one who didn't seem to care. He was playing with Cori there, unbothered by the number of people that was increasing.

Before long, their numbers increased to ten. When it did, something unexpected happened.

The people who had been searching for a way to leave were stunned when they appeared on a platform. There were ten platforms, and each of them stood on one platform. Cori didn't get a platform and she was still on the side, neither did Void and the bunny leader.

Grey and a few others found it odd that Cori wasn't assigned a platform. Even if Void and the bunny leader were ignored, Grey felt Cori would at least be involved.

'Luckily she wasn't assigned a platform.' He thought internally.

Although he found it odd, he was happy by the fact that she wasn't made to fight anything. It was unknown what they would be fighting, if it was something that could kill her, he would not forgive himself.

Some figures appeared before them on the platform, along with it came a voice.

"Win and pass, fail and stay."

The people present showed a somewhat panic stricken expression. Only a few sigh as Grey, the man he accused, and the son of the Dawson Family Head didn't show any reactions.

What they were fighting was on the same stage as them and they were all people who were confident in being able to kill someone on the same stage as them.

"How come there is such a thing?" One of the other seven people asked. I think you should take a look at

No one had an answer for him, this was also the first time each of these people entered this place. Even the golden robed man who had been here before didn't get to this place.

Grey didn't ask any questions as he attacked the figure in front of him.

The figure was in the Seventh stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane. It wasn't as powerful as Grey in any way and could be beaten by those close to the Eighth stage.

Grey destroyed it with a single attack. The second he completed the battle, Cori appeared beside him and they were teleported away from the place.

The eyes of those present changed slightly. Seeing how Grey was able to easily defeat his opponent, the others felt some encouragement and they all attacked. Only after attacking did they know that it wasn't as easy as it looked. Only three people were able to quickly dispatch of their opponents and were sent out, the rest weren't able to do so even after ten attacks.

The son of the Dawson Family Head defeated his opponent after three attacks, he was the fastest. After him, there was an Old man who was able to quickly defeat his opponent with only four attacks. The man Grey accused succeeded after eight attacks.

The others found out it wasn't as easy as Grey made it seem like. They quickly recalled that Grey had a very powerful attack power. With that, it would be very easy for him to one-shot anyone without the strength of an Eighth stage Elemental Venerable.

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On another location.

Grey was taken out of the place and appeared in a room.

Void's eyes lit up the second they appeared, the reason for that was that there was something glowing in front of them, not just that it was shiny, but it was also a powerful treasure. He didn't know what it was, but he was certain that it was no ordinary item.

Just as he was about to head over for it, Grey stopped him.

"Why in such a hurry? Calm down, we'll take it." He said.

Void looked at him and didn't try to take the shiny item from where it was hanging.

The bunny leader looked at the room and was dumbstruck with the drawings on the wall.

Grey also placed his focus on these drawings. The longer he stared at it, the more he felt like they were moving.

On one of the drawings, there was a man who stood in the air, facing a large group of warriors. There wasn't any sign of fear on his face as he faced off against multiple opponents, rather, he was nonchalant. With a wave of his hand, more than half of the warriors were wiped out. The ones left submitted in fear of being annihilated.

The man was magnanimous and let them leave after they gave up.

"Such a marvel." Grey muttered.

Chapter 1228 Taught By A Drawing?

They continued staring at the painting, but Grey's eyes didn't leave a particular painting.

In this painting, a figure was sitting alone on a mountaintop. It looked ethereal as the figure blended with the environment. While staring, one would get the feeling that this figure wasn't there, but at the same time, it was as if this figure was larger than the mountain itself.

There was no movement from the figure, just sitting there as if it owns the world. From its casual sitting position, Grey felt his entire body rocked as he continued to stare hard at it.

Grey's figure waved slightly and it was like his consciousness was pulled out of his body and he appeared beside the figure, watching it sit there peacefully without doing anything.

The figure gave the feeling of sensing someone appear beside it and it turned to take a quick look at Grey. When their eyes met, Grey felt a lightning bolt down his spine, he was flabbergasted by what was happening.

All the figure did was glance at him, but his legs went soft and he almost fell to the ground. There was no need to say anything, he knew the figure painted here was a great person while still alive. What he couldn't wrap his head around was how they made it come to life, seemingly.

This wasn't his first time seeing a drawing, but this was the first time he was getting such a lifelike feeling from one. Both the figure in the drawing and the artist were two exceptional people while they were still present.

Grey didn't know much about the Chaos Battlefield, nevertheless, he felt the figure here must've been a godlike entity, if not, why would it have such elegance?

After some time, Grey was dragged out of the place his consciousness was dragged into.

He didn't know how long he was inside the drawing, nor did he care. The short exchange he had with the figure gave him a powerful technique that he didn't want to waste any time and immediately started practicing it. There's a possibility that this technique would be able to help him here.

Void and the bunny leader didn't get anything from the drawings, neither did Cori. Grey was the only one who got something and he immediately started practicing it after almost twenty minutes of staring at the drawing.

When they saw him in that state, they didn't bother with him and started to search the place, hoping to find something good. Of course, it wasn't that easy. Other than the drawings, the only thing present was the door to leave this place.

The room was quite large, around fifty square meters or so.

After almost thirty minutes, Grey opened his eyes, he heaved a sigh of relief before standing up.

"Finally, we can leave." Void said.

Grey smiled and stared at the drawing once again, he had gained from it. With a slight bow, he took the lead and the group left the room. There was nothing for him there.

After they left, the drawing of the figure he saw sitting on the mountaintop turned to look at where Grey sat. It looked at the spot for a few seconds, shook its head softly, and turned back.

If not for the fact that one could clearly see that it was a drawing, people would think that it was alive given its mannerisms. It gave off the feeling that it was well aware of the happenings outside the drawing.

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Grey, Cori, Void, and the bunny leader appeared in another hallway, unlike the tunnel, this one had doors on multiple sides.

"Could it be that this is the main room but we were sent to another place the first time?" Void asked.

Grey shrugged, he didn't know how this place worked. He walked up to the first door and tried to get it open. To his surprise, it didn't budge. Even after using all his strength, the door refused to open. Just when he gave up, Cori walked close to it and it opened.

A confused look appeared on his face as he found what just happened to be odd. He stopped Cori from going in and the bunny leader and Void were sent ahead. They were both small and could hide from danger.

Void and the bunny leader didn't have any complaints, after going through the place, they called the duo over since it was safe.

Grey took Cori inside the room and his eyes nearly popped out.

This place was a bedroom, and it seemed to belong to a little girl. There were dolls in the place, but Grey was certain that each one of these toys was enough to make an entire city go to war. He could sense that they were each made from precious materials.

There were four in total, and all four had unique characteristics. When Grey got close to them, all four dolls started to enlarge.

Their strength was around a Fifth stage Elemental Venerable.

"They act as some sort of defense as well? Nice!"

Grey couldn't hide his impressed expression. It wasn't easy to create something like this, neither was it hard for him to take them down. He was too strong for them to begin with.

What he found more impressive was that the regenerating ability of the dolls was amazing. One of them which had almost half its body blasted was able to go back to its original state within a few minutes.

"I think these belong to you." He passed them on to Cori.

Cori took them and smiled happily, clearly pleased with having them.

They searched the room but didn't find anything else of value.

Since there was nothing to take, they left and continued searching the other rooms. Other than that room, there were still around fifty rooms, but the next twenty gave them nothing. Either they didn't find anything of use inside, or they were unable to access it.

The inaccessible rooms seemed to have been assigned to only open for certain people.

Chapter 1229 Drop It

Grey and his group explored the place and barely got anything else that was good. He left the place and headed straight out of the hallway. There was no way forward, so he went back.

They appeared in the same Hall as they used to enter the place. The Hall had a few people present already, and Grey recognized two of them.

When they saw Grey, they wanted to approach him, but they stopped midway.

From their facial expressions, Grey knew they didn't get anything good. Other than the dolls he gave to Cori, then the technique he got from the drawings, he also didn't get anything much from the place.

Compared to what they had to face to get here, he was pretty disappointed at the reward. But he couldn't complain, he knew he wouldn't always benefit from these places.

Of course, Grey wasn't foolish enough to believe that all of them didn't get any good rewards. Even he got a top technique, there was definitely a probability that some of them must've gotten a good amount of treasures and just decided to hide it from others. They were all cunning people after all.

He didn't leave and waited for others to appear. As time went on, more and more people started to come out. Of the twenty plus people who entered the place, only eighteen had made it out.

The golden robed man and his children were part of the people who had arrived. The youths from the Dawson Family were all out, and even the man Grey accused was out as well.

"What's taking the others so long?" Someone asked in dissatisfaction after waiting for almost one more hour.

"Let's be patient, if they do not come out within the next one hour we'll leave." The golden robed man replied calmly.

He was the one who brought them here, he didn't want to abandon them just like that. He planned to wait for them for another hour and if they didn't come out then, he didn't mind leaving them behind. Besides, they knew the way out.

There's a possibility that some of them got top treasures and didn't want to come out in fear of sharing their treasures. Of the absent people, most of them were in the Seventh and Eighth stage. It was clear that they were either dead or afraid to come out.

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One hour went by once again.

"Let's leave, I'm tired of waiting." Someone said angrily.

Only one person came out in that one hour, and the person didn't speak after coming out.

The golden robed man opened his eyes and nodded. The time he promised was up, there was no use in waiting any longer.

They got up and just as they were about to leave, the doors which had been open since they came in slammed shut with a 'bang!'.

"What's happening?"

They were all alarmed at the sudden change.

The throne which had been untouched started to glow.

"It's glowing." Grey muttered.

During the time he had been waiting, his eyes had always been on the throne. To be honest, he coveted it, but he didn't know how to take it, and the danger he felt from it was too serious. He was certain that he would die if he dared to touch it, so he just admired it from afar.

The others turned to the throne when they heard his words. Even without his words, most of them would've turned either way, the throne gave off a bright glow that only a blind person wouldn't see it. I think you should take a look at

"Why is it glowing?" Someone asked, a bit fearful.

No one answered his question. They all came here together, so how did he expect anyone else to know the reason for the sudden glow in the throne?

'Why do people like asking stupid questions in situations like this?' Grey shook his head as he thought to himself.

The group was curious, but none of them walked close to the throne, they could all sense the threat of death from it.

Before long, an array appeared on it and it shot to the ceiling.

Everyone looked at it and was stunned by what they were seeing. In the ceiling, some creatures started to crawl out, these things were drawn on the ceiling.

When they first came in, they saw them, but they didn't take it too seriously, after all, they were just drawings.

"This... what's this?"

Fear started to show in the faces and voices of a few people.

A powerful voice came from the throne.

"Drop it."

The people present looked at each other, stunned. They all took one thing or the other from the place, so they weren't sure what the voice was speaking about.

Grey looked at the dolls in Cori's hand and dropped them. This was the only thing he took. When they entered the other rooms, he didn't take anything since they were of no use. Even Void and the bunny leader left them alone as they were of no use.

The voice spoke once again.

"Drop it."

This time, the voice was starting to show anger and the creatures coming out of the ceiling were increasing.

"What's it talking about?"

"Drop whatever you took from this place." The golden robed man advised and dropped the things he got as well.

The others started to do the same. Before long, all sorts of treasures appeared on the ground and the eyes of others lit up when they saw some things a few people dropped. The golden robed man and Grey also took a glance at these things, although they were interested in them, they didn't show it.

Grey wasn't the greedy type, since these people got these things, as long as they managed to take them from here, he wouldn't bother them. The only times he had done things like that were when he needed the items.

There were a few things of value there, but none of them could move him.

Void and the bunny leader were different though, their eyes lit up even brighter than the light coming from the throne.

Chapter 1230 Coffin Thief?

"Oh right." Grey seemed to recall something and dropped some fruits.

He forgot about them since he didn't really think they were of any value. After dropping them, he stood there casually.

The son of the Dawson Family Head saw what Grey dropped and was a little surprised. Given Grey's personality, he didn't think he would hide anything if they were in such a predicament, he even dropped the fruits he saw him take the first time. Since these were the only things Grey dropped, then there was a high likelihood that they were the only things he took from this place.

'How can that be?' He asked himself.

He wasn't the only one who was asking that question. Everyone had dropped at least one thing of value, but Grey only dropped those dolls that looked useless and the fruits. Compared to what others dropped, the dolls and fruits didn't seem to have as much value as one of their treasures.

"Drop it!"

The voice said once again, this time, it was seething with anger.

"Are these the only things you got? Drop the treasure before you cause our deaths." Someone scolded Grey angrily.

Grey looked at the man but didn't reply, the creatures were getting closer to them. These beasts walked on all fours and looked like dogs, but there was a clear difference between them and dogs.

"Drop it!"

This time, the voice echoed in the Hall, making the ground shake.

"Are you crazy? Do you want us to die?" Someone else spoke up.

Grey was the only one whose items had the least value, so they all felt he was hiding something.

The golden robed man looked at Grey, he didn't see Grey as one who would endanger his life due to greed, "Are these the only thing you got?"

"The other thing is ingrained here, unless it wants me to forget it, there's nothing I can do." Grey pointed to his head.

He learned a technique, but that was while staring at a drawing. He was even careful and didn't allow Void to take a few things. Although, they weren't of any value so Void wasn't adamant about it.

Now that he had dropped the things with him, he was carefree.

The golden robed man stared at him for a long time and shook his head.

"Fine, but I hope you're not lying to me."

Grey nodded and didn't say anything else. If he took anything of importance, he would've dropped it.

Just when the creatures got close, a scene appeared before them and they understood something, the voice was speaking to any of them, rather, there was a man who was inside and was carrying a coffin.

The coffin was almost four meters long, but it was not an issue for this man. The man was one of them, but he didn't seem to be the same person. When they entered this place, he was only in the Seventh stage, but from the screen that appeared before them, even without going close, they could tell that he was already at the Peak of the Elemental Venerable Plane. This meant two things, either he perfectly hid his realm the first time, or he met with a tremendous fortuitous encounter.

Grey was the first to keep his items, along with the golden robed man.

Void and the bunny leader were currently nowhere to be seen and Grey knew they had gone treasure hunting. There were a few good things present, and given the nature of the duo, they would want to take a few.

'Don't steal anything from them... yet.' Grey said to Void.

It already seemed like he had drawn the ire of a few people present. If some things were to be lost, he would be the first one suspected again, even when he didn't do anything.

After taking his items, he went to the side to ensure that he wasn't standing close to anyone's treasures.

The creatures had surrounded them, and they knew that leaving this place would be difficult. But they had to keep their treasures first. That was the most important thing.

"You've all seen who the voice is referring to. What should we do now?" Grey asked.

They were not the ones who took the coffin, but they were the ones about to be attacked. If the creatures attacked, they would have to fend them off for someone who wouldn't want to give them any share of whatever he got.

"What can we do?" The golden robed man asked in a self-deprecating manner. There was no way to get past these things they must attack them. Even if they didn't want to fight with them, the creatures would still attack them.

The others all wore annoyed faces and one person suddenly spoke in an angered voice, "Who took it?"

While asking the question, he turned to everyone that was around him. When taking back the treasures he dropped, he noticed one of them was missing. This thing was almost insignificant, but it was the most important thing in his collection.

Those around him looked at him with an odd expression.

The man was in the Ninth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane. He was about to snap when he heard the voice of the golden robed man.

"There shall be no infighting until we're out of our current predicament." The golden robed man snorted coldly.

One of the creatures suddenly attacked, and the rest did the same.

Grey stood in front of Cori, and without taking a single wave of his hand, he sent the creature flying, crashing into the other creatures.

The second the creature crashed into them, it exploded with a powerful force, killing all the others close to it.

When Grey attacked it, he sent a fusion orb as well with it, helping wipe out more of the creatures with just one attack.

The golden robed man attacked as well, sending the creatures in front of him flying.

The others attacked too, keeping the creatures away from them.