

## **Affinity 1261**

### Chapter 1261 End Of The Meeting

Outside the meeting room.

In the alley beside the building the meeting was being held, a figure stepped out of the void in the darkness, accompanied by another.

"This kid doesn't listen." The figure sighed.

The face of the figure became clear and it was none other than Lucas Dawson. Behind him was the man who was protecting Grey secretly.

"What did the young Lord do, my Lord?" The man asked respectfully.

He wasn't as strong as Lucas, so there was no way for him to eavesdrop on the meeting. He had no clue about what was going on inside, but he was certain there was no way the people inside would dare to hurt Grey.

Lucas recounted Grey's suggestion to him.

"The young Lord is thinking of the benefit of the Family. If we can get more people to support us, we will be able to properly defend the secret realm, while also grooming more talents." The man was in support of Grey's suggestion.

The Dawson Family has always been overbearing which made them have very fast allies. If Grey were to be able to forge an alliance with a top Faction in the Middle Continent, it would be a massive boost for the Dawson Family.

"You're right." Lucas nodded.

People are wary of attacking the Dawson Family now due to their strength. If they were to find out that they had formed ties with a powerful Faction, it would make them even more scared. The Dawson Family has a few allies in the Western Continent, but they had more enemies.

The only reason their enemies hadn't ganged up on them was mainly due to the fact that none of them wanted to take the lead. The Dawson Family was a large and powerful Family that even if ganged up on, would be able to cause massive damage to anyone they can attack. This means that the ones leading the battle would suffer more. None of them wanted to be used as a sacrificial lamb for the others, hence their current stance.

"Has anyone agreed to join him yet?" The man asked.

Lucas shook his head, "Not yet, the situation seems to be tense. A few are contemplating it while the others don't want it that way."

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In the meeting room.

The place fell silent after Grey's words. He first threw out a threat and then suggested a friendly deal. This wasn't something most of the people present felt would've been possible. The Dawson Family are known for their personality and would never back down.

'Could it be that they aren't as strong as they used to be?'

This was the thought in the heads of most of the men. If the Dawson Family was starting to grow weak, then it was an even better opportunity for them to attack them and forcefully take the secret realm from them. That's not the only thing that could be acquired, there were a few things that were only available in the region the Dawson Family resided.

These treasures were rare and very difficult to acquire. The Dawson Family has a monopoly over it which makes a few Factions and Families not too happy.

"Anyone interested?" Grey looked at the people who were quiet.

He was still carefully studying how they were reacting to these things.

"Is this the thoughts of the Dawson Family, or just yours?"

Someone finally spoke up, asking a very important question. They wouldn't carelessly believe everything Grey says just because he was representing the Dawson Family. If they were to agree to this and they don't get what they were supposed to get when they head over to the Dawson Family, they would be livid.

"This was my suggestion, I'll naturally take it back and speak with my father and grandfather." Grey didn't hide the fact that he was the one who came up with the idea.

The others exchanged glances, amazed by Grey's gut. Coming up with something like this without the permission of those above him took a lot of guts and courage, but he still did it.

When they thought about it, this was the best way to resolve the matter of the secret realm. The Dawson Family as well as other Factions and Families will benefit from it.

"Kid, this isn't a place to play around. Only speak of things you're sure of." A man said coldly, he was one of the few who brought the suggestion of taking the secret realm from the Dawson Family.

"We should think of how to strengthen ourselves before the seal is completely broken. There are obviously other ways. But we all know how great the realm is. With its help, the Dawson Family has been producing geniuses among geniuses over the years." He added.

"If you're suggesting that we hand the realm over, please, eliminate the thought. The realm is ours, and we will only share it with whoever we wish." Grey expressed his and the Dawson Family's stance. I think you should take a look at

It was okay for others to enter the secret realm, but it was only those they accept that can. If others tried to face their way in, then they were declaring war on them, and they would retaliate.

The man who spoke the last time looked at Grey, his eyes were cold.

"Your father would give it up, if we have you." The man's eyes were on Grey.

"There's also the Gnomes who can offer you a good sum for him." Klaus interjected.

Everyone in the room looked at Klaus and didn't know if they should call him Grey's friend or enemy. A friend wouldn't come up with the ideas he was coming up with. Each of them had involved the Gnomes in one way or the other.

"Why do the Gnomes want you dead?" Someone asked.

"I almost killed one of their princes, and I killed thousands of them." Grey didn't show any fear as he said.

"You're just one kid. How can you make the Gnomes want you dead at all costs?"

"I have no idea." Grey shrugged.

"Anyway, that's not the reason for the meeting." He continued, "Isn't there anything else? If not, we better get on my way."

The men exchanged glances and continued with the meeting. While they were speaking about something, Klaus suddenly interjected.

"You know, I was wondering if there's someone who can help us contact the Gnomes and have a peaceful diplomatic conversation with them."

"What's with you and the Gnomes?" Someone couldn't hold it in anymore and asked.

The man who spoke up was someone who had rarely spoken up since the duo arrived.

"I just don't want them to kill my friend. Is that too hard to ask?" Klaus wasn't bothered, he added, "Those little girls are trying to kill someone just because he's so outstanding. What if they try to kill me too?"

The man looked at Klaus, he stood up, "I'm done with these shenanigans, I believe there's nothing more to do. Lucas wants to provoke us, hence he sent these little kids here."

"I will settle this with him when I next see him. This is disrespectful, and even if he's strong, he should know that we've lived longer than he has."

The man stormed off the room, and others followed behind him.

Klaus was straight up disrupting their meeting. Other than the breaking seal, they were speaking about an old ruin they located in the Western Continent. This ruin was so ancient that the expert who found it had zero clues about it. They were speaking of exploring it and when to potentially leave before Klaus interrupted them.

"Did I say anything wrong? I'm worried about mine and my friend's well-being." Klaus said with a wronged expression.

The others looked at him and some of them started to rise to their feet.

"We will have this meeting some other day." Klaus said when he noticed everyone leaving.

Before long, there was just the duo sitting in the room.

"You didn't even let me annoy anyone, why did you bring me here then?" Klaus asked, annoyed.

"You've already annoyed them all. What else do you want?" Grey rolled his eyes. He saw the hateful gazes most of them are giving them while leaving, it was evident Klaus had infuriated them, especially at the time they just appeared.

Grey was able to settle the matter somewhat, but since he didn't agree with their idea of using him as bait, they were a bit annoyed.

"Let's go, it's not going to be a peaceful night." Grey stood up, and like the others, they left the room.

He had a feeling things wouldn't be as smooth as he thought. Even with the threat of his father, a few of the people present seem to have an idea. The man who told Grey his father would give up the secret realm for him might have an idea of kidnapping him and using him as a means of taking control of the secret realm.

But Grey didn't think too much about it, since the realm is stationary, it wasn't a wise idea to want to kidnap him.

Chapter 1262 Even Void Has Done It

The night went by slowly and Grey and Klaus spent their time going through the City. There were a few places worth visiting, so they went there to spend their time.

Since moving to the Aurora Continent, Klaus had stopped most of the things he usually does. Grey was a little happy for him since it meant Klaus wouldn't bother him with those things again. All they do now is enjoy good wine and food in each others' company.

In an Inn.

Grey and Klaus were eating while talking about the meeting they just left. Klaus soon changed the topic.

"Grey, you've never had a girlfriend, I'm starting to get worried about you." Klaus looked at his friend worriedly, "What's the problem? Is it that you don't find beautiful girls? I can find one for you if you want."

Grey didn't expect Klaus to bring this up all of a sudden and almost choked on the wine he was drinking.

"For now, I'm not interested in that." He replied after a light cough, "And I haven't found the one yet."

"How will you find the one when you already have the mentality of not wanting anyone?" Klaus used his index finger to hit Grey's head as if telling him to think, and then added, "You're too stuck up. All you do is train, train, and train."

"The few times you're not training, you're either going on a competition or an expedition to increase your strength."

"You're too focused on trying to grow too strong that you're losing sight of the beauty of life. Have fun, there's no harm in that."

Grey looked at Klaus and thought hard about it, to be honest, Klaus wasn't wrong. It's not that he hasn't seen beautiful girls, or girls with good values, but he was still too stuck up with wanting to grow strong enough to protect everyone that he didn't want to give himself a shot at love.

It was a beautiful thing, but at the moment, he didn't think it was meant for him.

"You don't understand. I have goals I need to achieve."

"Boohoo! You didn't awaken your elements like others and was late by a few years. That's all in the past. Look at you! You're literally the dream of every girl, yet here you are, single to the core." Klaus knew Grey's reasons, but he didn't think it was enough to deny himself a good life.

"You've grown so much. What more do you want?" He asked.

"I'm someone a lot of people want dead." Grey said, he took a sip of the drink and said, "You said it yourself back there, what if they wanted to kill you just because you're friends with me?"

"Wouldn't it be selfish of me to put someone in danger just because I want love?"

"I mean, the thought does thrill me. But putting more people in danger just to satisfy my emotions isn't something I want to do."

"What if they kill her? What would you want me to do?" Grey asked question after question which Klaus had no answers to.

"You see, it's not that I don't want that, but I can not bring myself to do that. I've thought hard about this, and to be honest, I'm praying the day I fall in love with someone doesn't come any time soon."

"Heh! You won't be able to escape it." Klaus scoffed and added, "People like you are the ones who tend to love the most. The moment you find someone, you'd love them wholly. It's good, but given your current thoughts, it's not something I'll advise."

"So, why are you bringing it up?" Grey asked.

"You're too lonely." Klaus smirked before looking at him with disdain, "You're already past twenty-five and still haven't had any sort of intimacy with a woman. To be honest, I'm disappointed."

Grey wanted to speak when Klaus cut him off again.

"I'm sure even Void has been with another cat."

Void, who was by the side eating, was stunned when he heard his name in the conversation the duo were having.

He raised his head to look at the duo, and his small mouth which was filled to the brim with food was funny to look at.

"See, he can't even deny it." Klaus pointed out.



Void looked at Klaus as if wanting to say something, but food was still in his mouth, and he was even too surprised to say anything.

Grey looked at Void oddly, and then thought of something.

"Oh right, I have something for you."

The juice he got from that tree which according to the man had aphrodisiac in it came to mind. He didn't want that, and he was sure Klaus would most definitely want it.

When he explained the uses of the juice to Klaus, Klaus was grinning from teeth to teeth.

"Give it to me." He stretched out his hand, after a while he said, "No wait, you'll keep some for yourself. Its uses are not that bad. You know you need to comprehend the elements and increase their grades."

"Why don't you try using it? Don't worry, I'll make sure you get to relieve yourself. There are tons of girls in this place." He tried to convince Grey into using the juice.

Grey wasn't that foolish, so he naturally wouldn't fall for that.

Klaus shrugged when he saw it, "At least I tried. But just so you know, if your dad was like you, you wouldn't have been born. Think about that while you train."

Grey wanted to speak but shut his mouth, there was nothing for him to say. Arguing with Klaus would not bring him any benefits, and Klaus would most likely win the argument anyway.

Void just stared at the duo, unsure of how to react to Klaus' statement.

When Klaus noticed he was still staring at him, "What? Was I lying?!

Void swallowed his meal and focused on eating and drinking his wine.

Those close to them who heard their conversation looked at the duo and the cat eating seriously, unsure of what to do with the information they unwillingly obtained.

Chapter 1263 I'll Kill You If You Dare Say It

"I wonder how the Instructors are doing." Grey wondered out loud.

He rarely thought of Instructor Blake and Delia, but occasionally he does think about them. Before leaving the Azure Continent, his Teacher told him he would be taking the duo, along with the Principal who was injured during the battle with him. Since then, other than occasionally speaking with his Teacher, he didn't know how they were doing, the Principal particularly.

"Yeah." Klaus' countenance changed when Grey brought up this topic. He had been trying his best not to think about his father's condition. He didn't know if Uncle Chris would be able to heal him.

"Don't worry. Teacher isn't that bad, he will be able to help out. Besides, he can't sit by and watch his best friend stay in that condition for too long." Grey comforted him.

"I know." Klaus cheered up instantly, a sly grin appeared on his face as he asked, "Do you think Instructor Blake and Instructor Delia have a child yet? I mean, it's been a few years now."

Grey almost wanted to knock Klaus out, unfortunately, he couldn't.

'How I wish I could beat him up.' He thought to himself.

"Oh right, did I tell you Alice has a boyfriend?" Klaus spoke up.

Grey raised a brow when he heard this, he didn't think Alice would find someone so soon, but when he thought about it, everyone was not like him, Alice might like fighting and training, but she was still a person who had basic needs.

"What do you know about the guy? Is he bad? If yes, let's go beat him up, if not, they should have the best time together." Grey squinted his eyes.

Klaus saw his eyes and nodded, "I've done all the investigation I can do. He's from an average Family. His talent is not on Alice's level, but he isn't that bad. With a few treasures, he will grow faster."

Grey didn't speak too much, since Klaus said the guy was okay, then it had nothing to do with him. If it was one of those guys who just wanted to take advantage of Alice, then they would beat him up, there was no way they would let someone hurt their friend.

Alice was the only girl in the group, and they naturally protected her a lot.

"How's Rey doing?" Grey asked.

He hadn't seen them for over a year now, he is quite curious about all of them.

"From what I've heard, he's doing fine. Having an Elemental Warrior means even if he's still in the Fourth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane, he could fight with those in the Seventh and Eighth stage." Klaus reported, "His status is pretty high, and from what the moron told me, he said he wants to take the position of an Elder. Apparently, there is an Elder he wanted to beat up, but he can't do that with his current status in the Faction."

Grey burst out laughing, this was something he was sure Klaus would do, so he wasn't too surprised.

"I've missed you guys." He said softly, "Why don't we ask the others to join us on our return journey?"

"Sure. It's not a bad idea." Klaus answered.

"You know what?" Klaus suddenly spoke up.

Grey shook his head, wondering what Klaus was up to.

"You already know the seal will be broken soon and the Continent will descend into war." I think you should take a look at

"I'm aware of that."

"Why don't the four of us go on a trip? Who knows, it might be the last time we will be able to do this."

"I'd like that."

Grey agreed to Klaus' suggestion. There was a high probability that he might be one of the first people to die during this war. Given how high the Gnomes placed him on their kill list, they would try every means possible to want to kill him. It wouldn't be a bad thing if he accompanied his friends this one time.

The duo spent the entire night at the Inn, reminiscing about the old days. The times at the Lunar Academy were quite peaceful compared to what they were facing at the moment. Grey was just a nobody who people didn't care about.

Klaus was the son of the Principal of Lunar Academy, as well as the Mayor of the City, so his reputation was quite high.

They spoke about their encounters with the Crowned Prince and the Emperors. In the end, they succeeded and even managed to create a new Empire.

Their journey has been quite entertaining just thinking about it, but they've faced so many death experiences that to be honest, they weren't afraid of it any longer. They could've died years ago, but they were still here. If the war happens and they end up dead, then it wasn't all that bad.

Klaus had already contacted Alice and Reynolds, and before dawn, they received the news from the duo that they would be heading over to meet them at the Dawson Family manor.

Since it would take a few weeks before they got there, Grey decided to check up on Arya's brother and heal him first, before heading back to the Dawson Family.

He had a feeling his father was already aware of what happened in the meeting. But he still had to head give him the news.

Klaus had nothing to do, and heading back to his Faction was completely out of the picture. Since that was the case, he tagged along and headed to check up on Arya's brother. He was also very curious about the Dawson Family, so he wouldn't mind visiting.

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Two weeks later.

Grey and Klaus arrived in the small town the triplet from the horned race were staying with Arya.

When Grey arrived, it didn't take long for him to locate them. He was amazed by how much they've grown.

Arya was already close to the age of going for the test.

"Master, you've returned."

Arya ran out of the building to hug Grey.

Klaus' eyes twitched and he looked at Grey with a weird expression.

"I'll kill you if you even dare to say it."

Chapter 1264 Do You Value Your Life?

Klaus shut his mouth when he heard Grey's words. He didn't have any plans of saying anything bad, but since Grey felt this way, he shut up.

Grey went over to look at Arya's brother who had been in the same state for well over a year plus.

The bunny leader appeared and told him how to use the fruit to help Arya's brother. Grey followed the bunny leader's instructions and to his surprise, KY worked faster than he even imagined.

Within a few minutes, Arya's brother opened his eyes, staring around in confusion.

Arya, who was watching him closely, rushed over to hug him when he saw him open his eyes. She was relieved to finally see her elder brother. He was the only family he had, and although Grey came into the picture, he was always traveling.

Grey smiled when he saw them, this was something he had wanted to do for months now. Now that he has been able to help them out, he was happy.

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A few hours later.

It took a while before Arya's brother got up from the bed and started talking, after all, he had been in that position for a long time.

"Thank you for helping me. I thought I was dead." He bowed to Grey, showing his gratitude.

"It's okay. I promised Arya would save you, and I've fulfilled that." Grey ruffled Arya's hair while speaking.

Arya giggled when Grey ruffled her hair. She was beyond happy at the moment. She never thought that Grey would be able to wake her brother up, but he did.

"What can I do to repay you?" Arya's brother asked.

"Nothing. I did this for her well-being." Grey shook his head, he looked at the duo and decided to bring them back to the Region the Dawson Family was situated.

There was no need bringing Arya and her brother to the Dawson Family, Arya's brother's talent wasn't up to par, and he didn't want those from the Dawson Family to treat them in a bad way. However, they would be safer if they were close to the Dawson Family. He could at least get a few people to watch them and keep them safe.

He knew his mother would have no issues with taking care of them, but like his father, she too didn't stay at home frequently.

Grey spoke with them for a while before heading out to meet Klaus who was enjoying the scenery.

The triplets had decorated the place to look very nice and it was a good place to sit and think. Of course, Klaus had nothing he was thinking about, but he felt quite peaceful there.

"What's up?" He asked when Grey walked over.

"I'll take them back with me. I won't take them to the Dawson Family, but close by. My mom should be able to get someone to watch them."

"That's nice." Klaus picked up a rose flower, "I didn't think you would be saving people you're not close to."

Grey shrugged when he heard this. He knew Klaus wasn't trying to be sarcastic.

Given his personality, he rarely saves people, but there was no helping it. When he saw Arya, he just couldn't watch her travel alone in that place. So with nothing left to do, he had to help. Unfortunately, things went the way they did, so he took her with him. Since he didn't want the responsibility, he dumped them with the triplets who had done a great job with taking care of them.

The triplets were all at the Peak of the Sage Plane at the moment. Even while taking care of them, they've never neglected their training, and it was evident.

Grey and Klaus sat down in the garden as they passed off time. The bunny leader had run off. Grey didn't know where it went, but for the past few days now, whenever they took a break in any area, it would always run off to the forest and come back late.

Grey knew it was up to something, but he didn't know what it was up to.

Void didn't sense anything interesting around, so he stayed with the duo, sleeping for most of the time.

They asked Alice and Reynolds if they've started their journey to the Dawson Family manor, and the duo replied with the same answer, yes.

They were all eager to meet up, especially with Grey who they hadn't been able to speak with for over a year now. Not just that, but they also wanted to see how the Dawson Family was like. It was a famous Family and anyone would be proud of coming from such a Family.

Grey and Reynolds stayed with the triplets for a day, and after giving them freedom to travel across the Continent, but return to the Dawson Family manor before the upcoming war, Grey let the triplets go and took both Arya and her brother with them.

Their journey to the Dawson Family started. I think you should take a look at

It would take at least two weeks or so to get there from their current location.

Grey planned on seeing if he could contact his Teacher with the device they came up with to send food over. It had been over a year since he sent a meal over to his Teacher, and to his surprise, his Teacher had not requested for one yet. He wasn't too sure about the current situation of his Teacher, but he hoped that he was okay.

Klaus was more curious about his father's health than anything else.



While heading to a City so they could use the teleportation array, they passed through a forest and Grey easily killed a Sage Plane beast and made a scrumptious meal with it, sending it over to his Teacher.

He stayed in the area for a while, awaiting a reply from his Teacher. Just when he was about to give up, the plague lit up and he saw a note.

The note read, "Boy, did you want to kill me? I've been starving for so long!"

Seeing this, Grey laughed out loud. Looks like his Teacher was still very much okay since he could sense this. He took out the note he had prepared beforehand and sent it over.

It didn't take up to three minutes before they got their reply. Klaus' father was still being treated, and even after so long, it was unknown if he would be able to use the elements again.

Contrary to Klaus' expectations, Blake and Delia didn't have a child yet and were more focused on their training. According to what Grey's Teacher said, they were both in the First stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

Grey didn't think they would've grown by so much. He couldn't help but wonder where they were training.

The place had to at least be as good as the Aurora Continent if they wanted to improve by so much.

Klaus wrote more messages, which Grey's Teacher replied to. In the end, he asked for more food and told Grey to train hard. He said a calamity was coming, and there was no certainty if they would be able to escape from it.

Grey knew he was speaking about the seal which was about to be broken.

Klaus was happy that his father was still alive, although vexed by his current state, there was nothing he could do.

"Do you by chance have anything that can help?" He asked Grey after they finished speaking with Chris.

"Nothing." Grey shook his head, seeing Klaus' dejected face, he added, "I'll ask my father or grandfather, they should be able to help."

Klaus nodded, but didn't say much. If even Chris was unable to help his father in the place he currently is, he wasn't too confident that Grey's father or grandfather would be of any help.

The duo didn't stay in the forest any longer and rushed to the city close to them.

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Days went by as the group traveled from city to city, with the help of the teleportation array, it didn't take too long for them to get to the Region the Dawson Family was located.

When they got there, they stopped using teleportation arrays. According to Klaus, they needed to see all the nice places in the Region.

Grey didn't have any issues with them and took them around. He had been to a few nice places while traveling, so he didn't stop them from heading there.

A few days later, they were at the Dawson Family manor.

Arya and her brother were left behind, as the duo went to the Dawson Family alone. Klaus could barely believe his eyes, when they first met, he was the one from a powerful Family while Grey was a late bloomer who just awakened his elements after three more years. But now, it was like their roles were reversed, the only difference is that he was a genius.

When they got into the Dawson Family, Cori rushed over to greet Grey.

"You're back!"

Grey's expression fell and when he turned, he saw Klaus staring at him with a strange look.

"Do you value your life?"

Klaus nodded.

Grey smiled, "Good, shut up."

Chapter 1265 Crazy Kid!

Klaus looked at Grey, feeling a little odd. He refrained from saying anything. Grey would most likely beat the hell out of him if he were to utter the words in his head at the moment.

Martha stepped out of the house to welcome Grey and Klaus.

"I see where you got your looks." Klaus couldn't help but mutter.

Grey's mother was a beauty, and adding his father's handsomeness to it, it is understandable that he looked that handsome, well, beautiful in some scenarios.

Grey glanced at him coldly, but walked up to his mother, bowing slightly.

Klaus hurriedly did the same as he greeted her with a wide smile. He introduced himself as the one who has been taking care of Grey all this while.

Martha chuckled as she listened to Klaus. From the conversation she heard when the duo just arrived, she knew Klaus was most definitely outspoken, and her husband told her of the outcome of Grey's journey before they came.

"It's nice you were able to take care of him." She responded to Klaus' claim.

Klaus nodded proudly and gave Grey a look of disdain.

"Two others will be coming, we should make a scrumptious meal, don't you think?" He asked, giving Grey a glance.

Grey agreed with Klaus' words. This was the first time his friends were visiting his home, well, although he doesn't really see it as that, but since his parents were here, it technically is his home.

With his friends coming, it was only right he threw a small feast for them at his place.

Lucas appeared beside Martha as he took a glance at Klaus. To be honest, Klaus was good looking, if not for Grey who was standing close to him, he would easily always get all the attention wherever they went.

Klaus was the first to notice Lucas, he gasped softly, took a look at him, then at Grey, and after doubletaking twice, he exclaimed in dejection.

"Damn!"

Lucas was taken aback when he heard Klaus' remark. Grey also couldn't help but look at Klaus.

"You see that, that's what it means to be handsome. You, you just look like a guy with a beautiful lady's face." Klaus shook his head as he took in the face of Lucas.

Lucas was a bit embarrassed when he heard Klaus' words. Martha on the other hand covered her mouth so she wouldn't laugh out loud.

Grey's eyes twitched when he heard Klaus' words. If not for the people present, he would've knocked Klaus into the ground.

Klaus walked over to Martha and complimented while giving her a thumbs up, "Aunty, you have good eyes."

Martha couldn't hold it in and laughed out, saying after, "We should go inside."

Lucas walked behind them while sneaking a glance at Grey who had his palm on his face. He chuckled softly as he entered the building.

'It's nice he has a friend like this.'

Klaus and Grey were two opposites, Grey was reserved while Klaus was open. He could make friends with the entire world, while making some of them hate him to the core.

Lucas had seen Klaus at work and knew just how sharp his tongue was. If given the chance, he would be able to annoy an entire continent on his own.

Grey walked in with Cori walking beside him. He passed on a small trinket to her. It was something he bought at one of the stalls while they were walking around after the meeting.

Compared to Arya, he felt closer to Cori and took her like a younger sister. Arya had her elder brother, but in Cori's case, he was all she had.

Grey went on to report the meeting to his father who told him that he was aware of what happened. The result was not what he wanted, but it was a little good for them. At the moment, a few top Factions in the Middle Continent has extended an invitation in hopes of being allies with them, so they could also benefit from the secret realm.

Lucas had no issues with that. The greatest benefit of the secret realm is the rare items it contains that were almost unattainable in the Aurora Continent. Giving some of it to another Faction and getting their help in the process wasn't that bad of a deal.

"You handled the situation nicely."

Grey was pleased when he heard this. He knew not everyone in the Family might agree to this idea, but he was confident that most of them wouldn't mind sharing.

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The others arrived in a few days and they were invited into the Dawson Family manor.

Seeing Alice and Reynolds for the first time in over a year, Grey couldn't help but see the change in them. Reynolds had the most noticeable change, he had started keeping a moustache.

"What the hell is with that look?" Klaus complained the second he saw Reynolds.

"It's my manly look." Reynolds replied with a proud smile.

"F\*ck! You look like my grandfather." Klaus remarked. I think you should take a look at

"You don't know how your grandfather looked." Reynolds rolled his eyes.

"Exactly."

Reynolds didn't have the time to quarrel with Klaus, he was taking in the view of the Dawson Family as they walked towards where Grey's parents' home resided.

Unlike Klaus and Alice who were from fairly large Families while in the Azure Continent, him and Grey were the only ones who didn't come from a big family. Although Grey's background was mysterious, it didn't point to anything in particular. Seeing now that he was the one from the strongest Family, he felt a bit weird, but in a good way.

He knew Grey had been worried about his parents and family for a long time, so seeing them together made him feel happy for his friend.

Alice on the other hand changed as well, her cheeks were more refined now, and looked chiseled. The fat on her cheeks were long gone and her beauty was drawn out even more with her chiseled jawline.

When they entered Grey's parents' courtyard, her Seelie rushed out in curiosity and headed straight for the flowers planted on the side.

"Oh, a Seelie." Martha looked at the Seelie with interest. These were all creatures that were quite rare to see. Finding an Elementalist that owns one in such a state was even rarer.

Most people who own Seelies have them with the help of other means. This makes the Seelies stale and preferring to have as little contact with humans as much as possible. But Alice's Seelie looked more like a companion than what others make of it.

'Worthy of being friends with our son.' She transmitted her voice to Lucas who was in the void.

'Naturally. One of them has an Elemental Warrior.' Lucas' voice echoed in Martha's head.

Martha looked at Reynolds, she knew it most definitely wasn't Klaus. Given Klaus' nature, he would've been using the Elemental Warrior as his body guard, not caring about the essence he would spend.

The group sat down and started to enjoy the feast Grey and Martha prepared. Lucas only came when they were almost done with the feast.

He had things he needed to take care of, but he could still sense everything happening here as he wasn't too far away.

After they were done with eating and other things, Lucas left along with Martha. Cori was also taken along as they wanted the friends to have some time to themselves.

"You guys have grown so much." Grey laughed as he said this.

"What do you mean by that?" Alice scoffed and said, "If I remember correctly, you were not an Elementalist while we were all in the Arcane Plane."

"That's my point." Grey smiled, "I'm already close to the Ninth stage, while you guys are below me."

Reynolds took a glance at him, "My Elemental Warrior wouldn't mind sparring with you."

"Don't get cocky just because you're advancing this fast. Not everyone is a deal like you." Klaus snorted coldly, and added, "I don't mind assisting the Elemental Warrior in teaching this cocky bastard a lesson."

"Stop lying, you're only looking for an excuse to fight with me." Grey waved his hand and with the help of his wind element, he flicked Klaus' hair.

"Damn it! Let's fucking beat this guy." Klaus was raring to go.

Just as he was about to attack, he heard a soft cough.

"Don't destroy my place, I have a good spot for you four."

Lucas' voice faded right after and the group were teleported to another location. They appeared at an abandoned mountain which had some arrays in it.

"Go all out, don't worry about anything else."

Lucas' voice echoed around once again, before finally fading away.

"Thank you, Uncle! I know you want to beat him up too, I'll fulfill your wishes!" Klaus yelled into the void.

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Outside the mountain, Lucas and Martha were sitting mid-air.

Martha raised her brow and took a glance at her husband, "Is that true?"

Lucas hurriedly shook his head, "Of course not, darling."

"Good."

Lucas whispered softly, "That crazy kid."

"What?"

"Nothing."

Chapter 1266 One More Sparring Session

Grey stood opposite his friends, his face calm as always.

"Do you think you can win against us?" Klaus asked, he was standing in front of Reynolds and Alice.

Among all three, he was the one with the highest cultivation stage. Alice was in the Fourth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane, while Reynolds got to the Fifth stage. With his current realm, his Elemental Warrior can match an Eighth stage Elemental Venerable.

Klaus was in the Seventh stage, but they all knew his strength wasn't average.

"Since I don't want to be a bully, I'll let you guys attack first." Grey stood with one hand in front of him and the other behind him, waiting for them to attack.

"Hmph! Don't think this is like before." Klaus snorted and he pointed at Grey.

Ice started to move from where he was standing, heading straight at Grey. Freezing the ground as it moved.

Grey smirked when he saw the ice coming, "Is this your first attack?"

Just as he wanted to punch the ground to break up the ice, he saw Klaus' figure melt into the ground and reappear in front of him instantaneously.

The second Klaus appeared, a large ice spike sprang out of the ground, forcing Grey into the air.

While mid-air, Grey felt his stomach ache softly, the ice spike hit him in his stomach which sent him flying.

Grey flipped mid-air, and balanced himself, only to see the Elemental Warrior holding a long staff with it. The staff enlarged and came crashing down.

Grey created an ice shield that he used to block the attack. But a large fire spear shot at him from the other side. He turned the ice shield into a dome, protecting him from all sides.

Klaus took flight as well, holding onto the sword he acquired from the secret realm they all went to the last time. He slashed out.

A trail of ice followed behind the blade energy that was headed towards Grey's ice dome.

Seeing the sword energy coming at him, Grey knew there was no way the ice dome would be able to withstand all the attacks.

The blade energy cut the ice dome in half and another fire spear shot straight into the place, aiming for where Grey was previously standing.

Grey used dimensional slash to counter the energy blade and fire spear, but he was hit by the staff of the Elemental Warrior.

The staff wasn't able to hit his body, but the impact of the attack forced him down. He crashed into the ground, causing a dust cloud.

"Hehe, we'll beat the hell out of you." Klaus laughed maniacally.

Alice and Reynolds didn't have the same reaction as Klaus, but they were both heating up. Fighting against Grey was the ultimate battle for all of them. Grey is someone they all regard as the number genius, and he was invincible against those in the same state. Even if they were using their numbers advantage over him, they didn't mind getting the victory over him.

Since Grey had gone above them in cultivation stage, all they've done is chase and chase, but they've all been unable to get close to him. This was the only chance they could defeat him, but they also knew it would not be as easy as they thought.

The dust cloud faded and Grey's figure appeared, he looked at all of them who were mid-air. After dusting his body, he flew back up.

"Watch out."

His voice hadn't died but his figure was no longer in the same spot.

Klaus was the first to sense something and he turned to look behind Alice. He thrust his sword at the spot just behind Alice.

Alice took a step forward, body covered with lightning, she increased her speed and went closer to Klaus and Reynolds.

Klaus' sword grew longer and Grey appeared on the spot Klaus attacked. Grey grabbed the tip of the sword firmly as he looked at Grey with a plain look.

Reynolds attacked while Klaus was keeping Grey distracted. His Elemental Warrior unleashed a barrage of lightning bolts at Grey, who was holding onto the tip of Klaus' sword with immense strength.

Sensing the incoming attack, Grey knew he shouldn't let Klaus' sword touch him, he tilted his body to the side and allowed Klaus' sword go past him while he turned around to block the lightning bolts shooting his way.

Alice attacked when he was blocking Reynolds' lightning bolts. Her dominant element was the lightning element, but her fire element gained more power after she merged with the Seelie which was an ice Seelie.

She couldn't use the water element, but she was able to use ice however she wanted.

She attacked with the lightning element, and Klaus, whose sword was still in a thrusting motion suddenly moved his hand to the side Grey was standing and blocking the attacks.

Grey was still mid-air, and the sword was around his shoulder, when he sensed it coming towards him again, he let his body fall, using gravity to take his body down. I think you should take a look at

Just as his body was heading down, he felt his body stand on a solid ground. He looked down, only to see ice below his feet.

Klaus was smirking when he saw this. The sword was already by his side and it was about to hit him within the next second.

Grey didn't hold back, his body shook and he phased through the ice that was under him.

Klaus' sword passed the place he was standing.

Klaus' face twitched slightly, "F\*ck it! He's a cheat!"

He couldn't help but complain out loud. Having so many elements meant that Grey had more means of evading them. They've forgotten about him being able to phase through things like a ghost. This was not the only thing he forgot.

He suddenly looked at the side and realized that Grey didn't get past the entire ice he created, rather, he reinforced it and switched places with Reynolds' Elemental Warrior.

He trapped the Elemental Warrior, appeared unknown to the others and attacked.

Reynolds was his target. Without the Elemental Warrior, Reynolds, a top tier Fifth stage Elemental Venerable stood no chance against Grey. Even Klaus stood no chance against him, much less Reynolds.

Reynolds was sent flying with just one attack from Grey.

Klaus was the first to move, Reynolds' body which was moving at a fast speed after being struck by Grey entered a large water ball Klaus created.

The water ball slowed Reynolds down and spat him back out, in the direction of Klaus and Alice.

Alice hurriedly merged with her Seelie. Her attacks were the weakest amongst the trio, with the Seelie she would be able to unleash even greater strength. Unfortunately, it was nothing to Grey.

Klaus looked at Grey coldly, "Do you want to kill him?"

"We're not holding back. Of course I'll attack him at full force." Grey shrugged, of course he didn't try to kill Reynolds, but he didn't hold back either, "You good, Rey?"

Reynolds took in a deep breath and nodded, his eyes turned serious and the Elemental Warrior smashed out of the ice he was being sealed in, before long, it appeared behind Reynolds and merged with him.

"This is what I'm saying. Go all out." Grey laughed excitedly. He wanted to have a good battle with his friends, and for the first time, they were not going to hold back!

They wouldn't actively try to kill each other, but they would attack with their full strength.

Reynolds' strength soared and before long, his aura was that of a Ninth stage Elemental Venerable. His new form was something he found out while they were in the secret realm, now, he wanted to use it against his friend.

Alice's strength was bordering between the Sixth and Seventh stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane while being in the Fourth stage.

Klaus looked at Reynolds, "Damn! Let's fucking go!"

He was excited at the thought of his friend's increased strength. At this moment, he was exhilarated.

Alice stood behind the duo, Klaus and Reynolds standing ahead as they look in Grey's direction.

Grey's eyes lit up with a pale blue light, he truly was going all out this time.

He was the first to rush forward, Reynolds flew in his direction, blocking him. They both threw a punch. Their fists collided, causing a spark mid-air.

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Outside the mountain.

Martha and Lucas exchanged glances.

"Do they plan to kill each other?" She asked a little worried.

"No, but they want to see just how strong Grey is." Lucas replied thoughtfully.

"Do you think they're envious of him?"

"Yeah, but not in that way that they want his downfall." Lucas looked at the group of friends, "He's their motivation for going stronger. He's a bridge they want to at least get to. They know they can't cross it, but they want to get to it."

Martha watched and seeing the spark from the duo's collision, she muttered, "Just how strong is his physical body?"

Chapter 1267 All Out

"Just how strong is his physical body?"

"I think it's quite close to the Ninth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane." Lucas replied after a while.

He knew Grey's physical body was strong, but he didn't know how strong it is. Now that he was seeing him fight against Reynolds in his current state, he got a small view of what he felt about it.

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Grey and Reynolds' fist were still in contact when an ice blade slashed at Grey's head.

Grey retreated and tried to counter the ice blade, but he was left a little annoyed when Reynolds got close and engaged in a close battle with him.

They were both throwing fist after fist.

Reynolds blocked his punch and kicked out, but Grey was able to block the attack. He was grabbed Reynolds' leg and swung a round before letting go.

Reynolds was sent flying and his body was spinning in the process.

Klaus attacked, unleashing blade after blade.

Grey blocked each attack coming his way, not giving Klaus the chance to get the better of him.

He was about to move closer when a dual domain appeared, it was Alice's fire and ice domain. The dual domain took the shape of a sword and it started hacking at Grey.

Grey was stunned, not believing that Alice could use her domain as a weapon. Grey could only use it in a small space, he didn't think he could turn it into a weapon and unleash it at people.

He created a large fire hands that grabbed the sword, keeping it away from his body.

Reynolds had stopped spinning at this point and was rushing back to the battle scene.

Klaus created a half moon behind him and his aura went up by a bit.

He attacked, forcing Grey back while also cutting one of the fire hands Grey used in blocking Alice's domain attack.

Grey groaned softly when this happened, but he didn't have the time to scold Klaus, Reynolds was back, and it looks like his previous spinning trip enraged him.

A lightning domain formed around his body and he rushed at Grey.

'What's up with all these?'

Grey was baffled as the way his friends were using their domains. He originally thought it was a means of increasing their strengths while fighting, and a little other things. However, Alice used hers as a weapon and Reynolds was using his as a form of armor.



He almost wanted to believe that while he was away, a new way of controlling domains was made public.

He dodged Alice's attack, but Reynolds drew close to him and started attacking with his lightning spear. The strength of his thrust only grew stronger.

At first, Grey was able to easily deal with it, but as time went on, he realized there was something wrong. Reynolds' attacks were getting stronger with each attack.

Before he could completely comprehend what was happening, Klaus, the troublemaker came into the fray once again, this time, he made sure Alice was close and would be able to fully utilize her domain sword.

Klaus and Alice joining the fray made life difficult for Grey.

He was trying to block each of Reynolds' attack, but Klaus, who had gotten more dangerous started to attack with his sword. The strength of the sword was something Grey felt a little wary of, so whenever that attack comes close, he would dodge it at all costs.

Before long, he was soon overwhelmed by the trio, and was forced to retreat.

He stood mid-air and looked at the trio with serious eyes. He knew they've grown stronger than what they previously were.

"You guys are strong." He commented.

"I want to see you go all out, you're still holding back." Klaus said with a serious look.

"You know I can't go all out." Grey replied with a shake of his head.

"Are you looking down on us?" Klaus asked, a bit angered.

"No, it's just that I can't use that state any more." Grey shrugged, "All I can do is use a few more elements."

"Oh, then what's holding you back? Using more elements wouldn't necessarily give you the advantage over us." Alice was the one who spoke up this time. I think you should take a look at

"I'm well aware of that. But using them at the necessary time will give me the advantage I want." Grey didn't refute her words, only changing it.

If he used the elements at the right time, he would be able to defeat them. Take for example, when he phased through the ice and switched with Reynolds' Elemental Warrior. He was able to get a small advantage due to making the right choices while fighting.

In the end, it all comes down to fighting experience, and that's something all four of them had. But in terms of who has been in more complex battles, it had to be Grey. He's the one who people are always trying to kill. So he believed he had more experience compared to his friends. However, he didn't say this out loud. There's also Alice who was a battle maniac, and there's Reynolds who had been in tons of life and death situations.

Klaus, well, he is always lucky, so he wasn't too sure of his battle experience.

If Klaus knew of Grey's thoughts, he would attack him with all his might. Grey was clearly looking down on him.

Klaus saw the look Grey was giving to him and felt strange.

'Why is he giving me that look? Could he be looking down on me?' He asked multiple questions concerning Grey's gaze, unfortunately, he was only speaking with himself.

"Alright, I'm going all out. If I win, you guys should be ready for a good thrashing." Grey spread out both hands and inscriptions lit up the sky.

This time, more than ten inscriptions appeared simultaneously. They all unleashed attacks at the same time.

The trio blocked all the attacks coming their way, not giving any of the attacks chances.

Grey knew his inscriptions wouldn't be able to do any damage to his friends, he only wanted them to distract them while he did the damage himself.

His figure bolted through the sky, almost causing a tear.

When he got close, he used the space element to attack. He learned something new when he went to the Chaos Battlefield, and now, he wanted to use it against his friends.

The Space Elementalist he fought there helped him hone his usage of the space element when it came to attacking. Now, he wanted to use it to the fullest.

He used dimensional slash once again.

Reynolds was the first to sense the attack, he thrust his spear at the attack, but his expression changed drastically when he noticed how it was able to easily destroy his lightning spear.

Klaus unleashed an ice blade at the slash coming their way. Alice wanted to use her dual domain to attack it, but Klaus realized the strength of the attack and stopped her from doing it.

Reynolds moved fast, retreating from the place. Klaus and Alice left the range of the attack as well, making sure they weren't hit by the attack.

Grey sent out chaos orbs at them, using more of the space element. When the orb exploded close to them, a spatial tear appeared.

The trio felt a great sense of threat when the attack came their way.

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Outside the mountain.

Grey's grandfather was sitting with both Lucas and Martha. Seeing Grey unleash an attack that caused a tear in the space, he couldn't believe it. If he wasn't seeing it, he would've beaten up whoever told him that it was possible for Grey to do it.

"How's he so strong?" He turned to Lucas.

"I have no idea. He's stronger than before he went to the Chaos Battlefield." Lucas replied.

When he said this, he didn't mean in terms of cultivation stage or attack strength, but the current Grey was very different from the previous Grey. This Grey could beat up the previous Grey even if the previous was given a stage advantage, that goes to show just how much Grey has grown.

His attacks are more precise, and his thought process was also staggering. For someone his age, he shouldn't have this much battle knowledge.

This was also what Grey's grandfather felt the first time he saw Grey fighting. His battle knowledge was far above his age.

While they were praising him, they couldn't help but look at Grey's friends.

"His friends are freaks too." Martha commented.

Lucas nodded.

Grey's friends could be considered geniuses even in the midst of geniuses, yet in front of Grey, they seemed to be average people.

Klaus was a shocking youngster, the half moon behind him was one of the core techniques of the Moonlight Faction.

Grey was given a technique similar to this one, but it was the normal one. The one Klaus was using was something that even the top experts in the Moonlight Faction are still trying to learn.

Chapter 1268 You Asked For It

Klaus was not the only one who they thought highly of, Reynolds was another one. Having an Elemental Warrior automatically gives him the edge over other geniuses, being a genius in his own right made him even more frightening.

He was a member of a lightning Faction and was representing them well. Alice was using the fire element more compared to her lightning element.

The special thing about Alice was her Seelie, and her ability to manipulate her domain. Grey wasn't going crazy, there truly was a method on how to manipulate domains, but it was something very few people could achieve. Alice was one, Reynolds was another.

But Reynolds didn't have the versatility of Alice. Alice having a dual domain made her special in that aspect.

When the information of her being able to manipulate her domain this well came out in her Faction, she gained a little more fame, and as expected, her status in the Faction increased.

One of the most important things in these top Factions was how powerful or how much of a genius one could prove to be. The better you are when compared to your peers, the stronger you would become later in the future. These are the people a Faction would want to build around, so when Alice showed this potential, her status was elevated.

Klaus and Reynolds have always had a good position in their Factions, Klaus was more fortunate since he gained the tutorship of his Faction Leader.

Grey was also in the same position, but he didn't really care much about his Faction Leader. Fortunately, he was being protected by him which was enough for him.

"All four of them are special kids. We're truly blessed." Grey's grandfather said softly.

"According to what they've said, they were all friends from after Grey awakened his elements and went to an Academy..."

Martha recounted what Klaus told her. Klaus was quite talkative, and she was very curious to know how Grey spent his life. Even though he had told her about it when they reunited, she wanted to hear it from someone else's mouth. To her surprise, it was more thrilling when Klaus was saying it.

She knew he wasn't lying since some of the things he saw was exactly the same thing Grey told her.

When listening to how the group met, both Lucas and Grey's grandfather was amazed. Their friendship was really good since they've been through all those events.

"Who do you think will win?" Martha asked Lucas after she was done telling them of the groups journey.

She didn't want to spend too long with telling them the information, so she transmitted her voice which only took a few seconds for the others to get everything.

"They might be equals." Lucas said, he added, "Of course, Grey might have the advantage. You know he has more means of attacking, giving him a large variety."

"It'll all come down to experience." Grey's grandfather spoke up.

Lucas nodded in agreement with his father's words. From the looks of things, Grey wouldn't be able to overpower them, so it will all come down to who has more battle experience.

They felt Grey would have the edge when it came to experience, he had been fighting since they knew, which said a lot about his lifestyle.

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The battle had gotten very intense.

The trio were able to break out of Grey's barrage of attacks and they've started their own attacks. Grey might be strong, but they didn't believe he would be able to easily defeat them.

Reynolds drew closer to Grey, but he felt his body sink down.

"Hehe, you've forgotten about this?" Grey attacked, punching Reynolds to the ground.

A water ball appeared once again, stopping Reynolds from hitting the ground.

"You're a hateful fellow, do you know that?" Grey looked at Klaus.

"Shut your mouth. If not that I want you to impress your parents I would've beaten you black and blue." Klaus retorted.

Grey was about to speak when his face fell following Klaus' next words.

"Uncle, Aunty, do you know Grey is planning on not giving you guys grandkids?!" He yelled at the top of his voice, making sure Grey's parents who he believed were outside would hear it clearly.

Grey's mouth twitched when he heard this and for a second, he didn't attack.

"Moron." Klaus cussed out.

Reynolds was already standing behind Grey, and the momentary pause gave him the opportunity to strike, his fist hit Grey's back, sending him flying.

Alice attacked too, sending out a lightning bolt that made Grey's descent faster. I think you should take a look at

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Outside.

Martha and Lucas exchanged glances, their eyes twitched softly. This was a very delicate conversation, and Grey's reaction might affirm Klaus' words.

Grey's grandfather was the only one laughing, "Haha, I like this kid. He's very smart."

Her was praising Klaus' wittiness. One has to know that being able to destabilize your opponent mid battle was something that top experts are certainly capable of. Klaus was able to disrupt Grey's thoughts which was enough to show that he was a genius when I came to doing this.

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Grey shot up from the rubble, his face was a little dark, he had forgotten Klaus was very good with his words. With just a word he was able to change how the battle was going.

"You've forgotten about my abilities, bud, you've been slacking off." Klaus returned Grey's words to him, although different, it was the same thing he meant when he attacked Reynolds.

Grey rubbed his nose and replied, "I was careless."

He flew up and went back into battle, there was no use in speaking any more, if not, Klaus might just say something that would completely make him unable to fight any longer.

Klaus knew Grey rushed back into battle because of him, but it didn't mean he wouldn't speak. He was just waiting for the right time to throw Grey off again.



Grey and Reynolds were into hand to hand combat, while Alice and Klaus were attacking from the side.

Their coordination was top tier. Grey was forced into a stalemate. Even with his inscriptions and arrays, he wasn't able to shake them off.

He almost wanted to use his golden energy, but then thinking about it, he decided against it. It wouldn't be right to use it in such a situation. Of course, with the element of surprise, he would be able to catch them off-guard, unfortunately, he didn't know who was watching. Using it to be victorious and then exposing himself to the world was far too dangerous just because he wanted to win a spar.

The battle got more intense, but as the fight gets longer, it started to become more obvious that a winner might not come out from the battle.

Grey has been able to occasionally send them flying, but so has they.

They fought a little while longer, destroying parts of the mountain. However, the result was the same. No clear winner.

Just when Grey was thinking of giving up, he noticed a change.

Klaus' half moon suddenly enlarged and formed a complete moon.

"Huh?" He was slightly shocked.

Klaus' aura spiked and shot to the Peak of the Elemental Venerable Plane.

If this had happened when the fight just started, then he wouldn't have been worried, but the problem is that they've been fighting for close to thirty minutes, and he was slightly exhausted from the intensity of the battle.

Klaus, bringing out his ultimate technique meant that he has been waiting for so long to use it.

Grey's expression wasn't nice, and he too came to a decision, he would use the golden energy. Since Klaus was using this, he didn't want to lose to Klaus.

Given Klaus' personality, if he lost to him, he would never hear the end of it.

Grey prepared himself while Klaus sent out a powerful attack. When Reynolds saw the thin ice needle forming in front of Klaus, he couldn't help but suck in a cold breath.

This has always been Klaus' ultimate attack since leaving the trial land years ago. He acquired this technique at that time and has been honing it as time went on. Now, it had been honed to a frightening level. The ice needle is almost invisible, this goes to show just how tiny it has been compressed to. The smaller it is, the stronger it is.

With its current strength, it would be able to easily kill a Peak Elemental Venerable. Grey might be strong, but Reynolds didn't think he would be able to survive if hit by this attack.

Klaus didn't have any plans of holding back.

"Bring it on." Grey spoke from the side, he was prepared. This would be the strongest attack he has been faced with, and he knew that he risked getting seriously injured if he was careless.

"You asked for it." Klaus unleashed the attack.

Grey gulped down and awaited the attack, he would block this attack.

Chapter 1269 A Facade

Grey stood mid-air, awaiting the final attack of their spar. If he blocks this, then he technically has the advantage, if he's unable to block it, it will be a defeat for him.

He wanted to use the golden energy, but in the end, he managed to restrain himself from doing that. There was no need in using all his trump cards now.

He took in a deep breath and started creating multiple chaos orbs. This time, he created the original chaos orb, using a bit of all eight elements he had access to.

The energy contained in the chaos orb seemed to be able to rival Klaus' ice needle. One has to know that Klaus was currently at the Peak of the Elemental Venerable Plane, and his strength was superior to most Peak Elemental Venerables, yet, Grey was matching him in terms of attack power. It was unknown how Grey has been able to achieve this, but his potential was something that scared even his parents who were watching.

This was the first time they were seeing Grey use his greatest attack power, and they were beyond stunned.

Klaus, looked at Grey and couldn't help but complain, "What's wrong with him? Can't we just beat him once?"

"Fuck it! Take your lose and go man!" Reynolds complained as well.

He thought this was their chance to finally get the win over Grey, but from the looks of it, Grey didn't have any plans of losing to them.

He stayed in his merged state, and without delay, he created a powerful lightning spear. After creating the spear, he was completely drained, he couldn't even keep his Elemental Warrior active any more as he used up too much essence while creating the spear.

Alice, seeing this, also joined in, creating a three colored arrow. The arrowhead had the silver color indicating the lightning element, the red for the fire element, and light blue for her ice ability.

Klaus exchanged glances with all three and they released their attacks simultaneously.

Grey opened his palm and the chaos orb shot at the three attacks. He created just one chaos orb, but this was the strongest attack he has ever created since he started his cultivation journey. It might be attributed to the fact that he was stronger now, but it also has a lot to do with all he has learned all this

while. He had a better understanding of his elements and is able to compress the chaos orb to a frightening level.

The current chaos orb was so small it could fit into the hole of a person's ear. The smaller he compresses the orb, the more deadly it is.

The same goes for Klaus' ice needle, the smaller it is, the more dangerous it was. If this needle were to hit a Peak Elemental Venerable, they would most likely die from it if they were caught unaware.

Boom!

All four attacks collided, and it was followed with a powerful explosion that rocked the mountain the group were fighting on.

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Outside. I think you should take a look at

Lucas, Martha, and Grey's grandfather stared at the scene in utter awe of the group's strength. At such a young age, being able to use such strength was unimaginable.

Each of them had exceeded what they thought of them, Grey and Klaus especially. Reynolds was also amazing, and so was Alice, but Klaus and Grey were a notch above the duo.

Klaus being better than Reynolds was more like a one time thing since it was obvious that he couldn't use the full moon for more than one attack, hence the use of it at the end. Reynolds could stay in his merged state for a long time which gave him the advantage over Klaus in a prolonged battle, well, that's if Klaus doesn't take him out with this attack.

None of them made a move, they watched anxiously, waiting for who would come out on top among the friends. Grey was practically fighting against three of the best geniuses the Continent has produced in a long time, yet he was able to match them. At the moment, it was unfair to rate him alongside other geniuses, he was in a league of his own.

The explosion died down and all four people could be seen standing mid-air.

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Klaus clenched his fists when he saw that Grey was still standing with a calm expression. His clothes were slightly damaged, but he looked fine. They, on the other hand, didn't look the best.

"It's a tie." He said before flying down.

He was expended, only a fool would want to continue fighting with a freak like Grey. Thinking about Grey's insane physical strength, he was more than satisfied with taking a draw.

Alice and Reynolds followed behind him, all fully aware of his thoughts.

Grey watched them descend, looking at the destruction their attack caused, he wanted to open his mouth, but blood came from the side of his mouth. Seeing that none of them saw it, he wiped off the blood and flew down to meet up with his friends. His light element was doing it's best to make sure it healed him as fast as possible.

The impact of the attack was something that he knew would be almost impossible to defend against. Even with his armor and everything, he was still badly hurt by it. A few days rest and he would be fine, but for now, he has to pretend to be okay in front of Klaus and the others.

When he got down, he didn't walk up to them first, he still couldn't speak. There was still blood in his throat, waiting to come out.

Martha saw how blood came out of Grey's mouth, the others with her did as well, but none of them spoke about it. Since Grey was able to chase Klaus and the others away with his facade, then it was best they left them alone.

Klaus walked over to them, seeing Grey, he couldn't help but hit him softly on the shoulder, "Bud, you should've at least let us win."

The second Klaus' hand hit Grey, Grey almost spat out the blood in his throat, while hissing from the pain of being hit on the back.

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Grey placed his hand on his mouth to stop himself from coughing out blood.

Lucas walked over, "Grey and I have some unfinished discussions, he will come back later."

With that, Lucas and Grey disappeared from the presence of everyone.

Martha heaved a sigh of relief internally, while Grey's grandfather chuckled.

Klaus felt it was a bit suspicious that Grey's father would take him like that, but he didn't care about it. Since Grey didn't defeat them, they were good.

"Come on, let's go back with Aunty, there is more of that delicious meal waiting for us." He urged the others.

Martha was quite fond of Klaus, he was very talkative, and also a likable person, as long as he likes you too, if not, you'd want him dead.

Take for instance, while they were waiting for Reynolds and Alice to come, they encountered Eirik, the son of the Dawson Family Head. And from what she heard, Eirik wanted to fight with Klaus for some reason.

Eirik was a proud person, but as he grew older, he had stopped being rash. The fact that he was prepared to fight with Klaus proved that Klaus truly was living up to his name of being able to annoy anyone.

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In the cave Grey was first taken to by Lucas when they first reunited.

The second they appeared, Grey spat out a mouthful of blood and fell to the ground weakly.

"Thanks, Dad." He said weakly.

Klaus' soft punch on the shoulder almost made him show them that he lost against them. With Klaus' personality, Klaus would never let him hear the end of it.

"Is he that bad?" Lucas asked.

"Not really, but my pride won't let me show him that he won. He'll get ahead of himself." Grey replied after wiping the blood off his mouth.

"I see." Lucas gave an understanding nod, he looked at Grey and asked, "The attack you used last, what was it?"

"Oh, this?" Grey opened his palm and a weaker version of the chaos orb appeared.

Making the complete one was still a little longer than usual, especially when he wanted it to be as powerful as the one he used some minutes ago.

Lucas nodded as he inspected the chaos orb from closer inspection.

He gasped and said, "It's a combination of eight elements."

He was marveled at the chaos orb. Seeing something like this was exciting, he never expected it would be possible to see something like this.

"Did you learn this on your own?"

"How's it even possible?"

Grey saw his father's excited expression and couldn't help but laugh, now he understood where he got his intuitive personality from. His father was just like him whenever he saw something new he wanted to understand.

"You're the one who placed the thing in me. The orb was from a God, the Chaos God. There were a few things I could learn as I grow stronger." Grey explained.

When he told Lucas of the Fusion State, Lucas was left dumbstruck. He couldn't believe what he was hearing. Being able to increase your cultivation stage by eight stages was something that shouldn't be possible.

If an Elementalist in the Second stage of any Plane fights against someone in the same stage as themselves, being able to increase your cultivation stage by eight means that the Elementalist can go from the second stage to the Peak of said Plane, completely overwhelming their opponents.

This was something that shouldn't be allowed to happen.

Luckily, Grey said he isn't able to use the State anymore, if not, wouldn't Grey be as strong as he once he gets to the Third stage of the Elemental Sovereign Plane?

Well, since Grey was in danger from multiple people who wanted him dead, it wouldn't be a bad thing to have such a trump card.

Lucas looked at Grey, "You said there's a world in your consciousness?"



Grey nodded.

"Is it possible to take me in?" Lucas asked.

"I've never tried to take anyone else inside. Maybe it is possible." Grey said thoughtfully.

To be honest, he never even considered the possibility of trying to take someone else's consciousness into the Chaos Space, but now that his father brought the idea up, he felt like trying it. Maybe others might also be able to benefit from this.

"Alright, let's try it." Lucas said with anticipation.

Grey looked at his condition and replied, "I'll need to rest first, Father."

"Oh, yes, yes." Lucas forgot about Grey's condition, he brought out an item and passed it to Grey, "This will help with your healing process. You should be good as new within a few hours."

Grey grabbed the pill and he could sense a massive essence stored within it.

'He would've never given me this is not for the fact that he wants to see if I can take him into the Chaos Space.' Grey pouted internally.

It couldn't be blamed, Lucas would've let him heal on his own, after all, he has the light element, but this was something he was anxious about, so he naturally wanted him to get back to his best state as soon as possible.

Grey didn't say anything to his father and took the pill, he entered the cave and sat down cross-legged.

Lucas set up some array formations around to keep Grey safe and make sure he doesn't get disturbed. Just to be extra sure, he sat down cross-legged outside the cave as he started to think of multiple possibilities.

Only those close to Lucas have seen him in such a state. The same could be said for Grey, whenever there was something new, he was always like this.

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A few hours went by shortly.

Grey finally opened his eyes, he sensed that he was about to break through to the Ninth stage of the Elemental Venerable Plane. He had been holding himself back for a while now, but he knew he finally won't be able to stop himself anymore.

A soft crackling sound resonated inside his body.

He took in a deep breath, "The Ninth stage."